

Cork County PPN News Letter Issue 43 19th of May 2022 To Cork County PPN members,

Upcoming events and news are listed for your information:

Cork County PPN News

01. Join our new PAYING THE ARTIST Thematic Group Cork County PPN is delighted to announce the setting up of our first 'Thematic Group'.. these are

groups that form around areas of interest (not necessarily specific policy areas, Boards or Committees). Examples of thematic groups may include groups with a particular interest in disability issues, environmental issues, childcare and so on. These thematic groups may come together to develop strategies for the PPN on areas of interest and feed in to relevant local and national Our first Thematic Group is being formed to look at the 'Paying the Artist' policy and recently published Implementation Plan (Paying The Artist | The Arts Council | An Cho the fair and equitable remuneration and contracting of artists. Research studies indicate that the

working and living conditions of artists remain below acceptable standards. If you are an artist or are a group that hires artists (service provider), you are welcome to bring your perspectives to our thematic group, learn how it may affect you and your community group and how service providers can develop the capacity to comply with emerging policy. If you are interested please contact us on oco.ie or call 0214 28 5340.

02. PPN Training

We have designed a new training series dedicated to building your capacity to access funding and

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/

grants. It will run online in May and comprise of the following 4 workshops:

Workshop 1 - Sources of Funding for Community Groups slides and recording. Link Workshop 2 - Sourcing Grants and the grants process slides and recording. Link 03. 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

are attached. The deadline for nominations is midnight on Friday 20th May 2022. Find out more and submit a nomination: Link 04. 08. PPN National Network Insurance Information Session Slides, Link

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

We currently have vacancies on several committees. Details of vacancies and the nomination form

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

• Community Safety, Crime and Policing • Social Inclusion, Rural Development, Youth and Enterprise

decision-making process.

05. PPN Linkage Groups

(online).

 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 our linkage groups check out our website Linkage Groups - Cork County PPN

that holds everything together. They will be steered by our Representatives and meet quarterly

We would like to invite our members to join one or more of the following 5 linkage groups:

06. 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 07. PPN Animation: Check out our new animation What is Cork County PPN? - YouTube. A short

video explaining what we do

Ukraine Crisis Information

Ukraine Refugee Response from NASC

responses to the Ukraine crisis.

consistency in terms of service delivery.

Richard Revival on 087-7057756

Closing date is the 26th of May 2022

• Signage, road lining & roads studs

undertake the following development:

April 2022 and ending on 30th May 2022.

across the Country.

Category 2: Larger scale projects - €25,001 to €100,000. **Category 3:** Major projects- €100,001 to €300,000.

which to develop high quality and impactful funding proposals. Link

projects and undertakings across Cork County.

We invite applications from projects:

· People in the asylum process

socio-economic disadvantage.

limited to: Travellers Migrants Refugees

Roma People

This Weeks News

costs from the applicants own funds.

PUBLIC CONSULATIONS

Community Response Forum Contact Details:

accommodation facilities in private or public ownership.

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

08. Mayors Awards 2022 At the recent Mayor's Awards the secretariat were invited to give a speech on behalf of the PPN. Liam McCarthy volunteered to give the speech and he did a great job. if you would like to read the speech it is available to on our website. Link

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: <u>Ukrainian Support - Cork County PPN</u>

through the <u>Irish Red Cross Pledge campaign</u>. The <u>Irish Red Cross</u> 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 comm hosting refugees and we may be able to match your skills with a community or a family in need.

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

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

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

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

Free Art Classes Cork County Council, Clar Eire Ildanach and Cruinniu na nOg are running four art free classes for Ukrainian children in Fermoy. The classes are running on 21st & 28th of May and 4th & 11th of June from 14.00-15.30. If you are interested please email blackwaterraine2022@gmail.com or ring

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

01. Minister of State for Sport and the Gaeltacht, Jack Chambers TD, has today launched a public consultation on the development of a new Major International Sports Events Policy. The main objectives of this consultation are to seek views and understand people's attitudes towards major international sports events, and the role of Government in supporting them. This public consultation will assist in the development of a policy to underpin a subsequent strategy.

approximately 15 minutes to complete; it can be accessed at the following link

 Alteration to existing road alignment to improve road safety · Relocation of overhead line; Constructing earth berms and fencing

· All ancillary works required to deliver the proposed scheme

Carrigrohane Road, Cork, T12 K335 or emailed to part8.rlrdo(

Senior Engineer on or before 4pm on Friday 17th-June-2022.

