

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

COUNTYWISE

Information and news from Wicklow
County Council
Earrach / Spring 2019



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Message from the Wicklow County Council Chief Executive

The work of Wicklow County Council has continued throughout the winter months and I'm delighted to give you a brief update on some of the many activities which have been carried out in this latest edition of Countywise.

As the evenings get longer and our days get brighter I think it's fitting that our Healthy Wicklow programme has now been launched. Almost all of the functions of Wicklow County Council impact on the health and well being of our citizens and, working together with communities and partner agencies in implementing this strategy, we can have an even greater impact into the future.

Wicklow County Council's housing programme continues in 2019 with 9 schemes currently under construction and 3 further schemes to commence shortly. Our housing department are undertaking a full Differential Rent Review and all Wicklow County Council tenants are urged to return their form without delay.

Arklow Library has been chosen to be Wicklow County Council's pilot for the 'My Open Library' project which aims to make the library even more accessible to more people. It will be one of 23 such libraries nationwide.

Wicklow County Council has signed a memorandum of understanding between the Public Participation Network (PPN) and ongoing work from the PPN can be found on pages 43-49.

Contracts have been signed with Visiconnex Ltd. to supply and install a CCTV system for Arklow. This project is the result of collaboration between Arklow Town Team and Arklow Municipal District, with work expected to commence in the coming weeks.

Wicklow County Council hosted a highly successful Business Breakfast Briefing in the Druids Glen in February and this was closely followed by the inaugural meeting of the Business Advisory Council. I believe that County Wicklow's strategic location, with easy access to Dublin Airport, Dublin, Wicklow and Rosslare Ports, its skilled workforce and transport links, places County Wicklow in a strong position to attract industry and enterprise opportunities. Wicklow County Council working in collaboration with national development agencies, local business and community stakeholders can build on these assets and develop County Wicklow to reach its employment generating potential.

With the Local Elections being held on May 24th, you will have your say in the newly elected council for the next 5 years. See page 52 for details on how to check the register and ensure you are registered to vote. I would like to thank all the existing elected members for their hard work and commitment over the last 5 years and also wish all candidates well in their upcoming endeavours. It will be an exciting time for Wicklow County Council with a new Council and many new projects coming on stream.

I hope that you enjoy reading Countywise and remember to check our website www.wicklow.ie for further information and follow us on Facebook and Twitter for news and events.

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NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 2019

Get involved. Show you care

National Spring Clean is Ireland's most popular and successful anti-litter initiative. Anyone or any group can get involved. Last year close to 150 events were held in County Wicklow. This year again Wicklow County Council is working with An Taisce to support the campaign, and help to get all our communities litter free.

How to get involved? Organise a date for a clean up event in your community and register it with National Spring Clean. Contact Wicklow County Council if you need materials including bags, litter pickers and gloves and also to arrange a collection of the bags afterwards.

If you prefer your local Tidy Towns group may have clean ups planned or other activities which you can help out with in your local town and you could join with them instead of organising your own event.

Love where you live in County Wicklow this Spring



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Book of Kells replica launched at Arklow Library

A magnificently produced replica of the famous Book of Kells is now on display to the public at Arklow Library.

Thanks to the Ashford Heritage Centre and the generosity of one of their benefactors, John de Paor, Wicklow County Council will display the replica first at Arklow Library and in 2020 at the new Wicklow Town library.

It is estimated that this is one of only four replicas extant in Ireland, three of which are in private collections.

The ninth-century Book of Kells is one of Ireland's greatest cultural treasures. A lavishly decorated copy of the four gospels written in Latin, it is set apart from other manuscripts of the same period by the quality of its artwork and the sheer number of illustrations that run throughout the 680 pages of the book.

Housed at the Library of Trinity College Dublin, the Book of Kells is one of the "must sees" on the itinerary of visitors to Dublin - with Trinity reporting over 400,000 visitors to the exhibition each year.

The replica on show in Arklow, is one of only 1480 copies commissioned by Trinity College in 1990 and produced by Swiss fine art publishing company, Faksimile Verlag. It is so accurate that it reproduces tiny holes in the vellum, allowing people to see the extraordinary work which has been so carefully protected at Trinity College.

Indeed, the college is currently running a free online course about the Book of Kells. Using the Book of Kells as a window, the course explores the landscape, history, theology, and politics of early medieval Ireland and how that past is understood in modern Ireland.



Interactive Touch Screen

Wicklow County Council has recently installed an interactive touch screen in the Foyer of the County Buildings in Wicklow Town. The purpose of the screen is to facilitate the public with access to existing, emerging and developing digital services being provided by Wicklow County Council. It is envisaged to be a focal point for the public to interact with the local authority through digital services, online support and access information via the 'Where in Wicklow' Map Portal as well as viewing important documents and strategies such as Part 8s, Local Area Plans, Heritage Strategies etc.



Wicklow County Council re-introduces Real Time Captioning & Live Texting of Council Meetings

Members of the public will be able to see what is happening at monthly meetings of Wicklow County Council following the re-introduction of an on-screen text service.

The service allows instant access to the general public of detailed information about issues discussed at Council meetings, bringing more openness and transparency to the process. It will be of particular benefit for the hard of hearing and the visually impaired.

Live texting of Council meetings is a prime example of the use of information technology to engage the citizens of County Wicklow and give direct access into the core decision making process of the elected members. This initiative will significantly improve communications and engagement with the public and the elected members by participating in this process this confirms the Council's reputation as an innovative Council that listens to its citizens and is open to new mediums of technology to improve the channels of communication between the Council and all of the people of County Wicklow.

The link to the service is available on the Council's website Wicklow.ie: <https://www.wicklow.ie/Living/Your-Council/Council-Meetings/Live-Streaming>

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Autism in Sport Workshop



Wicklow Local Sports Partnership, in conjunction with CARA, held an Autism in Sport Workshop in February 2019 which was very successful, with 21 people participating. It helped participants to recognise and understand key areas of difference, as well as looking at practical strategies which will help to include people with autism in sport sessions.

If your club or group is interested in taking part in this type of workshop in the future, contact us at wicklowlsp@wicklowcoco.ie

Beach Wheelchair

The Beach Wheelchair will be available for bookings on Brittas Bay North Beach from 1st June 2019 until 15th September 2019. For further information please contact Wicklow County Council on (0404) 20100 or www.wicklow.ie



Active School Week

Active Schools week takes place from 7th to 10th May - If your school would like help getting involved contact us at wicklowlsp@wicklowcoco.ie

Operation Transformation 2019

The Nationwide Operation Transformation walks took place in County Wicklow in January 2019 in three locations. These were The Bandstand, Bray Seafront, Baltinglass GAA and McGreals Primary Care Centre Blessington. Each venue was well represented with over 450 people participating in total.



Sport Leader UK Course

Wicklow Local Sports Partnership delivered a Sports Leader UK Course to Blessington Youth Reach. The group also completed Schools and Community Coaching Course with Tug of War Ireland.

Avondale Parkrun is 1 Year Old

Avondale Parkrun celebrates its 1 year anniversary on Saturday 27th of April. We would love to see you come along at 9:30am to walk or run with us. If you have never tried parkrun before, now is the perfect time!

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join the parkrun family

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'Healthy Wicklow'

Healthy Ireland is a Government-led initiative which aims to create an Irish society where everyone can enjoy physical and mental health, and where wellbeing is valued and supported at every level of society.

The Healthy Ireland initiative was developed as a result of concerns raised about lifestyle trends and health inequalities that could lead to an unhealthy path to the future.

The Healthy Wicklow Strategy was developed following consultations with communities across the County.

The four goals contained in the plan are, to;

- Increase the proportion of people who are healthy at all stages of life.
- Reduce health inequalities
- Protect the public from threats to health and well being
- Create an environment where every individual can play their part in achieving a healthy Ireland

The Healthy Wicklow programme is implemented by two main bodies, the Wicklow LCDC (Local Community Development Committee) and Wicklow CYPSC (Children and Young People Services Committee).

The Healthy Wicklow strategy compliments the national policy 'Putting People First', which states that "The ultimate purpose of local government is to promote well-being and quality of life of citizens and communities".

The strategy will guide the implementation of the National Healthy Ireland plan at a local level until 2021. The strategy is available by contacting Wicklow Sports Partnership at wicklowlsp@wicklowcoco.ie and a condensed version is available for download from Wicklow County Council's website.





Arklow Municipal District unveils inclusive carousel at Seaview Avenue playground



A new inclusive carousel in the playground at Seaview Avenue was unveiled by Arklow Municipal District on March 1st.

The Spinmee Inclusive Carousel was funded by Arklow Municipal District and the Community, Cultural & Social Development (CCSD) Section of Wicklow County Council.

The carousel is accessible to those with mobility impairments as well as wheelchair users. Its rotating base is flush with the surrounding safety surface allowing for easy transition between the surfaces. The design of the carousel allows for both seated and standing users while also featuring two locations that can securely accommodate wheelchairs.

Seaview Avenue playground is located beside the "Moments in Time" Dementia Friendly Garden.

Arklow's roundabout scheme a huge success



All of the eight roundabouts from Junction 20 to Junction 21 leading into Arklow town have now been sponsored by local businesses under two different schemes.

Arklow Municipal District, having recognised the importance of having well-maintained approach roads into Arklow, has been innovative with the introduction of County Wicklow's first Roundabout Sponsorship Scheme three years ago.

Topline Bolands and Bridgewater are both responsible for maintaining their sponsored roundabout while Arklow

Municipal District is currently putting in place a summer maintenance plan for the remaining six roundabouts. The improvement of these roundabouts will help to generate economic benefits and increase visitor numbers along with giving the town an identity.

Electrical works to light up the lantern from the former lightship "Alf Skua", which was placed on the roundabout at Junction 20 onto the M11 motorway, have now been completed.

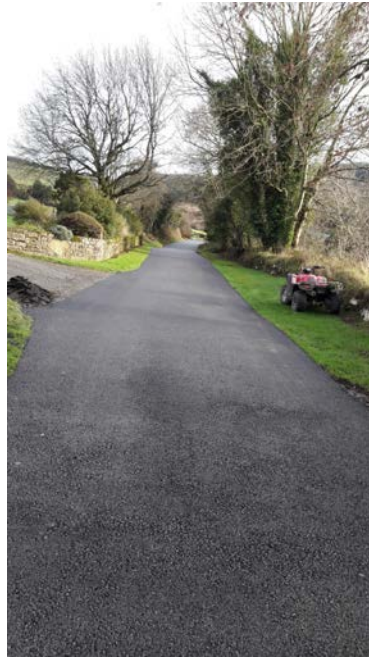
The lighting will now highlight the lantern which has been extensively refurbished and restored to its former glory. It represents a tribute to the maritime history of Arklow town and has already become a recognisable landmark within the area for locals and visitors alike.

Works based around a coastal theme are also nearing completion on the two roundabouts at Junction 21.





Local Improvement Scheme
Glenmalure



Local Improvement Scheme Cronawinna Lane, Aughrim



Road refurbishment at Tobberpatrick Aughrim - Storm Damage Funding

Community CCTV

Arklow Municipal District and Visiconnex Ltd have now signed contracts which will see the supply and installation of CCTV cameras at 11 locations between Upper Main Street to Lower Main Street, River Walk and the North Quay in Arklow town.

During 2018, members of Arklow Town Team submitted an application to the Department of Justice and Equality which received approval for the maximum grant of €40,000 towards the installation of a community-based CCTV system for the town.

A full tendering process took place over the last six months and work will commence immediately.

The CCTV scheme is intended to support local communities who wish to install and maintain CCTV security systems in their area, with the aim of increasing public safety and to deter illegal or anti-social behaviour.



Arklow Municipal District hold Monthly Council Meeting in Redcross



History was made on Wednesday 13th March when the Members of Arklow Municipal District held their monthly meeting in Scoil San Eoin National School in Redcross.

The Cathaoirleach and Members presented the Principal Linda Greene and students with an apple tree for their garden.

Election Poster ban plea in Wicklow and Arklow Districts

Wicklow and Arklow Municipal Districts have voted to be poster free areas when it comes to Local and European Elections due this year.

At their respective monthly meetings, the Elected Members of Wicklow Municipal District and Arklow Municipal District passed the following motions:

- "That Wicklow Municipal District seeks to have the Main Streets of Wicklow Town and the Main Streets of the villages within the Wicklow Municipal District to be designated as election poster free areas."
- "That Arklow Municipal District ban all posters on poles on the old N11 running from Hills garage to Knockmore Roundabout."

Councillors felt that this would support and show solidarity with the Community Groups and the Tidy Towns committees who work so hard to promote their areas in the two Districts.

