





### **Funding Opportunities**

### Peatlands Community Engagement Scheme Funding 2023



A fund of up to €500,000 is being made available to support community-led projects as part of the Peatlands Community Engagement Scheme 2023. This Scheme seeks to encourage local peatland communities, groups, schools and other interested parties to play a part in the conservation and revitalisation of raised and blanket bogs – particularly protected bogs and fens – and to promote public engagement with and awareness of our natural heritage and environment.

Find out more...

#### **Community Centres Investment Fund**



Minister for Further & Higher Education, Research, Innovation & Science has announced the opening of a €1 million funding call for new projects to help address unmet literacy needs.

€1 million is available for grants under the Adult Literacy for Life (ALL) Collaboration & Innovation Fund and public, nonprofit, community and voluntary organisations are all eligible to apply to a maximum of €50,000 each.

Find out more...



#### **SPAR Community Fund**

SPAR is inviting all community clubs and groups across Kildare to apply for a chance to win €10,000 in funding as part of their new SPAR 60th Community Fund.

#### **Apply here**

# Adult Literacy for Life: Collaboration & Innovation Fund 2023 Opens for Applications



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#### **Community Safety Innovation Fund**

€3 million has been made available to support the development of community safety through innovative, local community based initiatives.

Applications will be invited from community safety initiatives as well as groups co-funded with local authorities, NGOs and community organisations working on issues relevant to community safety and youth justice.

Find out more...



### **Training**

### Local Experts Programme Royal Canal Greenway



#### Fáilte Ireland Invites YOU to Join the Local Experts Programme to Help Grow Your Local Economy

Fáilte Ireland's **Local Experts Programme** returns this Spring. Fáilte Ireland invites you to help grow the local economy by attending one of our upcoming workshops. These interactive workshops are for anyone who regularly comes into contact with visitors and covers what there is to see and do along the Royal Canal Greenway.

If you work in the local tourism or hospitality sector including working in an accommodation business, in a restaurant, pub, taxi company, or volunteer on tourism initiatives in your local community, then this Programme is for you.

This is a **Free** event and places are on a first come first served basis. **TO REGISTER:** please choose **ONE** of the workshops listed below and email

local experts@failteire land.ie

Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 10.00am – 12.30pm (Registration from 9.30am) OR Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2.30pm – 5.00pm (Registration from 2.00pm)

Venue: Glenroyal Hotel & Leisure Club, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

OR

## Cycle against Suicide Community Buddy Training





# Good Governance and your Constitution Wednesday April 12th - 10:00am - 12:00pm Venue: Áras Chill Dara Naas

Understanding what good governance means. Adhering to your purpose and Constitution. Board meetings, agendas and minutes. Decision-making. The difference between governance and management.

Find out more....





#### **All Ireland Pollinator Plan**

The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan is about all of us, from farmers to local authorities, to schools, gardeners and businesses, coming together to try to create an Ireland where pollinators can survive and thrive. The National Biodiversity Centre have created a number of useful resources where you will find everything you need to take action for pollinators, including resources for local communities, sports clubs, residential gardens etc.

Find out more



### **Recent News**



### SuperValu TidyTowns Competition Now Open for Entries

The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, in association with the Managing Director of SuperValu, Ian Allen, has launched the 2023 SuperValu TidyTowns competition. The closing date for receipt of entries for this year's competition is Wednesday, 10 May 2023.

Find out more...



# DRCD announces new €13 million Fund to tackle vacancy and dereliction in rural Ireland

Under the initiative, each local authority can apply for funding of up to €500,000, which they can use to purchase up to three properties to re-develop into multi-purpose community facilities. The funding, under the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, is designed to make our towns and villages more attractive places in which to live, visit, invest and raise a family.

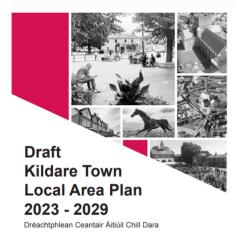


### **Public Consultations**



### Kildare Age Friendly Survey - GP Services in Kildare

The Kildare Age Friendly Programme and the Kildare OPC are conducting a piece of research into the locations and wait times of GP services in Kildare. As an action from the Age Friendly Strategy it was agreed to undertake this research to get a clearer picture around GP wait times etc. <u>Take survey here.</u> Members of the OPC will also be out in various towns and villages in the coming weeks with paper copies.



#### **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...



#### **The Housing Commission Public Consultation**

This consultation is being carried on behalf of the Housing Commission. The purpose of the consultation is to inform the Housing Commission's consideration of long-term housing policy post 2030. It is also looking at current housing issues that could affect the long-term. Access the Housing Commission's Terms of Reference.

Full details...

#### **More Public Consultations:**

- Open Government National Action Plan 2023-2025-Public Consultation
- Part 8 Proposed Clane Library REF No: P8202301

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