02. Part 8 Proposed R585 Dromdeegy, Dunmanway - Road Realignment & Improvement Scheme 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:

The consultation is in the form of a short survey of 5 multiple choice questions which takes

Plans and full particulars of the proposed development may be inspected online or at the locations detailed above, subject to COVID-19 travel restrictions, from Friday 6th-May-2022 until Friday 3rd-June-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,

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03. Part 8 Proposed New Social Dwelling at 22 Aisling Gheal, Hosptial Hill, Kanturk. Co. Cork

@corkcoco.ie and must reach the

• The construction of 1 no. residential unit, being a two storey three-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 trees. · 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 29th

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 14th June 2022. Link 04. Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, T.D. has launched a second public consultation on the Government's new National Outdoor Recreation Strategy, which is currently being developed by Comhairle na Tuaithe (The Countryside Council). By 'outdoor recreation', we mean activities that take place in the natural environment, such as walking, canceling and wild swimming. It does not include activities that take place outdoors on confined courses or pitches (such as golf, football, show jumping) nor motorised activities (such as

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 <u>a@housing.gov.ie</u> 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

quads) except for ability assistance, or hunting and shooting as they do not fall within the remit of

05. Inclusion Ireland are asking people to get involved in a public Consultation on Building

Comhairle na Tuaithe and therefore are not within the scope of this strategy. Link

use as a template for your own submission at www.changingplaces.ie.

FUNDING 01. Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, has today opened the pre-application information event for the new €15 million Community Centres Investment Fund. Over 600 people registered to attend the online information event hosted by the Department of Rural and Community Development today.

The department will host a further information event on Wednesday 1 June from 2.30pm to 4pm and applicants must register to attend this event. Over 300 people have already signed up to attend. These information events are designed to provide guidance on the application process.

Applicants need to register as 'users' on the portal here in advance of the application process which will open on 7 June 2022. This will allow them to identify any potential setup issues and rectify them in advance. The closing date for applications will be 14 July 2022. Guidelines and a sample application form are now 02. Minister Humphreys announces details of new €15 million Community Centre Fund. The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, has today announced a new €15 million capital fund to support community groups for the upgrade and refurbishment of Community Centres. This is an investment in both rural and urban communities

The Community Centres Investment Fund will support community groups with the upgrade and development of their Community Centre facilities. Funding will be available under 3 Categories with grants of between €10k and €300K available: Category 1: Small scale projects/improvements to facilities - €10,000 to €25,000.

applications is Thursday 14th July 2022. The Department will be hosting a number of online information events in May and June 2022 to provide guidance in relation to the application process and details will be released in due course. Guidelines and a sample application form are now available at Link. 03. Department of Rural and Community Development supports

available in 2022. It is hoped that this calendar will assist stakeholders by providing timeframes in

04. Under the Community Monuments Fund 2022, operated by the National Monuments Service of

Applications under Category 2 and 3 must include a minimum contribution of 5% of the total project

Registration will open on Tuesday 3rd May 2022, applicants need to register as 'users' on the portal in advance of the application process opening on Tuesday 7th June 2022. The closing date for

the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, four applications from Cork County were successful. These applicants include projects and undertakings in respect of Castleview Mills; Dromtarriffe Church, Coolbane Mill and Templebreedy Graveyard Crosshaven, being awarded a combined sum of €212,220. The Heritage Council also announced awardees from three schemes including the Irish Walled Town Network Grant Scheme, the Heritage Stewardship Scheme and the Heritage Council's Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022. Eleven different projects in County Cork are being supported under these schemes to the sum of €181,119.