They are appealing to the goodwill of the candidates and their agents to respect the wishes of their constituents and to adhere to this request.

Wicklow Municipal District and Arklow Municipal District are calling on all candidates to consider this sensible proposal well ahead of the forthcoming election campaigns.





KWETB with Wicklow Enterprise Park win 1st Place in the All Ireland Community & Council Awards 2019



Wicklow Municipal District was a Winner with one of their shortlisted nominations in the All Ireland Community & Council Awards 2019 presented by IPB Insurance and LAMA. KWETB with Wicklow Enterprise Park achieved 1st place with their entry in “Best Education/Training Initiative” with their Culinary Entrepreneurship - Riverwalk Cafe.

The Riverwalk Cafe in Wicklow Enterprise Park is an innovative social entrepreneurship model of training, where learners operate a live cafe business catering to the needs of a local community. This KWETB supported project provides a realistic work environment training for learners wishing to work or own a cafe or food business and is a “not-for profit” enterprise.

Wicklow Tidy Towns

Wicklow Municipal District continues to support the Tidy Town Committees in its district. The Members allocate funding from their Discretionary Funding in recognition of their good work.

The crocus bulbs planted on Bachelors Walk by Wicklow Tidy Towns and the Rotary Club have been a great success. The Committee is also striving to launch a Sustainable Energy Community.

As part of the Going for Gold initiative, work has started on clearing a site at Bachelors Walk. This will involve the planting of apple trees, some planting aimed at Biodiversity and providing some new benches.



The committee continue to work with the volunteer centre and will be working with groups from the Dominican College, Youthreach and Wicklow Welcomes.

The Geophysical Survey Report has been completed on the Wicklow Abbey and final agreement has been reached on the sketch of the Black Castle. The final reconstructed images of both sites in their full form will be available in the near future and informative and attractive signs will be erected on both sites.



Work has started on the urban orchard with a variety of apple trees planted in March. More works will be carried out in the coming months to put in a pathway, benches and flowers to create a lovely area for people to enjoy and in a few years, be able to pick an apple, sit and enjoy the peace and wildlife of the area.





Cliff Walk

It is expected that the Glen Beach Cliff Walk will be open to the public in the near future. A final mapping of the route has been prepared and an application has been submitted to Sport Ireland Trails for final inspection. Wicklow Municipal District Members expect to open the trail when the approval is achieved. The cliff walk will add another very valuable and scenic amenity to Wicklow Town.



"The King Of Spring" is honoured in Wicklow Town

Wicklow Olympic athlete Peter O'Connor has been honoured in his home town when a plaque in his memory was unveiled on Ashtown Lane. The O'Connor family lived at the gate lodge off Ashtown Lane where Peter's father, Edward, was caretaker of the newly completed reservoir.



Peter is an Olympic champion, and a former World Record holder. His world long jump record stood for 20 years while his Irish record stood for 90 years.

He won a Gold Medal for the Hop, Step and Jump competition in the Olympics of 1906 held in Athens and a Silver medal for the Long Jump.

Ireland did not have an Olympic Committee at the time and the Greeks ignored the Irish Athletes independent entries and included them on the British team. He was placed second in the long jump and the Irish Athletes mounted an international protest when Peter scaled the 20ft pole and unfurled a large green flag. His fellow athletes, Con Leahy and John Daly, stood guard at the base as the organisers had wanted a Union Jack to fly if any of the three won a medal.

Some days later, Peter took part in the Hop, Step & Jump competition and came first, winning a Gold Medal.

Back in Ireland, Peter had a lengthy legal career in Waterford. He was a founder member of the Waterford Athletic Club and also Vice-President of the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland.

The plaque was unveiled by Peter's great grandson, Mark Quinn, who is author of the book, "The King of Spring". Mark himself is an International Chess Master and has represented Ireland at seven Chess Olympiads.





Free Water Refill Station installed in Greystones



The first of the new water refill stations aimed at tackling the problem of waste plastic bottles in Greystones was recently installed at the Church Road entrance to the Burnaby Park on Killincarrick Road.

In total, four water refill stations will be located at strategic points throughout the town as part of the first phase of a joint initiative by Greystones Municipal District in partnership with Greystones Tidy Towns.

The venture is aimed at tackling the issue of plastic pollution by providing free drinking water bottle refill stations for the use and convenience of the public.



The objective is to reduce the amount of plastic drinking water bottles ending up in green areas, rivers and streams, on our beaches and in the sea.

Following the success of last years reusable coffee cup campaign, it is intended to work with local businesses to introduce the sale of reusable drinking water bottles and phase out the sale of disposable drinking water bottles in shops around the town.

The two groups are working together with a local Greystones business, Identity Promotions, who are the Irish Ambassadors for "Join The Pipe". The income

that Join The Pipe generate from the cost of their refill stations and multi-use bottles is used to set up drinking water projects in developing countries, bringing water to those without, thereby providing global humanitarian benefits.

As well as having an environmental pay off, there is a benefit to the finances of local people, in providing free drinking water, whenever they want it. It is hoped that people will use the water refill stations and help to create a healthier and greener Greystones. Greystones is the first town in Ireland to introduce this scheme with Join the Pipe, and are proud to be part of this initiative.





Greystones Municipal District staff and Greystones Tidy Towns volunteers planting trees in Burnaby Park.



The Cathaoirleach and members of Greystones Municipal District welcomed the Eire Óg under 17 football team to the Civic Offices to mark their success in winning the 2018 Wicklow County Minor A Football Championship.

Extra bicycle parking at Killincarrick Road will facilitate the increasing number of cyclists locally and encourage healthier lifestyles and greener transport options.





Bray Sailing Club win two categories at the Irish Sailing Awards



Bray Sailing Club training centre won two prestigious national awards at the Irish Sailing Association's annual awards ceremony in February. The club was named Volvo Irish Sailing Training Centre of the Year for 2018, and Jack Hannon, senior instructor at Bray Sailing Club, was awarded the Volvo Irish Sailing Inclusion Award.

Bray in Business

Recently launched by the Municipal District and Bray Chamber is the Bray in Business (BIB) initiative.

Bray in Business is an initiative designed to help footfall in Bray, to attract more businesses and to secure a long term sustainable model for the management of the town. BIB represents businesses in Bray and provides the opportunity to deliver projects that will make a tangible difference to the town.

The BIB Team has launched a guide to assist new businesses looking to trade in Bray and to support existing businesses by providing advice on what their Council and Town can do for them. The BIB aims to help new businesses throughout the process of finding a property and will provide on-going continued assistance from the start of the process on to when a business is well established.

Establishing your business in Bray will mean becoming part of a supportive and vibrant business community and gives access to all of BIB's resources and advice.



Sea Scouts scoop award for their beach cleaning efforts

Bray Sea Scouts won the Eco Group award at the Outsider Awards in January. The Eco Group Award with Clean Coasts and Leave No Trace recognises communities that have made outstanding efforts in 2018 to improve their local environment. The young people of Bray Sea Scouts are making a positive impact on the environment, and learning how important it is to protect our coastlines.





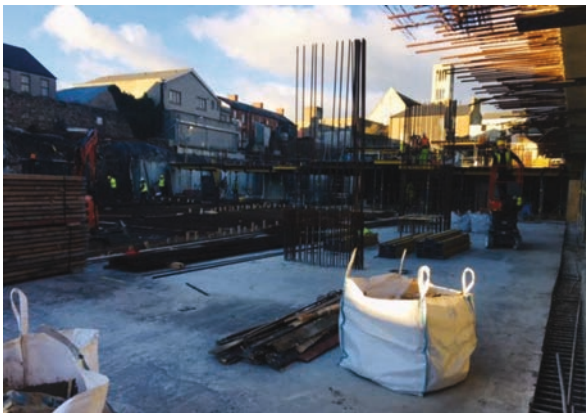
Bandstand Refurbishment

The refurbishment of the Victorian bandstand located on the Esplanade in Bray commenced in January 2019. The project aims to repair the fabric of the structure including timber facias and soffits, plaster work, corroded ironwork, lighting, and guttering. The bandstand will then be repainted.

Photo by Dee Dooley



Florentine Centre Development



Construction work is continuing at a fast pace on the Florentine Centre. The majority of the excavation works are coming to an end.



Bray Celtic Camino Coastal Route

Great news for walking enthusiasts. The Cathedral of Santiago has agreed to grant a Compostela to pilgrims who complete the 75km Camino Ingles route from A Coruña to Santiago, as long as they have already completed a certified 25km pilgrimage in their country of origin.

One of the suggested routes begins on the seafront in Bray, at a choice of three different locations - Finnbees Coffee house, The Boathouse and Dockyard No. 8 and continues for a distance of 30.2km finishing at the Parish of St. James' Church, James' St. Dublin 2 with stamp/sello locations along the route. For further information and passport purchase please visit caminosociety.ie





All Ireland Community & Council Awards 2019

Bray.ie, the Bray Air Display, the 'Summer in Bray' tourism initiative and the multi-agency emergency response to the gorse fire on Bray Head were shortlisted in the All Ireland Community & Council Awards 2019. Bray Air Display and the 'Summer in Bray' tourism initiative won Silver at the awards ceremony on the 9th February. The awards are presented by IPB Insurance and LAMA. The awards recognise and celebrate community and councils working together.



Farm Plastic Bring Banks - Co. Wicklow 2019 Locations and Dates

Opening Hours will be 9-5pm unless otherwise stated

Carnew Mart	13th May
Blessington - Frank Murphy Concrete Blocks	17th May
Aughrim - Herbst Group	23rd May
Wicklow - Herbst Kilpoole	24th May (9am - 1pm)
Baltinglass - Livestock Mart	27th May
Roundwood, Pat Carr's Farm, Knockraheen	22nd June

For further information contact IFFPG Lo Call 1890 300 444



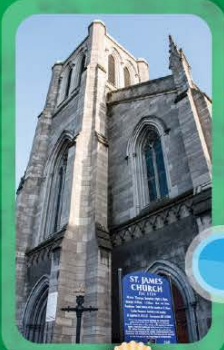
BRAY CELTIC CAMINO COASTAL ROUTE

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JAMES STREET, DUBLIN

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ST JAMES'
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St James Church,
James Street,
Dublin 8
The Church Sacristy
Mon-Fri 8:30am
to 11:45am all year

Camino Society
Information Centre
Thurs-Sat
10:30am to 15:30pm
March to mid-October



SANDYMOUNT

BOOTERSTOWN
BLACKROCK



DÚN LAOGHAIRE

SANDYCOVE
DALKEY



KILLINEY
KILLINEY HILL

SHANKILL
CRINKEN CHURCH



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When you have completed this route you can get your Celtic Compostela from the Camino Society Information Office or via info@caminosociety.ie.

Check the website caminosociety.ie for Information Centre opening times.

1. Bray Seafont to St James Church Crinken.	3.1 km
2. St James Church Crinken to Station Rd. Killiney	5.6 km
3. Station Road to Convent Road, Dalkey	2.1 km
4. Convent Road Dalkey to Joyce Tower	1.5 km
5. Joyce Tower to Seapoint Tower	4.8 km
6. Seapoint Tower to Merrion Gates	4.0 km
7. Merrion Gates to Hannover Quay	4.1 km
8. Hanover Quay to Christ Church Cathedral	3.7 km
9. Christ Church Cathedral to St. James Church	1.3 km
Total	30.2 km

STAMP/SELLO LOCATIONS ON THE ROUTE

-  At the Start: Finnbees Coffee House on Bray Seafont, opens 7am daily. The Boathouse on Bray Seafont, opens 8.30am daily. Also Dockyard No 8, Bray Harbour, next to the Harbour Bar, opens 9am daily.
-  St James Church, Crinken.
-  The James Joyce Tower, Sandycove, Dublin.
-  Christ Church Cathedral, Christchurch Place, Dublin 8.
-  St. James Church, James Street, Dublin 8
The Church Sacristy
Camino Society Information Centre
Thurs- Sat 10:30 to 15:30
-  Guinness Storehouse, St James's Gate, Dublin 8.
-  Pearse Lyons Distillery, James Street, Dublin 8.

Check out www.caminosociety.ie for extra locations.



TO PURCHASE A PASSPORT

Log on to www.caminosociety.ie

ADVICE TO WALKERS

Leave no trace (Principal of Outdoor Ethics) please adhere to this code on any trips to the outdoors.

