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Public Participation Network Kerry

Kerry PPN Weekly Newsletter

Friday 30th October, 2026

Welcome to the Kerry PPN Weekly newsletter packed with information, funding opportunities, community events and upcoming public consultations. Please share this newsletter with your group so all members can keep up to date.

If a group member would like to subscribe directly to the newsletter please ask them to email their name and email address to ppn@kerrycoco.ie

Due to the ongoing work to rule, we are only in a position to share local community news. We apologise for any inconvenience it may cause.

To have your community event included in our upcoming newsletter please email the details to ppn@kerrycoco.ie

Kind Regards

Caroline and Kathy.

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Community News

Do Not Consume Notice lifted for specified customers in Causeway village; notice remains in place for other affected homes and businesses in Ballyheigue

Thursday, 29 October 2026: Uisce Éireann, in consultation with the HSE, has **partially** lifted the Do Not Consume Notice for specified customers in Causeway village.

The partial lifting applies only to customers that have been **directly notified by Uisce Éireann** within the confirmed area of Causeway village. These customers are now being supplied with water from Listowel Public Water Supply on a temporary basis. Their water is now safe to consume.

This is a partial lifting only. The Do Not Consume Notice remains in place for a small number of customers in Causeway and all other customers on the Ballyheigue water supply scheme covered by the existing notice. Customers outside the confirmed lifting area who have not directly received a hand delivered lift notice and whose Eircode remains within the affected area, should continue to follow the advice currently in place.

The partial lifting follows compliant test results and consultation with the HSE. The water is safe to drink. These customers can now resume normal use of the water supply for drinking, food preparation and brushing teeth. Approximately 200 customers are included, along with a creche and a large secondary school. Our teams will continue to monitor the area where the notice has been lifted to ensure ongoing compliance.

Customers can double-check whether their property is included by entering their Eircode in the "In your area" section of water.ie

Eoin O'Connell of Uisce Éireann said: "We understand the importance of clear information about which properties are included in this partial lifting. Lift notices have been hand delivered directly to these properties this afternoon and registered customers will also receive a text message. Customers can also check the status of their property by entering their Eircode on water.ie. For those who did not directly receive a lift notice from us they should continue to follow the Do Not Consume advice currently in place."

"We fully understand the concern and disruption the notice continues to cause for customers, and the wider Ballyheigue community. I want to reassure those customers that investigations are ongoing in Glenderry and Ardfert alongside other potential short-term supply options. We are continuing to assess these options and carry out the necessary sampling and testing before any relevant option can move to the next stage. Alongside these short-term measures being progressed, a programme of work is underway to identify a safe, reliable and permanent alternative water source. This includes assessing the potential for a permanent alternative source in Ardfert as well as exploring local groundwater options. Each option requires detailed technical and public health assessment before suitability can be formally confirmed. We thank customers for their continued patience."

For the approximately 3,333 customers shown on the updated map accompanying this release outside the confirmed lifting area, the Do Not Consume Notice will remain in place until Uisce Éireann, in consultation with the HSE, is satisfied that the water is safe to consume.

Alternative Supplies:

Alternative water supplies are available at the locations below. Bulk water tankers are available 24/7, with bottled water available during the manned distribution times listed below.

- **Causeway Church car park**
- **Kilmoyley Church car park**
- **Ballyheigue beach car park**
- **Ballyheigue old graveyard**
- **Cantillon's Cross Kerry Head**

To support fair and orderly distribution of bottled water, these locations will be manned at the following times:

- Friday 30 October: 5:30pm to 8pm
- Saturday 31 Oct: 11am to 2pm
- Sunday 01 Nov: 11am to 2pm

Customers are asked to bring their own containers when collecting water from the tankers and advised that this water should be boiled before drinking, in line with HSE advice. Supplies will continue to be monitored and replenished.

What can you use water for?
The water can be used for personal hygiene, bathing, flushing toilets, laundry and washing of utensils.

