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Signs of savage attack – Cork skeleton find is likely to be case of murder

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Skeletal remains recovered from a shallow grave in Cork were wrapped in a heavy-duty industrial bag and showed signs of a savage beating.

Gardaí are awaiting formal identification and cause of death findings on the remains found on Monday in a trench some 80 metres from an east Cork roadway.

Detectives are poised to launch a murder investigation if the skeletal remains are confirmed to be those of Kieran Quilligan (47) who went missing in Cork city centre last September.

A post-mortem examination is understood to have indicated the individual was subjected to a horrific and prolonged assault.

Gardaí fear Mr Quilligan was lured to a Cork city centre property and then abducted before being attacked over a drug debt.

An initial examination of the scene indicated that attempts had been made to conceal the remains, although they had not been deeply buried.

Partially covered by a reinforced bag, they were found after a cadaver dog repeatedly indicated the site to its handlers.

There are indications the as-yet-unidentified individual did not die at the location but was likely moved there from another site.

Mr Quilligan, who was known to gardaí, had been a heroin addict for over a decade.

Detectives believe that a gang linked to the supply of the drug in the Cork area may be linked to Mr Quilligan's disappearance.

The skeletal remains found this week were fully clothed and

it is understood the garments involved, while badly degraded, are generally similar to those Mr Quilligan was wearing when he was last seen.

Formal identification may require dental records and potentially DNA analysis.

Gardaí are hopeful that clothing and distinctive body markings, including a tattoo, will aid the identification process.

Monday's discovery followed a targeted search by gardaí of scrubland some 6km outside Whitegate village near the Rostellan road.

Gardaí believe that the remains were brought to the scene by car and then dragged from the roadway to the shallow grave.

Members of the Quilligan family visited the site again yesterday and laid flowers near the scene.

One garda source said the remains had clearly been at the scene for some time, likely several months.

Last September, gardaí said they feared for the safety and wellbeing of Mr Quilligan.

A number of suspects in his disappearance have already been identified by detectives.

A major search for Mr Quilligan was previously conducted in the Little Island area of Cork but concluded without anything of significance being found.

Gardaí interviewed the man last seen on CCTV security camera footage with Mr Quilligan and are hoping to trace all vehicles driven along Proby's Quay by St Finbarr's Place in Cork city centre on the evening of September 1 amid growing concerns the 47-year-old was driven out of the area.

Scientists discover why lights attract flying insects

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Scientists may have solved the mystery of why flying insects are attracted to lights at night.

A new study suggests the behaviour is due to insects mistaking the light for the direction of "up".

The findings indicate that artificial light causes erratic flight, and makes the creatures continually correct their flight path, resulting in insect vertigo and producing what we see as an attraction to artificial light.

Artificial light has been known to attract flying insects for many years, with written records from the Roman Empire describing the use of light to trap insects. However, the reason for this has been unclear, with previous research proposing that insects may

be interpreting artificial light as an escape route, or that the moon has some role to play.

"We think the weird flight is due to insects confusing the light with the direction of 'up'," corresponding author Samuel Fabian, from Imperial College London, said.

"For 370 million years insects have been flying around, the sky has almost always been brighter than the ground.

"Insects, among other animals including fish, use the brightest region as an indicator of where the sky is, and thus which way is up.

"Knowing which way is up is critical for flight, as you must direct flight forces to cancel out acceleration due to gravity.

"However, we've started spoiling this general rule by creating bright lights at night. Insects think these bright patches are the sky

and tilt their backs towards them (called the dorsal-light response) to redirect their flight forces to where they think gravity should be.

"Unfortunately, they're wrong about where gravity is, and this imbalance leads them in all sorts of weird flight paths." The researchers used high-speed infrared cameras to track the flights of insects including moths, dragonflies, fruit flies and hawk moths under a range of light conditions.

They found that insects correct their flight course so their back is facing towards the light source.

With natural light sources such as the sun, this response causes the insect to hold a steady flight path correctly oriented with their horizon. The findings are published in *Nature Communications*.



AN TACHT UM PLEANÁIL AGUS FORBAIRT, 2000 (ARNA LEASÚ)

NA RIALACHÁIN UM PLEANÁIL AGUS FORBAIRT, 2001 (ARNA LEASÚ) - CUID 8

Iarratasóir: Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath - An Roinn Seirbhísí Tithíochta agus Pobail.

Suíomh: Cúirt Naomh Áine, Ráth Eanaigh, Baile Átha Cliath 5.

Togra: De bhun na riachtanas a bhaineann leis an méid thuasluaite, tugtar fógra leis seo i dtaca le: Athfhorbairt bheartaithe Chúirt Naomh Áine agus na hoibreacha seachtracha bainteacha atá suite ag Páirc na Naomh, Ráth Eanaigh, Baile Átha Cliath 5.

Cuimsíonn an suíomh reatha, i láthair na huair, 5 bhloc tithíochta dhá stór ina soláthraítear seomra suí is leapa an duine do 61 duine breacaosta mar aon le seomra pobail, arb iad a chuimsíonn Coimpléasc Chúirt Naomh Áine do Sheanáirí.

