



Newsletter JUNE | IÚIL 2025

Hello from Mark and Martin at the WPPN.

We've reached the mid point of the year and many of our groups have received decisions on their grant applications and are working on their summer projects.

Last month saw the launch of the new WPPN Website. If you haven't had a chance to visit it yet, it can be found at <u>www.westmeathppn.ie</u>



Edel Ennis, the newly appointed Westmeath Just Transition Officer

We recently have been joined in the Community Section with a new colleague, Edel Ennis, who took up the new position of Westmeath 'Just Transition Officer'.

Ireland's EU Just Transition Fund programme is targeted at the wider midlands region as it transitions away from peat extraction for energy use. The region includes all of Westmeath, and also Laois, Longford, Offaly, Roscommon, and parts of Galway, Kildare and Tipperary.

Information on Just Transition supports, consultations and schemes will now be included in all our future Newsletters.

More info on Just Transition for our region can be found on the <u>Eastern & Midland</u> <u>Regional Assembly website</u>. Edel's email is edel.ennis@westmeathcoco.ie

All the best,

Mark Ahern and Martin Fagan Westmeath PPM

Visit our new WPPN Website at https://westmeathppn.ie

Contact Mark or Martin at ppn@westmeathcoco.ie or call 044 9332157



















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- Westmeath's Local Authority Integration Team is in place to support new arrivals into communities.
- They identify supports needed to help integrate people into the community.
- They provide clinics onsite at accommodation centres, in the community, online or where required.

For more info and contact details of the LAIT Team visit the Community Section page of WCC website at <u>https://www.westmeathcoco.ie/en/ourservic</u> <u>es/communitydevelopment/lait/</u>

For regular updates follow Westmeath Integration on their social media page

https://www.facebook.com/LAITWestmeath





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At the Annual Meeting of Westmeath County Council, on 30th June, Cllr. Aoife Davitt was elected as Cathaoirleach and Cllr. Paul Hogan was elected as Leas-Chathaoirleach for 2025-2026



At the same meeting the following Mayors and Deputy Mayors of Municipal Districts were elected for 2025-2026

Athlone Moate MD

Mayor: Cllr. Vinny McCormack Deputy Mayor: Cllr. Aengus O'Rourke

Mullingar Kinnegad MD

Mayor: Cllr. Michael Dollard Deputy Mayor: Cllr. William Collentine



<u>Keep up to date with WCC News at</u> <u>https://www.westmeathcoco.ie/</u>

WCC Library Events



Summer Stars is the free national reading programme for children that takes place in all public libraries and online each summer between 3 Jun - 30 Aug

Music therapy sessions for children with additional needs led by qualified music therapists. Athlone Library. Fri 1st Aug. Contact Athlone Library for details

Anam Music Therapy in association with Féile na Sionainne



Free Chair Yoga sessions in Athlone Library taking place on 8, 15, 22, 29 July. Contact library for details

Lego Free Play in Castlepollard Library. Suitable for children 5+. Thurs May 29, 3:30 – 4:15





Workshop with Kind Kids Club will show children, through fun activities, how to relax their minds and to understand & express their thoughts and feelings. Wed 30th Jul 12- 1pm. Book at www.westmeathculture.ie

Mindfulness Workshop For ages 7 - 11 Castlepollard Library

Storytime and colouring hour for 4–8 year olds. Mullingar Library, 12-1pm, Tues Jul 15 & Aug 5. Booking at <u>www.westmeathculture.ie</u>





Create and learn more about the world of robotics with Kelley, WCC STEM Engagement Officer Kelley. Suitable for 10-12 years olds. 10.30-12.30, 17th Jul, Mullingar Library. Booking at <u>www.westmeathculture.ie</u>





<mark>Moate Library 24th July, 12-1pm</mark>

Teddy Bears' Sleepover Tuesday 8th July Iam-12pm. Join us for a storytime and leave your Teddy with us for a sleepover. Collect the next day to see what they got up to.

Moate Library 8th July, 11am-12pm

For more info on the many events being held visit https://westmeathculture.ie/library/



Free courses to boost wellbeing and resilience this July

Five Session Course designed to boost wellbeing and resilience for those aged 50+ years, focused on managing transitions in mid to later life.

