

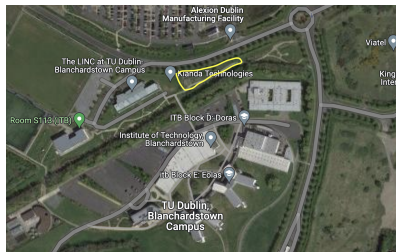
A new community garden at TU Dublin Blanchardstown

TU Dublin, Fingal County Council and Global Action Plan have teamed up to provide a centre for learning and social inclusion open to the community.

West Dublin will soon have a new amenity for all its community groups and schools, with the opening of the **GLAS @ TU Dublin community garden** in Blanchardstown.

Located on the campus of TU Dublin Blanchardstown, the new community garden will provide a gardening space for people of all ages and abilities. Visitors and volunteers can reap the benefits of what they sow together, learn about organic gardening, obtain key horticultural skills, or simply enjoy meeting other people.

The ½ acre site is owned by the university, and will be operated by Global Action Plan, with financial support from Fingal County Council.



The GLAS @ TU Dublin community garden will be a place where individuals, community groups and schools can come to learn about gardening and sustainability, or to simply enjoy being out in the Irish weather, growing healthy food. The garden is a space where people get to meet and share, discover new skills and reconnect with nature.

In the coming months, representatives from Fingal County Council, Global Action Plan and TU Dublin will extend invitations to local groups, large and small, to come discover the new garden, and to explore its benefits.

Among the activities planned for the garden are:

- **Individual volunteering:** for members of the community who are interested in social horticulture;
- **Nature Explorer:** an inclusive programme of nature connection activities for members of the community, particularly those who have little or no access to green spaces;
- **Green Living workshops:** workshops on composting, growing vegetables and waste reduction;
- **Youth Gardening:** horticulture activities for young people;
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