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Member Update Bulletin – March 2020

Co Wicklow PPN News

COVID 19 – Supporting the Co Wicklow Community Action Response

Please Check Out Our Covid 19 Resources Page on our Website:

<http://www.countywicklowppn.ie/covid-19-resources.html>

You will Find:

A List of Community Services and Contacts

The PPN Team have compiled a list of community groups that are offering help to the elderly, vulnerable and isolated members of their community, along with the service being offered and contact details for people who need the service or would like to volunteer with the service

If there are other groups providing services that you know off please get in touch and we'll add them to the list.

Local Supports for Community Groups Through:

- Co Wicklow Volunteer Centre
- An Garda Síochána Statement - including the [Older People's Registration Form](#)
- Co Wicklow Older People's Council - including Information [Guide to Services for Older People in Co Wicklow](#)
- Wicklow County Council – including [Covid 19 Statements](#), [Information for Council Tenants and Hap/Ras Tenants](#), [Contact details for Elected Representatives](#)

National & Generic Supports

COVID 19 Government Action Plan to Support the Community Response

- [Advice on the Recruitment of Volunteers](#)
- [You, Your Community & Covid 19](#)
- [How to Protect Against Fraud & Generate Trust](#)
- [Sensible Volunteering in Relation to Covid 19](#)
- [Advice for Vulnerable People](#)
- [How Can I Volunteer in Response to Covid 19](#)

Volunteer Ireland

- [Volunteer Management During and Emergency](#)
- Sample Covid 19 Volunteer Registration Form
- Volunteer Code of Conduct Template
- Covid 19 Sample Risk Assessment



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[Irish Rural Link Protocols for Community Groups & Volunteers in Delivering Services](#)

[Munitir Na Tire Information for Community Groups](#)

[National Action Plan](#)

HSE – Health Service Executive

- [Posters and Resources](#)
- [Posters in Different Languages](#)
- [Symptoms Causes & Treatment](#)
- [Protect Yourself & Others](#)
- [At-risk Groups](#)
- [Restricted Movements & Self – isolation](#)
- [Travel & Coronavirus](#)
- [Minding your Mental Health During Covid 19](#)

[Siel Bleu Online Exercise Programmes](#) – for Older Adults & Patient Groups

[AsIAm – Autism Spectrum Information Advice](#)

[Seniorline – Confidential Listening Service](#)

[Irish Men’s Sheds Information on Covid 19](#)

Accessible Resources/Posters Developed for People with Communication Difficulties

- What is Covid 19
- How to Wash My Hands
- How to Cough & Sneeze
- My Day Service is Closing
- Café/Restaurant Closed
- My Respite Service is Closing
- My Housemate has Covid 19 & is Leaving the House
- My Housemate has Covid 19 and I am Staying in the House
- No Visitors
- No Work
- No School
- No Cinema, No Golf, No Gym, No Dancing Class, No Swimming

Financial Assistance

- [Information for employees & the self-employed](#)
- [Information for employers](#)
- [Apply for the Covid 19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment](#)



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- [Apply for Illness Benefit for Covid 19 Absences](#)
- [Social Welfare Covid 19 Contacts](#)
- [Gov.ie direct Payment to a Financial Institution Application Form](#)
- [Arrangements for Energy Customers During Covid 19 Restrictions](#)
- [An Post Temporary Agent Application Form](#)

[WHO – World Health Organisation – Advice for the Public](#)

Useful Helplines

Welcome This Month's New Members: Co Wicklow PPN has 336 Member Groups a full list can be found on the Members Page. ?? Groups have registered this year.

Streetfeast – a group set up to encourage and support community groups to hold a Street Feast on an annual basis.