Four successful projects in Bandon, Buttevant and Youghal will receive a combined €93,549 under the Irish Walled Town Network Grant Scheme. Under the Heritage Stewardship Scheme a digitisation project regarding Irish Tourist Association Files by Cork County Council's Library and Arts Service was successful. Six applications under the Heritage Council's Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022 were successful including €20,000 for the re-rendering of the Church of the Ascension in Timoleague; €20,000 for a conservation plan for Kingston College in Mitchelstown; a combined display of Conserved Ledgers, Bible and Puxley Papers in Allihies Copper Mines Museum received €13,924; Cork LGBT Archive Community Heritage was funded €9,750; a conservation plan for the Sirius Arts Centre in Cobh received €10,000 and the conservation and display of two processional banners in St. Mary's Church, Mallow were funded €10,441. Across the four aforementioned schemes, the combined level of funding is €393,339 for 15 different heritage

the Parkes Family (Limerick), the Sunflower Charitable Foundation, Community Foundation for Ireland, and a number of private donors, with match funding from the Department of Rural and Community Development via the Dormant Accounts Fund. Up to 10 awardees will receive a package of supports, including: 1. A Cash grant of up to a maximum of €65.000 2. A place on Rethink Ireland's capacity building Programme 3. One to one mentoring support tailored the specific needs of each project

• Working towards improving the physical and mental health of their beneficiaries • Using Music, Creativity and the Arts to improve physical and/or mental health outcomes. • Whose main beneficiaries are disadvantaged or marginalised communities such as, but not

05. Rethink Ireland are thrilled to announce the launch of our Impact for Munster Fund. This €750,000 Fund aims to support not-for-profit organisations working to enhance the physical and mental health of communities across Munster. This one-year Fund was created in partnership with

The fund is now open for applications until the 14th of June 2022. Please see our website for more information on who is eligible to apply and how to submit your online application. Please also join us for one of our online Application Clinics to hear more about this opportunity, ask your questions and get some tips on writing an effective application: (These sessions will be identical, so you do not need to attend both) Friday, 20th May at 12 pm: register Wednesday, 1st June at 1 pm: register

· Other Ethnic minorities, young adults and teenagers, the elderly, people experiencing

This is the second NSAC annual report, which details the activities and progress achieved by the NSAC in 2021 and some key priorities for 2022. One of the major achievements for the NSAC in 2021 was the launch of its first Annual Call for new population-based screening programmes or changes to our existing programmes. Link 02. BIODIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION - Submission deadline May 31st. Nothing captures Ireland's beautiful natural environment better than a photograph, so as part of Ireland's Biodiversity Week 2022 we are hosting our 10th Annual Biodiversity Photographer of the Year competition. To celebrate life in our ocean we are delighted to announce an additional prize in this

years Biodiversity Photographer of the Year competition! The Ocean Photography category has been kindly sponsored by the Fair Seas Campaign, with a prize of €250 up for grabs! Explore nature on land or sea and enter the competition to be named the Biodiversity Photographer of the Year for 2022! See www.biodiversityweek.ie for more information on the above and much more

03. County Cork has an extensive network of settlements, which have evolved through centuries of growth and change, to provide a rich variety of unique settlements of varying scale and character. These locations have their own unique history and an upcoming publication will bring their stories together. The development of urban settlements in the county dates back to the Viking and then Norman settlements of the 10th, 11th and 12th centuries. The Normans had walled towns at Cork, Kinsale, Youghal and Buttevant as well as numerous smaller settlements particularly in the east and north-east of the county. In this upcoming publication on the Heritage Towns and Villages of County Cork there will be a general introduction to the historic developments of the main periods and how these impacted on the development of the county's urban network. There will be numerous illustrated examples to show this story as it evolves. The main section of the book will be a gazetteer of all the towns and villages in the county outlining their heritage buildings, streetscape

including the Backyard Bioblitz and the Biodiversity Scavenger Hunt.

and general character as well as how each settlement got its name.

information email corkheritage@corkcoco.ie or phone 021 428 5905/5935.

closing date is 27 May 2022 and further information is available at Link

on the programme/booking details for the clinic available at Link

total), plus travel with daily lunch provided.

teachers

Support Centre, by 27th May 2022.

