



DEAR NEIGHBOUR,

Welcome to the latest edition of the Platin Local Community Newsletter.

While Covid has not gone away we are pleased to see a return to some more normal activities in the factory including a resumption of site visits by some local schools.

Our team of employees and contractors completed a successful overhaul of the entire factory last month with 15,000 hours worked in 28 days and with no lost time accidents, it was a great performance.

After a lengthy licence review process we received a new environmental licence from the EPA in October 2021. The revised licence allows us to accelerate our fossil fuel replacement plans and improves the long-term sustainability of the factory. Our ambition in Platin is to achieve over 80% fossil fuel replacement by 2030 which is the target set in the Government's Climate Action Plan for the cement industry.

We will soon be establishing a local community forum to engage directly with our neighbours on our operations and ongoing environmental performance. I will provide further updates in future Newsletters.

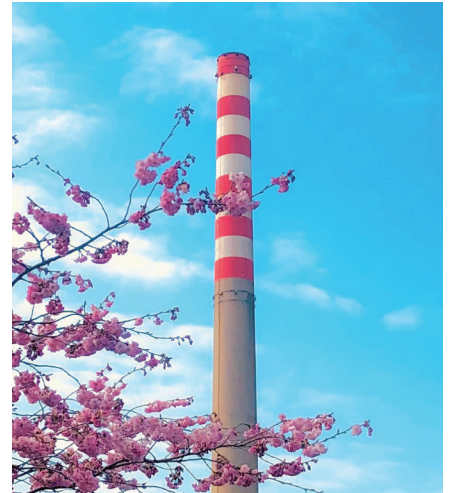
Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Yours sincerely,

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PLATIN PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION



Two of the prize-winning photographs from the recent Platin photography competition. The competition took place for both Irish Cement employees and contractors who were on site during the major overhaul works. The participants were encouraged to take photographs as they went about their daily work. The judges were looking for unusual or artistic images and once all the entries were received, they made a short list from which they chose the eventual winners. The four winners were [Adrian McCarthy](#), [Althea Manalo](#), [Jane Dover](#) and [Luke Reddy](#).

A larger selection of the photographs can be seen at www.irishcement.ie/platin-photo-competition/

OPENING OF ALZHEIMER'S DAY CARE CENTRE



Pictured here are Anne Halpin (Irish Cement), Brendan McAuley (volunteer with Drogheda Alzheimer's Branch and formerly of Irish Cement), Helen Bennett (Irish Cement) & Gerry Leydon (Chairman-Drogheda Alzheimer's Branch).

The photograph was taken in the new Tredagh Lodge Day Care Centre ahead of its opening for clients. As we reported in the last Newsletter, Irish Cement were pleased to be able to support the construction of this much needed facility from funds intended for the Irish Cement pensioners party which unfortunately, due to Covid, had to be cancelled.



**WINNERS
ANNOUNCED**
IN PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION



**ON THE
ROAD TO**
ACHIEVING ENERGY
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



ST OLIVER'S
VISIT PLATIN AS PART OF
ONE WORLD OF WORK
PROGRAMME



ST OLIVER'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE 'WORLD OF WORK' VISIT



It was great to welcome 2nd year students and their teacher, Laurence McEntee from St Oliver's Community College to Platin. The visit was part of their World of Work Programme.

Also in attendance was Kate Horton, North East Regional Coordinator for Business in the Community Ireland who has been working with St Oliver's and the team in Platin for many years.

The World of Work Programme provides 2nd year post-primary school students with an opportunity to meet employees from local companies. It facilitates conversations and insights to the diverse range of roles in the workplace and inspires and encourages young people to look towards the future.



DULEEK BANDITS U12 BOYS CUP



Pictured above are Duleek Bandits winners of an historic league and cup double in 2021. The team performed consistently throughout the season and all their hard work paid off as they won the Teddy Seery Cup under the bright lights of Drogheda United Park. In recognition of their fantastic achievement Irish Cement are delighted to sponsor their training tops and we wish them continued success at U13 level this season.



ISO 50001 - ENERGY MANAGEMENT STANDARD



A team in Platin has been working since 2020 on achieving the Energy Management System ISO 50001 which is considered the global benchmark standard for Energy Management. This international standard is compatible with other management system standards in Platin like ISO 9001 Quality Management Standard and ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems Standard.

ISO 50001 recognises the ongoing improvements in energy performance, energy efficiency, energy use and consumption in Platin. In addition, it sets out an overall energy policy, prioritises monitoring and measuring of energy performance and longer-term energy planning. The team expects certification to ISO 50001 during the summer.