

Cork County PPN News Letter Issue 34 24th of February 2022 To Cork County PPN members,

Upcoming events and news are listed for your information

Cork County PPN News

1. To view past newsletters go to Latest News - Cork County PPN

2. PPN Linkage Groups

PUBLIC CONSULATIONS

We are delighted to announce the setting up of our linkage groups. Linkage groups are an essential layer of the PPN. They 'link' our Representatives up with our Members. They facilitate input from members into council committees via the Representatives. Put simply, they give Representatives an mandate from our members. Without linkage groups, Representatives won't have the connection to members and might not know how to best represent them. So they really are the link that holds everything together. They will be steered by our Representatives and meet quarterly (online). We would like to invite our members to join one or more of the following 5 linkage groups:

• Social Inclusion, Rural Development, Youth and Enterprise Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity Housing, Planning and Transport • Arts, Tourism, Heritage and Sports

Community Safety, Crime and Policing

If you do wish to join please email ppn@corkcoco.ie or call 0214 285340. To

find out more about our linkage groups check out our website Linkage **Groups - Cork County PPN** 3. HOT OFF THE PRESS: Check out our new animation What is Cork

County PPN? - YouTube. A short video explaining what we do Thanks to standpoint media for their gorgeous graphics

All current Active Part 8 Public Consultations can be found here: Active Part 8 Development Consultation | Cork County (corkcoco.ie)

1. Part 8 Proposed R605 Road Improvements at Ship-Pool Bends,

Innishannon, Co.Cork Plans and full particulars of the proposed development may be inspected below or at Planning Department Floor 1, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC, subject to COVID-19 travel

restrictions, from Monday 7th February 2022 until Friday 25th March 2022. Submissions or Observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be situated, may be made using the online submission form on www.yourcouncil.ie or, in writing to Senior Engineer,

Cork County Council, Regional & Local Roads Design Office, Floor 3, County Library Building, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 K335 or emailed to part8.rlrdo@corkcoco.ie and must reach the Senior Engineer on or before 4pm on Friday 8th April 2022. As per Article 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) screening determination has been made and a determination has been made that an EIA Report is not required. In accordance with Article 120 (3), as amended by S.I. No. 296 of 2018, a person may, within 4 weeks from the

date of this notice (Friday 4th February 2022), apply to An Bord Pleanála

for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment. Such a submission should be addressed to the Secretary, An Bord Pleanála, 64, Marlborough Street, Dublin, 1. All submissions or observations should be clearly marked: Project Title: "R605 Road Improvements at Ship-Pool Bends." Funding:

1. The Government announce €200 payment to all domestic electricity accounts. The scheme will be operated by the Distribution System Operator (ESB Networks) by virtue of its existing interface with all electricity suppliers. ESB Networks will make payments to the individual energy suppliers. Link

2. Rethink Ireland is committed to supporting social enterprises across

Accounts Fund.

Ireland from idea to expansion through The Social Enterprise Development Fund (SED). The SED Fund was created in 2018 by Rethink Ireland in partnership with Local Authorities Ireland and supported by IPB Insurance and the Department of Rural and Community Development through the Dormant

The Social Enterprise Development Fund 2022 now provides vital supports

to a wide number of social enterprises across the sector tailored to their stage of development. In 2022, the fund offers 1. Up to 8 Awardees an Awards package of €30,000:

 A Business Support budget worth €7,500 • A place on the Accelerator Programme 2. Up to 20 Awardees:

 Cash grants of €10,000 Business supports worth €4,500 • A place on the Accelerator Programme

Cash grants of €22,500

3. Start your Own Social Enterprise Business Course. • Up to 50 participants on the course • The opportunity to pitch for a cash grant on completion

<u>Ireland</u> 3. The 2022 Wind Farm Community Funds (excluding Grousemount Wind

· Education and skills.

Culture and heritage.

contact SECAD.

- 461 3432 email: <u>info@secad.ie</u>

Covid-19 related supports

· Health, safety and wellbeing.

 Environment and habitat conservation. Energy efficiency and sustainability.

