



Public Participation Network **Limerick**

About PPN Limerick

PPN Limerick is a network of community, voluntary, social inclusion and environmental groups/organisations, working together for a better Limerick through public participation in local democratic structures. Visit [our website](#) for more information

PPN Membership

Now stands at 273 members.

PPN Limerick membership continues to grow and you can check out all our members [on the Membership directory](#) on the PPN Limerick website. Register to join [HERE](#)

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Invitation to Webinar - Barriers to Involvement in PPNs

On foot of a recommendation in the PPN Structural Review report, S3 Solutions was commissioned by the Department to undertake research to explore 'Barriers to Involvement in PPNs'.

PPNs, their individual member groups and others in the wider PPN community participated in the research, and we would like to thank everyone for your valuable contributions.

We are pleased to advise that the final 'Barriers to Involvement in PPNs' report has been published, together with an 'Easy-Read' version for greater accessibility. Both documents are available on the PPN landing page in link [HERE](#).

We are also pleased to all interested to an upcoming webinar on the research, where the report will be presented by the lead researcher, Eamonn Seydak, of S3 Solutions. Eamonn will present on the findings of the research and will be taking questions afterwards.

Webinar details are as follows:

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Date: 12th November 2025
Time: 18.00 hours to 19:00 hours

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MS Teams Webinar Registration Link:
<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/932c213a-c289-42ec-bf45-f5b5cc3e54b7@cffd37b1-d416-411b-938d-3d3a61c6be29>

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. However, the session will be recorded and made available afterwards for anyone unable to attend.

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If individuals wish to RSVP or have any questions about the training, please email Emily Williams, Policing and Justice Policy Officer at ICCL, (emily.williams@iccl.ie).



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Is linne uilig i an Ghaeilge - Irish belongs to us all

Cuireann Céad Míle Fáilte deiseanna ar fáil do phobail nua na hÉireann sult agus tairbhe a bhaint as an Ghaeilge tríd ranganna, imeachtaí agus ardú feasachta. Déanaimid ceiliúradh ar an tsochaí ilchultúrtha, ilteangach, agus ilchinéalach atá againn in Éirinn na linne seo. Bímid ag comhoibriú in éineacht le grúpaí pobail agus cultúrtha ar fud na tíre chun cuimsiú agus cumhachtú a spreagadh tríd comhroinnt ár dteangacha dúchasacha. Déan teagmháil linn le haghaidh tuilleadh eolais!



Céad Míle Fáilte is an exciting new project which celebrates our diverse multicultural and multilingual society. We run language classes and events to introduce An Ghaeilge to our new communities here in Ireland. We work with community and cultural groups across the country to promote inclusion and empowerment through the sharing of our native languages. Get in touch with us to find out what is available in your area, or to discuss setting up a class in your community!

Date: Thursday, 23rd October

Time: 13:00- 14:00

Venue: TBC

Register [HERE](#)

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Community Climate Action Programme Phase 2

Community Climate Action Programme Strand 1 will be open for application from 21st October at 10am and will remain open until 5:00pm on 16th December 2025. The online application portal is accessible through this link: [Home | Limerick City & County Council's Online Consultation, Survey and Application Form Portal](#), The application will be available only during the dates specified.

The overall objective of the Community Climate Action Programme is to support and empower communities, in partnership with Limerick City and County Council region, to shape and build low carbon, sustainable communities in a coherent way to contribute to national climate and energy targets. The Programme aims to support small and large, rural and urban communities to take positive climate action.

The community-based projects/initiatives will take action across at least one, preferably several, of the following five themes: Community and Energy; Travel; Shopping and Recycling; Food and Waste; Local Climate and Environment.

Up to 100% project funding may be provided from the Climate Action Programme. Other funding may be leveraged for projects (e.g., with LEADER, Tidy Towns, Town and Village Enhancement funding, etc.) although that is not a requirement of this programme. Pre-funding is available if required and a clear need has been demonstrated.

Three online sessions will take place in the month of November to go through the application in detail and to answer any questions. dates and times of these online webinars will be advised soon through [Community Climate Action Programme | Limerick.ie](#)

SPORTS CLUBS TAKING ACTION ON WASTE

www.mywaste.ie Ireland's official guide to managing your waste, has announced a FREE , 4 -part webinar series designed to equip sports clubs nationwide with the knowledge and tools to implement sustainable waste management practices.

The MyWaste Sports Club Toolkit webinar series, is supported by

- Ø The Gaelic Athletic Association (GAA),
- Ø Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU),
- Ø the-Football Association of Ireland (FAI) and
- Ø the Federation of Irish Sport.

The upcoming webinars will provide practical advice and insights from experts, empowering clubs to reduce their environmental footprint and foster a greener Ireland.

You are invited to promote this initiative please and to register for the webinars at the link below.

[Free webinars for sports clubs - My Waste](#)

Further information is available at this link. [Green Clubs | Limerick.ie](#)

EMBRACE FARM

Support for Farming Communities



Embrace FARM
Support After Injury & Loss

For our Members in the farming community.

Embrace Farm provide emotional and practical support to farm families in the aftermath of tragedy and/ or injury.

visit their website to see details

www.embracefarm.com



Balancing Stress - A HSE Resource for sharing with PPNs

The HSE has developed a Free, easy-to-access online programme called 'Balancing Stress' to support people across Ireland in managing common mental health difficulties including stress, anxiety and low mood.

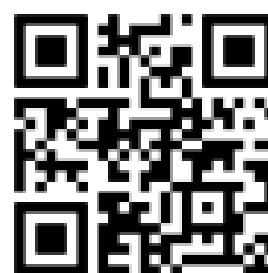
The HSE has developed a Free, easy-to-access online programme called 'Balancing Stress' to support people across Ireland in managing everyday mental difficulties such as stress, anxiety, low mood and worry.

The Balancing Stress programme offers six online video sessions (each around 35 minutes) covering key topics including managing stress, worry, anxiety, low mood, and relationship stress. This online programme offers people evidence-based tools to manage stress effectively and enhance their mental wellbeing.

The programme is delivered by Dr Niamh Clarke, HSE Principal Psychologist, and features expert interviews with Professor Alan Carr, UCD School of Clinical Psychology.

You can watch the videos at your own pace, on your own time, using a phone, tablet or laptop.

The easy to use QR code will take you directly to the programme. If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at: yvonne.gilsenan@hse.ie



PPN Stakeholder Training

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The online only self-paced training videos programme for PPN stakeholders has been developed with SJI.

Registrations for the online only training is now open.

Social Justice Ireland is providing this training on behalf of the Department.

The online only training covers the following:

- An Introduction to the PPNs (2 Modules)
- Local Government Budgets
- PPNs and Local Government
- Effective Participation in Consultations
- Effective Facilitation
- Strategic Planning
- Measuring Outcomes and Impacts

This is online only and is intended for self-directed learning at the learner's own pace. Social Justice Ireland will provide some support via the webform on each Module page. There are no scheduled classes as part of this training.

To register, please complete the Registration Form at the following link: : [Register for Training_|_Social Justice Ireland](#)

MAYORAL PROGRAMME

Mayor of Limerick, John Moran, has unveiled an ambitious vision for the future of Limerick City and County with the publication of the Limerick Mayoral Programme 2024-2029, titled More for Limerick. This comprehensive 138-page document outlines the Mayor's vision and objectives for his term in office, as mandated by the Local Government (Mayor of Limerick) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2024.

Mayoral Programme, More for Limerick, 2024-2029

