

Cork County PPN News Letter Issue 39 07th of April 2022

To Cork County PPN members,

Upcoming events and news are listed for your information:

# **Cork County PPN News**

1. Cork County PPN invites you to its bi-annual plenary meeting where you can HAVE YOUR SAY on the PPN's priorities for the Community, Environment and Social Inclusion sectors for the year. This year's plenary will have a special focus on FUNDING and will feature guest speaker Tom O'Leary who will outline how community and voluntary groups can source and successfully apply for funding and grants. It will take place online on Thursday May 5th from 7-9pm. Register to attend plenary here.

# Find out more: https://corkcountyppn.ie/events/event/plenary/

# 2. PPN Training

We have designed a new training series dedicated to building your capacity to access funding and grants. It will run online in May and comprise of the following 4 workshops:

Workshop 1- Sources of Funding for Community & Voluntary Organisations	Monday 9th May, 7-9pm
Workshop 2- Grant Application Process	Monday 16th of May 7-
Workshop 3- Writing grant applications including online applications	Monday 23rd of May 7-9pm
Workshop 4- Fundraising Strategy including Online Fundraising	Monday 30th of May 7-9pm

\* It is recommended you sign up for all 4 workshops.

To book email ppn@corkcoco.ie Find out more: https://corkcountyppn.ie/events/category/training/

### 3. PPN Call for Nominations

The main reason the PPNs were set up is to enable community groups to be represented and to feed into local government decision-making in a way that is fair, clear and respectful. The PPNs have three main areas of interest, also called 'Colleges':

- Community and Voluntary
- Social Inclusion
- Environmental

On becoming a member of a PPN, each organisation is asked to select its College which represents their main interest. The Colleges nominate and elect people from within their Member Groups to represent them on some of the Boards and Committees set up by the Local Authorities and other bodies. This is key to the participation part of the Public Participation Networks. This is how the voices of Member Groups are included and heard when it comes to the policy and decision-making process.

We currently have vacancies on several committees. Details of vacancies and the nomination form are attached. The deadline for nominations is midnight on Friday 20th May 2022.

Find out more and submit a nomination: Link

### 4. PPN Linkage Groups

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:

- <u>Community Safety, Crime and Policing</u>
- Social Inclusion, Rural Development, Youth and Enterprise
- Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity
- Housing, Planning and Transport
- Arts, Tourism, Heritage and Sports

If you do wish to join please email ppn@corkcoco.ie or call 0214 285340. To find out more about out our w

### 5. Cork County PPN Podcast interview

Thank you to Rob Hurden of West Cork Community website for featuring Cork County PPN on their weekly podcast series 'The Voice of West Cork'. The Voice of West Cork podcast consists of In-depth interviews with Community, Not-for-Profit & Social groups based in West Cork, as well as music, Drama/Comedy Sketches, Book Extracts & Poetry Readings written & recorded by West Cork artists. There is also the rant of the week and the eco-Competition.

Find the podcast here: Voice of West Cork - West Cork Community

6. PPN Animation: Check out our new animation What is Cork County PPN? - YouTube. A short video explaining what we do 😊

### **Ukraine Crisis Information**

As you are probably aware, the Irish Government is committed to delivering a humanitarian response to welcome people fleeing the war in Ukraine and seeking protection in Ireland. Very significant work is taking place across Government to provide accommodation and other essential supports to those who have arrived here already, as well as planning and preparing to receive and support the large numbers of further people expected to arrive.

A webpage on the whole-of-Government response to the situation in Ukraine is now available at www.gov.ie/ukraine (and is updated regularly) which includes information on supports and services available to people arriving from Ukraine.

We have created a dedicated page on our website with information and resources for communities: Ukrainian Support - Cork County PPN

# Ukraine Refugee Response from NASC

Currently efforts are focused on securing safe accommodation for everyone fleeing Ukraine. If you have a spare room or a vacant property that you would like to make available, you can do so through the Irish Red Cross Pledge campaign. The Irish Red Cross pledge campaign is supported by the Government. If you don't have accommodation but you can interpret or offer other supports, NASC would be glad to hear from you. In the coming weeks, Nasc will be supporting commu hosting refugees and we may be able to match your skills with a community or a family in need. Link

Community Response Forum in each area to coordinate local measures welcoming Ukrainians. The Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage Darragh O'Brien TD, along with Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD today welcomed the establishment of Community Response Forums in every local authority area to coordinate local responses to the Ukraine crisis.