A very brief description of your practice

- Family Gathering: Saturday 11 June, 2022 (14:00-16:00)

- Venue: Tory Top Library, Ballyphehane, Cork, T12 WP57

- Exhibition Dates: 7 -18 June, 2022

Arts Spring 2022 workshops in Togher.

rsvp to: communications@helium.le /

at Link.

registration is recommended as places are limited.

You can enter by going to the following Link

be suitable to be called upon. Link

T: 044 93 96 960 by Tuesday 7 June, 2022.

• What you think qualifies you to take up this opportunity.

to contemporary arts learning, practice and creativity.

at commemorations@corkcoco.ie

01. The Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly has today welcomed the publication of the 2021 Annual Report of the National Screening Advisory Committee (NSAC) and acknowledged the strong public response to the first NSAC Annual Call about population-based screening in Ireland.

This year's publication will represent the tenth instalment in the Heritage of County Cork publication series, first having commenced in 2013 with a publication that year and since. One of the key elements of each publication is the input from local groups and heritage enthusiasts. Past publications in the Heritage of County Cork Series have benefited hugely from a great number of public submissions including photos for use, stories, and indeed lists of recommended sites that should be featured in the book(s). With respect to the upcoming publication on the County's Heritage Towns and Villages, the Heritage Unit of Cork County Council welcomes any and all submissions and suggestions. To this effect local heritage societies, community groups and individuals are requested to get involved in the project by submitting any specific

information/stories/photos of interest to Cork County Council by Monday 27th June 2022. The publication will set out to include and reference as many submissions as possible and for further

04. Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan has launched Cork County Council's War of Independence and Civil War Exhibition. The exhibition, developed by the Council and supported by the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, features 24 panels documenting key events and people, and will be available to see in locations around the county of Cork over the summer months and beyond. The War of Independence and Civil War Exhibition will be available to view at Newmarket, Bantry, Mallow and Youghal libraries over the coming months, with additional locations to be announced. Cork County Council's Commemorations Committee is available to assist with queries on the exhibition and can be reached

05. The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media has just announced the

06. Applications have opened for The All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme, a course which aims to preserve heritage building skills that are at risk of being lost by supporting those already working in the construction sector to push their skills to the next level. Developed by The Prince's

Foundation in partnership with the Heritage Council in the Republic of Ireland and the Historic Environment Division of Northern Ireland's Department for Communities, the programme will benefit aspiring craftspeople from both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. It is supported by Benefact Trust, one of the UK's largest grant-making charities. Applications for The All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme are open until 12pm on Monday 23 May 2022. To apply, or to find out 07. Ministers O'Brien and Noonan recently published a new Strategic Action Plan for the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) which sets out an ambitious timeline for a full organisational restructuring of the NPWS and a substantial €55 million additional investment in the organisation together with the early recruitment of 60 key staff for critically important roles. Link 08. Creative Schools 2022 welcomes applications from schools and Youthreach centres to join this programme with the purpose of putting the arts and creativity at the heart of children's and young

people's lives. They will host online information clinics about Creative Schools and how to apply. Closing date for receipt of online applications is 5.30pm Thursday 2nd June 2022. Further details

09. The TEACHER-ARTIST PARTNERSHIP CPD programme (TAP) is a Creative Ireland, Department of Education led and approved Summer Course offering FULLY PAID TRAINING AND IN-SCHOOL RESIDENCY OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS TO WORK WITHIN PRIMARY

. Open to artists, working in any art form, who are committed to sharing their practice with

• Specialist, week-long training (4th – 8th July 2022 based in Cork Education Support Centre or West Cork Education Support Centre to prepare the artist for the unique requirements of working harmoniously in partnership with a teacher within the modern Irish classroom • A training allowance of €150 per day over the initial 5-day training/induction week (€750 in