- 1 Plan ahead and prepare
- 2 Dispose of waste properly
- 3 Leave what you find
- 4 Be considerate of others
- 5 Minimise the effects of fire
- 6 Respect other walkers and cyclists
- 7 Respect the rules of the road
- 8 Dogs should always be on a lead

THINK SAFETY

- This route is shared with vehicles-BE AWARE
- Plan ahead and be prepared
- Take adequate clothing, food and fluid
- If you encounter any emergency difficulties, contact the emergency services on 999 / 112

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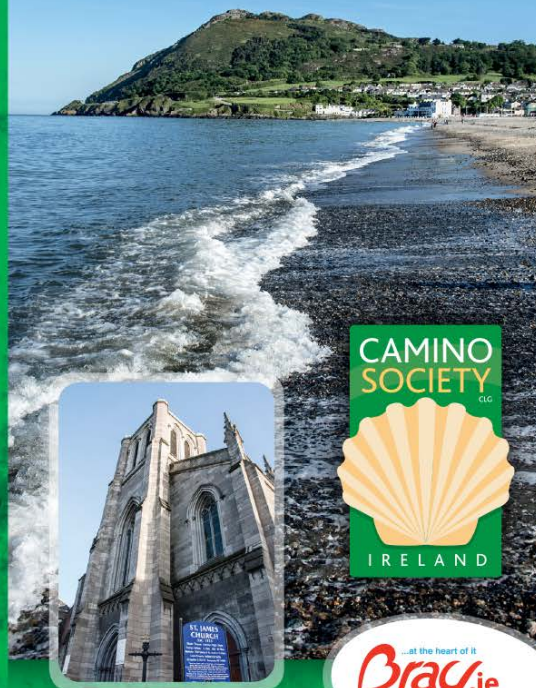
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BRAY CELTIC CAMINO COASTAL ROUTE

BRAY TO PARISH OF ST JAMES' CHURCH
JAMES STREET, DUBLIN



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 Get your 1st Stamp in Finnbees Coffee House, Bray Seafont, opens 7am daily
OR The Boathouse, Bray Seafont, opens 8.30am daily
OR Dockyard No 8, Bray Harbour, opens 9am daily.

START

Walk along Bray Seafont northwards in the direction of Bray Harbour veer onto **SEAPOINT ROAD**, pass Harbour Bar on right hand side. **Stamp here at Dockyard No 8.** Under Dart Bridge and take first right into **SEAPOINT COURT**. In **SEAPOINT COURT** take second right on to **RIVER DARGLE WALKWAY**. Follow **RIVER DARGLE WALKWAY** to Dargle Bridge. Exit walk way on to Seapoint Road.

Turn right over Dargle Bridge on to **CASTLE STREET**.

Follow Castle Street on to Dublin Road and out of Bray (stay on right hand side of road).

At **WILFORD ROUNDABOUT** take road to **SHANKILL**.

After 1.3 km

- Stay on road to St James Church Crinken. 0.5km

 Get your Stamp here on Church grounds.

- Follow main road for (0.25km) to SHANGA NAGH PARK.
- Enter Park and keep to the path on the left and followed it around to the east to cross railway bridge, (0.5km) continue due east to the QUINNS ROAD entrance. (0.3km).
- Exit park and follow QUINNS ROAD.

After 0.5km

- At SHANKILL TENNIS CLUB keep straight on through pedestrian entrance to CORBAWN DRIVE.

After 0.7km

- Turn right and follow CORBAWN DRIVE.
- Cross CORBAWN LANE on to CORBAWN AVENUE, take first right hand turn to SEAFIELD.
- Follow Seafield north to public park. (0.2km)
- Enter park and follow pathway which runs parallel to sea shore crossing two footbridges before walking north along beach.
- Follow beach passing houses on your left hand side until you come to an alleyway going inland.

After 1.3km

- Follow alley until the Steps on the left, take the Steps up onto roadway.
- Follow roadway north (right) and cross railway bridge onto STATION ROAD, passing Killiney Railway Station. (0.5km)
- Follow STATION ROAD veer left on to VICO ROAD.

After 1.6 km

- Follow Vico Road to Junction with SORRENTO ROAD.

OPTIONS

- A** Turn right onto SORRENTO ROAD and first left on to COLLIMORE ROAD follow Collimore Road as far as CONVENT ROAD **OR**
- B** Turn left on SORRENTO ROAD and follow Sorrento Road into DALKEY VILLAGE. Turn right at Maxwell's Pharmacy on to Convent Road.

After 1.9 km

- Turn right on to CONVENT ROAD. Follow Convent Road past BULLOCK HARBOUR to ULVERTON ROAD JUNCTION.

After 1.5 km

- Turn right on to ULVERTON ROAD. Take first right hand turn on to SANDYCOVE AVENUE EAST. Follow it to the end and veer left passing James Joyce Tower and 40 foot bathing area. Pass Sandycove Beach and follow MARINE PARADE WINDSORTERRACE on QUEEN'S ROAD.

 Get your Stamp in the James Joyce Tower.

After 2.8 km

- Turn right before DART Station on to N31 and follow it past Old Stena Terminus and Yacht Clubs with dart line on left hand side on to Coast Path to SEAPOINT MARTELLO TOWER.

After 2 km

- Follow BRIGHTON VALE and cross DART by foot bridge at the end of Brighton Vale on to SEAPOINT AVENUE. Stay on right hand side of road.
- At Junction with NEWTOWN AVENUE turn right following Newtown Avenue and take fourth turn right onto DRONE AVENUE.
- Follow DART line on right hand side past Blackrock DART Station and along pathway through BLACKROCK PARK.
- Follow pathway onto ROCK ROAD just before Booterstown DART Station. Stay on right hand pathway passing Booterstown Nature Reserve along MERRION ROAD to MERRION GATES.

After 4 km

- Turn right at MERRION GATES on to STRAND ROAD and follow STRAND ROAD crossing SEAN MOORE ROAD on to BAYVIEW and PEMBROKE STREET to IRISHTOWN ROAD.

After 3.2 km

- Take first turn right on IRISHTOWN ROAD and follow IRISHTOWN ROAD crossing the DODDER BRIDGE. Immediately after Dodder Bridge turn right down steps to SOUTH DOCK ROADS follow path to GRAND CANAL STREET UPPER and cross over Lock Gates at GRAND CANAL DOCK on to HANNOVER QUAY.

After 900 m

- Turn right on BENSON STREET and left on to SR JOHN ROGERSONS QUAY and follow the Quays on to CITY QUAY as far as SEAN O'CASEY BRIDGE..

After 1.4 km

- Turn right at SEAN O'CASEY BRIDGE and cross bridge on to NORTH QUAYS .
- Follow North Quays past Famine Memorial and Custom House.
- At the next bridge after the Custom House (Butt Bridge) cross the river south and follow TARA STREET to PEARSE STREET.
- Turn right and keep walls of Trinity College on your Left to COLLEGE GREEN.
- Follow College Green past City Hall and Dublin Castle (on left hand side) to

After 2 km

 Get your Stamp at Christ Church Cathedral.

After .6 km

Follow High Street as far as THOMAS STREET and to James's Street as far as ST. JAMES'S CHURCH.

After 1.3 km

Arrive at destination ST. JAMES'S CHURCH.

 Get your Final Stamp in Information Centre, open Thursday, Friday & Saturday between 10.30am-15.30pm, March-October, (for Winter opening times go to www.caminosociety.com) Guinness Storehouse and / or at Pearse Lyons Distillery (James Street)

FINISH HERE

Wicklow to host International Trail Running Event. EcoTrail Wicklow to start and finish in Bray on 28th September 2019



Wicklow is to become the 10th destination worldwide to host this prestigious international event. On Saturday 28th September 2019 this epic event will start and finish on Bray Seafront. Wicklow will welcome trail runners from around the world to experience our amazing scenery, across a selection of challenging routes; 17km, 28km, 42km and 80km,

The trails will take participants to some of Wicklow's most scenic locations including Bray Head, Killruddery Gardens, The Great Sugarloaf, Powerscourt Waterfall, the Wicklow Way, Lough Tay viewing point and Piers Gate and all the way to Roundwood and the Vartry Reservoir.



While the long distances are probably for the experienced trail runners, the 17 and 27k routes are ideal for road runners that want to have a try at trail running.



Ecotrail was first organised in Paris ten years ago with the objective to connect the city with the outdoors with a stunning finish on the first floor of the Eiffel Tower. Ecotrail comes with a very strong eco-responsible ethos and each event is committed to reduce litter, minimise environmental impact and promote public transport. The Ecotrail concept has been recreated around various cities in Europe and is now held in Reykjavik, Oslo, Stockholm, Brussels, Geneva, Florence, Madrid and Funchal (Madeira).

- For further info on Ecotrail Wicklow, go to <http://wicklow.ecotrail.com>
- Social Media: <https://www.facebook.com/EcoTrailWicklow/>
- Video Ecotrail International: <https://youtu.be/tp3F55tAb0c>



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County Wicklow Businesses went International at Showcase

Client companies from Local Enterprise Office Wicklow took part in the Local Enterprise Showcase as part of Showcase 2019 at the RDS in Dublin in January 2019, where they got the opportunity to meet buyers from all over the world.



Anna Dobson of Love Mo Chuisle, Una Lambert of Neantog Beauty products and the King Family of Ria Organics as well as Aoife Mullaune of A.Mullane Design, Eoin Shanley of Copperfish Studios and Linda Legzdina of Kaiko Studios were all attending the Local Enterprise Showcase which took place from Sunday 20th to Wednesday 23rd January.

Love Mo Chuisle, established by Anna Dobson, is a clothing brand designed and handmade in

Ireland by Anna Dobson using Donegal Irish Tweed and manufactured in Avoca, Co. Wicklow.

Neantog: the Irish Nettle Company was set up by Una Lambert in 2014 and is a natural nettle based skincare range handmade in Co. Wicklow using fantastic properties of Irish grown nettles as unique selling point.

Ría Organics is a new, boutique certified COSMOS-Organic skincare range founded by Nicola Shevlin and her brothers from County Wicklow.

Eoin Shanley of Copperfish Studios creates beautiful lighting solutions from his studio in Greystones, while Aoife Mullane designs and prints beautiful textiles for interior design and clothing.

Kaiko Studios make beautiful concrete creations, ornaments and lighting solutions that caught the eye of many Irish and overseas buyers. Other County Wicklow companies displaying at Showcase include Alanna Plekkenpol with unique Delft tiles, Helen Magee of Hairy Fruit Art, Kingfisher Studios from Ashford, delicious chocolates from The Chocolate Garden of Ireland, Holly Sommerville with stunning botanical art, Shuttleknit woolen design, Mookie and Boo scented candles and diffusers, Booke and Shoals of Greystones, and Tara Hammond with Slated.

The County Wicklow based businesses were selected by the Local Enterprise Office and had the opportunity to meet over 2,500 buyer companies from 26 countries across the world. The businesses worked closely with their Local Enterprise Office ahead of the event on selling techniques, stand preparation and marketing themselves at the event.



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Start Your Own Business in Wicklow

Many of us have often dreamed about being our own boss, having total control of our own destiny - but what is involved in starting your own business ? And where do you start ?

Every start up business was once an idea. In order to ensure that the investment of both human and financial resources required to build a successful business is worthwhile, it is essential that the idea is critically assessed. A key step in the process is market research. This will help identify a target market. It will also help identify competitors in the market and clarify how to compete effectively against them. Market Research will also effectively assess the demand and thereby establish the real potential of the business.

The Business Plan is the next stage in the process - documenting the requirements of the business with regard to structure, location, labour and finance and how sales will be generated and grown. A marketing strategy will be used to engage with the target audience to determine the most appropriate distribution channel and promotional activity. After the plan is documented and refined, It's time for LAUNCH!

The Local Enterprise Office Wicklow (LEO) runs the very successful 'From Idea to Business: Proven Tools & Techniques to test the market' and Start your own Business Course training programmes which will help you turn your idea into a business. Bookings are now being taken for the aforementioned courses commencing in May.

Further Details of the current training program as well as a booking facility are available on the LEO website <https://www.localenterprise.ie/Wicklow>

Start Your Own Business Course Details:

Location: Brockagh Community Centre, Laragh
Commences: Thursday 2nd May 2019
Duration: 10 weeks, one evening per week
Time: 7pm - 10pm
Cost: €90
Trainer: The Entrepreneurs Academy

From Idea to Business: ProvenTools & Techniques to test the market Course Details:

Location: Wicklow County Campus, Rathnew
Commences: Wednesday 8th May 2019
Duration: One half day
Time: 9.30am - 1.30pm
Cost: €30
Trainer: Patricia O'Sullivan
Suitable for: Anyone with a new business idea they need to validate - either in a new or existing business in Co. Wicklow.

To see our full offering of courses this autumn / winter and to book please go to:

<https://www.localenterprise.ie/Wicklow/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/>



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Countdown to Croke Park begins for Wicklow's most enterprising students

Four teenage entrepreneurs from three local schools have won a place representing County Wicklow at the Student Enterprise Programme National Finals in Croke Park on Friday, May 3rd.