· Recreation, sport and social inclusion. Tourism (Raheenleagh & Castlepook only)

of Wind Farm Community Funds, please click here

The fund is available to community and voluntary groups, non-profit groups or organisations with a charitable status. The Wind Farm Community Funds will prioritise projects and initiatives that support and benefit the areas surrounding ESB wholly owned and co-owned wind farms, in the following categories:

Further details are in the attached brochure and on our website which also included links to online information webinars on the SED Fund. Rethink

Farm) are now open for applications until March 13th, 2022. For a full list

application, as a well-developed project is key to a successful outcome. It is essential to note that applications from groups that do not submit required documentation with the application form e.g. planning permission, planning exemption, confirmation that you have liaised with your local authority or owner permission, may not proceed to evaluation.

Getting started on your project ideas early will greatly assist with your

Applications may made online at www.communitybenefitfunds.ie, please ensure you take some time to read the Fund Guidelines, prior to submitting you application. If you are registered from a previous call, you can use the same user name and password to apply to the 2022 fund. If you have lost or forgotten your password, please go to the "Forgot Password" tab, or

download a template constitution, to edit and adapt to suit your group. If you register as a new user and do not receive the confirmation message within a few minutes of signing up, please check your spam or junk mail folders, just in case the confirmation email was delivered there instead of your inbox. If so, select the confirmation message and click Not Spam, which will allow future messages to get through.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact SECAD, Elaine Barrett ebarrett@secad.ie or Eilish Walsh ewalsh@secad.ie, Tel: 021

If you do not have a current constitution for your group please click here to

4. Cork County Council has announced new funding opportunities for creative projects in towns, villages and rural locations. It is part of efforts to support performers and bring live events to communities right across the County of Cork. The Council is administering three government funded schemes that aim to support artists, performers and community groups.

Applications are now open for the Creative County Cork Grants Scheme, Cruinniú na nÓg and the Local Live Performance Programming Scheme.

As part of the Local Live Performance Programming Scheme, Cork County Council hopes to host another series of outdoor events in towns and other locations from April 1st to June 30th 2022. It is seeking expressions of interest from performing artists including ensembles, bands or individuals as well as promoters, producers, venues and festival organisations. Link 5. Clann Credo - Community Loan Finance is hosting an information

evening online for all sports and community groups who may require loan

finance to develop local sporting and activity facilities.

This online event will give you:

 Practical advice on how to use loan finance effectively Top tips on applying for a Clann Credo Community Sports Loan • An introduction to your local Clann Credo representative Advice from clubs who have combined grants and loans to develop their facilities in the past

Capital and Equipment Programme. Or, you may have received a grant, but didn't get the full amount you applied for. A Community Sports Loan from Clann Credo can make up that gap in finance. Link

Your club or group may need loan finance to prove you have the necessary 'own funds' or 'match funding' required by grant aid funds like the Sports

1. Coppeen Archaeological, Historical & Cultural Society presents, "Murder Most Local" is a series of books by Ballycotton writer Peter O'Shea. His books cover North, South, East and West Cork murders and have given a unique and comprehensive account of historic murders that are likely

unknown to most or simply forgotten in the mists of time. According to Peter, "murder is never more than a few miles away". Join us for what promises to be a gripping guest talk by Peter O'Shea online via Zoom on

issues relating to food waste, highlight action that food businesses and

2. EPA are holding their first national Stop Food Waste Awareness Day on Tuesday 1st March this year. The aim of the day is to: raise awareness on

Festival please visit Link

This Weeks News

Sunday 27th of February at 7 PM. Link

government are taking, and to outline top tips people can take in their own homes to reduce food waste. With rising costs of groceries and increasing environmental concerns, the tips our campaign will highlight will be widely welcomed. Further details on the campaign are here 3. Keelin Tobin from MTU Clean Technology Centre is running "Skibbereen **Taking on Food Waste"**. The overall objective is to take a community approach to preventing and reducing household food waste in Skibbereen. They are having a in-person meeting on Wednesday March 2nd at 4:30pm at CECAS. For more information please email keelin.tobin@ctc-cork.ie or sarah.oconnor@ctc-cork.ie.

4. AONTAS Adult Learners' Festival 2022 will take place from the 7th -11th March 2022. The festival is an opportunity to have a positive impact in your community and workplace, promote the value of lifelong learning, reinforce existing relationships in the community and establish new ones.