Customers can sign up for free text alerts to receive updates directly, while Uisce Éireann's customer care team is available 24/7 on 1800 278 278. Further information is available on **water.ie/ballyheigue**

MISSING AUTISTIC PERSON? CALL 999 IMMEDIATELY

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If an autistic child or adult goes missing, call 999 immediately and tell Gardaí that the missing person is autistic.

Why is this important?

Gardaí can use a separate pro forma with specific questions to gather information that may be particularly relevant when searching for an autistic person.

The information provided can help Gardaí understand the individual's needs, communication style, behaviours, interests and other important details that may assist in the search.

BE PREPARED: CREATE A FAMILY EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

Please don't wait until an emergency happens. Having a plan in place can save valuable time.

Create a family response plan outlining what to do immediately if your autistic family member goes missing.

Share a copy of the plan with all family members, carers, support workers and anyone regularly responsible for their care.

Make a list of places they are likely to go, based on their individual interests, routines, habits and previous experiences.

Identify specific locations to check urgently, including:

* Nearby ponds, lakes, rivers, canals and other bodies of water.
* Swimming pools, leisure centres and other aquatic facilities.
* Train stations, railway lines and transport hubs.
* Bus stations and familiar transport routes.
* Nearby parks, wooded areas, fields and playgrounds.
* Familiar shops, shopping centres and favourite places.
* Any other locations the person is particularly drawn to or has visited before.

Be as specific as possible. Write down the names and exact locations of nearby places, including potential hazards. This helps everyone understand which locations are important to communicate to Gardaí immediately.

Do not delay contacting Gardaí while checking these locations yourself. Tell Gardaí about any nearby water, railway lines or other hazards so they can assess and coordinate the search. Do not put yourself or others at risk.

Keep essential information ready, including a recent photograph, a physical description, clothing worn, communication needs, sensory needs, medical considerations where relevant, and details of places the person may seek out.

Preparation matters. A clear plan shared with everyone involved in the person's care can reduce confusion and help people respond quickly during a frightening and stressful emergency.

Volunteer Opportunity: National Circus Festival of Ireland

When: 5th–8th November
Where: Tralee, Co. Kerry – Munster Technological University, Siamsa Tíre Theatre and locations throughout the town

Ever wanted to join the circus? Here's your chance!

Volunteers are needed for the **National Circus Festival of Ireland**, taking place in Tralee from 5th to 8th November.

Volunteers will be required to support activities at **Munster Technological University** and **Siamsa Tire Theatre**. Help is also needed for the **Tom Crean – Endurance Over Ice** exhibition, including the movement of the ice sculpture through the streets of Tralee.

If you'd like to be part of the Circus Crew and help bring this exciting festival to life, find out more and sign up.

Further Information

Age Friendly Ireland Newsletter

Download the latest edition of the Age Friendly Ireland Newsletter: 30th October Edition

Download Newsletter

TidyTowns Newsletter 2026

Download the latest edition of the TidyTowns Newsletter: 3rd issue attached to the newsletter

The newsletter is also available on their website

https://www.tidytowns.ie/about-us/newsletters/

If you want to see more, check out their social media for updates:

Twitter

Facebook

Volunteer at Buds

Bud's Resource Centre Ballyduff is looking for volunteers under the following positions:

- After Schools Positions
- Creche and Pre-school
- Reception
- Parent & Community Supports
- Fundraising
- Kitchen and Café Duties
- Administration and IT

It is a fantastic social aspect and a way of making new friendships

It is very fulfilling and satisfying to support a cause that helps others. You will be part of a welcoming, supportive and dynamic tea. 98% of people who volunteer say it makes them a happier person.

You will get experience and learn new skills, or maybe develop on skills you already have. This is helpful if you wish to pursue a career in social/ childcare/ community/ family support areas. Also, prospective employers like to see volunteering on CVs

It is great fun!