Every September, through Local Enterprise Office Wicklow, entrepreneurial secondary school students begin their



business journey as they are encouraged to research, set-up and run their own real-world businesses.

The enterprise education initiative, funded by the Government of Ireland through Enterprise Ireland and delivered by the 31 Local Enterprise Offices in local authorities, is the most successful student enterprise programme of kind in the country. An estimated 26,000 students from 490 schools around the country begin their entrepreneurial journey every year with the help of their teachers, student enterprise co-ordinators and Local Enterprise Office.

The students were all competing at the Wicklow Final on the 12th March 2019, which was held at the Wicklow County Campus, Clermont House, Rathnew, Co Wicklow. An estimated 120 students from 17 schools took part in the annual programme locally.

In the **Junior Category**, the students representing Wicklow at the National Finals in Croke Park are: **Holly Eager from Handmade by Holly** at Coláiste Chraobh Abhann, Kilcoole. In the **Intermediate Category**, **Ross Byrne from The Wood Whisperer** at C.B.S. Arklow will be representing the county in Croke Park. In the **Senior Category** of the competition, Wicklow will be represented on May 3rd by **Shane Brown and Robert Davey from The Chop** at Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew.

Special guests at the Wicklow Final included Wicklow County Council's Leas Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Irene Winters, Chief Executive Mr Frank Curran, and special guest speaker Kate Dempsey.

The County has a successful track record in the student enterprise competition. Recent awards won by local secondary schools have included the 2016 Senior Winner, Luke Byrne from Headphone Helpers at Cóláiste Chraobh Abhann

Kilcoole and the 2017 Intermediate Winner, Cillian Scott from Scott Engine Tables at Coláiste Chill Mhantáin, Rathnew.

Speaking at the county final, Vibeke Delahunt Head of Enterprise at Local Enterprise Office Wicklow, congratulated the students, saying "We have a very successful student enterprise programme here in Wicklow, with over 120 students from 17 local schools taking part this year. Our national finalists are excellent ambassadors for the programme and we wish them the very best of luck in Croke Park on May 3rd."

She continued: "What our students are learning from the programme is that with the right supports and encouragement, they can take an idea from the classroom and develop it into a real-life business. The skills they learn along the way, such as

business planning, market research, selling and team-work, will help them become more entrepreneurial throughout their future careers".

The local students will be competing against hundreds of other student entrepreneurs from all over Ireland in Croke Park at the Annual Student Enterprise Programme National Finals on May 3rd.



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Are you Brexit Ready?



As hubs of expert advice, information and practical supports, dedicated Local Enterprise Office teams can help you manage your Brexit response through –

Brexit SME Scorecard

The Brexit SME Scorecard online tool is an important first step in helping small businesses think about how their businesses may be impacted by Brexit. Developed by Enterprise Ireland, questions in the scorecard are built around six key business pillars to help SMEs self-diagnose how prepared they are. A comprehensive report is automatically generated to assist with planning and to highlight what further supports are available.

One-to-one mentoring

The Brexit Mentor Programme is designed to support LEO clients identify key areas of exposure because of Brexit and assist Owner / Managers in developing robust strategies to address issues and maximise potential opportunities. The Programme matches up the knowledge, skills, insights and entrepreneurial capability of experienced business practitioners with small business owner/managers who need practical and strategic one to one advice and guidance on planning for the impact of Brexit. The mentor contributes independent, informed observation and advice to aid decision making. All applications for mentor assistance are dealt with individually and must be preceded by the business completing the Brexit SME Scorecard to assess the key needs of the business to determine the most essential mentoring objectives.

Specialist training and consultancy

Learn practical skills and benefit from expert consultancy

Brexit: Prepare Your Business for Customs: Workshops - These one-day interactive workshops, run regionally by Local Enterprise Offices, will provide businesses with a better understanding of the potential impacts, formalities and procedures to be adopted when trading with a country which is outside the Single Market and Custom Unions (a 'Third Country'). Open to all businesses, these workshops will cover areas such as what export and import procedures apply, how tariffs work and how to correctly classify goods.

Brexit: Customs Insights course (online) - The Customs Insights course from Enterprise Ireland helps businesses understand the key customs concepts, documentation and processes required to move goods from, to and through the UK. The online course, which is open to companies of all sizes, will provide learners with a firm understanding of the customs implications for their business and the options from Revenue to make this process more efficient.

LEAN for Micro - has been adapted by Enterprise Ireland for LEO clients to help small businesses boost competitiveness, increase performance and profitability as well as building resilience within their companies. Under this programme, clients can avail of five days of consultancy with a Lean Expert (a qualified practitioner), who will work with the company to introduce lean principles, undertake a specific cost reduction project and assist the company in benchmarking its performance.

For more information on upcoming workshops see: <https://www.localenterprise.ie/Portal/Brexit/Specialist-training-and-consultancy.html>



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Are you Brexit Ready?

Financial Supports

There are a number of Financial Supports available:

Technical Assistance for Micro-Exporters (TAME) Grant - The TAME grant supports clients to explore and develop new export market opportunities, such as participation in international trade fairs and development of export-related marketing materials and websites. With a focus on helping companies to diversify, this scheme is a matched-funding opportunity with up to €2,500 available.

Trading Online Voucher Scheme - An initiative under the Government's National Digital Strategy, the Trading Online Voucher Scheme helps small businesses trade more online to boost their sales and reach new markets. This scheme is a matched-funding opportunity with up to €2,500 available, with training and further supports provided by LEOs.

Financial Assistance - For existing companies and potential start-ups that meet eligibility criteria (such as employing 10 or fewer people with the potential for growth and job creation), LEO's can also offer three types of financial supports to help manage Brexit responses: Priming Grants*, Business Expansion Grants*, Feasibility Study Grants*

*Further eligibility criteria apply.

Agile Innovation Fund - The Agile Innovation Fund has been developed by Enterprise Ireland to support product, service and process innovation to build competitive advantage. The key benefit of this support is that it allows for a simple application process and delivers a faster response time from application to approval. The new Agile Innovation Fund is also open to eligible LEO clients and it allows companies to access up to 50% in support towards innovation projects with a total cost of up to €300,000.

Microfinance Loans (through Microfinance Ireland) - Local Enterprise Offices can work with clients on their applications to Microfinance Ireland (MFI) for small business loans of between €2,000 and €25,000 (unsecured). Loans for commercially viable proposals can be used to help fund start-up costs, working capital or business expansion. By applying for an MFI small business loan through a Local Enterprise Office, clients can avail of a 1% reduction in the interest rate charged.

Brexit Loan Scheme - The new Brexit Loan Scheme, which was announced in the 2018 budget, will provide affordable financing to businesses that are either currently impacted by Brexit or will be in the future. The Scheme, which will be delivered by the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland (SBCI) through commercial lenders will make €300 million available to eligible businesses with up to 499 employees at an interest rate of 4% or less.

Brexit: Start To Plan Voucher Scheme (through InterTradelreland) - The InterTradelreland Start To Plan Voucher Scheme offers SMEs advice and guidance to help navigate their way through Brexit matters. This support can help businesses get advice on specific issues, such as the movement of labour, goods, services, customs, logistics and financial issues such as VAT and currency management.

Please log onto our website www.localenterprise.ie/Wicklow/Financial-Supports/Brexit/ to find out more.



Responsible Dog Ownership



- Keep your dog under control at all times (to prevent sheep worrying and nuisance – have consideration for others - Guide dogs, elderly, children etc. and keep your dog on a lead in a public place).
- Make sure your dog has collar identification and a registered microchip (this will help re-unite you with your pet if he is lost or stolen).
- Clean up after your dog if it fouls in a public place – It is an offence under the Litter Pollution Acts not to clean up after your pet and you could be liable to fines from €150 +
- Have your dog neutered unless you intend to breed from it
- Buy an annual licence for your dog
- Microchip and register your dog
- Feed your dog according to its size, age, and lifestyle
- Worm and de-flea your dog regularly
- Exercise your dog regularly
- Consider purchasing pet health insurance for your dog
- Vaccinate your dog and have an annual veterinary check-up for your dog

Dog Licences

All dog owners must have a current dog license for each pet. Licenses are available from any Post Office at a cost of €20.

Lifetime licences (€140) and General Dog Licences (€400) are now available from An Post or on www.licences.ie

Microchipping

Since 2016 all dogs are required to be microchipped, their details registered on an approved database, and their owners must have a certificate from the database to prove this. Further to this from this date it is illegal to sell, supply, buy or even take ownership of a dog that does not have a certificate of microchip registration from an approved database. If in any doubt you should contact your vet or veterinary nurse.



Green Dog Walkers is a non confrontational friendly way to change attitudes about dog fouling. If you see someone wearing the Green Dog Walker armband / bag dispenser, it means they have taken the 'pledge' to:

- Always clean up after their dog
- To carry extra doggie bags
- To gladly give you a bag for your dog

Would you like to get involved in this initiative as an individual or a Community Group? For further information please contact Wicklow County Council Environmental Awareness Office at Lo Call 1890 222276 or email eao@wicklowcoco.ie

Dogs for Rehoming

Please contact the pound directly if you wish to rehome a dog. Dogs for rehoming are also available on the following website:

www.ispca.ie/rehoming/



Dog Pound Opening Hours

Monday - Friday
11.00am - 12.30pm
and 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Saturday
10.00am - 12.00 noon

Recent Sheep Kills

It may be your family pet but your dog can have a dark side.

If you own a dog or dogs you are required under the Control of Dogs Act, 1986-2010 to do the following:

- Keep your dog under control at all times, this means the dog cannot leave your property unaccompanied and you must make sure it is securely kept in at night.
- Ensure that all dogs under your control wear a collar bearing an identity tag with the name, address and contact details of the owner at all times. Some breeds such as Alsatians, Rottweilers, Japanese Akitas etc. must be securely on a lead and muzzled in public.
- All dogs must be microchipped and registered.
- Each dog you own must have a licence or a general licence to cover all dogs in your possession.

Owners of dogs that have worried sheep will be obliged to pay compensation once they are traced.



Business Breakfast Briefing

Wicklow County Council hosted a Business Breakfast Briefing in February 2019. The theme of the event - held in the Druids Glen Hotel & Golf Resort was: "Making Wicklow Great for Business." This annual event aims to engage with the business stakeholders within the County in order to drive economic activity and increase employment in collaboration with local business, state agencies and the Local Enterprise Office. It is clear from the high level of engagement that the business community of County Wicklow is extremely interested in working with Wicklow County Council.

At the Briefing, the Chief Executive, Mr. Frank Curran, made a presentation demonstrating the achievements of Wicklow County Council over the last year and highlighting some of the key strategic projects and actions being undertaken by staff. The presentation showed how Wicklow is not only a great place to do business but also a wonderful place to live and visit.

The briefing also heard from Dr. Barry McCleary, CEO, Megazyme, who described the company's development, its successes and challenges since relocating the business to Bray in 1996 from Sydney, Australia. He also talked about the range of products developed by Megazyme.

Cllr. Pat Vance, Cathaoirleach of Wicklow County Council, acknowledged the work of all concerned with the economic development of the County, advising how working together, we can all make the most of the "Endless Opportunities" that Wicklow has to offer.

MC for the event was Mr. John Ryan, CEO of Great Place to Work

Suggestions and feedback were given by the business stakeholders in attendance and will be assessed for further action, as required.