Local community and voluntary groups around the country have been mobilising in recent weeks to welcome into their communities people who are fleeing Ukraine. As the new arrivals begin to settle in, each local authority has established a Community Response Forum to provide a co-ordination point for the community and voluntary response in their area. Link

### Cork County Council's Community Response Forum

Cork County Council's Community Support Programme has re-established as part of the county's response to assist the people of Ukraine. The Community Support Programme, formed during the Covid Pandemic, is a multi-agency approach which brings together representatives of both Statutory and Voluntary agencies operating across Cork County, ensuring commitment and consistency in terms of service delivery.

# Community Response Forum Contact Details:

### Email: communityforum@corkcoco.ie Phone: 021 438 6637

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

One of the key priorities identified through the initial programme meeting was the requirement for adequate emergency shelter and accommodation facilities to accommodate Ukrainian refugees in Cork County. The Council is seeking assistance from members of the public to identify potentially available multi-occupancy facilities and properties that may be brought back into use easily and quickly. This might include community halls, sports or leisure facilities or other former accommodation facilities in private or public ownership.

Please see the following link: Emergency Shelter & Accommodation for Ukraine

### PUBLIC CONSULATIONS

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

### 1. Part 8 Proposed R611 Cork Pedestrian Crossing & Active Travel to CETB Site. Town area Shannonpark, Ardnacloghy and Carrigaline West.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 (as amended) and in accordance with the requirements of Part 8, Article 81 and Article 83 of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended) that Cork County Council proposes to carry out the following development:

- Installation of approx. 70m long 3-4m wide footpath linking an existing footpath along R611 Cork road and the recently completed pedestrian/cycle path within school grounds.
- Alteration to the existing footpaths, alteration to the existing boundary fences, installation of the controlled gate to be operated by the School Campus management.
- And all ancillary works as required to deliver the proposed scheme
- The land acquisition is necessary from private landowners.

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, Carriorohane Road. Cork, Eircode:T12 K335 or emailed to part8.rlrdo@corkcoco.ie and must reach the Senior Engineer on or before 4pm on Friday 15th April 2022.

### 2. Part 8 Proposed Housing Development - Phase 3 Carrig Rossa, Rossmore, Co. Cork

The construction of 2 no. residential units, each being a two storey two-bedroom house. New access and parking to connect to existing road. Hard landscaping including boundary walls, footpaths and street lighting

Soft landscaping including green areas, planting and tress. Connection to public and private existing utilities. All associated site works

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be available for inspection and/or purchase at the locations outlined above (see Point No. 1 above) on each day during which the said offices are open for the transaction of business (excluding Bank Holidays) for a period beginning on 25th February 2022 and ending on 29th March 2022.

Submissions or observations with regard to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development will be situated, may be made in writing to the Director of Services, Housing Directorate, Floor 4, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork no later than 4.00pm on 12th April 2022.

# 3. Part 8 Proposed Carrigtwohill Urban Regeneration and Development Fund Initiative - Public Realm Infrastructure Bundle, Carrigtwohill, Co. Cork

Location:

- Main Street from the junction at Castlelake Avenue (Castle Square) to the junction with Carrigane Road:
- Station Road from the junction with Main Street to the junction at Carrigtwohill Train Station; • Carrigane Road from the junction with Main Street to the junction with Castleview;
- Cluain Cairn, An Fána, Castle Close, Castle Avenue;
- Wises Road/Main Street junction;
- Wises Road/Oakbrook Link Road (Access Road to Castlelake)/IDA Industrial Estate Access Road junction: • N25 Junction 3 and lands adjoining this junction.
- In public and private land within the Townlands of: Carrigtohill, Terry's-Land, Tullagreen and Killacloyne.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development are available for inspection, or to purchase for a fee of €15 per set, from Friday 25th February 2022 until Friday 25th March 2022 at the following venues:

- Below in the 'Additional Documents' section.
- Planning Counter, Ground Floor, County Hall, Cork between the hours of 09:00 and 16:00 on each working day, subject to COVID-19 restrictions.
- Cork County Council Area Engineer's Office at Ballinglanna, Glanmire and Cobh Municipal

District Office, Carrig House, Cobh, Co. Cork between the hours of 09:00 and 17:00 on each working day during which the said offices are opened for the transaction of business, subject to COVID-19 restrictions.

