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A Voice for People, Community & Environment

Ten Years and Still Waiting for Regeneration!

It's a year since Dublin City Council's plans to regenerate O'Devaney Gardens and Dominick Street using a so-called 'Public Private Partnership' (PPP) collapsed and six months since the same thing happened to the Croke Villas scheme.

The Council has come up with a new plan for O'Devaney and Dominick Street and the outgoing councillors from all parties have backed it. But this 'Plan B' will take 12 years to complete! And it again relies on private builders just like Bernard McNamara and the Bennetts – the developers who left residents high and dry because they didn't stand to make enough profit. The Council has still not announced what it intends to do about Croke Villas.



Residents protested outside the Anglo Irish Bank one year to the day since McNamara pulled out of the PPP scheme. On the left residents portrayed the 'Golden Circle' that has ruined Ireland's economy and many lives: the rich golfer, the bankster, the corrupt politician and the cowboy developer. The demand is to bail communities – not bankers and developers.

Residents' Protests Keep the Council under Pressure

Colm Stephens of the People Before Profit Alliance says

- These areas must be regenerated immediately! In twelve years the communities will be destroyed.
- Instead of bailing out rich bankers the Government should use the money that is there to pay for the regeneration
- The community must have real involvement in planning the regeneration.
- No to gated areas of private houses cut off from the rest of the community.

People Before Profit will continue to support the people of O'Devaney Gardens, Dominick Street and Croke Villas in their protests and demonstrations. This is way to keep the pressure on the Council and to force them to make regeneration a priority.