

Norman Gardens Score Card
July 9, 2023



Jaqueline Lewis J.P, MSc, BSc Councillor, Norman Gardens Division

“There are two types of people who will tell you that you cannot make a difference in this world: those who are afraid to try and those who are afraid you will succeed.”

- Ray Gofort

DIVISIONAL REPORTS JUNE 2022- JUNE 2023

This newsletter reflects the report of activities carried out by the Councillor of the Norman Gardens Division, Jacqueline Lewis, from June 2022 to June 2023. Importantly, the newsletter is intended to provide an annual update of the main issues of concerns of the communities of Harbour Heights, Rennock Lodge, Poker Flat, Johnson Town, Pleasant Heights, Norman Gardens, Burger Community and Rollington Town.

COUNCILLOR'S REMARKS

Let me use this opportunity to thank all residents of the Norman Gardens Division. I am truly humbled by the confidence you continue to place, and I am indeed honored to be serving for a fourth year as your representative in the KSAMC. You have my unwavering commitment to advocate for those issues that will faithfully reflect your priorities and for the improvement of our quality of life, as well as the sustained development of our community. This report reflects my efforts during this period.

I remain committed to being inclusive, ensuring that we have regular community meetings and that the issues discussed are followed up on, and that plans made are implemented.

From our ongoing discussions, it is clear that among the **issues** that still need to be addressed are: *increasing employment opportunities; keeping our streetlights working; improving the plaguing water crisis; ensuring that our community is sanitary and safe;* as well as to *continue to repairing and maintaining our roads*. Indeed, I have been concentrating on these issues and will continue to do so in the ensuing months.as I remain vigilant and accessible (always just a phone call away!).

I would like to pay special thanks to the team (Cluster Managers, PD Captains and Community Leaders) that supports me in keeping connected in our communities, organizing community meetings, making reports on issues as they arise and bringing citizens together to do community projects. I am as always exceedingly grateful for all you continue to do. I extend a distinctive word of gratitude to our MP, Mr. Phillip Paulwell for continuing the tradition of a great collaborative partnership resulting in prolific effects from our combined efforts.

You have all kept me reminded that teamwork makes the dream work. Let us continue **POWERING** that dream! TIME COME!!

Divisional Organization The Norman Garden's Division maintained a recognized status under the watchful eyes of Councillor Jacqueline Lewis. The division remains politically vibrant and relevant under the current leadership. The Councillor enjoys the full support of the executive team navigated by comrade chairman Peter Young. The division continues to convey its regular monthly meeting at 6 Cheriton Road and would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to comrade Paul Burke for his accommodations and generosity in allowing us to host our divisional meetings sometimes without due notice, at no financial obligation. The Division currently has twenty-two (22) functional groups. The current group servicing requires greater improvement going forward, it is imperative for some group members and chairmen to move away from the dependency syndrome of the Councillor paying for their groups whenever they go in abeyance, instead to ensure that chairmen of groups hold regular group meetings, maintain and pay for their own future group dues.

Enumeration & Canvassing A special enumeration committee was convened to bolster the enumeration process in the division. The committee is spearheaded by Marlon Johnson and Comrade Paul Works who is also in charge of electoral matters in the division. Canvassing is an ongoing project with the goal to ensure that the entire Division is fully covered.

Canvas Team at work



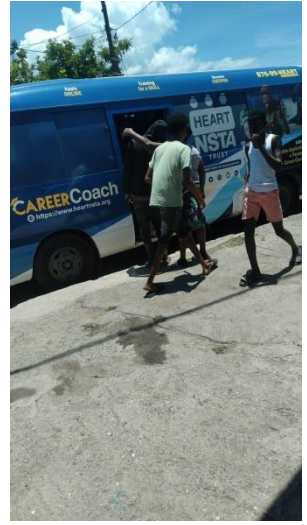
Education and Training Initiatives

The focus on education and training continue to be an important hallmark of Councillor Lewis effort, in ensuring that our children and youths are prepared to make the most of learning opportunities and have a chance at upward social mobility. MP Paulwell along with Councillor Lewis continues to assist with back to school assistance with approximately 400 persons receiving scholarship and grants during the period. Students were assisted with the purchase of school books, the payment of tuition fees.

