

Public Participation Network Kildare



Funding Opportunities



LAWPRO Community Water Development
Fund 2024 Now Open

LAWPRO Community Water Development Fund

Your local community or voluntary group can now apply for a Community Water Development Fund (CWDF) grant to deliver a project in 2024.

This Fund helps local communities deliver projects and initiatives that enhance your local water environment, delivering multiple benefits for water quality, biodiversity and climate action. The Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO) administers the Fund on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

There will be €520,000 available in grants under the 2024 Call.

[Find out more](#)



Brigid 1500 Community and
Creative Grant Scheme

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Kildare County Council is inviting community groups, artists, clubs and organisations to apply for funding through its Brigid 1500 Community and Creative Grant Scheme, established to support initiatives that echo the values of Ireland's patroness saint.

The Brigid 1500 programme was created to celebrate and commemorate St. Brigid, "a woman, a life, a legacy" in a broad and rich way, with 2024 being the second year of the grant scheme.

Applications for the grant scheme have now opened, with funding available for a range of activities and projects that celebrate Brigid 1500 including creative projects, biodiversity projects, heritage projects, performances and more.

The scheme will prioritise community groups, artists, clubs and other relevant organisations delivering projects in partnership with local communities.

[Find out more](#)



National Integration Fund 2023

The purpose of the National Integration Fund 2023 is to support communities across Ireland to play a greater role in promoting the integration of migrants. This call will be open to applicants operating at regional and national level.

Approximately €750,000 will be committed per year in this call over a maximum of three years, subject to the availability of funds. The minimum annual grant amount that can be applied for is €25,000 and grants may range up to €200,000 over the life of the project.

This funding can be used for both once-off initiatives and short to medium term projects. Projects should take an inclusive approach, aiming to bring migrants and host communities together.

[Find out more](#)



Biodiversity Fund 2023

Community Foundation of Ireland Biodiversity Fund is now open for applications. There are two strands to this year’s grant round:

- 1. Community groups are invited to apply for a grant to engage an ecologist and develop a Community Biodiversity Action Plan (CBAP) for their local area.
- 2. CFI are inviting any organisation who has a CBAP to apply for funding to implement recommendations contained in it.

[Find out more](#)



Kildare Funding Point

FundingPoint - Funding for community and voluntary / non profits (October - November edition)

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

[Download October / November edition](#)

More funding opportunities:

- [Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme](#)
- [Arts Council of Ireland Funding](#)



Upcoming Events



REGISTER NOW FOR
FREE CREATIVE
ART PROGRAMMES

Try one of our FREE, specially designed art programmes either in-person or online from home!
A chance for children and young people (ages 6-15) with lifelong physical health conditions to explore their creativity and grow in confidence, while making new friends and having fun along the way!

FREE Online Creative Art Programmes with
Helium Arts

Registrations are now OPEN for [Helium Arts](#) FREE ONLINE Autumn / Winter Art Programmes - A chance for children and young people (ages 6-15) with *lifelong physical health conditions to explore their creativity and grow in confidence, while making new friends and having fun along the way!

Their online programme consists of both on and offline creative activities and is available nationwide so children and young people can take part wherever they are!

[Find out more...](#)

More upcoming Events :

- [Kildare Biodiversity Conference](#)
- [National Allotments and Community Gardens Week](#)



Training



ONLINE SAFEGUARDING 1
Code of Ethics & Good Practice for Childrens
Sport

Sport Ireland have designed the Safeguarding Workshops to be delivered online via Zoom so we are offering you the opportunity to participate in one of our upcoming workshops!

Date: Tuesday 10th October from 7-10pm.
Cost: €25

[Book here](#)



Date: 11th October 2023
Time: 7:00 – 9:30pm
Venue: Online via Zoom
Email: fandrews@kildarecoco.ie



Autism in Sport Training Online workshop
delivered by Kildare Sports Partnership

This online workshop will provide attendees with an understanding of Autism focusing on the delivery of sport. Completing the workshop will help participants to recognise and understand key areas of difference as well as looking at practical strategies which will help to include people with autism in sport sessions.

Wednesday 11th October from 7 - 9.30pm

(Cost is €20)

[Book here](#)



Recent News



Free Office and Meeting Room Space for Groups at the Prem Group Business Hub Osprey Hotel Naas

Kildare LCDC are currently inviting expressions of interest from community organisations/groups working with disadvantaged communities/promote social inclusion that are challenged to secure office space. As the contribution is limited, priority for the free space will be considered by the SICAP (Social Inclusion) Subgroup of Kildare LCDC with the following criteria being used to make this decision:

- a) Groups/Organisations focusing on working with disadvantaged individuals/communities to promote social inclusion
- b) Clear governance structures
- d) Fit with LCDC priorities

- Travellers/Roma
- New Communities (particular focus on those living in Direct Provision)
- Long Term Unemployed
- Older People and isolation
- Mental Health (including youth)
- Young people, particularly early school leavers or young people at risk of leaving school early
- Food poverty
- Digital poverty
- Domestic violence
- Children/young people with disabilities

- e) Clear evidence of the requirement for space
- f) Evidence of sustainability into the future
- g) Evidence of positive environmental impact

Find out more



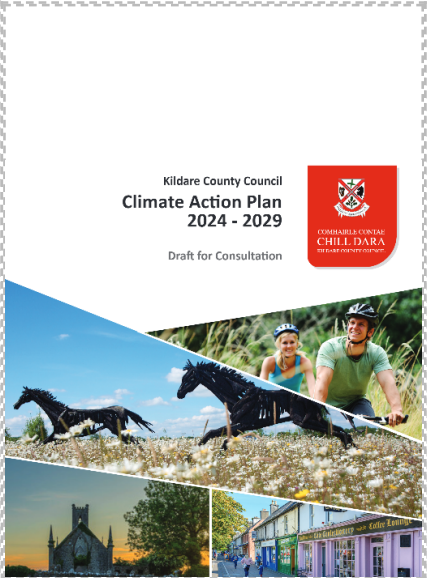
Nominations closing soon for the Volunteer Ireland Awards

The Volunteer Ireland Awards are the major annual initiative to celebrate volunteers in Ireland. The awards shine a light on the remarkable achievements of volunteers around the country by honoring them at a national level. Nominate your neighbors, family, friends, colleagues and community supporters for the chance to win a Volunteer Ireland Award.

[Find out more](#)



Public Consultations



Kildare County Council Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029

The Draft Climate Action Plan sets out how the local authority can promote a range of mitigation, adaptation, and other climate action measures, to help deliver on the national climate obligations and the Government’s overall National Climate Objective, which seeks to pursue and achieve, by no later than the end of 2050, the transition to a climate resilient, biodiversity rich, environmentally sustainable and climate neutral economy.

Public Consultation

Kildare County Council are currently accepting submission from the public on the Draft Climate Action Plan plan.

[Find out more](#)



Drop in Clinics

Kildare County Council will be holding Public Consultation Drop-In Clinics will take place at the following locations and members of the public are encouraged to come along:

- Maynooth Library Wednesday, 27th September from 10.00-12.30pm
- Naas Library Tuesday, 3rd October from 10.00-12.30pm
- Leixlip Library Tuesday, 10th October from 2.00 – 4.30pm
- Athy Library Wednesday, 18th October from 2.00 – 4.30pm
- Newbridge Library Thursday, 26th October from 5.00 to 7.30pm

More open public consultations:

- [Public Consultation on the Draft Green Public Procurement Strategy and Action Plan](#)
- [Green Paper on Disability Reform: A Public Consultation to Reform Disability Payments in Ireland](#)

Please circulate to members in your group/organisation

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