Movember 2026

Movember 2026 runs from November 1 to November 30, 2026, with the official global campaign themed **"Make a Growmitment"** to raise funds and awareness for men's mental health, suicide prevention, prostate cancer, and testicular cancer.

For more details, check out: https://movember.com/

Social Action Group Rathmore CLG Vacancy

Social Action Group Rathmore CLG (SAG) is inviting applications for the position of **Social Enterprise Manager**, based at Teach Íosagáin Community Centre, Rathmore, Co. Kerry.

This is an exciting opportunity for a motivated, commercially minded individual to join SAG's senior management team and oversee the day-to-day operations and ongoing development of Teach Íosagáin. The role includes managing staff and facilities, overseeing financial performance, developing new social enterprise opportunities and supporting community and youth activities.

The position is offered on an initial two-year fixed-term contract, with a 37.5-hour working week and a salary of approximately €41,000, depending on qualifications and experience.

Applications must include a CV and a detailed cover letter outlining suitability for the role. Please email applications to info@sag.ie, for the attention of the CEO, by **close of business on 9 November 2026**.

The job advertisement will be attached to the newsletter

Upcoming Events

Kenmare MD

Kenmare Drop-In Information mornings

Recovery Haven's Kenmare Community Outreach Service is coming up!

Be sure to pop in for a cuppa, meet their staff and learn about the free supports and services available to those affected by cancer from Recovery Haven Kerry

Dates: Tuesday November 10th

Time:10am - 12.30pm

Where: Kenmare Community Nursing Unit, Hospital Road, Dromneavane, V93 AW24

Contact them at: 066 719 2122 or reception@recoveryhavenkerry.com

Killarney MD

Killarney Soccer Memories Cafe

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Join for a morning of great soccer memories.

Saturday 31st October from 11am to 1pm.

This event will take place at Clann Housing, Coill na Darrach, Killarney, V93 VXY8.

For more information email,

soccermemories@gmail.com

Listowel MD

Slua Spraoi New Club

Slua Spraoi have new club coming for the clanmaurice area !!

Causeway-Ballyduff-Abbeydorney-Lixnaw-Ballyheigue etc

They provide voluntary social clubs for groups of people between the ages of 18 to 35 with outlets in sports, travel, fundraising, arts, nights out, creativity and loads more!!

When: Thursday Nov 5th at 8pm

Where: Bud's Family Resource Centre (FRC) Benmore, Ballyduff, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92 A2VC

Tea and coffee on the night

Autism seminar with Dr Susan Crawford at Listowel Food Fair 2026

Listowel Community Centre

Saturday 7th November 2026 11*am*

Dr. Susan Crawford is an Irish Autism researcher, lecturer, and founder of Get Autism Active, an organisation focused on fundamental movement skills for autistic individuals.

She will be imparting her knowledge and insight at Listowel Community as Saturday, November 7, as part of the 31st Listowel Food Fair.

Priced at €10, tickets are available via Eventbrite or at Listowel Community Centre. Proceeds go to Listowel Autism Friendly Town.

Booking Link

Positive Ageing Seminar

Discover the importance of staying active, healthy and connected at the Listowel Food Fair's Positive Ageing Seminar, hosted at **Listowel Community Centre**.

- **Friday 6th November 2026, at 7pm**
- **Listowel Community Centre**

The seminar will feature Prof. Niall Moyna, Professor of Clinical Exercise Physiology at Dublin City University, who will discuss positive ageing and the benefits of exercise. We are also delighted to welcome Kieran O'Donnell TD, Minister of State with Special Responsibility for Older People and Housing, alongside speakers Brendan Garvey, Personal Trainer and Neuromuscular Therapist, Julian Cascante, Certified Nutritional Coach, and Trevor Horan, General Manager of Listowel Community Centre, Personal Trainer and Online and Nutritional Coach. Our speakers will share their knowledge and practical insights on fitness, nutrition and the positive impact of maintaining an active lifestyle as we grow older.