Location: Mullingar Library Dates: Thurs 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 July 2025 Times: 11 am-1.30 pm

To book a place on this course, please e-mail Fiona at engage@ageandopportunity.ie or call (01) 913 3922.

<u>For more info visit</u> <u>https://ageandopportunity.ie</u>









iReport.ie Racist Incident Reporting System:

Racism. See it Send it End it

iReport.ie is a national, confidential and easy to use online racist incident reporting tool for people who experience or witness racism to do something about it.

For more info visit - https://www.ireport.ie





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- Bringing together your entire community, including asylum seekers, refugees, migrants & Irish residents
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HOW IT WORKS:

- Come along and walk or run, all abilities welcome!
- Join us at events around the country!
- Be part of the blue wave in your Sanctuary Runner t-shirt!

 New group launching in Mullingar!

- Run Jog or walk together each Saturday and
- Saturday morning
 Call or email to find out more

083 4083621

annemarie@sanctuaryrunners.ie





Westmeath Just Transition Officer Notices

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Ballinahown: A Small Village with Big Ideas

"Ballinahown is remarkable because of what they've done and in terms of their village. Rather than waiting for things to happen, they took water management in particular, into their own hands."

Read more about Ballinahown's Biodiversity Journey on <u>https://www.midlandsireland.ie</u>



Westmeath Just Transition Officer Notices



Do you have a farm with an area of peat grassland?

- Find out more about new income options and economic opportunities
- High quality carbon payments for restoration of peat grassland and income from wetland crops.
- Training opportunities including farm walks and hands-on workshops at the two pilot farms, hosted by the pioneering farmers already practicing cultivation of cutover peatlands and water level management
- In-person and online training sessions covering the principles of peatland restoration, carbon storage, and sustainable land use through wet agriculture.

For more info visit

https://greenrestorationireland.coop/peatlands-

for-prosperity/



Disability Participation News Hub

This news hub brings together everything you need to know about collective disability advocacy news in Ireland into one place every week.



Centralising disability advocacy news so Disabled People, DPOs, families, and allies have equal access to the information that matters.

Sign up to their newsletter or follow on social media https://mailchi.mp/3ce7ca8f3fc3/disabilityparticipation-news-hub



Institute of Public Health



FREE ONLINE WEBINAR "Physical Activity in Later Life: Staying Active in an Online World" 10am Thurs 23 Oct 2025

The Institute of Public Health's webinar will focus on staying active in a digital world, particularly as we age.

Including presentations from -

Professor Adrian Bauman, Director of Prevention Research Collaboration, Sydney School of Public Health

Dr Jacqueline Mair, Senior Scientist, Mobile Health Interventions, Singapore-ETH Centre

Meg Hegarty, Active Programme FitLine Coordinator, Age and Opportunity

More info at https://www.publichealth.ie/







Free Summer Art Camps <mark>Online</mark>

Who? Ages 6-8 and 9-12 with lifelong physical health conditions When? Saturday mornings - 5, 12, 19, 26 July Where? Online

Professional artists <mark>|</mark> Free art supplies delivered Interactive Zoom sessions <mark>|</mark> Post-pal

Supported Conditions Include: Diabetes, epilepsy, asthma, juvenile arthritis, heart conditions, spina bifida, cystic fibrosis, allergies, rare conditions and more.

<u>More info at www.helium.ie</u>





WPPN Member Groups Noticeboard

Heartlands Pride, Athlone: Fundraiser



Contact ppn@westmeathcoco.ie to tell us about your group's events this summer



WCC's Online Consultation Portal

- Use this site to participate in public consultations.
- View or search for open and upcoming consultations.
- View public surveys.
- Make submissions.
- Register on the site to receive notifications

https://consult.westmeathcoco.ie

Current open and upcoming consultations (as on 5/7/2025)







Sláintecare & Healthy Westmeath's 'Not Around Us' initiative

- 'Not Around Us' is an invitation from young people.
- It encourages the creation of a smoke/vape free environment and mindset for our young people
- It aims to help de-normalise smoking and vaping for the next generation.
- This campaign is supported by Comhairle na nÓg and is a step towards a Tobacco Free Westmeath.
- More info can be found on the Community Development page on the WCC website - <u>click here</u>



WPPN Member Groups Noticeboard

Killucan Area Men's Shed Fundraiser



Contact ppn@westmeathcoco.ie to tell us about your group's events this summer







LGBT Kayaking

- Westmeath Sports Partnership and Midlands LGBT+ are collaborating to offer members living in Westmeath the opportunity to experience the thrill of kayaking on Lough Owel this summer!
- We are running two events so you can sign up for one, or both, for just ten euro per session.