Wicklow Commuter Survey

Change The Way You Live And Work



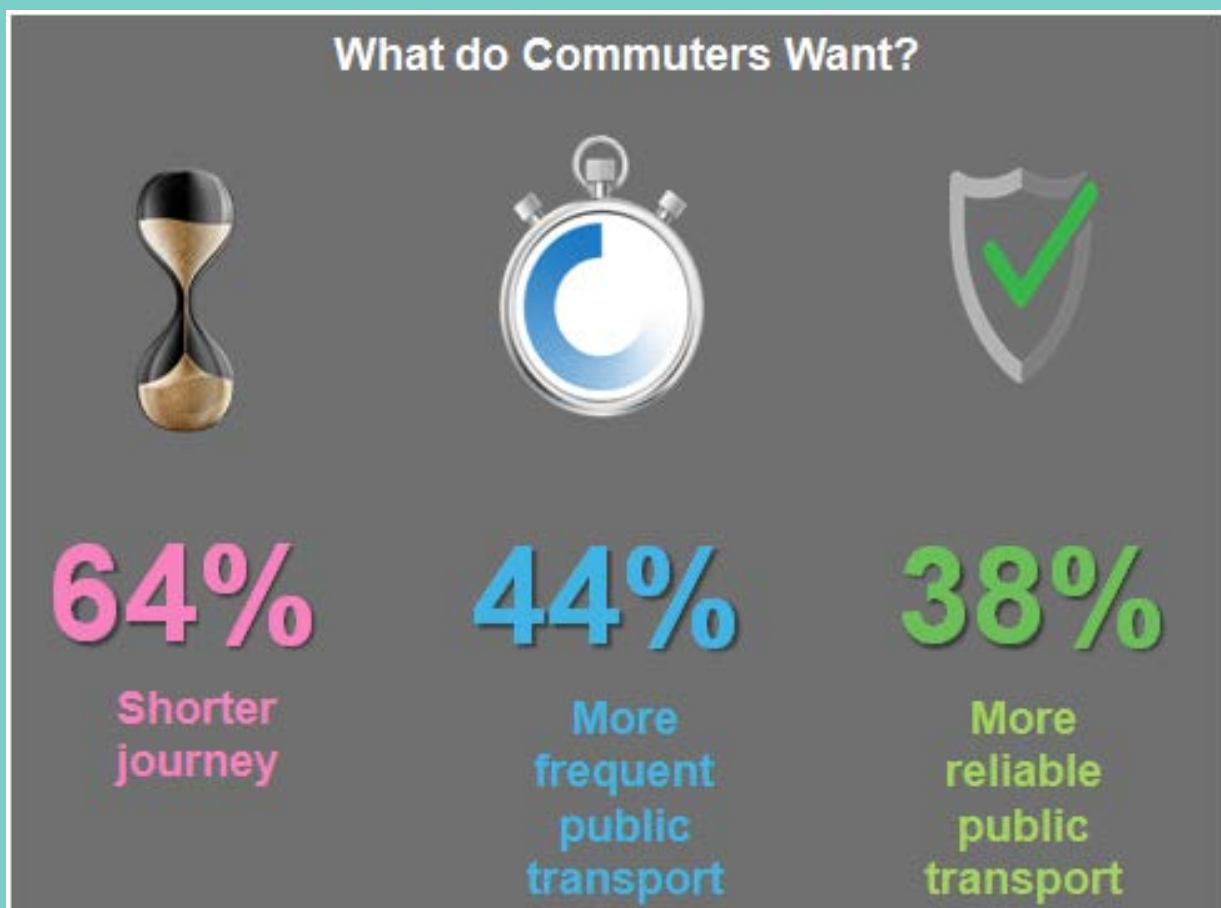
HAVE YOUR SAY

Wicklow County Council appointed Gamma Consultants Ltd. to conduct a Commuter Survey during November 2018. Nearly 7,000 commuters in County Wicklow took the time to respond to this survey. Gamma Consultants used CSO POWSCAR Data also to ensure a comprehensive report.

The final report has been prepared and was presented to the elected members of Wicklow County Council in January 2019. The full report is available on www.wicklow.ie/CommuterSurvey

Some of the key findings of the Commuter Survey include:

- County Wicklow has a highly educated workforce
- Construction/ Finance/ICT sectors were well represented
- 74% of respondents are unhappy with their commute
- 70% would consider moving to an equivalent job in County Wicklow
- 33% would consider a switch even if it meant a lower salary
- 68% of respondents travel by car; citing parking availability, reliability and frequency of public transport as reasons for taking the car.



County Wicklow Tidy Towns and Environmental Awards

Wicklow County Council hosted its annual Tidy Towns, Estates and Environmental Awards in County Buildings in February. The awards give recognition to a variety of groups for projects and actions undertaken in their local communities over the last year.

The Wicklow County Awards was an opportunity to give recognition to the participating groups and others including schools, residents associations and coastcare groups who have worked to protect and improve our local environments.

Aughrim received recognition for achieving the highest score of all towns that entered the competition from County Wicklow in the 2018 national Tidy Town Competition. Hollywood achieved the biggest increase in marks in the national competition and received an endeavour award.

- Aughrim, Hollywood and Blessington were the winners in the Main Street competition this year. Burnaby Lawns, Greystones and Ashton, Blessington both picked up awards for best maintained estates.
- Three schools were presented with awards on the night for environmental projects and campaigns. Glenart College were recognized for being ahead of the curve in tackling single use plastics with a campaign to replace plastic bottles through the provision of water fountains and a reusable bottle given to each first year student. Brittas Bay National School were recognised with a Coast Care award for their project on Brittas Bay and Enereilly beaches, including a beach cleanup. St. Laurence's National School picked up the overall schools award. For their eight Green Flag they are working on the marine environment and the whole school was a sea of blue with projects and artwork made from reused plastics.
- Hollywood Tidy Towns won an award for their communal gardening which included an allotment developed as a demonstration plot for the community but also as a feature within the annual Hollywood Fair.





- Arklow Coastcare picked up the Coast care award. They developed and installed new signage. They work closely with all the training centres in the town including Sunbeam House, the National Learning Centre and Youth reach giving trainees an opportunity to come out and join them on weekly beach cleanups.
- Newtownmountkennedy won the waste minimisation award for their networking seminar on sustainable resource use to mark European Week for Waste Reduction. They partnered with Coillte and Wicklow County Council and invited all Tidy Town groups from Wicklow and Dun Laoghaire.
- Knockananna Tidy Towns were recognised for their efforts to save and renovate the historic forge building located in the heart of the village.
- The Avon Ri resort won the business award after being nominated by Blessington Tidy Towns. They have worked to eliminate single use plastics including straws and condiment sachets.
- The Ballynamina PURE mile won the wildlife and natural amenities for their website and signage which showcases the wealth of local biodiversity.



Ormonde Castle, the Bandstand and Main Street car park and their work to develop the River walk.

All groups are constantly searching for more volunteers and a range of skills that can help to develop our towns. They need people who can pick litter, people who enjoy planting, people with DIY skills, IT and social media skills, those who want to build more sustainable communities, those who want to protect local biodiversity, and anyone who wants to help tackle Climate Change. There's a job for anyone who wants to help out and a role to suit all skills. Why not check in with your local group this year and lend a hand.



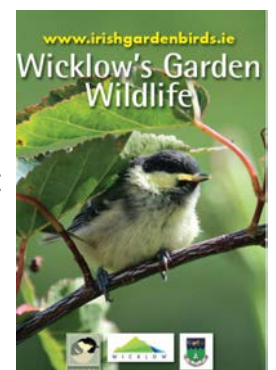
Wicklow Wildlife Resources

The following publications are available free of charge from the Heritage Office and are suitable for home, office or school. Posters - Wildlife in Wicklow's gardens, Biodiversity of County Wicklow. Brochures - Wicklow' Mountain Wilderness, Wicklow's Wild Coastline, Woodlands of Wicklow. Please drop an email to dburns@wicklowcoco.ie to request your copy.



Share Your Wicklow Wildlife Stories

The Heritage Office is always keen to record and share your stories of Wicklow with a global audience. Visit the online community heritage archive to find out more about Wicklow's rich heritage, upcoming events and activities and to share your articles, photos, videos, poems, school projects, short films, audio recordings, artwork and more. In celebration of Biodiversity Week you are invited you to log on and share 'Our Wicklow Wildlife' visit www.countywicklowheritage.org





Word: Sponge
Irish: spúinse
Pronunciation: spoon-sheh

Word: Tidy
Irish: slachtmhar
Pronunciation: slahkth-wur

Word: Spotless
Irish: gan smál
Pronunciation: gon small

Word: Wax
Irish: céir
Pronunciation: kay-ir

Phrase: Paper Towels
Irish: tuallaí páipéir
Pronunciation: thoo-all-ee paw-payr

Phrase: Help me to turn the mattresses.
Irish: Tabhair cabhair dom na tochtaí a iompair.
Pronunciation: thohr cawr dhum nah thuk-thee ah um-purr

Phrase: Two of us will be needed to wash all the windows.
Irish: Beidh beirt againn ag teastáil na fuinneoga uilig a ní.
Pronunciation: bye berch ah-ginn egg thas-thaw-il nah fwinn-yoga ill-ig ah nee

Phrase: The oven is very dirty.
Irish: Tá salach uafásach ar an oigheann.
Pronunciation: thaw sah-lakh oo-faws-ukh err on eye-un

Phrase: Put wax on the downstairs floors.
Irish: Cuir céir ar na h-urláir thíos staighre.
Pronunciation: kwirr kay-ir err nah hur-law-ir hees sthye-reh

Phrase: Give all the furniture a good polishing.
Irish: Cuir snas mhaith ar an dtroscán go léir.
Pronunciation: kwirr snahs wye err on druhs-kawn guh lay-ir

Phrase: We must clean out the closets in every room.
Irish: Ní mór dúinn na h-almóir in ngach seomra a ghlanadh.
Pronunciation: nee mohr dhoo-in nah hahl-moh-ir i ngahkh shohm-rah ah ghlahn-ah

Phrase: The time has come to put away the Winter clothes.
Irish: Tá an t-am tagtha éadaí an Gheimhridh a chur ar leataobh.
Pronunciation: thaw on thahm thah-gah ay-dhee on yeev-ree ah khur err lah-theev

Phrase: Spring Cleaning
Irish: Glanadh an earraigh
Pronunciation: glahn-ah on ahr-ee

Word: Clean
Irish: glan
Pronunciation: glahn

Word: Wash or launder
Irish: ní
Pronunciation: nee

Word: Polish or shine
Irish: snas
Pronunciation: snahs

Word: Sweep or broom
Irish: scuaib
Pronunciation: skoob

Word: Dust
Irish: deannach or smúit
Pronunciation: djahn-ukh or smoo-ith

Word: Dustcloth (dust rag)
Irish: ceirt deannaigh
Pronunciation: kertch djahn-ee

Word: Scrub
Irish: sciúr
Pronunciation shkeewr

Word: Mop
Irish: mapa
Pronunciation: mop-ah

Phrase: Vacuum-cleaner
Irish: folúsghlantóir
Pronunciation: ful-oos-ghlahn-thoh-ir

Word: Soap
Irish: galúnach
Pronunciation: gahl-oon-ukh



Blessington E-Greenway - Site Visit



In Late 2018, Wicklow County Council submitted an application to the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport under the National and Regional Greenway Fund for the development of 42.4 KM greenway in Blessington, Co. Wicklow. The estimated cost of this greenway project is in the sum of €8.5 million. The next step in this application process involved a site visit to Blessington by the Project Assessment Team which included Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport Ireland and Transport Infrastructure Ireland. The site visit took place on the 1st March 2019.

The day commenced in The Avon, Blessington, with a ten minute video presentation to the Project Assessment Team. This video presentation highlighted the spectacular scenery along the shores of Blessington Lakes, the tremendous local community involvement, the links to other walking routes and a general overview of the project.

Following the video presentation, the Assessment Team were brought on a tour of the key locations of the proposed Greenway. In particular, the villages of Vallemount, Ballyknockan and Lacken were visited, as were Russborough House, and Tulfarris Hotel and Golf Resort. This site visit was supported by local Community representatives from Blessington Town Team, Blessington Business Network, Blessington & District Community Forum and Blessington Tidy Towns. Throughout the day, the assessment team were accompanied by Wicklow County Council Officials, community and businesses representatives and also representatives from the ESB, who are the major landowner of the proposed route.

The new Blessington E-Greenway which will cover 42.4kms of walking and cycling trails mostly through the forest and woodlands taking in some spectacular scenery adjacent to the shoreline of the Blessington lakes. This E-Greenway encircles the Poulaphouca Reservoir - a major sustainable source of electricity generation. The greenway will offer E Bikes as a major attraction with charging points along the route. This forms part of a wider countywide project to promote of E Cycling. The E-Greenway will be designed, constructed and operated with Excellence, Exercise, Energy, Environment, Ecology, Exploration and Ease of Access considerations to the fore at all times. Should this innovative project be successfully funded under the National and Regional Greenway fund, the Blessington E-Greenway will become Ireland's first E-Destination.



April Events

TIPI ADVENTURES OPEN DAY

Experience outdoor family adventures, bushcraft classes, outdoor skills or carve your own spoon. Finish the day around the campfire and spend the night in a Tipi.



GREENAN MAZE EASTER EVENTS

Greenan Maze is opening up for the season with Treasure hunts & Nature Trails for kids, Fairy Tree Walk especially for toddlers and more.



TULIP FESTIVAL @POWERSCOURT

What could be more beautiful than the sight of 10,000 Tulips floating in the breeze at Powerscourt Gardens? Well, how about 14,000 Tulips!



May Events

BRAY JAZZ FESTIVAL

Bray Jazz Festival returns for its 20th anniversary on the May Bank Holiday weekend, May 3rd-5th. Bray Jazz Festival is Ireland's leading contemporary jazz and improvised music festival.