Cuimsíonn an fhorbairt atá beartaithe ar an suíomh 0.58 Ha, a ndéanfaidh Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath bainistiú uirthi:

- Cúig fhoirgneamh árasáin dhá stór ar an láthair, a chuimsíonn 61 aonad seomra suí is leapa, a scartáil.
- 102 árasán 1 leapa a thógáil do 'Dhaoine Breacaosta' a chuimsíonn 96 aonad 1 leapa do bheirt den mhúnla Árasán Dearadh Uilíoch agus 6 aonad 1 leapa do bheirt den mhúnla Árasán Dearadh Uilíoch Plus i mbloc imlíneach 4-stór, ina gcuimsíofar seomra caidrimh agus clós daingnithe tirdhreachaithe.
- Spásanna oscailte poiblí agus príobháideacha a sholáthar, chomh maith le struchtúir choimhdeacha agus oibríochtaí infreastructúir / infreastructúir tacaíochta, tirdhreachú, soilsiú poiblí, athbheithniú ar rochtain, cosáin, láimhseáil na dtiorainneacha agus na hoibreacha cuí eile, rud a chumasaíonn oibreacha, bóithre agus seirbhísí.
- Fostáisiún BSL nua a thógáil.

Féadfar Pleananna agus Mionsonraí na forbartha atá molta a iniúchadh, nó a cheannach ar tháille nach mó ná an costas réasúnach a bhaineann le cóip a dhéanamh ar feadh tréimhse 4 seachtaine ón 31/01/2024, le linn uaireanta oscailte poiblí ag oifigí Chomhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, An Cuntar Poiblí, an Roinn Pleanála agus Forbartha Maoine, Bloc 4, Urlár na Talún, Oifigí na Cathrach, an Ché Adhmaid, Baile Átha Cliath 8, Luan - Aoine 9.00r.n. go 4.30i.n.

Tá na pleananna agus na sonraí ar fáil freisin lena n-íniúchadh ar líne ar Citizen Space <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/>

Tar éis réamhscrúdú a dhéanamh, tá sé socráithe ag an Údarás Áitiúil nach dócha go mbeidh tionchar suntasach ag an bhforbairt atá molta ar an gcomhshaoil, agus mar sin, níl gá le Measúnacht Tionchair Timpeallachta.

Is féidir aighneacht nó tuairim maidir leis an bhforbairt mholta, a bhaineann le pleanáil cheart agus forbairt inbhuanaithe an cheantair ina mbeadh an fhorbairt suite, a dhéanamh i scríbhinn leis an mBainisteoir Feidhmiúcháin, an Rannóg Pleanála agus Forbartha Réadmhaoine, Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, Oifigí na Cathrach, an Ché Adhmaid, Baile Átha Cliath 8, roimh 4.30pm ar an 14/03/2024.

Is féidir aighneachtaí nó tuairimí a chur isteach ar líne freisin ar Citizen Space - <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/> - roimh 23.59 p.m. ar an 14/03/2024.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED)

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (AS AMENDED) - PART 8

Applicant: Dublin City Council - Housing and Community Services Department.

Location: St Anne's Court, Raheny, Dublin 5.

Proposal: Pursuant to the requirements of the above, notice is hereby given of: The proposed redevelopment of St. Anne's Court and associated external works situated at All Saints Park, Raheny, Dublin 5.

The existing site currently comprises of 5 no. two-storey housing blocks providing 61 older persons bedsits and a community room which form St Anne's Court Senior Citizens Complex.

The proposed development on the 0.58 Ha site, which will be managed by Dublin City Council, comprises of:

- Demolition of five two storey apartment buildings containing 61 bedsit units on site.
- Construction of 102 no. 1-bed apartments for 'Older Persons' comprising of 96 no. 1-bed 2-person units Universal Design Apartments and 6 no. 1-bed 2-person Universal Design Plus apartments in a 4-storey perimeter block, including a communal room and a secure landscaped courtyard.
- Provision of public and private open spaces; ancillary structures and associated site infrastructure works / supporting infrastructure, landscaping, public lighting, revision to access, pavements, boundary treatments and all other necessary enabling works, roads and services.
- Construction of new ESB substation.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy for a period of 4 weeks from 31/1/2024 during public opening hours at the offices of Dublin City Council, Public Counter, Planning and Property Development Department, Block 4, Ground Floor, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, Monday - Friday 9.00am to 4.30pm.

The plans and particulars are also available for inspection online on Citizen Space <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/>

The Local Authority has concluded following a preliminary examination that there is no real likelihood of the proposed development having significant effects on the environment and therefore an EIA is not required.

A submission or observation in relation to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made, in writing, to the Executive Manager, Planning and Property Development Department, Dublin City Council, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, before 4.30pm on 14/03/2024.

Submissions or observations may also be made online on Citizen Space - <https://consultation.dublincity.ie/> - before 23.59 p.m. on 14/03/2024.

Part 8

