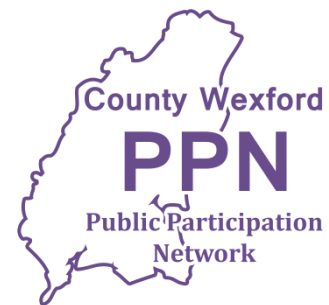


Member Information Bulletin

June 2017 Digest

A summary of the information sent to members during June



Grants & Funding Information

1. The Coca-Cola Ireland Thank You Fund is **giving away €100,000** to projects that inspire & support young people. Could one of County Wexford PPN members apply to deliver an impactful youth project? Check out the website <http://www.coca-cola.ie/stories/100000-to-be-awarded-to-youth-charities>
2. A reminder that **Planting Grants from Wexford County Council**, up to a maximum of €300, to voluntary groups for planting projects in public areas has a closing date of 9th June - <https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/environment/biodiversity-community-and-schools/planting-grants-for-voluntary-groups>
3. Reminder - **Local Agenda 21 Environmental Partnership Fund** has a closing date for applications of this **Friday – 23rd June**. Check out Community section, Wexford County Council website for further details.
4. Reminder - **2017 Access for All - Gardens, Parks and Community Spaces Competition** closing date is **Thursday 29th June 2017**. Check out Community section of Wexford County Council website.
5. Reminder - **Community Facilities Capital Scheme 2017** closes on **30th June**. Check out Community section of Wexford County Council website for further details.
6. **Animate** is a €220,000 fund that provides grants & supports to **early stage projects or organisations that have come up with clever ideas to address health and social issues in their community**. This year the Animate Fund will have two elements, the first will seek out early stage innovations that have smart responses to general community issues such as poverty, educational disadvantage etc. The second element will have a specific focus on community health with the new Healthy Community Awards. Applications close on **Friday 7th July 2017 at 5pm**. more information on the website <http://www.socialinnovation.ie/animate-2017/> If you are interested there is a webinar taking place at **2pm on Wednesday 21st June** to answer applicant questions
7. Funding opportunities available under the **Dormant Accounts Funds**. Measure 2 'Life After Caring' seeks to support carers with 'post-care transition' & to increase participation in social & economic life. Measure 4 'Pre-activation supports for Female Refugees' seeks to provide tailored interventions that support access education, training and pre-employment supports. Closing date is 3pm on Wednesday 26th July 2017 <https://www.pobal.ie/FundingProgrammes/DormantAccountsFund/Pages/default.aspx>
8. **Wexford Local Development** have been requested by POBAL to nominate one **Social Enterprise** project from Co. Wexford who will submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to apply for inclusion in the **Community Services Programme (CSP) in 2017** – which would provide a funding contribution to the project. WLD will hold an open information session for interested organisations, providing full details of the programme at **7-9pm on Wednesday, June 28th 2017 at Coolcotts Community Centre, Wexford**. Please contact Fran Ryan for more details fryan@wld.ie or 053 9155800.
9. Potential **funding opportunity** – the **Ireland Wales programme** delivers sustainable economic, social & environmental benefits for people, businesses & communities across Ireland & Wales. If you think this is something that might be of interest to your organisation check out <http://www.irelandwales.eu/>
10. Opportunity to apply for €5,000 worth of fully funded, specialist training and mentoring to enable you to take the next steps towards the commercialisation of a **bio-based innovation**. Applications should be returned by email to cliodhna.dowling@staff.ittralee.ie no later than 29.09.2017.

Capacity Building


11. **Creativity & Change Accredited award** now open for applications. The Creativity and Change programme targets change-makers, activists, artists, community workers, adult educators, youth workers, volunteers and anyone who is interested how creative engagement can nurture global citizenship and empathic action around local and global justice themes.
12. In September, the **cornmarket** will roll out a new local training initiative for people that have an interest in entering or returning to education. This LTI programme will offer a QQI level 3 qualification. Applicants can be between the ages of 16-35 with no formal qualifications and are unemployed. If you need any further information contact **Roseanne in Cornmarket Project on 087-7701934**.
13. The **Wheel's Conference** is on 28 June. <http://thewheel2016.wixsite.com/wheelconf17/buy-tickets>
14. **An Cosan Virtual Community College (VCC)** offers communities the opportunity to upskill through online learning. For example, there is a Community Leadership Course starting in October - QQI Level 6 | 10 credits | 10 weeks | Start Date: 6th October 2017 | Fee €300. The Format is an Induction Day Friday 6th October (10-4pm) followed by 8 online sessions every Friday (10am - 12pm) + 1 full day midway workshop (10-4pm). Further details available at <http://ancosanvcc.com/our-programmes/>

