Mary Fayne is a long-term resident of Dún Laoghaire who was educated at St. Mary's Convent School.

She worked at St. Michael's Hospital before spending a few years in the Middle East and London.

Following this she returned to Sandycove where she raised a family of four children and was involved in the community through Glasthule Summer Project, Sandycove Sea-scouts, CBC Monkstown, Harold Schools Glasthule and Loreto College Dalkey. She is now a Fine Gael county councillor representing Dún Laoghaire.