Tickets cost €15 and are available online via Eventbrite or directly from Listowel Community Centre. Support a great cause. Proceeds from the seminar will go towards Ard Chúram Day Care Centre.

Join for an informative and inspiring evening celebrating positive ageing and healthier living at every stage of life.

Booking Link

From Page to Stage: Family Literacy Through Creative Writing and Drama

Every family has its stories. This new 12-week workshop helps adults build confidence in reading, writing, speaking and listening through creative writing and drama, with practical activities to bring home and try with your family.

No experience needed, just a willingness to give it a go. All welcome.

When: Every Wednesday, 11am–1pm

Where: Kerry Writers' Museum, Listowel

Book on 068 22 212 or kerrywritersmuseum@gmail.com

Co-funded by the Government of Ireland and the European Union, with SOLAS and Adult Literacy for Life.

Mid Kerry Moves – Line Dancing Classes

Get moving, make connections and have fun!

Looking for an enjoyable way to stay active and meet new people? Mid Kerry Moves line dancing at **Listowel Community Centre** offers a lively, welcoming opportunity to learn new steps, enjoy great music and connect with others in your community.

- **Friday mornings**
- **11am-12pm**

Whether you're completely new to line dancing or already have some experience, all ability levels are welcome. It's a great way to improve coordination, build confidence, keep moving and enjoy the social benefits of dancing.

Contact Carmel at 087 643 7686.

Come along, give it a try and discover the fun of line dancing!

Visit Upcoming Events webpage for the latest updates and further details.

Upcoming Events

In-Person Autism Friendly Champion Training

When: Wednesday 18th November, 7pm

Where: The Listowel Arms Hotel

William Nestor - **Asiam.ie** Autism Friendly Town Manager will deliver training with members of their committee.

They are inviting businesses, organisations, and sporting groups to become Autism Champions and make a positive difference in our community.

By signing up, you'll receive in-person training and guidance on how to make small and inclusive changes to support our autistic community.

What is an Autism Champion?

A business or organisation committed to becoming autism-friendly by implementing practical, easy-to-make accommodations.

Contact them at: listowelaft@gmail.com

Sign up today

Tralee MD

Kerry Women's Art Group Exhibition

The Kerry Women's Art Group is delighted to invite you to their upcoming art exhibition at **Tralee Library**, running from **Friday, 6th November to Friday, 13th November 2026**.

Join us for the official launch on **Saturday, 7th November at 2.30 pm**.

Come along, show your support for this wonderful local art group, and enjoy the opportunity to view and celebrate their creativity, talent and artistic achievements.

Everyone is welcome! We look forward to seeing you there.

Beginners Guide to The Water Cycle and The Role of Wetlands for Science Week 2026

Join the Tralee Bay Wetlands Ecology Park Team for Science Week 2026 for a **Beginners Guide to The Water Cycle and The Role of Wetlands** on Saturday, 7th & Sunday 8th November.

Tralee Bay Wetlands Ecology Park partners with MTU and Research Ireland to present two days of events for Science Week 2026 under this year's national theme ***Water: from Molecule to Ocean***.

Session Times: 10:30am - 2pm

Session Duration: 3 Hours

Tralee Bay Wetlands Ecologists Alan Balfe and Aine Fraughen will present the following on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th of November for Science Week 2026.

These sessions cover the following;

- Focus on the Water Cycle and The Role of Wetlands
- Explores the Water Cycle through the Irish lens
- Looking at rainfall and changing rainfall patterns
- How Wetlands act as natural regulators that protect our communities against flooding and drought.

Wellington Boots and Rain Gear are a must for this event due to the terrain, please bring binoculars to enhance your experience.

