

CLONBINANE C.F.A.



Road Safety

With winter finally upon us we now face more dangerous road conditions. Less light throughout the day, rain, fog and of course wildlife. We take this time to remind our community to make sure that you have tyres with plenty of tread on them, to take your time when driving and of course to drive to the road/weather conditions.

House Fires

Many residential fires that result in fatalities and/or serious injuries start in sleeping areas. Most of these fires are caused by mechanical failure of heating systems, appliances and equipment.

- The risk of dying from fire is greatest at night when you are asleep. When we sleep, we lose our sense of smell. Without a working smoke alarm, you may not wake up in time to escape.
- Smoking in bed is very dangerous. Never smoke in bed.
- Ensure powered electrical appliances like phones, hairdryers, hair straighteners and laptops are not left on bedding.
- Turn electric blanket on 30 minutes before getting into bed and turn off as you get into bed.
- Keep electric blankets flat with controls at the side of the bed.
- Regularly check for broken or worn wiring and discolouration.
- Stored electric blankets should be rolled and not folded.
- Never sleep with the electric blanket on. It causes hot spots and may result in a fire.

ONLY WORKING SMOKE ALARMS SAVE LIVES

- Test monthly.
- Dust annually.
- Change batteries annually.
- Replace alarm every 10 years.

Check your smoke alarm

Only a working smoke alarm will alert you and your loved ones in the event of a fire