IMPORTANT! - Has Your Group Renewed Your PPN Membership Yet? – If your group hasn't re-registered please do so soon otherwise we will have to remove your details from our database. **NOTE:** This only affects groups that registered prior to 2019

Dates for your Diary

Meet the Elected Representatives – Under the Current Circumstances We Might Have to Postpone Some or All of These Meetings - as reported in last month's bulletin we have invited the elected representatives to meet communities in each MD now that they have been in their seats for one year. We also invited the elected TDs to come to these meetings. These are the dates and venues:

Arklow MD – Wednesday 22 April – Glenart College

Bray MD – Monday 27 April – Cornerstone Church

Wicklow MD – Tuesday 28 April – St Bridget's Community Centre Rathnew

Greystones MD – Wednesday 6 May – Greystones Tennis Club

Baltinglass MD – Thursday 7 May – Tinahely Hall

Baltinglass MD – Monday 11 May – Immal Hall, Dunlavin

Save the Date! – Communities for Climate – Delivering Climate Action through the Sustainable Development Goals – Saturday 16th May Under the Current Circumstances We Might Have to Postpone Some or All of These Meetings

Co Wicklow PPN is collaborating with WCC Environmental Office, Local Waters & Communities Office, Irish Environmental Network and local community groups to run an informative and participative environmental themed event in the Lalor Centre in Baltinglass. More Details to Follow Soon



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Save the Date! Co Wicklow PPN Training Fair – Saturday 19th September

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National PPN Conference 2020 – As reported last month this year's conference is scheduled to take place in the Arklow Bay Hotel on 2nd & 3rd of October. A meeting of the Conference Sub-Group took place earlier this month to plan for the event

Save the Date! - Social Inclusion Week – Saturday 17th October to Friday 23rd October 2020

Co Wicklow PPN is collaborating with a number of community organisations to revive Social Inclusion Week in Co Wicklow. The collaborative group is planning to run a number of themed community lunches around the county during the week. We are asking groups and organisations if they are thinking about running an event focusing on inclusion this year that they might do it during Social Inclusion Week. We will be sending out forms about this soon. We will set up a Co Wicklow Social Inclusion Week Facebook Page soon and our plan is to advertise all the events and encourage people to attend them using the Facebook page and other local media. More Details to Follow Soon

Can You Help Us? – We Need Voluntary Representatives

- We are seeking voluntary representatives to sit on the following committees: Co Wicklow PPN Secretariat, , Local Community Development Committee (Community & Voluntary, Social Inclusion and Environment seats) and WCC Community, Cultural & Social Development SPC (environmental seat) For more details on the committees, roles, time commitments etc. please contact Helen on 087 1895145 or Grainne 086 0487434 or Email us at: countywicklowppn@gmail.com

PPN Workplan & Finance Report

– Members can keep up to date on how we are progressing the PPN Workplan and managing our budgets. Up to date reports are available to look at on the members page of our website [HERE](#)

Co Wicklow PPN Members Funding Handbook & Funding Calendar

– This valuable resource for groups is updated regularly and is available on the members only page of our website [HERE](#). Give us a call if you've forgotten the password to access the page

General News & Training Opportunities

The Wheel Covid 19 Impact Webinar – will run on Thursday 2nd April and is free to Wheel members. Find our more [HERE](#)



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Funding Opportunities & Awards

KWETB Local Youth Club Grant Scheme 2020 - Applications under this scheme will be accepted until 5pm on Friday 1st May. Please note the youth club/group must be registered with the KWETB to be eligible for this grant. For more information and an application form: ericcaffrey@kwetb.ie or call 0404 60500 or log on to the KWETB website.

<http://kildarewicklow.etb.ie/youth/youth-work-services/>

Bank of Ireland Begin Together Fund provides valuable investment for community initiatives that will make a real difference in towns and villages. Deadline for Application 3 June. Find our more [HERE](#)

The Human Rights and Equality Grants Scheme is open to civil society organisations, including community and voluntary organisations, trade unions, groups representing geographic communities addressing poverty and social exclusion or communities of interest protected under the 9 equality grounds including groups led by people with disabilities and ethnic minorities. Deadline for Application 27 April. Find our more [HERE](#)

Wicklow Sports and Recreation Partnership Grants – Form more information and an application form Email: sportsgrants@wicklowcoco.ie