

## **Kerry PPN Community Newsletter Issue 173 Friday 9th** August 2024

To all Kerry PPN members,

Please find contents of the Kerry PPN Community newsletter below.

out to all of their members and beyond.

It is important that the contact person who receives the newsletter shares it Have a lovely weekend.

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The Cable that changed the World

**Community and Voluntary News** REMINDER: Community Centres Investment Fund 2024

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**Environmental News** 

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Sustainable Development (ESD) projects for organisations · Minister Burke announces additional funding for Healthy Ireland Walking Tracks initiative

**Community and Voluntary** 

**Community Centres Investment Fund 2024** 

community centres across the country.

**How to Apply** 

Comhairle Contae Chiarraí

**Kerry County Council** 

The Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, has announced €20 million in funding to support the upgrade and refurbishment of

organisations will be supported with grants of between €10,000 - €100,000 to develop and enhance their existing community facilities. Community facilities can be defined as a building that is managed by a community-based organisation which is open to and used by a broad range of individuals and groups within the local community for group activities such as social events, information/supports and recreation.

Under the Community Centres Investment Fund 2024, community

The 'Community Centre Investment Fund 2024 – Refurbishment' will provide grants for projects from €10,000 up to a maximum of €100,000 towards capital costs as follows:-Category 1: Small scale projects/improvements to facilities €10,000 -**€25,000**.

A minimum of 5% of the total project budget is required by the applicant as match funding. Category 2: Larger scale projects €25,001 to €100,000.

A minimum of 10% of the total project budge is required by the applicant as match funding. The scheme will be delivered in conjunction with Pobal.

All applicants must register as 'users' on the online portal <a href="here">here</a> in advance of the application process which opened on 29th July 2024. Groups that applied for this

fund previously will not need to register again but should check that their details are still correct. The closing date for applications will be 29th August 2024.

The Cable that changed the World This is the epic story of the first transatlantic communications cable. It reveals how

the impossible was overcome and how the first transatlantic cable came to be laid between Ireland and Canada, linking North America and Europe in the middle of 19th Century. Coming to <u>@rteone</u> on **Monday Aug 12th at 9.35pm**, join us for the remarkable story of the cable that developed an effective worldwide global communication

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system, changing the World forever.

**Friday 9th August** 

Tiny Tots Races... @ 7pm

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Larvest Festival 2024 Friday 9th August - Friday 16th August

**Glamorous Granny & Bonny Baby Competition** Texas Hold'em Poker - O'Connor's Bar @ 9pm Saturday 10th August Dog Show - Walsh's Field @ 1.30pm Kids Fancy Dress - School Yard @ 3pm

> Bake Sale Event - Community Centre @ 3.30pm Youth Pool Competition - O'Connor's Bar @ 1-3pm Donkey Derby Race Night - Walsh's Bar @ 8.30pm





to get or stay in work. and job candidates. You may get communication support if you: 1. Workplace Needs Assessment are d/Deaf or hard of hearing and need an Irish Sign Language interpreter, Available for employers, employees, and lip-speaker, or other deaf interpreter; or self-employed people. · have a disability or health condition that requires communication support. If you are working or about to start work, you

2. Communication Support

Available for employees, self-employed people,

Work and Access offers communication support for job interview preparation, job interviews, job

induction and on-going support in work.

7. Disability, Equality and **Inclusion Training** 

Employers can apply for funding for Disability,

Equality and Inclusion Training for staff.

Available for employers.

**Work and Access** 

Working should work for all

Work and Access is a set of seven

supports to help disabled people

can apply for funding for a Workplace Needs

This can identify the adjustments that can be

made to the workplace to remove the barriers

4. Personal Reader

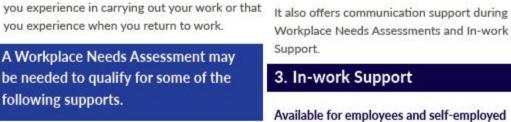
their workplace to do their job.