This year's theme, 'Learn Your Way' - #LearnYourWay, is all about how we learn differently. We want to highlight the different learning options available for adults in all walks of life, as well as the different reasons adults return to education. From meeting new people with similar life experiences to gaining new skills, online courses to in person workshops, we want to highlight how learning is available for everyone. We would like to encourage your Public Participation Network and the adults you support to get involved in whatever way you can. For more information on how you can be part of this year's

5. Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, has announced the appointment of six directors to the board of Pobal. Pobal work on behalf of the Government of Ireland to support social inclusion and local and community development - delivering approximately

40 programmes, schemes and services on behalf of five government departments and other bodies. Link 6. Minister Humphreys launches €15 million Fund to support Outdoor **Adventure Activities.** The 2022 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) will see the development of natural amenities such as our mountains, lakes, beaches, bogs, walkways, greenways and blueways. The Scheme, which saw its funding increased by Minister Humphreys as part of the Budget, will place a particular focus on developing adventure tourism in Rural Ireland. Link

7. The Centre of Excellence for Climate Action and Sustainability (CECAS)

• Apple Tree Pruning postponed: The Mature Fruit Tree Pruning workshop that was scheduled for Sunday the 6th was postponed to this Sunday the 13th a the same time, due to bad weather. This event is now fully booked, but if you are interested in taking part in a future

in West Cork have a number of events you might be interested in

workshop, email info@cecas.ie and let us know.

from noel@greenskibbereen.ie

Bealtaine Hero Award 2022

Deadline: 5pm, Friday March 4th 2022.

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Our Future Tax & Welfare Open Public Meeting

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Register in advance for this webinar: Link

and prosperity in Ireland.

convenient to you.

Mar 2, 2022 19:00

Mar 9, 2022 19:00

can learn more <u>here.</u>

• Experience the Dawn Chorus at CECAS: We are delighted to announce that BirdWatch Ireland West Cork Branch will be holding their annual dawn chorus event at Myross this year on Sunday 15 May. Details will be provided closer to the date. CECAS Consultation: Green Skibbereen will shortly commence a consultation on how we communicate and engage with interested individuals and groups. We will make available a very short questionnaire to gather this input and will be sharing this via our

newsletter. We are always open to receiving your ideas and suggestions directly and outside this process. Further information

• GS joins CASTLE-VILLAGE Project: Green Skibbereen, together with Cork Centre for Architectural Education at UCC, have joined a major European Consortium that will be developing an application for funding under the Horizon Europe Programme. The project will look at the detrimental effects of climate change, development and migration (outward or inward) on historic towns and how negative effects can be can be mitigated. The town selected for Ireland will be

Eco Arts Weekend a great success: CECAS was delighted to host an Eco Arts weekend for a small group of MA students from the Crawford College of Art recently. The students really enjoyed their weekend staying at Myross Wood House, exploring the gardens and eating the food prepared by our staff. This was the first of many such environmental training events that we plan to host this year. Email ana@greenskibbereen.ie to inquire about running your own

environmental or sustainability-themed training course at CECAS Garden Volunteering @ CECAS: We had a great meet up of our

Skibbereen. For more info contact jose@greenskibbereen.ie

garden team last weekend and have some exciting plans for the next few months. We are always interested in hearing from people who would like to help out. Contact info@cecas.ie for more information. 8. The wheel weekly newsletter, Link 9. Arts Programme & Bealtaine Festival Team to let you know about two awards we are currently accepting applications for. Applications and queries can be submitted to the Arts Programme Administrator, Eva, at arts@ageandopportunity.ie

We invite applications from individuals and / or organisations who wish to create an exciting new festival event (which may be online, blended or inperson) to be presented during the Bealtaine Festival 2022. We especially invite members of marginalised or underrepresented groups to apply. Two awards of €500 will be made to the two successful applicants.

Please read the <u>guidelines here</u> before submitting your <u>application form</u>.

National Arts in Nursing Homes Day Award 2022 We invite applications from care settings who wish to facilitate their residents' artistic and creative expression by organising interactive and engaging arts workshops, sessions and events. The project will culminate in a festival event to be presented as part of our second ever National Arts in Nursing Homes Day that will take place Friday 20th May during the Bealtaine Festival 2022.

Two awards of €1,000 will be made to the two successful applicants, one

Please read the guidelines here before submitting your application form.

10. The Commission on Taxation and Welfare has been tasked by government to independently consider how best the taxation and welfare systems can support economic activity and promote increased employment

organisation as possible to ensure that a diverse range of experiences and

from Age & Opportunity and one from Nursing Homes Ireland.

perspectives inform the development of the report of the Commission, which is due to be presented to the Minister for Finance in July 2022. You don't need to be an expert on tax and/or welfare policy for your opinion to be valued. We look forward to welcoming you to the Open Public Meetings on either 2 or 9 March 2022.