WEST WICKLOW MUSIC FESTIVAL

Five day International Chamber Music Festival at Russborough House and St Mary's Church Blessington, Co Wicklow, 15th-19th May 2019.



Shillelagh unveils a Shillelagh Stick & Heritage Trail

The village of Shillelagh has unveiled the oak carved Shillelagh Stick sculpture in the village green, followed by the official launch of the stunning Shillelagh Heritage trail.

Next to the sculpture, the interpretative sign celebrates the fascinating history of the stick from its origins as a fighting weapon, to its current uses as a walking stick or parade gear. This stunning sculpture designed by artist Joey Burns now sits proudly in the village green next to the playground. And it is hoped it will become an icon for the village.



Funding for this Shillelagh Stick came from Wicklow County Council under their towns and villages renewal scheme and it was developed by the Shillelagh People's Property Company being the local trust that arose out of assets bequeathed to it by Lady Juliet Fitzwilliam .

Shillelagh Heritage Trail:

The Shillelagh Heritage Trail has also been officially launched. This trail essentially explores the former Estate village of Shillelagh and it's fascinating links to the Fitzwilliam family from South Yorkshire whose Irish home was Coollattin House. The estate was the largest in County Wicklow stretching 90,000 acres! The trail is 5 miles and visits the beautiful Coollattin Park, Ardeen House, the old railway station and terminus, Tomnafinnoge Woods the courthouse, and many other local heritage gems. The estate created its own electricity supply from water and even had its own fully functioning workshops to fully serve the massive estate. Plus this trail now directly connects to the Wicklow Way and so offers walkers the chance to drop into Shillelagh Village and stay awhile.



A New Resource for Wicklow Researchers

Launch of "Coolattin Lives" Website

The Courthouse Arts Centre in collaboration with Wicklow County Archives and Wicklow County Tourism is delighted to celebrate the launch of the Coolattin Lives website in March. It is now live on www.coolattinlives.ie.



Tenant records

This new online facility contains the tenant records for the Earl of Fitzwilliam's estates in County Wicklow between 1841 and 1868. This period includes the Great Famine and the

years of assisted migration that the Fitzwilliam estate put in place to encourage tenants to move to Canada, so it captures a moment of great change in the population - locally and nationally. In Coolattin Lives, thousands of tenant records have been transcribed, digitised and mapped allowing descendants of these tenants, in Ireland, Canada and around the world, to trace their ancestors, find the district where they lived, and make their way back to the family home place.

Wicklow County Archives Collections

Wicklow County Archives Service digitised resources of Grand Jury and Workhouse records are also available on the Coolattin Lives site, providing a unique layering of records from 1818 up to 1900.

Trinity College Dublin

This project has been founded and supervised by The Courthouse Arts Centre, Tinahely. The project coordinator is Professor Ciaran Brady, Dept of History, TCD, (who is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Courthouse Arts Centre), and the research was completed by Dr Ciaran Wallace, Dept of History, TCD. Indeed, this project ensured that the records have been transcribed and made available for online research.

Contributors and sponsors

The Courthouse Arts Centre is indebted to the earlier pioneering research of Jim Rees and Ann Hanley. Sponsors of the project are : Lord Haskins of Yorkshire Foods PLC; Sir Naylor-Leyland, Fitzwilliam Estate; Neil McHugh of Green Isle Foods; School of History & Humanities TCD and Wicklow County Tourism. The project is also indebted to his Excellency Ambassador Kevin Vickers, Embassy of Canada, for his patronage and support.

Connecting People & Nature in Wicklow this Summer

Spring/ Summer is a great time for getting outdoors and the Heritage Office is working with groups throughout the County to provide opportunities to connect people with nature, to communicate the importance of biodiversity and to motivate all to play a part in protecting it.



Dates For Your Diary

Saturday 20 April: Spring migrants outing to Glendalough, also a chance to see Great Spotted Woodpecker, Raven and Peregrine. Meet at Upper Lake car park, 10.00am (€4 per car charge for parking). Organised by Birdwatch Ireland, Wicklow branch, contact: birdwatch@gmail.com

Wicklow Community Swift Workshops: Wicklow Heritage Office and Birdwatch Ireland are co-ordinating a county swift survey: come along to find out more about this fascinating Summer visitor to towns and villages all over Wicklow, learn how you as an individual, a school or another group can participate in our survey and practical actions that will help this bird. Contact: dburns@wicklowcoco.ie two workshops taking place as follows, all welcome, no booking needed.

- Thursday 9th May: Talk at Martello Hotel, Bray seafront 7.00pm followed by a guided walk
- Friday 10th May: Talk at Baltinglass Courthouse 7.00 pm followed by a guided walk.

Sunday 12 May: Dawn Chorus Day! Arise with the birds to experience one of nature's greatest performances. Join Birdwatch Ireland for a walk in East Coast Nature Reserve. Meet at front entrance on Sea Road, Newcastle, at 5.00am. Contact: birdwatch@gmail.com

National Biodiversity Week takes place 18th - 26th May for full details of all events happening in Wicklow or to register your event see www.biodiversityweek.ie

Wed 22nd May: 'Dippers and other Wildlife on the Avonmore River'. A talk by Oran O Sullivan on a Heritage Plan project to survey water birds and other wildlife associated with the bridges of the Avonmore water catchment. Brockagh Resource Centre, Laragh 7.00 pm. FREE, no booking needed. dburns@wicklowcoco.ie

Saturday 15th June is Crinniu na nÓg: With support from the Creative Ireland Programme there will be youth focussed events happening all over county Wicklow. Check www.wicklow.ie for full programme at end of May.

Nature @ East Coast Nature Reserve - The Heritage Office has teamed up with Birdwatch Ireland to bring you a monthly programme of events. Immerse yourself in the changing seasons at this important wetland complex managed by Birdwatch Ireland for wildlife. Explore, discover and enjoy through the following free events:

- June - Saturday 15th: Sounds & sights of the woodland – trees, birds & butterflies . Join BirdWatch Ireland staff on this interactive children's workshop which will immerse participants in the wonder of a woodland in Summer.
- June 21st – 23rd 'Shaking The Bog' at Glenree. The Heritage Office is delighted to support outdoor workshops as part of this inaugural Nature Writing Festival promises to be a unique mix of talks, readings, workshops , indoor and outdoor events all set in the beautiful surroundings of the Peace and Reconciliation Centre in Glenree. Save the date, full programme to be announced at end of May.

FIRE SAFETY AT HOME



**FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS
TO KEEP YOUR HOME
SAFE FROM FIRE.**

Living / Sitting Room

Use a sparkguard in front of open fires
Clean the chimney regularly – recommended twice a year.

Don't overload sockets – plug out appliances that are not being used rather than using a number of extension leads.

If you live in an old house with very few sockets, employ a qualified electrician to install additional sockets if required.

Take care with portable heaters – keep a safe distance away from curtains, furnishings and

Take care with candles – **NEVER** leave them unattended and place on a non-combustible surface (e.g. metal, glass or delph plate) – make sure and blow them out before leaving the room.

Smokers!! – Extinguish cigarettes properly and empty the ashtrays

Keep matches out of childrens' reach.



Kitchen

Provide a Fire Extinguisher / Fire Blanket – these only cost a few euro and may be purchased in supermarket or DIY stores around the county.

Turn off all electrical appliances after use – e.g. Cookers, Toasters, Sandwich Makers, Juicers, etc.

Turn handles of pots on cooker inwards while cooking – avoids anybody knocking against them and getting badly burnt.

Keep the cooker clean – avoids build up of grease and oil.

Take extreme care with chip pans – **NEVER** leave them unattended.

Bedroom

Close all doors at night – especially the kitchen and living room doors - this stops fire spreading throughout the house and protects the escape route out of the house to give people time to escape.

Electric Blankets – check them regularly for wear or damage.

NEVER SMOKE IN BED!!!!

Around the Home

Install smoke alarms to give early warning of fire – a minimum of 2 is recommended for most homes.

Test smoke alarms regularly – at least once per week.

All flammable materials such as paints, solvents, adhesives (glues) and chemicals should be stored outside the house – e.g. in the garden shed.

Avoid the build-up of newspapers and refuse in storage areas – clear out regularly – avoids providing fuel for fire.



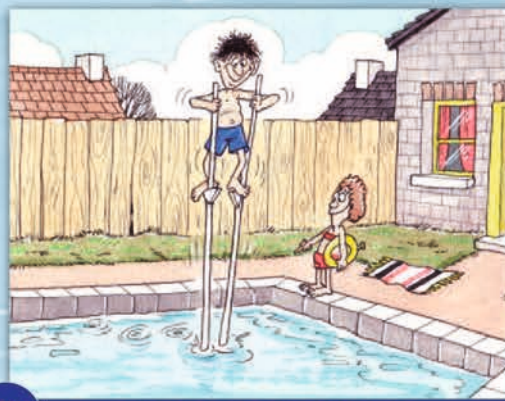
Pool Safety

6 steps to enjoying pool time safety



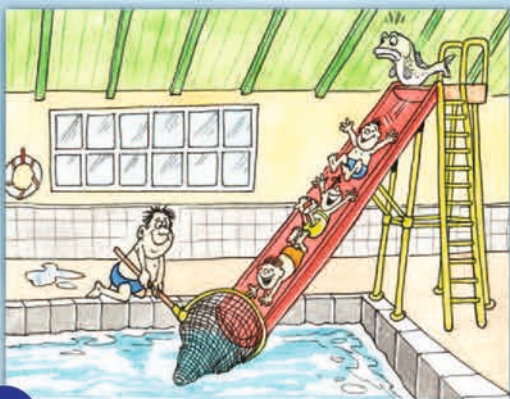
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Be careful not to dive into shallow water



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Check to see how deep the pool is



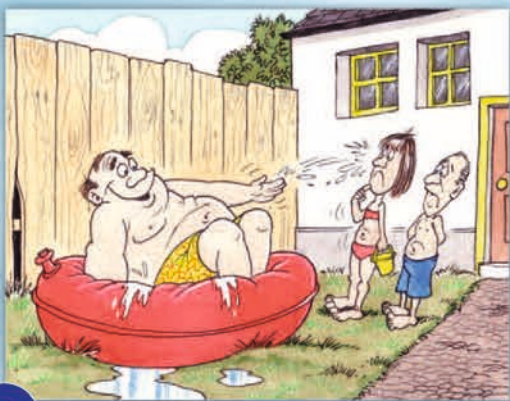
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Watch out for younger children at all times



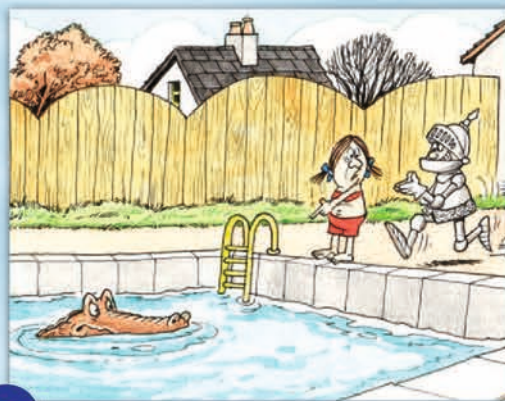
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Obey all the pool safety rules such as no running dives and no horseplay



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An adult should always supervise playtime



6

Remember to check for others before entering the water

REMEMBER THESE RULES - ENJOY YOURSELF - COME HOME SAFE



Irish Water Safety
Cumann Sábháilteacht Uisce

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Road Safety Statistics for 2018

Provisional road collision statistics for 2018 show Ireland continued to improve its road safety performance by recording a 4% drop in road deaths, making it the safest year since road deaths were first recorded in 1959.

In the period January - December 2018 there were 141 fatal collisions resulting in 148 fatalities on Irish roads. This represents the same number of collisions and 5% fewer deaths (-8) compared to provisional Garda data for the full year of 2017.

Of the 148 fatalities, there were 62 Drivers killed, 20 Passengers, 42 Pedestrians, 15 Motorcyclists and 9 Pedal Cyclists.