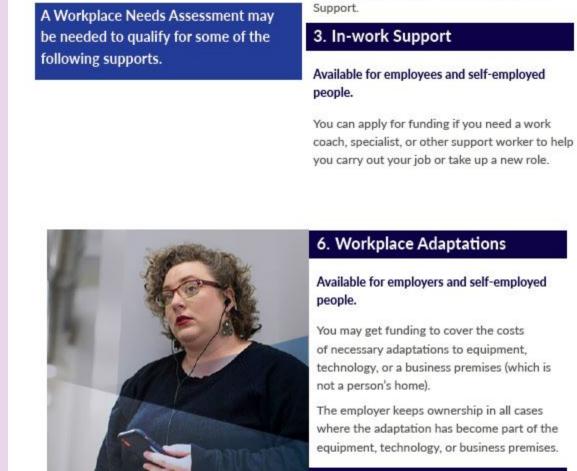
employee with a disability.

Available for employees and self-employed

the Department of Social Protection

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- Workplace Needs Assessment Grants of up to €2,500 are available to enable people with a disability or health condition to identify the supports they need in

employers with funding to adapt their business premises for an employee or future

- Work Equipment Grants of up to €12,000 are available towards personalised

- Workplace Adaptations Grants of up to €25,000 are available to support

assistive equipment or technology for people with disabilities working in the business premises or working remotely. - Personal Reader funding is available to assist people who are blind or visually impaired with work-related reading. - Communication support which funds Irish Sign Language or other communication support with job interviews, job inductions, in-work meetings or performance reviews. In-work Support funding is available towards a work coach or specialist support to help a person with a disability to do their job or re-train if they move to another - Disability Equality and Inclusion Training funding is available for employers with a paid workforce to train all their staff on disability and inclusion. Work and Access supports are available to job seekers, people who have acquired a disability and want to stay in work, people with disabilities who are employed or self-employed. They are also available to those on work experience or internships of 6 months or more and those on apprenticeships. The supports are available to people in all sectors apart from the public sector. Supports are available to remote workers in up to two locations.

Work and Access replaces the former Reasonable Accommodation Fund and the Disability Awareness Support Scheme. You may be aware that these schemes

employment supports for disabled people. Work and Access was developed to

Please find links for the following online elements of Work and Access below:

Application Forms: <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/service/47db8-work-and-access-">https://www.gov.ie/en/service/47db8-work-and-access-</a>

Irish Sign Language video: Work and Access Irish Sign Language Video

Your Guide to our Schemes and Services: Illness, Disability and Caring (July 2024) – this is a fully updated version with information on Work and Access): gov -

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<u>Illness, Disability and Caring (www.gov.ie)</u>. Hard copies will be available in

There will be an advertising campaign on the new scheme in a few weeks.

Press release: gov - Minister Humphreys launches Work and Access

Operational Guidelines: gov - Work and Access (www.gov.ie)

were reviewed and a set of recommendations was made to ensure better

implement these recommendations.

Webpage: gov.ie/workandaccess

Intreo offices or on request in a few weeks.

Come and Try Tennis

supports/#application-form

(www.gov.ie)

Páirtíocht Spóirt &

Kerry Recreation &

Sports Partnership

next week!

it with you)

Teenage Girls Sessions Monday 12th August

- Cost :Only €5 per person for a coached session

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- 5:00-6:00pm (girls aged 11-14yrs)

- 6:00-7:00pm (girls ages 15yrs-17yrs)

for Teenage Girls Tralee Where: Tralee Pitch and Putt Club Date: Monday 12th August Time: 5:00pm - 6:00pm / 6:00pm- 7:00pm

A reminder that we have a few places left on on our teenage only "Come and Try Tennis" taster session in Tralee Pitch and Putt Club during #HEROutdoorsWeek

All equipment will be supplied (but if you have your own racquet feel free to bring

**Environmental** 

€60,000 Awarded for Project at

**Tralee Community Allotments** 

Booking links and info here <a href="https://linktr.ee/kerryrecreationandsports">https://linktr.ee/kerryrecreationandsports</a>?



Rialtas na hÉireann

**Minister for Education** 

announces €250,000 in funding

for Education for Sustainable

**Development (ESD) projects for** 

organisations

Minister for Education Norma Foley TD has announced over €250,000 in funding

Funding of between €1,000 and €25,000 have been paid to organisations who successfully proposed their 2024/2025 sustainability projects under the 2nd National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD to 2030).