LATEST NEWS 2025 Club Grants Scheme

- Westmeath Sports
 Partnership is thrilled to
 announce we're allocating a
 record amount of funding
 through our 2025 Club Grants
 Scheme.
- This marks a significant investment in the growth and development of local sports and physical activity opportunities at all levels and abilities in County Westmeath.



 All gear and equipment provided!













Inclusive Pitch and Putt

- We're thrilled to highlight a fantastic four-week Pitch and Putt programme recently delivered for adults with disabilities, thanks to the incredible collaboration with Pitch and Putt Ireland.
- A huge thank you to Pitch and Putt Ireland for their expertise and dedication in making this programme such a success and thanks also to Custume Pitch and Putt Club for generously hosting the final day at their club grounds

Women On Wheels

- Well done to all the ladies who are enjoying the Women On Wheels programme being led by Lakeside Wheelers Cycling Club.
- The group started their cycling journey in late June and are already up to 23km!



Follow us on social media or check out our website Website: www.westmeathsports.ie Call: 044-9390208. Email: info@westmeathsports.ie





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July 7th - July 11th Mullingar Harbour 10am-12pm

July 14th - July 18th **Coosan Point, Athlone** 10am-12pm

- Cost €25 per person
- Must be aged between 12-15 years old
- Equipment provided but participants must be comfortable in water wearing a buoyancy aid
- Registration essential via www.westmeathsports.ie/events
- For further queries, contact cian.fogarty@westmeathcoco.ie

https://www.westmeathsports.ie









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SIX STEPS TO SAFE BOATING

The Irish Coast Guard, Water Safety Ireland and the RNLI are sharing **key water safety advice** to help keep you safe on the water:



Check weather, wind, and tides before going on the water.



Always wear a lifejacket.



Inform someone ashore of your plans and return time.



Ensure there is an emergency action plan in place, and everybody has an onboard briefing.



The 'Code of Practice for the Safe Operation of Recreational Craft' contains information & guidance for users.



If you see somebody in trouble on the water or along the coast, or think that they are in trouble, dial 112 or 999 and ask for the Coast Guard.









Rialtas na hÉireann Government of Ireland

An Garda Síochána Westmeath Youth Awards 2025

An Garda Síochána Westmeath Youth Awards are a way for communities to recognise young people who have done outstanding work or enjoyed significant achievements.

Closing date for receipt of nominations is 1st August 2025

Click on link or QR code below to nominate. Garda Westmeath Youth Awards

Eligible for young people aged between 13 and 21



For more info on youth awards visit www.garda.ie/en/crime-prevention/community-engagement/an-gardasiochana-youth-awards/





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For further information & to arrange booking contact:

Local Enterprise Office, Westmeath County Council, Áras an Chontae, Mount Street, Mullingar N91 FH4N. Phone: 044 9338945



Remote Working Hubs in the Midlands

At last month's Linkage Group Meeting we had an interesting presentation on the remote working hub situated next to the main council buildings in Mullingar.

There are three Remote Working Hubs in the county and a further eight community hubs with flexible spaces for meetings rooms and hot desk facilities in Westmeath.



Visit this WCC website page for info and links <u>www.westmeathcoco.ie/en/ourservices/business/</u> <u>business/e-working</u>











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Voluntary Support Group

About Us

Cavernoma Ireland is a voluntary support group. Founded in 2018.

Our mission is to help people living in Ireland who are affected by cavernoma, including friends, family, carers and professionals.

We aim to do this through support, providing information, putting members in contact with other relevant parties and hosting events.

Our goal is to raise awareness of cavernoma, and its consequences for those affected.

