

THE ECOLOGICAL HEALTH AS DEMONSTRATED BY THE VARIETY AND NUMBERS OF WILDLIFE AT CITYWEST.



THE ACCREDITATION OF CITYWEST BY WILDLIFE.

**Working with nature and not against it.
The former is cost effective, the latter is futile**

Halcyon ; The Ultimate Accreditation of Citywest by Kingfishers visiting Riverwalk and the Tara Lake



Modern taxonomy refers to the winds and sea in naming kingfishers after a classical Greek myth. The first pair of the mythical-bird Halcyon (kingfishers) were created from a marriage of Alcyone and Ceyx. Special "halcyon days" were granted and are the seven days on either side of the winter solstice when storms shall never again occur for them. The Halcyon birds' "days" were for caring for the winter-hatched clutch (or brood), but the phrase "Halcyon days" also refers specifically to an idyllic time in the past, or in general to a peaceful time.

Kingfisher nesting boxes were installed on the Tara Lake Island



Residents and visitors to Citywest



Male Mallard resident to the Tara Lake



Coot and family in the reeds in the Tara Lake



Tufted Duck resident in the Tara Lake



Juvenile Black Headed Gulls on the Tara Lake



Common Gull on the Tara Lake



Juvenile Herring Gull taking a bath



Little Egret regular visitor to Riverwalk



Blue Tit



Great Tit



Blackbird



Song Thrush



Wheatear



Chaffinch



Rook at the Tara Lake



Adult and juvenile Moorhen in the reeds at Waterside



Mallard ducklings at the Tara Pool



Hooded Crow



Little Grebe or Dabchick on the Tara Lake



Mallard ducklings in the Tara Pool



Resident female Mallards at the Tara Lake



**Resident Grey Heron
at
Waterside
and
the
Tara Lake**



Mute Swan and Cygnets on manoeuvres entering the stream.



Resident Little Grebe or Dabchick at the Tara Lake



Terrapin can be seen on warm says sunning itself on rocks in the Tara Lake.



Coot on its nest on Tara Lake



**Magpie
nest
outside
Citywest offices**



Coot and its brood at Waterside



**Female Mallard
watching over her ducklings at the Tara Pool**