



## County Longford Public Participation Network (PPN)

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## PPN Newsletter May 2019 Part 1

### PPN Biodiversity Workshops – Please register for your Preferred Workshop Time.

County Longford PPN are organising **Biodiversity Workshops on Tuesday May 28th in Longford Women's Link, Willow House, Ardnacassa Avenue, Longford.**

We are holding a daytime and evening workshop to accommodate as many members as possible.

**Please register your interest in your preferred workshop time:**

**3.30pm - 5 pm**

or

**7pm - 8.30pm**

by emailing [ppn@longfordcoco.ie](mailto:ppn@longfordcoco.ie) or [longfordppn@yahoo.com](mailto:longfordppn@yahoo.com)

**Billy Flynn**, Environmental Specialist and National Tidy Town Adjudicator will deliver both workshops. This is a great opportunity for PPN Members so please register as early as possible.

Can I ask all Tidy Towns groups to ensure that the CE worker assigned to your TT attends also.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

### National Volunteer Week

Longford Community Resources clg. Volunteer Centre are hosting the following during National Volunteer Week 13<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May


**Free Garda Vetting Training** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May @ 5.30 pm in the offices of Longford Community Resources clg. Templemichael. To book a place e-mail [terri@volunteerlongford.ie](mailto:terri@volunteerlongford.ie) for further information

**Volunteer Fair** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 12-2 in the Temperance Hall, Longford. Great opportunity to find out about volunteering and to meet organisations who are looking for volunteers.

E-mail [angela@volunteerlongford.ie](mailto:angela@volunteerlongford.ie) for further information.

**Positive Health and Well Being Workshop** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 10-1 pm in the offices of Longford Community Resources CLG Templemichael. E-mail [angela@volunteerlongford.ie](mailto:angela@volunteerlongford.ie) for further information.

## Village and Enhancement Area Training for Community Groups




Longford Community  
Resources Cig

**'VILLAGE AND AREA ENHANCEMENT TRAINING  
FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS'**


Longford Community Resources Cig (LCRL) wishes to ascertain the level of interest from Community Groups to participate in training workshops with a view to


**OPTION A - Updating your old  
Area Development and Village  
Enhancement Plan to Improve  
your local area**









OR

**OPTION B - Developing an  
Area Development and Village  
Enhancement Plan to improve  
your local area**





Please contact Martina McKenna, at LCRL offices on 043-3345555 to note your Group's interest and provide your contact details to be included on the mailing for invitations to participate when this training becomes available.



## Community Enhancement Programme 2019



### Community Enhancement Programme 2019

Longford Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) invites applications from community groups for funding under the above funding Programme.

Grants are for small scale capital works and may range from €1,000 and €10,000. Application forms and guidelines are available from Longford LCDC, Longford County Council, Aras an Chontae, Great Water Street, Longford, telephone (043) 3343472, email [lcdc@longfordcoco.ie](mailto:lcdc@longfordcoco.ie) or on Longford County Council's website: [www.longfordcoco.ie](http://www.longfordcoco.ie)

The closing date for receipt of completed application forms is **5pm on Thursday 30th May 2019.**

Here is the Link to the Council website for the Community Enhancement Programme 2019.

<http://www.longfordcoco.ie/longfordcoco/services/economic-community-development/community-development/community-enhancement-programme-2019/>

For assistance, please contact the Community Development team on 043 334 3472

## [Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2019](#)



### **Comhairle Chontae Longfoirt Longford County Council**

## **Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2019**

The Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2019 has recently been launched by Minister for Rural and Community Development, Michael Ring TD.

Applications from towns and villages can range from €20,000 to a maximum of €100,000. Funding of up to €200,000 will also be considered for a limited number of projects which can deliver exceptionally strong economic benefits to a town and its outlying areas. Selection of projects under the Scheme will be by means of a competitive process. Final project selection will be made by the Department of Rural and Community Development on the basis of applications submitted by the Local Authorities.

Longford County Council is seeking Expressions of Interest from town/village groups who may have a suitable project for consideration under the Scheme. All Expressions of Interest will be assessed based on the priorities as contained in the Scheme Outline.

Projects must have clear positive impacts on a town or village in terms of placemaking and town centre regeneration, or which stimulate economic activity between a town/village and its neighbouring townlands will be particularly welcome, as will proposals seeking to develop initiatives to encourage town centre living.