Both meetings will be identical, so please choose whichever date is more

You can register for the meeting date of your choice using the links below.

The Commission wants to hear from as many people, groups and

Register in advance for this webinar: Link Please note the closing date for registration is Friday 25th February 2022

11. The Irish Research Council in collaboration with the Health Research Board (HRB) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are working towards the launch of the DOROTHY COFUND programme which will break down barriers between different academic disciplines by driving collaboration between researchers through funding research which will shed light on public health crises from wide-ranging perspectives. 25 fellows will be recruited through 36-month fellowships with all nationalities welcome, including all researchers based in Ireland. Submissions will be made via Smartsimple submission portal and the call is due to open in Q4 2021. You

12. Women for Election have two taster events coming up online in the next two weeks. 'Be the Leader' - a masterclass in leadership and confidence, and 'Introduction to Politics' you sign up to this free online workshops by clicking on the **Link**

13. The Arts Council's Artist in the Community (AIC) Scheme, managed by Create, offers awards to enable artists and communities of place and/or interest to work together on projects. The AIC scheme is open to artists from any of the following artform disciplines: architecture, circus, street art and spectacle, dance, film, literature (Irish and English language), music,

opera, theatre, visual arts and traditional arts.

Group ownership of the art should be maintained at every stage. We are pleased to announce that Round One of the AIC Scheme is now open for applications, with a closing date on the 28th March 2022, at 5pm. This Round includes:

Recent Graduate Research and Development Award (with Mentoring)

Research and Development Award (without mentoring) Research and Development Award (with Mentoring)

Full details of the awards, and how to apply Link

Project Realisation Award

14. Tidy Towns Newsletter, Link

to be valued.

or 9 March 2022.

The aim of the AIC scheme is to encourage meaningful collaboration

between communities of place and/or interest and artists. It is essential that consultation take place between the artist and the community, so that both parties are involved in deciding on the nature of the project's realisation.

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Both meetings will take place virtually using Zoom. For an optimum experience, it is recommended that you download the Zoom Client software: https://zoom.us/download You can register for the meeting date of your choice using the links below. Mar 2, 2022 19:00 Our Future Tax & Welfare Open Public Meeting

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managing this event/seminar/meeting. We will not share your personal data with any third parties, nor process it for any other purposes other than

your attendance in relation to this event. 16. Muintir na Tire weekly Newsletter, Link

17. The Cork County Council are delighted to be involved in the roll out of Broadband Connection Points. The basic concept of BCP's is that publicly accessible buildings be developed at a number of locations throughout the country so that the public living in the local communities can be provided with interim, but immediate, access to high-speed broadband throughout rural Ireland until such time as properties in the area are served directly by

the fibre being rolled out under the National Broadband Contract.

This will enable people living in the area to go to the selected locations and access broadband for a range of uses including remote working, general access and keeping in touch with family and friends. The BCP service will remain active until such time as high speed broadband is available at the premises in the locality of the BCP. A list of the locations are below and the date of roll out is to follow.

Broadband Connection Points Map Ref No. Eircode BCP Name P12 CD51 Aghabullogue Community Centre P51 EP49 Aubane Community Centre 3 P51 F9PX AVONDHU BLACKWATER PARTNERSHIP LTD. 4 P67 W562 Ballindangan Community Centre 5 P51 DP95 Ballydaly Community Hall 6 P75 W660 Bere Island Heritage Centre

Caheragh Community Centre

Castlelyons Community Centre

P47 YR96 9 Castletownkenneigh Community Centre 10 P72 KF65 Clogagh Community Hall P81 P627 11 COLÁISTE PHOBAL CLÉIRE T23 NH22 12 Courtbrack Community Centre 13 P56 H267 Dromina Community Centre 14 P51 W024 Glash Community Centre 15 P75 V067 Glengarriff Community Centre 16 P36 RC43 Inch Community Centre 17 P12 F447 IONADH ÁISE 18 P51 FK44 Laharn Heritage Centre P85 W840 Lissavard Community Centre 19 20 P75 K253 Mealagh Valley Community Centre P43 DX99 21 Riverstick Community Centre P81 AE02 22 Sherkin Island Community Hall 23 V35 E895 T.O. Park Community Hall 24 T34 RR58 Whitechurch Community Centre

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