This year we seek to get as many persons as possible enrolled in training programs offered by various institutions and promote those that are being offered to our community. So far one hundred and twenty (120) unattached youth have enrolled in HEART Trust NTA Skills training program, eighty from Harbour Height, forty from Rennock Lodge We are still encouraging persons to apply for the Registered for skills training and Skills Certification Program.

In this regard we must commend: the Rockfort HEART TRUST NTA and Delaware State University (DSU) local representative, Dr. Kornel Brown for significantly helping to drive educational initiatives across the division. I would also like to specially recognize the Harbour Heights Citizen Committee and the Rollington Town Community Development Committee as these two groups continue to lead the way in building participatory community leadership and harnessing community expertise in the implementation of projects. Below are some highlights of our educational activities.

HARBOUR HEIGHTS RECRUITMENT DRIVE



**Norman Gardens
Division Heart /NSTA
Recruitment Drive**

MAY 5, 2023

**Corner of Adarstra Road
And Rusden Road**

PROGRAMMES
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION,
PLUMBING,
ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION,
CARPENTRY, HOUSEKEEPING,
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE,
WELDING,
AC/REFRIGERATION,
MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINE SYSTEM,
MOTOR VEHICLE BODY REPAIRS,
BARBERING,HAIRDRESSING,
MAKE-UP ARTISTRY, NAIL TECHNOLOGY,
DRYWALL CONSTRUCTION,
TILE LAYING AND MORE



Entry Requirements

*2 passport size pictures
TRN, ID, NIS
Birth Certificate*

**Councillor
Jacqueline Lewis**

**SILVER AND GOLD WILL VANISHED AWAY
A GOOD EDUCATION WILL NEVER DECAY**

10am-2pm



DELAWARE STATE RECRUITMENT DRIVE

(Councillor Lewis invited Delaware State University to host a recruitment drive for those wishing to continue their studies to have an opportunity to attend University overseas. Ten Students were successful in being accepted to pursue undergraduate degrees, and three for Graduate degrees [one Masters and two PHDs])



DSU Information Session



Report on Child's Month

The Councillor partnered with several stakeholders to realize three children treat two schools and a community fun day. ” On May 23, 2023 Over 100 children between 4 - 18 years old were treated by Councillor Jacqueline Lewis in collaboration with Power of Praise Deliverance Temple to a BIG KIDS TREAT dubbed “BRING BACK THE LOVE at Windward Road Junior HIGH. The treat was well received by both adults and children. Thanks to the chaperones that were extremely helpful and caring. The Students of Wilbert Stewart Infant School were all so sponsor for child's month by Councillor Lewis with popcorn, snow cones and bounce house.



POWER OF PRAISE DELIVERANCE TEMPLE
IN ASSOCIATION WITH COUNCILOR JACQUELINE LEWIS
PRESENTS

A BIG KIDS Treat

"BRING BACK DI LOVE"

MAY 23 2023 MUSIC BY **DJ CHINNEY**

ADM: \$150

WINDWARD ROAD
PRIMARY & JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
141 WINDWARD ROAD KINGSTON 2

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FOOD & REFRESHMENTS FREE!
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Report on Labour Day Activities

Labour Day 2023 was a collaborative effort by the MP and Councillor, both the young and old came together to lend a hand in cleaning up their community. Welcome Sign Labels were constructed in two communities, Rennock Lodge and Harbour Heights. The Burgher Gardens Community Park was clean and bushed and bulky waste removed.

Rennock Lodge Welcome Sign

BEFORE



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Here's how we are Looking Now



Harbor Heights Welcome Sign



Bulky waste removal from Burgher



Reading across Jamaica Day

Read across Jamaica Day saw Councillor Jacqueline Lewis reading at the Rennock Lodge All Age School. A total of fifty reading books and educational Materials were donated to various schools. Thanks to all our parents and members who visited a school of their choice and joined in this initiative to promote the pleasure of reading. We encourage those who were unable to do so to make a special effort in 2024. I can assure us that the welcome smiles and enthusiasm of the students are constant reminders of a morning well spent.



