

NOT POSTIE'S DA BLASTS 'SUM OF EARTH' THUGS

THE father of a postman left brain dead after being shot in the face has blasted the "scum" responsible.

A man in his 20s was arrested yesterday in connection with the shooting of Robert Delaney, left, in 2008.



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The 29-year-old victim's dad Terry told the Irish Sun: "This is a further positive development as far as we're concerned. *"The main thing now is that we get justice for Robert and that people are brought to justice. They are the scum of the earth."*

Dad-of-two Robert, from Talaght, Dublin, has been in a vegetative state since he was hit in

the face when he looked out of his bedroom window.

He still has 16 shotgun pellets lodged in his brain and will need 24-hour care for the rest of his life. Terry is offering a €20,000 reward for information leading to a conviction.

He added: "Hopefully this arrest will lead to justice."

"Robert is still in the same vegetative state with no way of communicating. There is no prospect of recovery for Robert."

"We're still going up to the hospital every day to be with him. It's a daily struggle, a nightmare, but we have to just continue on."

Tragic Robert was shot when he opened the window of his apartment at 7.30am after the doorbell rang.

His partner Mags, 27, and their children Megan, seven, and two-year-old Katie witnessed the horror incident.

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