



Public Participation Network Kildare



Funding Opportunities



Heart of the Community Fund



Heart of the Community Fund 2023

The Heart of the Community Fund is an open grant round designed to meet the needs of not-for-profit organisations delivering vital services and supports to people across the island of Ireland.

The Ireland Funds recognises the challenges organisations face in securing funding to build their capacity or meet their core costs, so the **Heart of the Community Fund 2023** will provide Organisational Investment Grants with a fund of at least **€500,000**.

[Find out more...](#)



LIFE Programme

The LIFE programme is the EU's funding instrument for the environment and climate action. Created in 1992, it has co-financed thousands of projects. The LIFE programme 2021-2027 is managed by the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA), has a budget of €5.4 billion and is divided into four sub-programmes:

- Nature and biodiversity
- Circular economy and quality of life
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation
- Clean energy transition

The LIFE Call for proposals 2023 will be published on the Funding & tender opportunities portal as of Mid-April. The calls for Clean energy transition are expected to be published as of Mid-May.

On 25-26 April, CINEA organizes virtual EU LIFE Info Days to guide potential applicants through the LIFE 2023 Calls for applications. Find here the detailed agenda of the two days.

Fundingpoint Local Access Digest

Apr – May 2023



Fundingpoint

Kildare LCDC have engaged The Wheel to provide a bi-monthly publication for Kildare which will include EU, national, philanthropic and local funding information for community and voluntary groups in Kildare.

[Download Fundingpoint here](#)



Upcoming Events



Bluebells and Buskers

Bluebells and Buskers 2023 will take place this year on Sunday 30th April at 2pm in Killinthomas Wood, Rathangan.

The festival celebrate nature, the bluebells, musical acts and local heritage.



Cloth Nappy Library Ireland announce Earth Baby Fair 2023

The Earth Baby Fair will take place at the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth, Co. Kildare on Saturday 22nd April 2023 from 10am-4pm. The fair will feature eco friendly stall, talks & demonstrations. For the kids there will be a junk art area, storytelling, face painting, a play area and fun with the Think Before You Flush campaign with Clean Coasts.

[Find out more...](#)



LEADER 2023-2027 Consultation Events

County Kildare LEADER Partnership, invites everyone with ideas on how to build a vibrant rural community to attend. We want to work with community and voluntary groups, farm families, rural business, and social enterprises to shape the priorities of LEADER for the 2023-2027 funding Programme. Your ideas will help us to develop the funding strategy to move them forward.

[Find out more...](#)



Training



Community
Law & Mediation

**Community Law and Mediation (CLM) Training -
Public Bodies' Statutory Duty to Eliminate
Discrimination, Promote Equality, and Protect
Human Rights of Staff and Service Users**

Date: Thurs 18 May 2023

Time: 10am - 1pm by zoom

Cost: Free (only 2 people per organisation)

**To book your place please send an email
to education@communitylawandmediation.ie**



Recent News



Connected hubs to host a national showcase promoting the benefits of hub working in Ireland

On Wednesday, 26 April hubs across the country will open their doors for a national Connected Hubs Showcase Day. On the day hubs across the Connected Hubs network will display the incredible variety and regional diversity with a focus on promoting why their hub and locality are great places for remote workers.

[Find an event](#)



Resources



CARA Accessible Toolkit for Sports Clubs

Xccessible
club toolkit



The Xccessible Club Toolkit is a guided resource that will empower clubs to positively and meaningfully provide opportunities for people with disabilities to take part in sport and physical activity at a local level.

[Download Toolkit here...](#)



Public Consultations



Sallins Health Check and Town Renewal Masterplan

Kildare County Council invite you to participate in a survey on your town. This survey information will help to inform the completion of a Town Renewal Masterplan for Sallins.

[Full details](#)

Freedom To Advocate Survey



ICCL has reached out to share their “Freedom to Advocate” survey which will examine the restrictions placed on the voices of community, voluntary and non-governmental organisations.

[Full details](#)



Draft Kildare Town Local Area Plan 2023-2029

Do you live, work, shop or socialise in Kildare Town?

Kildare County Council have just published a Draft Local Area Plan (LAP) for Kildare Town and are inviting submissions from members of the community on the draft plan.

Full details...

More open public consultations with Kildare County Council:

- [Proposed Addition to the Record of Protected Structures](#)
- [Temporary Road Closure - Notice of Intention - Lyons Road - Kearneystown Rail Works](#)
- [Temporary Road Closure - Notice of Intention - Various Roads, Athy MD](#)
- [Temporary Road Closure - Notice of Intention - Gordon Bennett Reliability Trials, Athy](#)
- [Proposed Double Yellow Lines/Parking Restrictions at Rathasker Heights, Naas, Co. Kildare](#)
- [TAKING IN CHARGE OF ROADS & SERVICES - St John's Grove, Johnstown](#)
- [Section 38 – W6 Orbital Route Bus Stop Locations, Straffan Road, Maynooth & Maynooth Community College \(Moyglare Hall Estate\) Maynooth.](#)
- [O'Hanrahan Bridge Widening](#)

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