

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL
FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**BLANCHARDSTOWN-MULHUDDART/CASTLEKNOCK/ONGAR AREA
COMMITTEE MEETING**

(Services B – Strategic and General Matters)

THURSDAY 1st OCTOBER 2026

ITEM NO. 23

**LETTING OF HOUSES AT FORTLAWN COMMUNITY GARDEN -
AI109949**

Motion: Councillor A. Donnelly

“That the Chief Executive examines a way to let out the two vacant houses at the Fortlawn community garden, so that the houses do not lie empty for years while the homeless numbers continue to rise.”

Report:

Preparatory work on the proposed development continues to progress, including the planned demolition of the properties as they become vacant. Engagement with the remaining affected households remains an important part of the project, and the Council is committed to continuing communication and support to them throughout the process.

Detailed design of the scheme is progressing, and updates will be provided as the project reaches key milestones and as arrangements for the next stages, including the planned demolition of the vacant properties are finalised.

As plans for the demolition of the two vacant properties are progressing, they would not be suitable for reletting in the short term.

The scheme once complete will provide a significant number of new, modern homes and improved public infrastructure, supporting the long-term regeneration of the area.

Source of Report:

Aoife Lalwer, Senior Executive Officer, Housing Department.