All interested town/village groups who wish to submit an Expression of Interest should return completed forms and details to the Regeneration Unit, Planning Department, Longford County Council, Great Water Street, Longford N39 NH56 no later than 4pm on Thursday 16th May 2019.

Full details of the Scheme together with the Expression of Interest form can be found at [www.longfordcoco.ie/services/planning/town-village-renewal/](http://www.longfordcoco.ie/services/planning/town-village-renewal/).

**Terry Rooney,  
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Longford County Council**

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## Volunteer Fair/Expo May 16<sup>th</sup> 2019



**NATIONAL VOLUNTEERING WEEK**

# VOLUNTEER FAIR/ EXPO



**Volunteer expo**

**WHEN**  
**May 16th**  
**12pm - 2pm**

**WHERE**  
**Temperance Hall, Longford**

**Come along and find out more about  
volunteering !**  
**Tel: 0877594770**








**MEET REPRESENTATIVES**

**FROM:**  
**St.Christopher's Leisure Buddy Program**  
**Longford Women's Link**  
**CASA**  
**IWETB**  
**GAISCE**  
**IWL –WILLOW TRADERS**  
**LCRI**  
**MVIA AUTISM SUPPORT GROUP**  
**LONGFORD FRIENDS OF CHILDREN OF CHERNOBYL**  
**LONGFORD ALZHEIMERS ASSOCIATION**  
**LONGFORD COUNSELLING SERVICE**  
**BALLYMAHON CONVENT NAY CARE CENTRE**  
**LONGFORD COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS & more**

## Save the Date – NDA Annual Conference 2019

<b>Event:</b>	NDA Annual Conference 2019 - The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: Past Lessons and Future Aspirations
<b>When:</b>	Thursday 17th October 2019, 10.00am - 16.00pm
<b>Where:</b>	Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin
<b>Cost:</b>	Free of charge

The theme of the National Disability Authority's Annual Conference 2019 will be implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD).

The conference will provide an opportunity to share valuable Irish and international experience and to learn from other countries who have navigated the implementation and review process. In

particular, the conference will focus on how the UNCRPD can be used to drive policy development in order to deliver positive change for people with disabilities.

**The conference will be of interest to:**

- policymakers
- public sector officials
- disability rights organisations
- local authority officials
- Individuals with disabilities and their families.

**Please note, this is not an invitation, you will receive an invitation to register for the conference at a later date.**

## [An Cosán VCC Annual Community Partner Forum 2019](#)

You are invited to attend

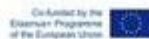


### ANNUAL COMMUNITY PARTNER FORUM 2019



Date: Wednesday 29th May 2019  
Time: 10.00am-16.00pm  
Venue: NDRC, Digital Exchange, Dublin, 8  
Full Details to Follow

This event is supported by EPALE Ireland and co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union



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## **An Cosán VCC Annual Community Partner Forum 2019**

Date: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Time: 10.00-16.00pm

(Note: 10.00am Welcome: Registration, Refreshments, Networking, Expo; Event starts: 11.00am sharp)

Venue: NDRC, Digital Exchange, Crane St, Dublin 8

**Keynote Speaker:** We are delighted to announce that Mr. Seán Canney TD, Minister of State for Community Development, Natural Resources and Digital Development as keynote speaker on the day.

The Day will include:

- Welcome: Registration, Refreshments, Expo, Networking
- Opening Circle: A moment to reflect
- Opening address: Liz Waters, CEO, An Cosán
- Keynote Speaker: Mr. Seán Canney TD, Minister of State for Community Development, Natural Resources and Digital Development
- Partner Panel Discussion - Facilitated by Liz Waters, CEO, An Cosán
- World Cafe Workshop - Facilitated by Suzie Cahn, An Cosán VCC
- Lunch & Time to Network
- Expert Panel Discussion
- Close

Full details will be finalized soon but please keep the date in your diary as this is your day to engage with the network.

**TO REGISTER:** To facilitate event organisation we would appreciate if you can indicate your availability to attend as soon as possible by registering on this link as places will be limited. [Register on this link.](#)

**Recap from our Forum in 2018:** Read about last years An Cosán VCC Community Partner Forum 2018 in this recap article of the event where almost 100 members from our network and the community education space came together to learn, engage and Network. <https://lnkd.in/eh7CPKZ>.

If you have any questions about the event please do not hesitate to contact Maria Flanagan, Community Partner Lead on email [m.flanagan@ancosanvcc.com](mailto:m.flanagan@ancosanvcc.com) or on mobile 086 8223808.