Further information available at 066 712 6700 or info@traleebaywetlands.org

Book online

Sustainable Kerry

When: Thursday, November 5th, 2 PM - 4:30 PM

Where: Ballygarry Estate Hotel and Spa, Tralee, Kerry

Kerry County Council and industry stakeholders invite you to join leading practitioners in Kerry's manufacturing, business and tourism industries for an afternoon showcasing the impact of sustainability initiatives across the county at Ballygarry Estate Hotel & Spa on Thursday November 5th. Speakers from a wide cross section of businesses in the county will present details of sustainability projects that have had a major impact in their areas.

Booking Link

Youth Drama Sessions

To develop a drama group!

Where: Tralee International Resource Centre, 13-14 St Patricks Bungalows, Boherbee, Tralee, Co. Kerry

When: Tuesday evenings after school (4:30pm - 6:30pm)

Ages: 13 - 18

All welcome - No experience required

Work with a trained facilitator

Please register interest or get further information from: info@tirc.ie

Meno-Strong

Description: A six-week programme designed to support women through perimenopause and menopause by combining progressive strength training with practical, evidence-informed menopause education.

The programme aims to give participants the knowledge, confidence and practical strategies they need to understand the changes happening during menopause, improve their strength and fitness, and take a more proactive approach to their health and wellbeing.

Dates: Starts Mon 9th of November

Location: Austin Stacks GAA Club, James Connolly Park, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92 X952

Times: 7:00pm-8:30pm

Cost: €40 plus booking fee

Booking Link

Upcoming events at Kerry Women's Centre

1 Hour ChakraDance Workshops

When: Every Tuesday in November from 11am to 12pm and December 1st, 8th and 15th from 7pm to 8pm

Where: Kerry Women's Centre, Tralee, V92PH32

Cost: €12 per person (per session)

Chakradance is a dynamic moving meditation, blending movement, music and guided visualisation to help you reconnect with your body, your emotions and your authentic self.

To book, contact Elaine at 086 404 5588 or sacredwomanpath@gmail.com

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Save the Date - Stop Violence Against Women and Children Conference

When: 19th November, 9am - 2.30pm

Where: The Rose Hotel, Dan Spring Road, Cloon Beg, Tralee V92 HKA4

Special Guest Speaker: Katriona O'Sullivan, Best Selling Author of Poor and Hungry

Register Here

Mindfulness and Ground Programme

When: Starting Wednesday 18th November, 7pm to 8pm

Where: Kerry Women's Centre, Tralee, V92PH32

Cost: €15 per session

A 4 Week Interactive and Sensory Experience

In partnership with MindfulnessNoa

Book your place, contact066 913 0430 or info@kerrywomenscentre.ie

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Personal Development Course

8 week programme

When: Starting Wednesday, 4th November and will be every Wednesdays from 10am to 12.30pm

Where: Kerry Women's Centre, Tralee, V92PH32

Embark on a Journey of Self-Discovery

Book your place, contact066 913 0430 or info@kerrywomenscentre.ie

Be Active Be Well Physical Activity Programme Autumn 2026

A five week programme helps people build sustainable physical habits through guided behaviour change rather than traditional exercise classes. A programme to help you make positive changes to move more and feel better.

Dates: Starts Wed, 11th of November

Location: Shanakill Family Resource Centre, Tralee.

Times: 10:30am-12:30

Cost: FREE

Bookings: Please ring Leanne Moriarty in the HSE on 087 065 9527

County Wide

Submit Hedgehog Sightings

Hedgehog Conservation Ireland is a self-organised group raising awareness and taking action to help Irish Hedgehogs.

Check out this website for more details,

https://www.irishhedgehogsurvey.com/

Submit Hedgehog Sightings

Upcoming Carer Meetings with Family Carers

Upcoming Peer Support Groups where family carers connect, learn and enjoy a cuppa together

If you are interested, please contact: kerrycs@familycarer.ie

Tralee

Please note time change - Evening Session instead of Morning session

Location: Rahoonane Community Centre, Tralee, V92 D9HF

Time: Tuesday 10th Nov, 6.00pm-7.30pm

Details: peer support group meeting and , with Helen Ryle doing EFT (emotional freedom tapping) and CBT wellness workshop.