Contact Us

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<u>For more information visit</u> <u>www.cavernomaireland.ie</u>



WESTMEATH COUNTY COUNCIL Comhairle Chontae na hIarmhí





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- 75% grant aid up to €4,500 for solo applications.
 75% grant aid up to €6,000 for collaboration projects and disability and Age Friendly access works.
- Previous grant recipients may apply for a second grant within 5 years for different works.
- Includes painting of upper floors of building to blend in with shopfront.

For full details and application forms please log on to www.westmeathcoco.ie/en/ourservices/business/business/ shopfrontanhancementgrantscheme/or contact. Local Enterprise Office, Westmeath County Council, Áras an Chontae, Mount Street, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

il localenterprise@westmeathcoco.ie



WORKS COMPLETED PRIOR TO GRANT APPROVAL WILL NOT BE FUNDED

Westmeath County Council has funding available for business owners to improve the building facades of their properties.

The aim of the scheme is to enhance the streetscape and environment of towns and villages.

The following towns/villages are eligible -

Mullingar, Athlone, Castlepollard, Kilbeggan, Kinnegad, Moate, Ballinagore, Ballinalack, Ballykeeran, Ballymore, Ballyncacarrigy, Castletown-Geoghegan, Clonmellon, Collinstown, Coole, Delvin, Finnea, Glasson, Killucan/Rathwire, Milltownpass, Multyfarnham, Raharney, Rathowen, Rochfortbridge, Tyrrellspass.

For more information click on link below



Westmeath County Council (WCC) Our Services

Westmeath County Council services and information



https://www.westmeathcoco.ie/en/ourservices/business/business/shopfrontenhancementgrantscheme/

ATHLONE COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNCIL

SOCIAL

WALKING

GROUP Join Us and Let's talk while we walk!

FOR OLDER ADULTS AGED 65+

THE GROUP WILL MEET EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY (WEATHER PERMITTING) STARTING WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY 2025

MEETING AT ATHLONE REGIONAL SPORTS CENTRE, BRAWNY ROAD, ATHLONE @ 2PM

CALL: 0906472174/ 0852198180 OR EMAIL: RECEPTIONGACSC.IE



WALK, TALK, CONNECT

GROW MENTAL HEALTH PEER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

National Learning Network Centre Belhavel Building, Golden Island, Athlone. Every Wednesday. 7.30pm-9.30pm

> 1428 Retirement Club Harbour Street, Mullingar. Every Tuesday. 7.30pm-9.30pm

CONTACT ASSUMPTA -0868114135 assumptalyons@grow.ie www.grow.ie Infoline-0818474474 All Together in Dignity - Ireland Working with those affected by chronic poverty



When people are left behind in our community due to poverty, exclusion, displacement and socioeconomic discrimination; this is a violation of their Human Rights.

Our new Leave No One Behind series will focus on our shared rights, values and the collective actions needed for a more inclusive society.

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Full Circle Awards



Do you know a Circular Champion? We're looking to celebrate ordinary people doing extraordinary things to promote the circular economy. The winners will receive a prize of €2,000, as well as dedicated, expert communications mentoring for their circular initiatives.

Our categories are: Repair and Reuse Champion; Community Circular Champion; Creative Circular Artist; Circular Living Advocate; Best Community Campaign; and Young Circular Star (under-18).

Nominate them at Circular.ie



AgeWell Europe is -

- 8-week online program
- Promoting healthy ageing
- For middle-aged and older adults
- Tailored exercise classes
- Health education workshops
- Covering strength, fitness, balance, and flexibility

<u>To sign up visit</u> <u>https://agewelleurope.eu</u>







WCC Heritage Officer Notes

Heritage Week 16-24 August

Visit www.heritageweek.ie for details of what's happening in Westmeath during Heritage Week 2025



A Journey Through Time in Print **Newspaper Exhibition**



Exploring Local Water Heritage



MULLINGAR RAILWAY STATION TOUR



The Warriors Grave - Remote Sensing and Lecture



Wild Child Day: Nature crafting and story telling at Ardan Wood (Westmeath)



