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War of words over register

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A WAR of words has broken out between Sinn Féin and Limerick City Council officials after Sinn Féin representatives yesterday hand delivered, to City Hall, a list of almost 200 people from St Mary's Park it claims have been omitted from the electoral register.



Maurice Quinlivan and Tom Collopy (SF) at City Hall.
Picture: Keith Wiseman

Sinn Féin representative Maurice Quinlivan, who delivered the list with party colleague Tom Collopy, also accused the Council of been dismissive and who "challenged us to produce more than anecdotal evidence regarding our concerns".

Liz Creamer, Administrative Officer, Corporate Services Dept, Limerick City Council hit back: "Our register is one of the most accurate in the country. We have field workers who go around door to door. If they don't meet someone at the door they leave a form in the letterbox and then it's up to the person to fill in their details and send it back to us."

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Limerick man on top of the world and just hours from tragedy...



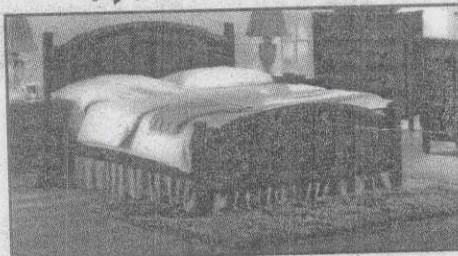
The final picture taken of heroic County Limerick mountaineer, Gerard McDonnell, captured in elated, patriotic form, just moments after he became the first Irishman to reach the summit of the world's second highest peak, the 8,611m K2 Mountain on the Pakistani-Chinese Border, on Friday August 1, 2008. Tragically, Mr McDonnell and 10 other climbers were killed on their descent the following day. Hundreds of people attended the memorial service for Mr McDonnell last weekend in his native Kilcormac, Co Limerick. See full story by Alan Jacques on Page 04

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Hospital group's 'u-turn'

Private hospital group issues apology to Limerick TD

THE medical group which has attained planning permission to build a private hospital on the grounds of the public Mid-Western Regional Hospital has issued an apology to Limerick Labour TD, Jan O'Sullivan in a statement seen only by the Limerick Independent.

Pauline Cullen, Commercial Director of Beacon Medical Group (BMG), told the Limerick Independent last week that the group had "repeatedly requested a meeting with Jan O'Sullivan" by phone

and via email after the Limerick TD raised concerns about the €250m project.

Responding this week Deputy O'Sullivan told this newspaper that she "refuted" the comments made by the Beacon Medical Group and that no one from the organisation had contacted her office.

"I have spoken with my staff and no communications by phone or email had been made by the Beacon Medical Group to my office."

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