



Dear Members,

Here below are some notices that might be of interest to you. Watch out for the short deadlines on some of them!!!

Best wishes,

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**Social Enterprise Funding Available –
Deadline for Expressions of Interest June 21st**

Clare Local Development Company invites Community Organisations to express an interest in a new round of funding under the Community Services Programme (CSP). The CSP is operated by the Department of Social Protection (DSP) to support legally incorporated community organisations to provide local social, economic and environmental services through the application of a social enterprise model of delivery.

This programme may suit if your community organisation is:

- A Company Limited by Guarantee or a Co-Operative
- Able to show clear evidence that a service meets a community need and is serious about providing employment opportunities for those most distant from the labour market.
- Generating traded income as a social enterprise with at least one set of audited accounts

Deadline to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) to Clare Local Development Company is:

5pm on Wednesday 21st June 2017.

If you have any questions please feel free to email Monica at mmckenna@cldc.ie

For details and application forms click here:

<http://cldc.ie/community-services-programme/>

Animate 2017 Fund – get up to €10,000 for your great idea

Animate is a €220,000 fund that provides grants and 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 which is proudly supported by Medtronic.

Applications for this Fund close on Friday 7th July 2017 at 5pm.

You can find more information on this fund and on how to apply here <http://www.socialinnovation.ie/animate-2017/>

Draft Plan for Doolin Pier:

Consultation ongoing until July 6th

Information Meetings: June 20th Doolin Hotel @5pm 6pm and 7pm.

Clare County Council is inviting members of the public to have their say on a draft plan aimed at providing a Visitors Service Centre at Doolin Pier, enhancing the public realm of Doolin, and improving the movement by all transport modes between Doolin Pier, Fisher Street, Fitz Cross and Roadford.

The Doolin Strategic Master Plan and Enhancement Strategy has identified a number of enhancement strategies including the creation of a Doolin Greenway incorporating shared surfaces, the provision of additional off-street parking in Doolin village, the provision of designated bus stop locations, and the incorporating of the proposed Visitor Services Centre at Doolin Pier with improved public realm in the Pier area.

Bucholtz McEvoy Architects, on behalf of the Strategy Design Team, will present the draft strategy and engage with interested members of the public at three public information sessions in Doolin Hotel at 5.00 p.m., 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 20 June 2017.

There will also be a period up to 6th July when submissions on the draft strategy may be made to Clare County Council before a final strategy is prepared for consideration by the Elected Members of Clare County Council.

The draft Doolin Strategic Master Plan and Enhancement Strategy will be available on Clare County Council's website, www.clarecoco.ie, from 21 June 2017.

Information Sessions June 20th Doolin Hotel at 5pm 6pm and 7pm

Benefit from the Lough Derg Blue Way's Final Capacity Building Workshop on June 20th @7pm in the Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh.

A Blueway is multi-activity recreational trail, on or closely linked with the water, with nearby providers offering a range of outdoor recreation, dining, accommodation, cultural and craft experiences. The final Blueway capacity building meeting will present draft copies of the Blueway Map and local tourism

provider details for comment and also an outline of the 'Spring into the Blueway' familiarisation process in 2018. If you are a community member, an accommodation, dining or activity service provider in the towns and villages adjacent to Lough Derg, join us to shape, guide and lead the Lough Derg Blueway.

Proposed Blueway development actions include creating and promoting activity, dining and accommodation packages and free promotional materials.

Let us know if you are attending by email to humphrey@ilc.ie or phone/sms to 086 2659276. Visit the News & Events section of www.bluewaysireland.org.

Lough Derg Blueway communities include, but are not limited to: Ballina, Castlough, Coolbawn, Dromineer, Garrykennedy, Kilbarron, Kilgarvan, Killaloe, Mountshannon, Nenagh, OGonnolloe, Portumna, Rossmore, Scarriff, Terryglass, Two Mile Gate, Whitegate.

This initiative has been funded by the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs under the REDZ programme. A Blueway is a recreational area with water activities at its core. Blueways can incorporate land based trails, activities, food, music and heritage adjacent to the water trail.