Nature Inspired storytime



From Mayo to Westmeath: Voices of Resettlement an Oral **History Project**



Feltmakers Ireland Open Day -**Discover the Magic of Wet** Felting



The Argentine Emigration Oral History Project - a Westmeath Perspective



Mullingar Musical Heritage Tour



Tour of Ballagh Famine Village Rosemount Co Westmeath





Design Cú Chulainn's Shield Art Workshop



Ireland



The Royal Irish Academy Library Westmeath Collection



Voices of the Region: Highlights from the TUS Archive







Westmeath's Wrought Iron Gates - a Photographic Exhibition



Mullingar Industrial Heritage Walking Tour





The No 1 Battery and the Lost Batteries of Athlone: an Illustrated Talk



Walking Tour of Old Mullingar





WCC Heritage Officer Notes

Organising a Heritage Week Event?

- The Heritage Office is happy to discuss event ideas for Heritage Week (16-24 August) and support in any way that they can.
- Contact Melanie McQuade at 087 6074496 or email <u>heritage@westmeathcoco.ie</u> or discuss your ideas.
- Events can be registered online up to 16th August but to ensure that your event is included in the <u>print guide</u> you must register before 5th July.

Scheme for Emerging Amimating Artists

- Westmeath County Council and the National Talent Academy for Animation are offering an award of €10,000 to emerging Irish-based animators.
- This award is designed with a focus on significant commemorations reflecting the early years of the State.
- More info at <u>https://www.nationaltalentacademies.ie</u>
- Deadline for applications 5pm, 25th July

Keep up-to-date with WCC Heritage and Arts News at



https://westmeathculture.ie



WCC Heritage & Biodiversity Notes

The Great Irish Fossil Hunt



University College Cork's citizen science initiative. The Irish Public are encouraged to find, photograph and contribute photos of their fossil finds. Information to be used to build a fossil map of Ireland. Closing date 31 August 2025.

https://www.ucc.ie/en/fossil-heritage/thegreatirishfossilhunt/

Keep up-to-date with WCC Heritage News at



https://westmeathculture.ie



LAWPRO Local Authority Waters Programme

Water Heritage Day Sunday 24 August 2025 FUNDING AVAILABLE

Water Heritage Day is an opportunity to explore traditions, practices, knowledge and skills associated with our natural waters.

If you are planning a water/biodiversity related event, you are invited by LAWPRO to submit your Heritage Week event ideas for funding.

Closing date for applications: 4pm, 25th July 2025



Visit LAWPRO site for more details www.lawaters.ie





Longford Westmeath Children and Young People's Services Committee Co-ordinator: Gráinne Reid 044 935 3957 - grainne.reid@tusla.ie Primary Care Centre, Harbour Road, Mullingar More info at https://www.cypsc.ie/

National Learning Network

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Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment



An Roinn Aeráide, Fuinnimh agus Comhshaoil Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment

Public Consultation on a National Policy Statement & Roadmap on Circular Textiles

- Current trends in textile production, consumption and post-consumption present major environmental challenges, in Ireland and globally.
- Government has established a Textile Advisory Group to investigate this issue.



Learn more and offer your opinion on the draft national policy and roadmap by clicking on this link below

Link to Department's page on gov.ie

Deadline for receipt of submissions is 7 July 2025



Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht



An Roinn Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail agus Gaeltachta Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht

Community Recognition Fund 2024

€17 million granted for 212 community projects.

Including sports clubs, community centres, parks, recreational trails, play and sensory spaces. Also arts, culture and community vehicles. Westmeath recipients were

• Athlone: upgrade to Athlone Library and enhancement of Ranelagh Way walking amenity

• Mullingar: playground at Grange Linear Park and upgrade to Grange Resource Centre More information - <u>click on this link to the Department's page on the gov.ie site</u>

Sustainable Development Goal Champions Programme 2025-26

SUSTAINABLE GOALS

Expressions of Interest sought for participants of the 2025-2026 Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Champions Programme

The Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment is seeking Expressions of Interest for participants of the 2025-2026 SDG Champions Programme.