Employment Opportunities

Let me thank those companies in the Division that continue to employ persons who live in the communities. The M.P and Councillor continue to promote those opportunities of which they are aware. In addition we are happy to report on the following:

1.Farm Work - a total of 10(5 per year) overseas employment application forms were distributed to individuals within the Division. All have been submitted to the Ministry of labor. Eight (8) people were successful in the selection process.

2.Christmas Work Program - Over 420 persons were mobilized in December 2023 to clean verges, bush open spaces and paint of kerb walls. This provided an opportunity for temporary employment of laborers, persons operating whackers and trucks providing garbage removal.

3.Summer Employment Program - a total of 30 applications were submitted for summer employment offered by both the Member of Parliament and the National Youth Service. These programs employ students from the secondary and tertiary levels providing well needed work experience and back to school assistance.

4.Short Term Poverty Reduction Program - 45 persons from the Norman Gardens Division benefitted from grants awarded by the Member of Parliament. These grants are meant to improve entrepreneurship in the Division and to lower unemployment. Based on feedback, it is recommended that some follow up be done with recipients to monitor the success rate of the economic activities undertaken by individuals.

5.Bee Keeping – Five YO members received 5 - 10 bees' boxes each as an alternate entrepreneurial activity. This venture was possible with the partnership with the Jamaica 4 H club.

Bee Keeping Project Highlights



Economic and Welfare

Over 350 packages, sponsored by the Member of Parliament, were distributed to Shut Ins by the Councillor and her Executive Team.

Our annual Easter program this year included buns for 100 persons.

I continue to advocate the relevant authority and agitate for the less fortunate

Improving our infrastructure

In keeping with the desire of residents for a clean, safe and thriving community, Councillor Jacqueline Lewis and MP Paulwell have combined their efforts and have been able to complete several improvements to roads in the division rehabilitation parts of Hillside Crescent.

Under the KSAMC DAF program Hillside Crescent got a total rehabilitation and several others repaired: those repaired are as follows

- Kensington Road.
- Norman Terrace
- Range Crescent
- Waterloo Road
- Cartridge Road

We are however conscious of the fact that there is need for repairs on several others and will continue our vigorous advocacy for others to be repaired.

