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## Welcome to the Clare PPN Newsletter June

### **New Community Enhancement Programme announced**

Clare County Council and the Clare Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) is inviting applications for a new programme which provides funding to communities in Ireland.

The Community Enhancement Programme (CEP), which is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development, will provide €4.5 million of grant funding in 2018 towards enhancing the facilities available to communities. The fund for Clare in 2018 will be €139,257 and will be managed by the Clare Local Community Development Committee.

The CEP programme replaces and builds on two existing schemes (Communities Facilities Scheme and RAPID). Combining these schemes will make for a more flexible, streamlined and targeted approach to providing funding to those communities most in need, while reducing the level of administration involved. Typical enhancements under the programme could include the renovation of community centres, community amenities, improvements to town parks, common areas and spaces, CCTV equipment and energy efficiency-type projects.

Funding under the programme will be aimed at addressing disadvantage as identified in the Clare Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP).

Further details are available from the Rural Development Department at Clare County Council or online at

<http://www.clarecoco.ie/community/grants/community-enhancement-programme/>

### **Clare PPN plenary meeting PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TIME/VENUE**

Clare PPN will hold its first plenary meeting of 2018 on Thursday 14th June at in Glor Theatre at 6.30 PM and all are welcome.

In collaboration with new climate change action organisation 'Future Proof Clare' following the Plenary meeting refreshments and finger food will be served and there will be a talk and discussion with guest speaker from 'Food and Water Europe' Andy Gheorghiu who will speak about international campaign to oppose the building of the proposed LNG terminal which is planned for the Shannon Estuary.

**The Plenary on Thursday, 14th June will also announce the results of the three elections for which Clare PPN is currently seeking nominations (DEADLINE EXTENDED TO THURSDAY 7th JUNE):**

1. Killaloe Municipal District Secretariat Member.
2. Social Inclusion College Representative to sit on Clare County Council's Local Community Development Committee (LCDC).
3. Community and Voluntary College Representative to sit on Clare County Council's Social Development Strategic Policy Committee (SPC)

For more details on these elections and who can stand for the positions please see <http://clareppn.ie/clare-ppn-notice-of-elections-may-21st-2018/>

## **Water Safety**

We hope you are enjoying the fine weather. In light of recent tragic events please ensure that you only swim in designated areas with a lifeguard. Lifeguards provide weekend cover in June and full time cover during July and August at the locations below:

- Spanish Point
- Lahinch
- Fanore
- Bishops Quarter, Ballyvaughan
- Doolin
- Whitestrand, Miltown Malbay
- Seafield Quilty
- Whitestrand Doonbeg
- Kilkee
- Cappagh Pier, Kilrush
- Mountshannon
- Ballycuggeran, Killaloe

Lahinch, Kilkee, Fanore and Spanish Point have lifeguard cover in September weather permitting.