Submissions or Observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made on or before 17:00 on Friday April 8th, 2022 as follows:

 Online submission form on Cork County Council's website at <u>www.yourcouncil.ie</u> or • In writing clearly marked: 'Part 8 - Carrigtwohill URDF Initiative - Public Realm Infrastructure Bundle', Senior Executive Engineer, Housing Infrastructure Implementation Team, Cork County Council, Floor 3, County Hall, Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 R2NC

4. Consultation open on Review of Building Regulations. We have a great chance now to get more Changing Places across the country. A public consultation on the Review of Building Regulations to get more Changing Places toilet in certain buildings is now open until 12 May. This is great news for thousands of children and adults with disabilities who are restricted in where they can go and what they can do because they will not find a toilet with the equipment they need.

We would encourage as many people as possible to take part in the consultation and highlight how important and necessary these facilities are. To show your support, send an email to buildingstandards@housing.gov.ie to tell the Department there needs to be more Changing Places in the country. It is easy to make a submission and we have a sample email below which you can use as a template for your own submission at Link. Deadline is 12 May.

# FUNDING

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1. Rethink Ireland is committed to supporting social enterprises across 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 ant Accounts Fund n the Dorn

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:
  - Cash grants of €22,500
  - 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

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

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

2. Cork County Council is today announcing the opening of the County Cork Commemorations Grant Scheme and the County Cork Heritage Grant Scheme for 2022. These schemes seek to recognise the unrivalled heritage of the county, the numerous groups who actively engage with their local heritage, and the many groups dedicated to commemorating the centenary of the War of Independence and Civil War.

 County Cork Commemorations Grant Scheme 2022 – click here County Cork Heritage Grant Scheme 2022 – click here

The closing date for proposals and application forms is 17:00 on Thursday 14th April 2022, which be made online via <u>www.yourcouncil.ie;</u> emailed can to commemorations@corkcoco.ie or corkheritage@corkcoco.ie or delivered to 'County Cork Commemorations Grant Scheme 2022/County Cork Heritage Grant Scheme 2022', Cork County Council, Floor 3, County Hall, Cork.

3. New Bursary Scheme for the Decade of Centenaries Programme 2022/23. The Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, Catherine Martin TD, has recently announced a new bursary scheme, in partnership with the Royal Irish Academy, for the final phase of the Decade of Centenaries. The objective of the bursary scheme is to encourage new local research and local history studies, and a meaningful examination of local, regional, and national events during the Struggle for Independence and Civil War period. It is a timely opportunity to acknowledge the significant contribution of local historians in furthering fields of study concerning local events and related themes during this period. Applications for the 2022 scheme are now open. For further information and scheme guidelines, please visit Link. A list of suggested research themes to assist applicants can also be found there. The closing date for applications is Wednesday, 27th April 2022 at 5.30pm.

4. The Wheel have announced their new Grant applications are now open under the Training Links programme. Training Networks, with a minimum of 10 members, are invited to apply for grants ranging from €10,000.00 to €50,000.00. There is a fund to the value of €270,000.00 available under this programme. Applications remain open until 5pm on Friday, 29 April. You can download the application form Link

### 5. Department of Rural and Community Development supports

available in 2022. It is hoped that this calendar will assist stakeholders by providing timeframes in which to develop high quality and impactful funding proposals. Link

#### This Weeks News

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1. Cork County Council is delighted to announce there will be Free WEEE Recycling Public Collection Events from Apr 5th - 14th across County Cork. Householders are urged to gather any electrical and electronic waste in their homes and bring them to the recycling events. All household items with a plug or a battery will be accepted free of charge, including old washing machines, TVs, toasters and kettles, electronic tools and toys, cables, IT equipment, mobile phones, remote controls, and even watches.

- Buttevant GAA Grounds Thursday 7th of April 3pm to 7pm
- Newmarket Church Car Park Tuesday 12th of April 9pm to 1pm
- Coachford Church Cark Park Tuesday 12th of April 3pm to 7pm • Drimoleague Bring Site Thursday 14th of April 9pm to 1pm
- Bantry Skip Hire Thursday 14th of April 3pm to 7pm

2. Minister of State in the Department of Rural and Community Development, Joe O' Brien TD, today launched the Volunteer Ireland nomination web portal which will accept nominations from relevant organisations of volunteers who have made a contribution to their community during the pandemic. Selected volunteers will then be invited to attend events in their County during national volunteer week. In line with the National Volunteering Strategy, the events will help to promote and highlight the unique value and contribution of volunteers to Irish society, they will also provide an opportunity for Government to acknowledge how important volunteering is to the well-being of our communities. The deadline for submission of volunteer nominations is the 13th of April. Link

3. The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, has today announced funding of €11 million for repairs and improvement works on our rural roads and laneways. Link

4. Muintir Na Tire are having their AGM on Monday the 11th of April at 8pm. Please visit their website for more information Our Website.

