IN CONTROVERSY AS COPS SWOOP IN

He is also part of the doomed consortium ordered to pay back €6 million to AIB and once bid to buy key items from Weston Airport.

Number 4 Coldwater is registered as owned by Bellrush Limited and with an address at Mansfield’s solicitor Noel Ní Mhunró. Number 5 is owned by Tony Mansfield – the most modest of the three brothers.

Impressive

The house is mortgaged to Bank of Scotland – the same bank his father went under, owing a staggering €200 million to.

It is understood gardaí are also investigating who owns the land which was the homestead of ‘Fat’ Andy Connors before his murder six months ago. The site, which our aerial photographs show from directly on to Coldwater Lakes, is still home to Connors’ wife Ann and large family.

Connors was a key member of a group of ruthless robbers who travelled the country carrying out burglaries.

He was also a banker for gangland and it is understood he was murdered in a dispute over a €500,000 loan. He is believed to have been killed by an INLA hitman.

Officers believe Jim Jr was offered protection from paramilitaries in recent months after gardaí learned of threats to his life during their investigation into the murder of Connors. Jim Jr denies that he has security or that he was ever issued with an official warning that his life was in danger. It is just another shadow cast over the playground of the local prince.

secured on his family home.

O’Callaghan, a tax defaulter who was forced to make a settlement with the Revenue for almost €250,000, sold one of his Coldwater properties for a snap at €3,340,000 late last year. The six-bed mansion, No.18, has remained unoccupied and unfinished since.

He is also the owner of No.8 Coldwater Lakes, which PJ Mansfield continues to use as his business address.

It is understood that he and ex-wife Andrea Roche once lived at the plush pad, which is now on the market for €700,000.

Electrician Brian Higgins, another close friend of Jim Jr and Glen O’Callaghan, was so impressed with Coldwater that he once owned FOUR of the properties.

DANCE superstar Michael Flatley’s father, Michael Snr, who passed away at his Chicago home last weekend, will be buried in Co. Carlow on Wednesday.

The late Mr Flatley will be given a traditional funeral in the county where he and his wife, Elizabeth, have owned a holiday home for several decades.

A funeral Mass will be held in St Moling’s Church, Glynn, Co. Carlow, at 11am on Wednesday, with burial afterwards in St Mullin’s cemetery.

Michael Flatley Snr (77) was a native of Colfadda, near Ballymote, in County Sligo.

Mr Flatley wed Elizabeth, a native of County Carlow, in Detroit in 1956 before moving to Chicago. The couple had five children, sons Michael and Patrick and daughters Anne-Marie, Eliza and Thomas.

Dancing

Lord of the Dance creator and performer Michael Flatley is devastated by the loss of his beloved father, who had supported his dancing career from an early age.

“My father was my hero,” he told the Sunday World.

As he prepared to dance for the last time at Dublin’s 3Arena on March 27 and 28 in his spectacular new show Dangerous Games, Michael was looking forward to having his father and his own son, Michael St James, in the front row – three generations of male Flatleys.

Sadly it was not to be. “God had other plans for my dad,” he said.

MAN SAVED FROM RIVER

A MAN who was seen jumping into Cork’s River Lee in the early hours of yesterday morning was later found hiding in a nearby culvert.

The alarm was raised just after 7am when the man was seen entering the water in front of City Hall.

The emergency services rushed to the scene, while a rescue helicopter flew over the city to assist in the operation.