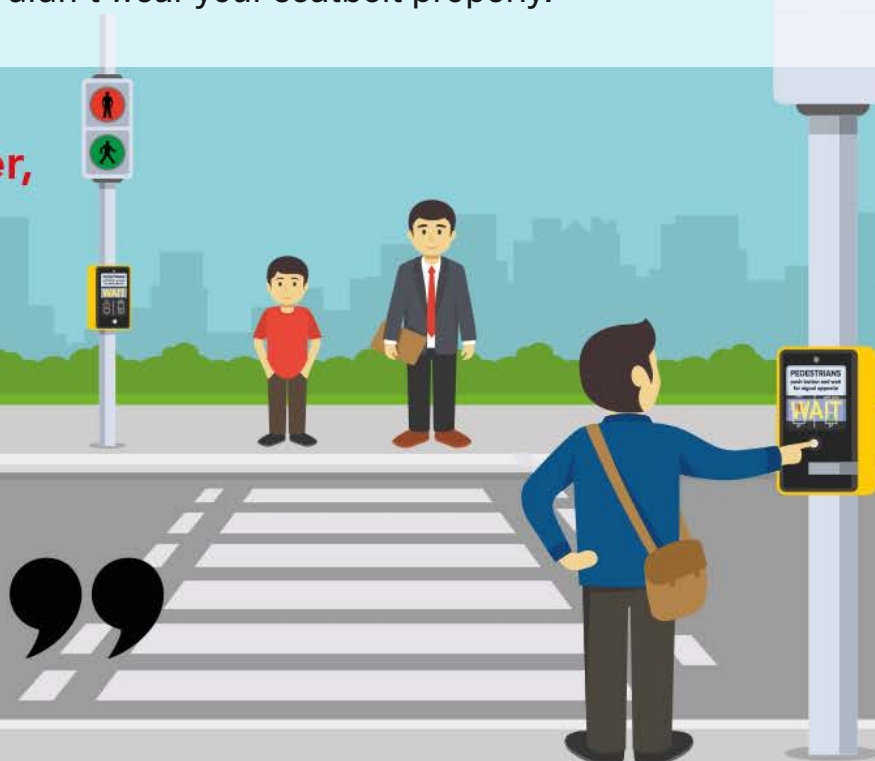
May (5) had the lowest number of fatalities in 2018. April (17) June, November and December (16 per month) were particularly dangerous.

The average number of deaths per month in 2018 (12 deaths per month) is less than the monthly average in 2017

Sunday (32) was the most dangerous day in 2018, followed by Tuesday (23) and Monday (21).

In 2018, Cork (16) and Dublin (15) had the highest record of road fatalities. 28% of drivers and passengers killed during 2018 were not wearing a seatbelt. Drivers, front and back seat passengers are urged to wear seatbelts correctly. The belt should be worn diagonally across the wearer's chest on their shoulder and never under the arm. If it feels uncomfortable, adjust the height of the belt on the anchor point on the door frame or adjust the seat position and height. Most importantly of all avoid getting "This Season's Killer Look" because you didn't wear your seatbelt properly."

REMEMBER
If you can't see the driver,
they can't see you.





Our Vision for Community Wellbeing for this and future generations in County Wicklow

In 2018, Co Wicklow PPN travelled across the 5 Municipal Districts of Co Wicklow, asking community groups - "What is your vision for community wellbeing for this and future generations"? Groups were asked to consider this question under the following headings:

- Environment & Sustainability
- Health (physical & mental)
- Work, Economy, & Resources
- Social & Community Development
- Participation, Democracy & Good Governance
- Values, Culture & Meaning

The consultation consisted of 11 workshops and 5 online consultations. Two submissions were also accepted. These consultations facilitated the development of an overarching vision for each Municipal District along with community visions and high-level goals under each heading. A county vision was also developed.



Wise use of our resources, care for our environment, and enabling people to live healthy and sustainable lives was predominantly heard across the county with a plea that all planning decisions and development would support sustainability and liveability. Connectivity came across as vitally important; with the vision that transport and infrastructure would support access to education, employment and services that communities need to be healthy and to thrive.

Here are Visions for Community Wellbeing for Co Wicklow and for the Arklow, Baltinglass, Bray, Greystones and Wicklow Municipal Districts.

For more information about the PPN contact Helen or Grainne on 087 189 5145, Email: countywicklowppn@gmail.com, web: www.countywicklowppn.ie or Facebook: www.facebook.com/CWPPN

If your group would like to know more about Co. Wicklow PPN contact Helen Howes
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Arklow MD

Vision - “All statutory, business and community stakeholders work together to preserve, protect, maintain and promote our natural and built environment”.

- Infrastructure and resources support sustainable living.
- Research, consultation and education supports citizens and communities to protect the environment for future generations
- All citizens appreciate and are connected to the natural environment.

Environment & Sustainability

Vision - “The Arklow Municipal District is a caring community where all citizens enjoy a coordinated, locally available and timely health service”

- Our natural & built environment promotes good physical and mental health
- Well-resourced statutory and community health services are easily accessible and meet the needs of all citizens
- Extensive and coordinated information, education and early intervention initiatives promote good physical and mental health.

Health (physical & mental)



Vision - “Welcoming, including and valuing Values, all citizens, and celebrating diverse cultures is Culture & at the heart of the Arklow Municipal District” Meaning

- Our Irish culture, language, arts, and traditions are vibrant, and promoted for future generations, visitors and new communities
- Supports, information and resources facilitate all citizens to connect and engage in their community
- The culture and voice of all citizens and communities is welcomed, heard, and valued
- All citizens and communities are encouraged to share their culture and use their voice

Vision - “A vibrant local economy supports all citizens to live well and thrive”

- All citizen and economic activity is enabled by good transport and infrastructure systems underpinned by consultative planning.
- Training, employment and social supports enable all citizens to lead dignified lives
- Local skills, industry, natural and human resources are nurtured to achieve their full economic potential
- Excellent facilities and infrastructure supports innovative local economic activity

Work, Economy & Resources

Vision - “All citizens are valued equally and enabled to live life to their full potential”

- Efficient information provision enables easy access to statutory, and community services
- Statutory, private and community services and facilities are collaborating, coordinated and easily accessible.
- The needs, safety & security of all citizens, particularly the more marginalised are met.
- Arklow MD has a vibrant, well-resourced community and voluntary sector

Social & Community Development

Vision - “All elements of government are collaborating and delivering for the community”.

- Local Government is participative, inclusive, and responsive to the needs of the community
- Planning & decision making is locally focused, transparent and engages meaningfully with the local community.
- Grass roots development is supported, resourced and uninhibited by bureaucracy.
- All statutory and community stakeholders are collaborating and ensuring that the voice of the more marginalised is heard.



Baltinglass MD

Vision - “The natural environment of the Baltinglass MD is accessible, appreciated, protected and cared for”.

- The natural environment, including our mountains, water and landscape, and the heritage of Baltinglass MD is protected
- Community awareness and appreciation of the natural environment and heritage is encouraged
- Access to heritage and the natural environment is increased
- People live more sustainably
- Planning supports sustainability and liveability

Vision - “Baltinglass MD is a welcoming place that values its culture and heritage and embraces that of others”

- Music sport, recreation and other aspects of cultural activities that nurture our wellbeing are facilitated
- Volunteering is supported and valued
- All people are supported and included
- Our culture, traditions and heritage are preserved and promoted for future generations

Vision - “Baltinglass MD is a community where everyone has a good level of physical and mental health and where people look out for each other.”

- The local, social and natural environment facilitates good health
- All citizens of the Baltinglass MD have access to adequate statutory health services
- Community groups are resourced and encouraged to promote healthy initiatives.



Vision - “Co Wicklow’s governance structures and services are inclusive and supportive of all citizens of the Baltinglass MD”.

- Local government and community services are easily accessible and engage meaningfully with the people of the Baltinglass MD
- Local government fulfils its commitments and is transparent in its actions
- Community groups are valued and enabled to provide community services without their work being threatened by bureaucracy.
- Active citizenship is supported and encouraged



Vision - “Wise use of resources, good infrastructure and adequate services enable sustainable development, employment and education opportunities, while also addressing isolation and disadvantage”

- People and businesses are well connected physically, electronically and socially
- The economy supports access to adequate food, housing and opportunities for all.
- People, groups and enterprises are supported to create flexible job opportunities and have access to them.
- Bureaucracy does not impede local enterprise

Vision - “The people of Baltinglass MD have access to the services, social and physical infrastructure and support required to have a vibrant, inclusive and connected community”

- The people of Baltinglass MD have a sense of belonging to a place that matters to people
- Local organisations are supported to connect with each other and work together successfully
- All people are able to develop the relationships and have access to the resources required to participate in their community
- The community is supported to make best use of the assets and natural resources that exist within Baltinglass MD
- The council and community work together.

Bray MD

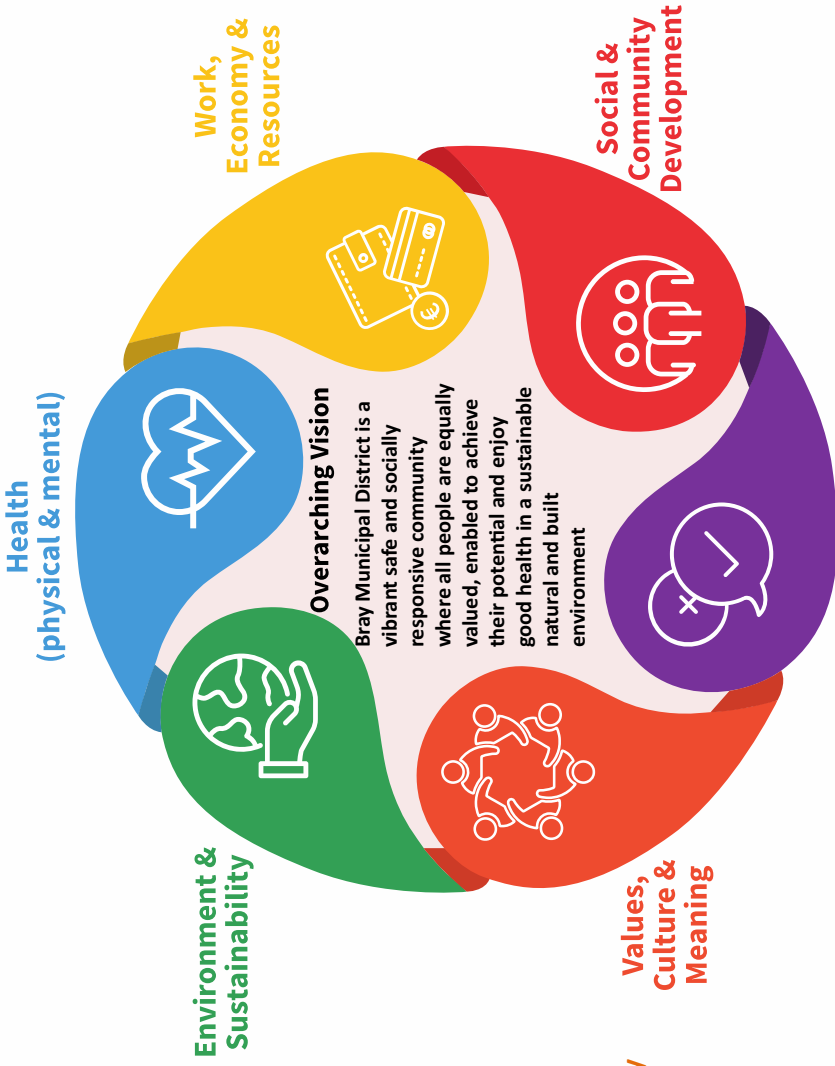


Vision - “Sustaining our environment is built into every other aspect of Community Wellbeing”.

- The community is aware, emotionally connected and actively involved in the stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- People are supported to live sustainably
- Planning supports sustainability and liveability
- The local and natural environment supports healthy communities.

Vision - “The Bray MD meets the health needs of all its citizens.”

- Statutory and Community Health services are accessible, well-resourced and coordinated.
- The built and natural infrastructure facilitates good health and resilient communities.
- The Bray MD is a community that cares for each other and looks after its more vulnerable members.



Vision - “All citizens are valued, equally included, and diversity is embraced”

- Our Irish culture is preserved and promoted.
- The impact of diversity in enriching our community is recognised, valued and supported
- Community infrastructure and services support and facilitate the diverse needs of all citizens.

Vision - “Local Government and other key services are accessible and responsive to all citizens of the Bray MD”.

- The voice of the community is valued and supported in local decision making.
- Community Development is encouraged and enabled without restriction from bureaucracy.
- Local Government is transparent and accountable and facilitates meaningful participation.
- Information is free flowing and accessible.

Vision - “Bray MD is a vibrant, safe and environmentally sensitive place for business and people to thrive”

- All citizens are enabled to have a meaningful role in the local economy
- Bray MD has an excellent transport infrastructure that enhances the local economy
- Bray has a unique selling point that stimulates local and visitor business and tourism activity
- Bray MD is attractive and supportive of business.

Vision - “Bray is a safe, inclusive, nurturing community that promotes the potential of all its citizens.”

- Bray has excellent, well resourced, accessible social, statutory and community services and facilities available for all its citizens.
- Bray MD promotes the empowerment of all members of the community.
- Bray MD values and supports the will, commitment and input of the community sector.

Greystones MD

Vision - “All citizens of Greystones MD are actively conserving and protecting the environment and living more sustainably”.