Killarney

Location: Torc Family Resource Centre, Ballyspillane, Killarney, Co. Kerry, V93 FD1H

Time: Thursday 12th Nov, 11:00am – 12:30pm

Details: peer support group meeting we will have a speaker Health and Nutrition Talk with Paula Duggan of Balance Nutrition - www.balancenutrition.ie

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Glenbeigh

Location: Glenbeigh Hotel, Curraheen, Glenbeigh, V93 K0W9

Time: Wednesday 18th Nov, 11:30am – 1:00pm

**carers asked to bring €€ for tea/coffee at hotel if desired.

NEWKD Craft Circle

Creativity Thrives in Community

Join a NEWKD Craft Circle near you!

Everyone is welcome!

- Adults only
- All abilities welcome
- No previous crafting experience needed

Weekly groups meeting up all over Kerry

For more details, contact Kristine 086 660 2147 or Dee 087 635 6353

Check out their Facebook page for more information

Grants & Funding Opportunities

Community Sports Facilities Fund (CSFF) (Formerly Sports Capital)

This Grant is administered by the Department of Culture, Communications and Sport.

- **Website:** https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-culture-communications-and-sport/services/sports-capital/
- **Grant Guidelines:** https://assets.gov.ie/static/documents/ed7d33aa/Information_Guide_for_2026_Community_Sport_Facilities_Fund.pdf

IMPORTANT: C**lubs/Groups to register on SPRAOI as soon as possible**

A new grant management system, SPRAOI, went live on Monday, 28 September. Clubs and organisations not previously registered with the Department can now register on SPRAOI.

Applications Close: Friday, 26 February 2027.

An Information Guide, setting out key terms and conditions, is now available online at: gov.ie/SportsCapital

Training & Education Opportunities

Getting Grant Ready Webinar

Community Sports Facilities Fund Webinar November 2026

Newly rebranded Sports Capital Programme, now known as the 'Community Sports Facilities Fund'!

Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership and 2into3 are delighted to announce registration is now open for the FREE Community Sports Facilities Fund Online 'Getting Grant Ready' Webinar this November.

This webinar is designed for club committee members who are responsible for grant applications, particularly those applying to the Community Sports Facilities Fund

Adam McCormick, Consultant - Public Funding at 2into3, will lead the session. Adam has extensive experience across multiple national grant programmes and has supported countless clubs to refine their project ideas, strengthen their pitch, and prepare high-quality applications.

The webinar will cover:

- What qualifies for funding
- Who is eligible to apply
- How to prepare a strong grant application
- Understanding the application process and scoring
- How to maximise your score and improve your chances of success

After attending, you will:

- Understand how to prepare a compelling, grant-ready project
- Be confident in navigating the application process
- Know how to position your club for the best possible outcome

Details:

- **Date:** Tuesday, 10th November 2026
- **Time:** 7-8pm
- **Cost:** FREE
- **Where:** Online Via Zoom
- **Registration Link:** https://2into3.zoom.us/webinar/register/6017915372792/WN_rWk-0gMCQV2-Wc5heMynNg#/registration

Literacy Opens Doors 2026

The webinar series for the community and voluntary sector - **Literacy Opens Doors** - is back for 2026.

Each webinar will highlight practical tips and inspiring projects to give you ideas and strengthen your work being literacy friendly in the community.

They have a brilliant range of speakers lined up from organisations across the sector. These include **Hair Together**, **the Bridge Project**, **Frontline Make Change** and **Dyslexia Ireland**.

Registration/ Further Information

LGBT+ Winter Webinar Series 2026

Listowel Community and Family Resource Centre are running a free LGBT+ Winter Webinar series

When: Starting on Monday 19th October at 7pm and running every second Monday until 14th December.

Where: Online

All are open to anyone interested and are free to attend.

Please email daniel.quirke@listowelfrc.ie for the Zoom link.