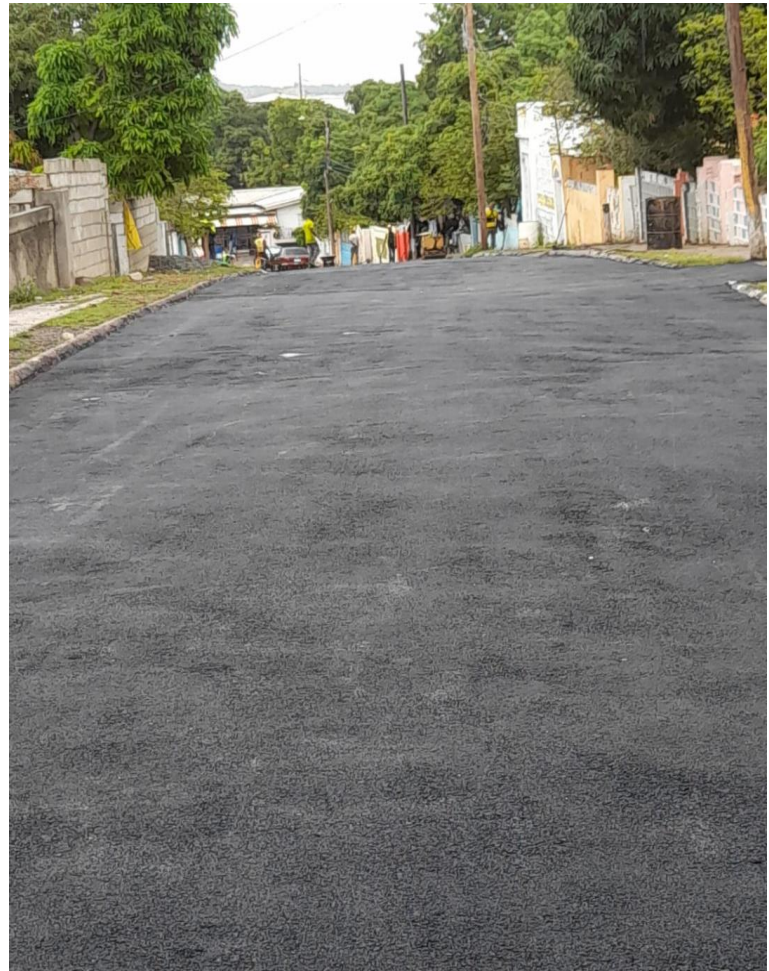
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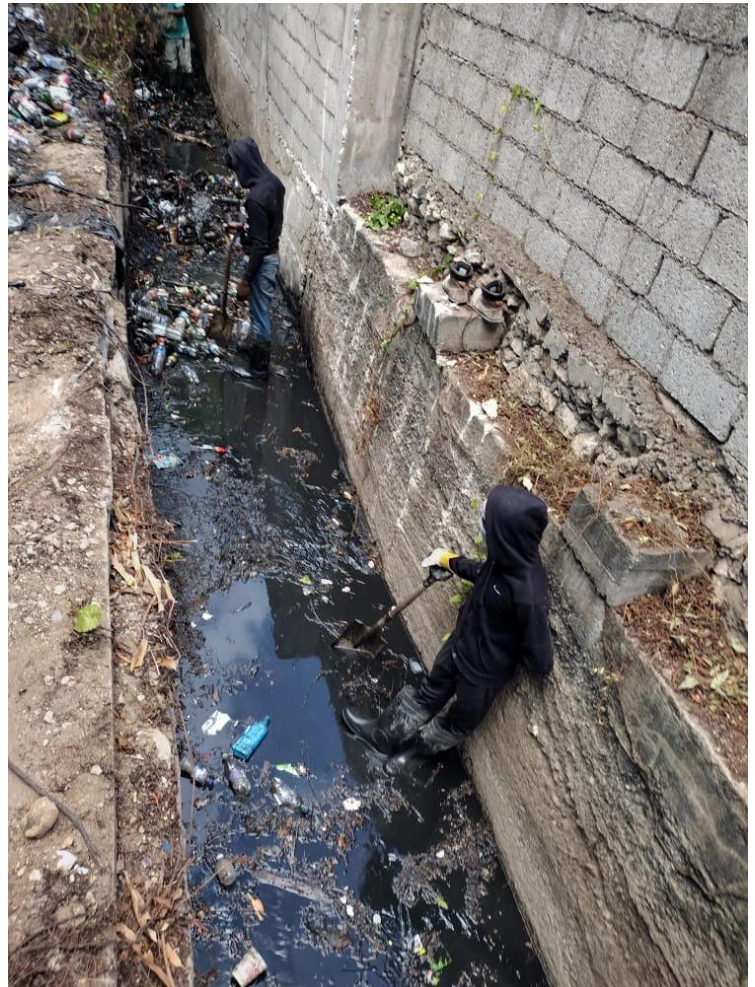
Drain Cleaning

A major drain cleaning exercise was carried out in the Harbour Heights Community in the last half of May and the Adastra drain was the focus of attention before the recent rains in June. Drain covers have also been repaired in Harbour Drive as the start of a drain over repair program to improve the safety of our sidewalks. These drain cleaning activities provided temporary employment for over 50 residents in these communities where these drains are situated. See below what the drains were looking like before the major cleaning exercise.

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Here's how we are Looking Now



Thank You All



I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE NORMAN GORDON DIVISION

"I HEAR YOU"

CONTINUE TO CONNECT USING THE DROP BOXES

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