Consultation

15. For those in the Gorey area – The **coffee morning** to create awareness of the **Courtown/Riverchapel Local Policing Fora**, has now been re-scheduled to 7th June @ 11am in the Taravie Hotel in Courtown. Please spread the word!
16. Wexford County Council have asked us to let you know of a **public meeting** being held in **Bridgetown** to allow the public to have their say and to get your views on **enhancing the appearance of Bridgetown**. The event is taking place at **7pm on Tuesday 13th June** at Bridgetown College. All welcome. Full details on our facebook page.
17. What do we want the Government to do about poverty and how can we achieve this? Invitation to Regional **Consultations on Government Plans on Poverty and Social Exclusion** run by CWI and EAPN Ireland These are taking place in Longford on 21st June, & Limerick on 23rd June. Please see <http://www.eapn.ie/eapn/meetings-on-the-new-national-action-plan-on-poverty-and-social-inclusion-limerick-and-longford> or the link on our facebook page
18. The Community Platform and ATD Ireland invite you to **'Health as a Human Right' Seminar** Tuesday 27th of June 2017 – 9.30am to 1.30pm **IHREC Public Meeting Space**, 16 – 22 Green Street - Dublin 7. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/health-as-a-human-right-seminar-tickets-34744673253>

Other

19. **Hope Cancer Support Centre** is holding an **open day** on June 13th 11-3. The aim of the day is to inform people about the support services available and offers an opportunity to meet the staff, therapists and volunteers and to have a look around the centre.
20. **iRoUTE - Promoting Integrated Transport Solutions for Rural Ireland Conference** takes place in Kilkenny on 27 Jun & 28th June. Community Tickets available at a reduced rate. Details available here <http://www.cklp.ie/iroute-conference-27th-28th-june/>
21. A Reminder about the **Social Justice Ireland**, in association with Wexford PPN, are holding a Seminar & Discussion entitled **'Building a Better & more Equal Ireland'** at 7.30 on **Thursday 8th June, at Wexford Arts Centre**. Details of the event in last weeks bulletin and on our facebook.
22. **Wexford Mental Health Association** have been on with details of some June courses – see attached.
23. Thanks to all those who registered interest in our proposed **training courses**. We will review interest and plan courses at our next Secretariat meeting on 20th June and revert to you after this planning.
24. **Family Cycle** of The Norman Way on 11th June. Register now to be in with a chance of a free t-shirt! <https://wxcoco.wufoo.eu/forms/z102ac6d0rbyvs5/> Full details on our facebook page
25. Could your group benefit from **Danone Volunteers?** - We've been sent on details of an opportunity for community groups from an employee volunteering programme for Danone. See below for full details.

26. **FREE Opportunity** for aspiring performers **to write and stage an original show** to be developed over a five-week period and then staged at Wexford Arts Centre this August. No prior experience necessary. Book by 29th June - details from [Wexford Arts Centre](#).
27. Please find attached details of one of our member groups – **New Me New Ross**. Their mission is to **nurture mental health, personal growth, prevention and full recovery from all kinds of mental illness**. “NATTER” evenings every Wednesday 8-10 at the ‘Shambles’ Mary St, New Ross.
28. The EPA is undertaking a **strategic review of its online presence**. They have asked that you please complete [this survey](#) to assist them in gathering your thoughts on how they can improve this service for you. The closing date for the survey is **Friday the 30th of June 2017 @ 5pm**
29. **Invitation to Exhibition Reception** - And Creatures Dream....A New Language - a two-venue exhibition at Wexford County Council Buildings, Carricklawn and Wexford Arts Centre. Cllr. John Hegarty, Cathaoirleach, Wexford County Council & the Board of Wexford Arts Centre invite you and friends to the opening **on Saturday 1st July at 1.30pm at Wexford County Council Buildings, Carricklawn**. Full details <https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/arts-and-culture/current-programmes-plans-and-events/and-creatures-dream-exhibition>
30. The June 2017 **Chief Executive Report** from Wexford County Council is now available on their website
31. Wexford Library have an even on **Tuesday 4th July 7.00pm – 8.30pm ‘PR & media for business start-ups’** which might be of benefit to community groups also. Niamh Hogan, Holos Skincare, has a great business story and will talk about **how she uses PR and media to promote her business**. Niamh will also give advice on how to spread your message from a local market to a wider national audience. Tel 053-9196760 to book
32. This July the **RSA’s Check it Fits service** will be visiting County Wexford. The Check it Fits service is quick, it’s easy, it’s free. On the day they will advise on how to fix any problem, demonstrate how to fit the restraint correctly and answer any queries participants might have. For more information visit www.checkitfits.ie – dates for Wexford are **11th July Wexford, 12th July New Ross, 13th July Enniscorthy, 14th July Gorey**. Check out our  page or website www.checkitfits.ie for locations.