• Brokerage and development of partnerships with creative teachers, in schools committed

• Guarantee of a paid, follow up in-school-residency within a local primary school (€1,000 Fee total inclusive of Travel) to carry out a 20-hour project (14 contact hours plus 6 hours planning, preparation and evaluation) in partnership with your teacher partner throughout

SCHOOL SETTINGS & AND DEVELOP PARTNERSHIPS WITH CREATIVE TEACHERS

children and teachers in a modern primary school environment

the 2022/2023 academic year • Information, learning and networking opportunities for further freelance work within the education system Artists must • have a track record of a minimum of three years' professional practice in any art form

• demonstrate an interest in / commitment to: the principles of Arts-in-Education and

· be willing to learn about modern classroom culture and to work in equal partnership with

• Combine a sense of fun, joy and collaboration with professional dedication and high artistic • Be willing to undertake child protection training as part of the induction week, and undergo

Creativity and to enhancing the lives of children through arts practice

standard Garda vetting before taking up project placements.

participate in the training and to deliver a subsequent partnership residency project.

Cork ESC: smurphy@cesc.ie (Serving Cork City and County excluding West Cork)
West Cork ESC: info@westcorkeducationcentre.ie (serving West Cork, including Macroom, Inishannon, Kinsale, Westward) Expressions of interest should be in the form of a letter of max 600 words, accompanied by a CV or short Bio with links to images or samples of relevant work. The letter should set out: Where you trained

• Why you might wish to work in partnership with a teacher and with children in a school

Successful artists will be contacted by their local Education Support Centre (Cork or West Cork) to

Expressions of interest should be sent to the relevant address of the Local Full-time Education

The initiative will help inform policy and the rollout of future supports in a move aimed at benefitting the Social Enterprise Sector. Link 11. Changing Ireland are asking people to complete a survey about improving their news service. The survey of 12 questions (almost all multi-choice) is anonymous and is being collated by an independent consultant, so you can be candid. Hit us between the eyes! We will take everything submitted on board. Link

12. Helium Arts is pleased to present Creative Journeys – a family celebration of children's art as part of this year's Cruinniú na nÓg, in Tory Top Library, Togher, Cork City. www.helium.ie

All are welcome to this celebration of children's art made with artist Ashleigh Ellis, from the Helium

The event will include a hunt for hidden images in the library; a chance to explore the cabinet of curiosities and get creative with clay and stencils in the garden. To confirm your attendance please

10. Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, today (12 May 2022) announced a new initiative designed to gather key information about social enterprise in Ireland. The National Social Enterprise Census will gather important data about social enterprises in Ireland.

Light refreshments will be served in the Library Garden. We also have a special mystery guest opening the exhibition 13. EAPN Ireland welcomes that enhanced Covid income supports helped reduce poverty in 2021 but warns that without sustained efforts the Government will fail to meet its poverty reduction target.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to support the on-going maintenance and development of an Environmental Sensitivity Mapping (ESM) webtool and the delivery of training events in the usage of this webtool. The ESM webtool is a Geographic Information System (GIS) tool that enables users to generate area-specific environmental sensitivity maps. More information in relation to the webtool and how it can be used is available via Link The webtool was developed and is being maintained by researchers at UCD's School of

Geography and the All-Island Research Observatory (AIRO) at Maynooth University. A training workshop on the Environmental Sensitivity Mapping webtool will take place online on the 18th of May 2022. This workshop is part of a number of workshops being delivered to educate users on the effective use of the tool, its functionality and real life applications. This workshop is specifically targeted at environmental NGO representatives. If you are interested in attending, please register

Dr. Ainhoa González from UCD's School of Geography and Justin Gleeson from Maynooth University will deliver the workshop. The workshop is free and will run from 10.00am-1.00pm. Early

16. The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media has just announced the Decade of Centenaries History Competition 2022 for primary and post-primary students. The closing date is 27 May 2022 and further information is available at Link 17. The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, in association with the Managing Director of SuperValu, Mr. Ian Allen, has launched the 2022 SuperValu