Established in 2019, the SDG Champions Programme is a non-funded programme, developed to raise public awareness of the SDGs and to demonstrate, through best practice examples provided by the SDG Champions, that everyone in society can make a contribution to the 2030. Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Under the Programme, the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment will appoint several organisations as SDG Champions for a period of 18 months from September 2025. The organisations will be selected from a wide range of geographic areas and sectors of Irish society, representing the commitment to sustainable development across the public, private, community, voluntary, youth and NGO sectors. Applications will be accepted from organisations/groups based in the Republic of Ireland. This can include cross-border, multi-national organisations with Irish operations.

For more information contact the SDGs Team at **SDGs@dcee.gov.ie**

Deadline for Expressions of Interest -5pm, 30 July 2025

Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht



Announcements from the Department

€2m funding for teaching of Irish in European universities

- More than 20 universities received funding between 2022-2025.
- 23 applications received for the academic periods 2025-26 & 2027-28

Funding for Internships Scheme with European institutions

- Department European Internships Scheme extended for next 5 years
- Interns are offered work experience and training in Irish language units in the European institutions.
- Applications at https://ionadbarrfeabhais.ie/inteirneachtai/
- Deadline 18th June

Winners of Ireland's Best Kept Town competition announced

- Naas, County Kildare announced as Ireland's Best Kept Town 2025 in this All-Ireland competition
- Other winners included Buncrana, County Donegal; Donaghmore, County Tyrone and Royal Hillsborough, County Down

2024 Annual Report of An Coimisinéir Teanga

- Increased demand for advice on language obligations
- Significant investement in Irish language advertising as a result of Section 10A
- Insight into the current gaps in the provision of public services through Irish
- Read Report at <u>https://coimisineir.ie</u>

Dormant Accounts Fund Annual Report 2024

- Money in the Dormant Accounts Fund can be used to fund measures that address economic, social, or educational disadvantage and to support people with a disability.
- The recently published 2024 report notes that expenditure on these measures amounted to €44.8 million over the year.
- View the Annual Report by clicking on this link <u>www.gov.ie</u>

Visit <u>https://www.gov.ie</u> for more info



New events page on promoting alcohol-free events in Ireland.



From coffee meetups, creative workshops, sober speed-dating and raves, run clubs ... this page will make it easier to socialise in supportive, sober settings.

Visit DRINKAWARE website at https://www.drinkaware.ie/dry-vibe-hub-alcohol-free-events/

Hosting an event?? contact info@drinkaware.ie



GREEN OUR FESTIVAL & EVENTS



Catering

- Choose local catering companies to reduce transportation miles
- Prevent the creation of waste by limiting the use of disposable items e.g. take away cups, tableware, cutlery, napkins, straws etc.
- For unavoidable waste, provide bins to segregate waste into recyclables, general waste and food waste.
- Encourage the use of reusable water bottles & provide water foundations/refill points at the event.
- Promote a reusable cup system for hot drinks.



Transport

- Promote the use of public transport, have public transport information readily available to and from the venue.
- Plan start and finish times to coincide with public transport timetables.
- · Plan and promote efforts like park and stride
- Promote the use of bicycles and have bicycle facilities in place.





- Never litter always ensure you bring your waste home or use the bins provided.
- Minimise literature by using emails, online marketing and information boards.
- Use signage and posters that can be reused.
- Encourage use of your website for informational material
- Limit the size, quantity and frequency of printed materials. If printing is required, print double-sided using recycled paper.
- Any branded materials, such as pens etc. should be made of recycled, biodegradable and sustainably sourced materials.



- Use energy efficient equipment where
 possible
- If using boilers or generators, use sustainable carbon neutral fuels such as biodiesel or wood pellet.
- Use natural daylight as much as possible

New WPPN Website

<u>Members Page - https://westmeathppn.ie/members/</u>

One of the great features of the the website is the 'Members Directory'.

You can use this feature to search for groups in your area, and/or groups doing similar work.

Here's an example to show it could be useful to you. Just say you'd like to see what youth groups are near you. Set the 'Cause' filter to groups that are involved with 'Children'.

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Personal contact details are not shared on the site - but if you would like to get in touch with a group, email us at ppn@westmeathcoco.ie and we will make contact on your behalf

Westmeath PDPJ PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NETWORK The Voice of the Community