Successful projects include resources and supports for the development of school gardens, Wellness Projects, Climate Nature Summits, Community and School collaboration projects, sustainable fashion training and a Rubbish Film Festival. Many of the projects involve workshops for students and focus on continuing

The ESD to 2030 plan aims to ensure all learners have the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development. ESD to 2030 has five priority areas:

for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) projects for twelve

organisations across the country.

Action.

professional development in ESD for teachers.

learners and throughout our communities".

Walking Tracks initiative.

take part in physical activity.

Interim CEO of the FAI, David Courell said:

available at Irish Rugby Health & Wellbeing.

complete."

grounds more accessible to more people.

organisations and schools throughout the year".

Government of Ireland

## Aligning Policy, Transforming Learning Environments, Building Capacity of Educators, Empowering and Mobilising Youth and Accelerating Local Level The Minister for Education Norma Foley TD said: "It is so encouraging to see the level of interest from the organisations who have applied for funding this year. Congratulations to those who have been successful in their applications this year and I look forward to seeing all of the educational

opportunities that are being offered through sustainable development to young

"We continue to provide supports needed to offer ESD education in our schools

Minister Burke announces

additional funding for Healthy

**Ireland Walking Tracks initiative** 

Minister for Public Health, Wellbeing and the National Drugs Strategy, Colm Burke

The funds will be used to make community walking tracks located on sports clubs'

has today announced €1 million in funding for the Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU) and the Football Association of Ireland (FAI) under the Healthy Ireland

Today's announcement of €500,000 each for the IRFU and FAI follows €1.6 million in funding for the GAA in 2022 and 2023 which provided walking track

and these organisations are a vital part of that. My department publishes a quarterly ESD newsletter that promotes the hard work being done by both

grants to 106 clubs around the country. The initiative supports the upgrade of existing walking track facilities to make them more accessible to people with mobility issues, such as older people and wheelchair users. Funding may also cover upgrading or the installation of lighting designed to prolong the hours of usage particularly during the dark winter evenings. Grants will be awarded to clubs in each organisation following a competitive application process. Minister Burke said:

The expansion of the Healthy Ireland Walking Tracks initiative is a wonderful opportunity to support increased engagement in physical activity. The €1 million we're announcing today builds on a very successful partnership with the GAA through which we supported the upgrade of walking tracks all over the country.

"Partnership underpins all our work in Healthy Ireland and is key to improving the health of the entire population. The IRFU and the FAI recognise the huge impact

connectedness and offering safe, accessible places for people of all abilities to

"This €1 million fund will support both organisations to increase accessibility of walking tracks in rugby and soccer clubs around Ireland, improving facilities that

that clubs can have on their communities, by fostering inclusivity and

will positively impact on the physical and mental health and wellbeing of people in their communities." Chief Executive of the IRFU, Kevin Potts said: "Part of our vision for rugby in Ireland is to connect people and communities through rugby and to ensure that rugby clubs are positive, welcoming, and inclusive environments for people of all ages and abilities. The IRFU is enormously grateful to the Department of Health and Healthy Ireland for this grant,

which will enable us to upgrade more walking tracks at club facilities across the country. These changes will result in more accessible and safer environments, and we look forward to welcoming new members from all communities once

"The Healthy Ireland Walking Tracks initiative is a significant step in our mission to enhance community health and wellbeing through football. By providing funding for grassroots Club Mark Clubs to improve their facilities, we are giving our clubs the opportunity to maximise the benefits they can deliver for their local communities by making other forms of exercise more accessible. We are grateful to Minister Burke and the Department of Health for their vital support and collaboration - this initiative will bring lasting benefits to communities nationwide."

The Healthy Ireland funding will be allocated via a competitive application process through each of the organisations and will be open to clubs in the Republic of Ireland with an existing walking track/amenity. Only one application per club allowed. Both the IRFU and the FAI will issue a call for applications through their respective organisations this week with successful clubs being notified by late September.

More information on applications for the FAI Walking Tracks initiative is available at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FAIWalkingTracks.">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FAIWalkingTracks.</a> The Healthy Ireland grant funding may be used to: Upgrade existing walking track surfaces Improve access/usability for people with mobility issues Install/upgrade to LED lighting along existing walking track route

More information on applications for the IRFU Walking Tracks initiative is