TidyTowns competition. The closing date for receipt of entries for this year's competition is Friday 20th May 2022. Entry will only be accepted by email to the tidytowns@drcd.gov.ie address

18. Cycle Against Suicide is running a Community Buddy programme which is available free of charge to all community groups. This programme trains individuals in communities how to have a structured but supportive conversation in a safe and non-judgemental space. It allows an individual to discuss how they are coping or not coping, and working together, the individual working with the Buddy discuss (co-produce) ways of moving forward to overcome the challenges. During our Community Buddy training, participants will be educated on how stress and mental health problems

the use of a structured interview schedule to ascertain whether individuals might be experiencing significant levels of distress and how to practically manage distressed individuals. Furthermore, they will be trained to mentor individuals to take positive resilience enhancing actions, such as positive coping. They will be trained on how to recognise more complex symptoms requiring professional interventions. They will develop skills based on the principal of motivational mentoring to encourage individuals to speak with a healthcare professional where necessary. Further information on our programme is available at Link

19. Pride in our Community Competition 2022 is not open. The closing date is the 1st of June 2022.

place to visit, work in & live in. If you are interested in volunteering please contact us through the website link. 21. Clann Credo is hosting an online event for community groups that are considering construction projects. The webinar is on the 24th of May from 7-8pm. Link 22. The Department of Rural and Community Development have launched an online platform for businesses to pledge offers of supplies and services to help Ireland's humanitarian response to the

Ukraine crisis has been set up by the government. An online form will capture business offers to supply or donate goods or services into a central register to help with the humanitarian effort. Please note, this register is intended for business offers only. Although all offers of supplies and services are hugely welcome, please be aware that not all offers of assistance may be required or

23. Cork Cultural Companions creates local networks of like-minded people interested in arts, heritage and culture who can accompany each other to events. It operates by bringing together like-minded people that meet up regularly to go out either with one other person or as part of a small group. The aim is to provide increased opportunities for older people to engage with Ireland's vibrant cultural and arts scene and it is supported in Cork by Muintir na Tíre; the HSE; Cork County

24. Cork County Council Arts and Culture Department has moved location to the Cork County Council website. To receive future updates click on the link and follow the steps. Link

Other Newsletters • CECAS Newsletter, Link • The Wheel Weekly Newsletter, Link Age Friendly Newsletter, Link Tidy Towns Newsletter, <u>Link</u> • Muintir na Tire weekly Newsletter, Link The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan (AIPP) Newsletter, Link

To view past PPN newsletters go to <u>Latest News - Cork County PPN</u>

14. The Glencree Centre for Peace & Reconciliation is looking for a dynamic, energetic, and positive person to join our team as the Administrator for the Intercultural and Refugee Programme. The successful candidate will report to the Programme Coordinator and will also work with the Project Lead of the Hope and Ambition Project, other Glencree staff, Consultants, NETHATE PhD students, interns, and volunteers. This post operates in a team environment and the post holder will work collaboratively with their Glencree colleagues, attending staff and programme meetings and liaising with all departments within the organisation. From time to time the post may require an element of working unsocial hours including weekend work. A time off in lieu system is in operation. Glencree is an equal opportunities employer. We specifically welcome applications from people from diverse and minority ethnic and faith backgrounds. Link 15. The Office of the Planning Regulator (OPR) is to drive national research, training, education and public awareness of planning. To this end the OPR has entered into an agreement with the

can affect individuals. They will be instructed in the skills of active listening. They will be trained in

20. National Biodiversity Week 2022 takes place from May 15th -22nd and the theme this year is: "Building a shared future for all life". More information can be had on this <u>link</u> 21. Bandon Tidy Towns is a small group of volunteers who work hard to make their town a better

Council and Cork City Council. Members can join Cork Cultural Companions by contacting Barbara Quinn, Coordinator, by emailing culture@muintircork.com or by phoning 021 4500688 / 085-