5. Interreg North-West Europe for the Community and Voluntary Sector is running a free online talk on 13 Apr 2022 - 10:00am to 11:00am looking at funding projects focusing on the areas of climate change, renewable energy, the circular economy, innovation, and/or inclusive and sustainable practices in healthcare, employment, and tourism & culture. Link

6. Cork Traveller Visibility Group are seeking an Administration Assistant for Maternity Cover. This position is for 19 hours per week and the wages are 285 euro per week before tax. The contract is fixed term commencing in May 2022 and ending at the end of January 2023. You can learn more here and to apply send an up to date CV and cover letter to tvgmary@gmail.com by the 15th of April. For further queries please contact Mary Prendergast on the email above or on 086 285 3531

7. UCD are hosting an online UCD in Conversation episode on the migrant 'crisis' on Thursday, 7th of April at 1pm on Zoom. Entitled 'Borders & Rights: Migrant Journeys' the webinar explores key issues of crossing borders, deflection of migrants, human rights law and policy and will feature expert speakers Sinéad Gibney, Sally Hayden, Bulelani Mfaco and Jack Pope who will provide their experiences and perspectives on these issues. You can learn more and register here, all are welcome to attend.

8. Dungarvan to Mallow Greenway. The consultation is for information purposes and we are looking for feedback etc. Link

9. Farmers4Safety - Managing Risk Together EIP Agri Project Launch will take place on Monday the 11th of April from 11.00 am to 12 noon with Refreshments after followed by a Farm Walk on the Murphy Family Farm Kildinan, Co. Cork (T56 DN29), Link

10. The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, in association with the Managing Director of SuperValu, Mr. Ian Allen, has today (April 7th 2022) launched the 2022 SuperValu TidyTowns competition. In place since 1958, the competition continues to grow from strength to strength. It is administered by the Department of Rural and Community Development and sponsored by SuperValu. Link

11. WildWork Biodiversity is running a new free 12-week biodiversity Wild Work training programme that will be rolled out across 10 locations in the region. The training will target community and voluntary organisations, individuals, farmers, teachers, the business community and others with an interest in the environment, as well as managers of public amenities / owners of public land.

The aim of the Wild Work project is to help people, help nature, help people. Designed by expert ecologists, the training programme integrates the use of innovative virtual and augmented technologies with practical outdoor classroom and on-line learning modules to help trainees to focus on how best to support local biodiversity and experience mental and physical health benefits as a result of taking part in positive environmental actions.

The Wild Work training programme will begin in May 2022 and will be delivered in;

Killeagh, Douglas, Midleton, Fota and Ballincollig in South Cork AND

Tracton, Castlefreke, Leap, Baltimore and Kilbrittan in West Cork

\*Please note the Douglas and Fota dates are now FULL

Training will comprise of six core biodiversity training modules that will explore the Irish landscape and its natural networks, along with Wild Work in Action training focusing on wellness and biodiversity management of public lands, all of which will be delivered by biodiversity experts. The training will be enhanced by the development of an online Wild Work Toolkit containing an exciting range of e-learning activities to support the learning, added to by the participants themselves as they experience the training in their own place.

The Wild Work programme is being coordinated by three Local Development Companies - SECAD Partnership in Cork who first designed and piloted Wild Work in 2017, West Limerick Resources and Cavan County Local Development as part of a LEADER funded Inter-territorial Co-operation project.

It is hoped that, over time, the training programme will be rolled out nationwide and will inspire other countries to create similar programmes for the benefit of both people and place.

To sign up for Killeagh, Douglas, Midleton, Fota or Ballincollig, please do so through the following link: https://wildwork.ie/south-cork-introduction-course/

To sign up for Tracton, Castlefreke, Leap, Baltimore or Kilbrittan please do so through the following link: https://wildwork.ie/west-cork-introduction-course/

No previous experience or qualifications are required to take part. Basic IT skills are required.

Other Newsletters

- CECAS Newsletter, Link
- The Wheel Weekly Newsletter, Link
- Age Friendly Newsletter, Link
- Tidy Towns Newsletter, Link Muintir na Tire weekly Newsletter, Link

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