

Hello all,

April is proving to be a very busy month here at Clare PPN. We have various events coming up and notifications of training and funding opportunities. If you would like anything to be included in future newsletters please contact [admin@clareppn.ie](mailto:admin@clareppn.ie)

Yours,

Sarah Ferrigan  
Clare PPN Admin

## **Clare PPN events**

3rd May 2018

### **Voter registration day**

Clare Public Participation Network, Clare County Council and the Garda Siochana Clare Division are collaborating to organise a Voter Registration 'One-Stop-Shop' for people who wish to register for a vote in the forthcoming referendum on the Eighth Amendment. The referendum will be held on Friday, 25 May 2018 and those who are not registered to vote have until May 8th to apply to be included on the Supplementary Register which will enable them to cast their vote.

The One Stop Shop will take place in Clare County Council on May 3rd from 11 am until 3pm and Clare residents wishing to register to vote should attend during those hours and bring an official form of photo ID (Passport, Driving Licence etc) They will be assisted by volunteers from Clare PPN as well as the Gardai and Clare County Council Staff in completing their application there and then. Anyone wishing to check whether they are on the register can do so online at [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie) or by calling Clare County Council on 065 6821616. Clare PPN advise everyone even those who have voted before to take a moment or two to make sure they are still on the register and that their details are correct.

8th and 16th May

### **GDPR information evenings**

The EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is the most important change in data privacy regulation in 20 years. It was designed to harmonize data privacy laws across Europe, to protect and empower all EU citizens data privacy and to reshape the way organizations across the region approach data privacy.

It applies to all organisations (including community and voluntary) that hold the personal data of people residing in the European Union.

Clare PPN with Clare Local Development Company are running information evenings as follows:

8th May 2018

The Oakwood Arms, Shannon, Co. Clare  
7pm to 9pm

16th May 2018

Clarebus, The Creamery, Feakle, Co Clare

7pm to 9pm

Meeting space generously sponsored by Clare Bus. Thank you!!!

To book, please email [admin@clareppn.ie](mailto:admin@clareppn.ie) or call 087 1617375

## Clare PPN Member Spotlight

### Clare Bus

Clarebus is a not-for-profit local transport company providing public bus services for Clare and parts of South Galway. Services are operated under the Department of Transport's Local Link program as part of Transport for Ireland. Our low floor buses provide easy access for every passenger and our routes are flexible to be responsive and enable more people to access the service. Booking through the Dispatch centre gives you real time booking information and ensures a seat on the bus.

For more information:

[www.clarebus.ie](http://www.clarebus.ie)

## Other news and events

30th April 2018

### Social Justice Ireland training

#### Training Module 1 - Data Protection for PPNs

*What will be covered?*

- An overview of Data Protection key terms and definitions
- General Data Protection Regulations – what they mean in practice
- 6 Principles and how they might apply to PPNs
- Data Subject Rights and how to support them
- Data Breaches and how to manage them

#### Training Module 2 - Social Analysis and Statistics for effective Pre-Budget Submissions

*What will be covered?*

- An overview of the Budget Process
- Understanding the Local Authority Budget Process
- How to ask for what you want – the A, B, Cs of Social Analysis
- Case Studies using statistical databases to strengthen your position

Monday 30 April 2018 from 9:30am to 5:00pm

Clayton Hotel, Steamboat Quay, Limerick City

To book a place, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/training-for-ppns-tickets-44913179529>

2nd May 2018

### Cooraclare Public Consultation

The Planning Department of Clare County Council is currently preparing a Village Study for Cooraclare with an emphasis on identifying any barriers to population growth in the village and proposing measures to assist in revitalising the village. An informal public consultation event on the Village Study for Cooraclare will be held on Wednesday 2 May

at the Community Centre Cooraclare between 7.00 pm and 9.00 pm. Members of the public are invited to have their say.

4th May 2018

### **Law and the Art of the Possible: The Fifth Province?**

A contemporary and Brehon perspective

Friday, 4th May – Sunday, 6th May 2018

Burren Law School 2018 - 25th Anniversary

An exploration of law in its political and social context, the fifth province theme provides a creative focus for discussions around legal theory, justice and governance issues.

<https://www.burrenlawschool.org/conference>

5th to 7th May 2018

### **Loophead Lighthouse Showcase**

Loop Head Lighthouse will be showcased during the forthcoming May Bank Holiday Weekend through its status as one of the Great Lighthouses of Ireland.

From Saturday 5th May to Monday 7th May, a festival will take place at the 12 Great Lighthouses, an all-island tourism initiative that also includes lighthouses at Hook Head in Wexford, Valentia Island in Kerry and Donegal's Fanad Head.

Loop Head will host family-friendly events including live music and a Food Circle showcasing local food produce. There will be Irish traditional music at the Lighthouse on Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 2.00pm to 4.00pm, while on Bank Holiday Monday there will be food-tasting stalls from 1.00pm to 3.00pm

6th May 2018 (closing date)

### **Make Ireland Sustainable For All**

Make Ireland Sustainable for All would like to invite organisations to apply for its small grant programme to support actions and initiatives on the Sustainable Development Goals in Ireland.

Grants are available up to a maximum of €1000 for:

Local grass-root organizations/entities

Local members of national CSOs operating at the local level

Local citizens groups, including student groups, clubs, civic initiative groups.

The objective of this call is to raise awareness on the SDGs at local level and to engage local groups to mobilise actors and authorities in commitments and practical actions for the implementation of the SDGs.

The theme for the call is 'Fighting Inequalities'. This covers economic, environmental and social inequalities within and between countries. Applicants are encouraged to address this theme in their proposal.

To request an Application Pack and more details, please email [info@sdfsforall.ie](mailto:info@sdfsforall.ie)

Submissions to be sent to [info@sdfsforall.ie](mailto:info@sdfsforall.ie)

<http://makeeuropesustainableforall.org/get-a-grant/#lot1>

16th May 2018 (closing date)

## **Clare County Council Community Supports Scheme is announced**

Clare County Council has announced a Community Supports Scheme for 2018, providing funding totalling €457,500 to support local and voluntary groups wishing to undertake a range of community-based projects.

For an application form and scheme guidelines, please visit [www.clarecoco.ie/community/grants](http://www.clarecoco.ie/community/grants) or email [css@clarecoco.ie](mailto:css@clarecoco.ie). Any Community and Voluntary group operating in County Clare may apply. Groups are encouraged to register with the Clare Public Participation Network (PPN) and be actively involved in the PPN.

The closing date for receipt of applications is Wednesday, 16 May 2018.