- **Monday 2nd November 7pm**
  - **Topic: Understanding and supporting your LGBT+ child**
    - **Description: This is a one-hour webinar open to parents and caregivers who would like to learn more about what it means to be LGBT+, and how this impacts the young person in our life. They will discuss how to support your child or young person in navigating school, family, and social lives, mental health, and figuring out their identity. They will work through scenarios around asking questions, fears, and what to say to friends and family, as well as bust some myths.**
- **Monday 16th November 7pm**
  - **Topic: Creating safe spaces for LGBT+ people**
    - **Description: This is a two-hour webinar open to anyone who works or volunteers in the community and would like to make their organisation or group an open and safe space for LGBT+ individuals. They will discuss the meaning of LGBT+, as well as how to be an ally to the LGBT+ community. This includes how to make your organisation or meeting space open and inviting, make it clear that LGBT+ individuals are welcome, identify and address barriers to access, and how to create or adapt policies/ procedures and actions to make your group or organisation as inclusive as possible.**
- **Monday 30th November 7pm**
  - **Topic: Debunking disinformation and the impact of hate**
    - **Description: This is a one-hour webinar open to everyone who would like to learn more about misinformation, disinformation, and myths being spread about the LGBT+ community in recent years, and the impact that this is having on both LGBT+ people and the wider community. They will discuss the facts and fiction, where this is coming from, the impact it is having, how to identify and address it.**
- **Monday 14th December 7pm**
  - **Topic: How to handle discrimination, bullying, and harassment**
    - **Description: This is a one-hour webinar open to everyone who would like to learn more about discrimination, bullying, and harassment of the LGBT+ community. They will discuss the different forms of discrimination, bullying, and harassment one might encounter, and how to address it in different settings. They will go through scenarios and strategies on how to protect yourself and deal with hate in a school, work, family, and public situations.**

Frontline Professionals supporting families after traumatic bereavement

The Anam Cara workshop for frontline professionals supporting bereaved families is now accredited by the **IACP for CPD Credits!**

Following the success of our in person workshops earlier this year, we are now hosting **two online workshops in October & November**

Who is the workshop for?

- Garda Síochana and PSNI Family Liaison Officers
- Emergency First Responders
- Funeral Directors
- Hospital and Hospice Staff
- Emergency Departments Medical staff
- Social Workers
- Chaplains/Clergy
- Therapists/Counsellors
- Community workers supporting bereaved families

Dates: Tuesday 10th November 2026

Cost: €20 per person

We encourage you to **register as soon as possible** for this event, as places are limited. Please share the attached flyer with anyone who may benefit from attending this workshop.

Register for Online Workshop on Tuesday 10th November

If you would like further information please get in touch with us on info@anamcara.ie or call 085 2888 888

Public Consultations

Ulster University Predator Survey

A PhD researcher at Ulster University is inviting adults living across the island of Ireland to take part in a short survey exploring how people experience and perceive predators.

The research aims to better understand people's experiences, attitudes and perspectives towards predators and their interactions with people and communities. By gathering views from a wide range of individuals, the study hopes to build a clearer picture of human-wildlife interactions and help inform future wildlife management approaches.

Who can take part? The survey is open to anyone aged 18 or over who lives on the island of Ireland. It is completely anonymous and takes approximately **five minutes** to complete.

All experiences and perspectives are valuable, whether you have direct experience of predators or simply hold views about their presence in the landscape.

Take part in the survey

Your participation would be greatly appreciated and will help contribute to a better understanding of how people across Ireland perceive and experience predators.

Survey Link

The Kerry Public Participation Network (PPN) is a network of 1,000+ community & voluntary, social inclusion and environmental groups in Kerry.

We connect Kerry County Council with our member groups facilitating community participation in local government decision making. We work to make sure our member groups have a say on local issues that concern them.

Check out more information about Kerry Public Participation Network at:

Write to us at: Áras an Chontae, Ratass, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92H7VT