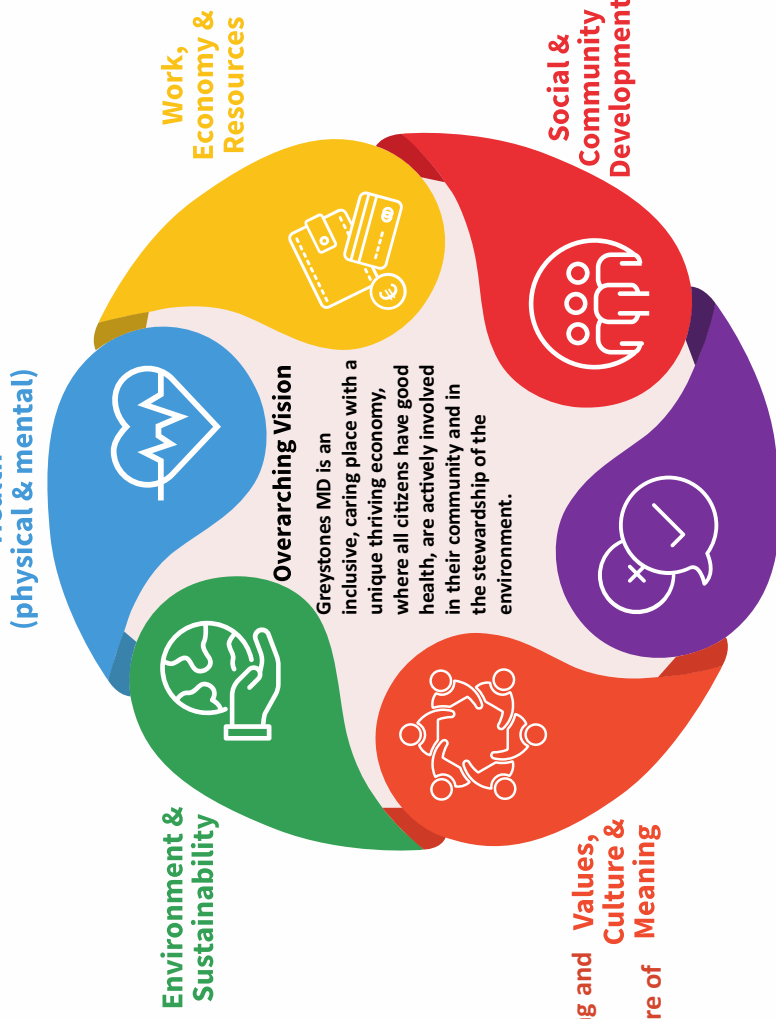
- Knowledge and appreciation of the natural and built environment is cultivated
- All planning decisions and developments are environmentally sensitive.
- Excellent accessible recreational facilities promote a healthy lifestyle
- All citizens are socially connected within a safe and secure community

Vision - “Greystones MD is a welcoming and caring community that values its environment and the heritage and culture of all its citizens”

- An inclusive society that values, promotes and celebrates our native culture and other cultures in our diverse community.
- Well-resourced community infrastructure and services support and facilitate the diverse needs of all citizens.
- Information is available to support people to participate in their community and to access community and statutory services.
- All citizens feel safe and secure in their community.

Vision - “The basic needs of all citizens are met and everyone enjoys good physical and mental health”

- Statutory and community health services are co-ordinated, well-resourced and easily accessible for all citizens
- Good transport and infrastructure support optimal health benefits
- The natural environment is protected and enabled to contribute to the health of all citizens.
- People are connected and enjoy a good level of social and community supports
- Health information is an integral part of all community and statutory services.



Vision - “All citizens actively participate in local development and decision making”.

- Community Wellbeing is recognised as a crucial part of local development
- Clear accessible Information and procedures support community participation and activation.
- The Community Sector is supported and well-resourced

Vision - “Holistic Planning and development practices supports the needs of all citizens and promotes a unique identity for the Greystones MD”

- Environmentally sensitive practices and good use of resources is valued by the statutory, business and community sectors.
- Information provision, technology and transport enables all members of the community to reach their potential
- Excellent Facilities support business, social and community development

Vision - “The Greystones MD is an inclusive, caring and supportive community”

- Statutory and community services meet the diverse needs of the community, particularly the more vulnerable citizens
- Local infrastructure is inclusive and accessible and meets the needs of the whole community
- Excellent Social structures are resourced to support an inclusive caring community.
- All citizens are enabled to actively engage in the development of their community.



Wicklow MD

Vision - “All people of the Wicklow MD are resilient, active and enjoy good physical and mental health ”

- Statutory, industry and community sectors coordinate services to support the good health of the community.
- The natural environment is protected and enabled to contribute to the health of all citizens.
- Statutory and Community health and social services and supports are well resourced and readily accessible to all citizens.

Vision - “Every policy, plan and decision of every organisation in the statutory, private and community sector is environmentally proofed”.

- A vibrant, environmentally sensitive, local economy supports sustainable living.
- All stakeholders in the Municipal District are working together to nurture and protect the natural and built environment.
- All citizens are connected with and appreciate the local natural environment.



Vision - “Wicklow MD respects difference, celebrates diversity and values the uniqueness of individuals and communities ”

- People understand the importance of our natural environment and appreciate it.
- Our Irish culture, traditions and heritage are valued, celebrated and kept alive for future generations.
- Communities are enabled to play an active part in the preservation and protection of our heritage and culture.

Vision - “Transparent and accountable local government structures and procedures allows all citizens to contribute to the development of the Wicklow MD”.

- Community Groups are encouraged and supported without restriction from bureaucracy
- Participation, democracy and good governance is understood and facilitated for the benefit of all communities.
- Local information and services meet local needs



Vision - “The Wicklow MD cultivates a vibrant local economy”

- Statutory, business and community work together to enable people to reach their full potential
- People and business are well connected physically and electronically.
- Local enterprise and tourism initiatives are supported to reach their full economic potential.

Vision - “All citizens are equally valued, included and nurtured ”

- Statutory, business and community services work together for the benefit of all citizens
- The commitment of the community and voluntary sector is recognised, supported and resourced
- The diversity of cultures in our community is acknowledged and celebrated.
- All citizens are engaged and active in their local community



Vision - “Our vibrant local economy supports all our citizens to live well and thrive”

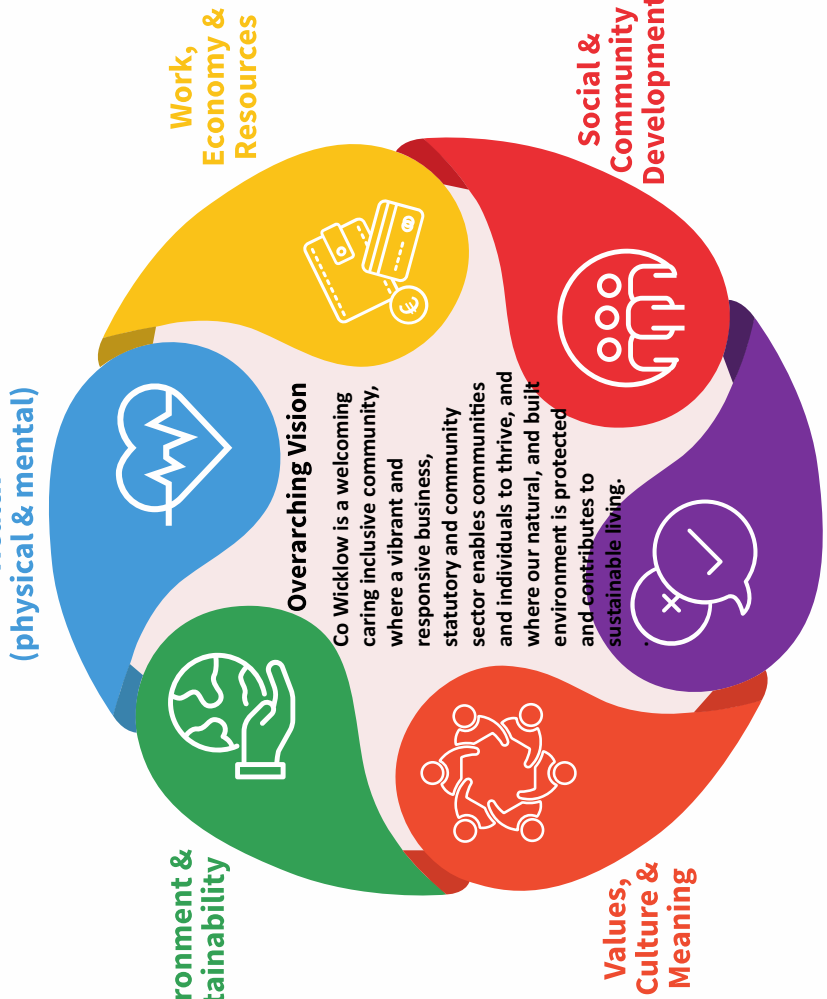
- The statutory, business and community sectors recognise and value the skills of all citizens and enable them to contribute meaningfully in the local economy
- People, businesses, facilities, and services are well connected physically, electronically and socially
- Enterprise activity within the county is sensitive to our environment and people and is enabled to achieve its full economic growth and potential

Vision - “Co Wicklow is an inclusive, caring and supportive community that nurtures all its citizens equally”

- Statutory, private and community services and facilities are well resourced, collaborating, coordinated and easily accessible to all.
- Diversity is recognised and valued, and everyone is included, engaged and active in their community.
- The contribution of volunteers and the community sector is recognised, valued and supported.
- The needs of our communities, particularly the more marginalised are met.

Vision - “Co Wicklow is a caring community where everyone has a good level of physical and mental health”

- Accessible, coordinated and well-resourced statutory & community services & facilities support the good health of all citizens
- Our natural & built environment contributes to the good health of the community
- The health related needs of all and especially our more vulnerable citizens are met.
- Extensive and coordinated information, education and early intervention initiatives promote good physical and mental health.



Vision - “Transparent and accountable local governance structures and procedures allows all citizens to contribute to the development of a county that responds to their needs”.

- All statutory and community stakeholders are collaborating and ensuring that the voice of all people, and especially the more marginalised is heard
- Grass roots development is encouraged, supported, resourced and uninhibited by bureaucracy.
- Local government is participative, inclusive, accessible and responsive to the needs of the community

County Wicklow

Vision - “Our wise use of resources, and our care and connection with our environment enables all citizens to live healthy and sustainable lives”.

- All planning decisions and development support sustainability and liveability
- A cared for and accessible natural environment supports healthy communities
- All citizens have an awareness, appreciation and a strong connection to the natural environment and work together to protect it.

Vision - “Co. Wicklow is a modern welcoming, caring and inclusive community that values the environment, and the culture and heritage of its diverse citizens. ”

- We preserve our culture, traditions and heritage for future generations
- The impact of diversity in enriching our community is recognized, valued and supported.
- Supports, information and resources enables volunteering and facilitates all citizens to connect, engage and participate in their community
- The importance of our natural environment is understood, recognised and appreciated.

Celtic Routes

The Celtic Routes project aims to encourage visitors to explore new areas of Wales and Ireland en route to their final tourist destination. Led by Carmarthenshire County Council, the project focuses on the areas of Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion in Wales and Waterford, Wicklow and Wexford in Ireland. It aims to transform less well known areas from transit zones to new touring sites, increasing the time visitors spend in these regions and capitalising on the opportunities to boost local economies. The project will be developed through customer research, trade events and workshops as well as cross border visits by businesses in Ireland and Wales to bring together expertise and ideas. The aim is to increase the visitor appeal of the targeted areas, including through the development of new trails linking local culture, heritage and the natural environment.



Contractors for Housing Grants

Wicklow County Council is inviting interested contractors who wish to be included on a panel for carrying out of works under the Housing Adaptation for People with a Disability, Mobility Aid and Mobility Aid for Older People Grant Schemes. This Panel of contractors is not an exclusive list. Contractors must submit their C2/Tax Clearance Certificate. This is not an invitation to Tender and no contract will exist between any contractor and Wicklow County Council. Wicklow County Council shall not be held liable for any works that may arise as a result of a person engaging a contractor from this panel.

Expression of interest can be sent to Grant Section, Housing Department, Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Wicklow Town, 0404 20120 or email housing2@wicklowcoco.ie



Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act, 1998

Notice of Proposed Adoption and Publication of a Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024

In accordance with Section 9 of the Housing (Traveller Accommodation) Act, 1998, Wicklow County Council proposes to adopt a Traveller Accommodation Programme for five years (2019-2024). This plan will cover the functional area of Wicklow County Council.

The draft Traveller Accommodation Programme is available for public inspection at Wicklow County Council offices and all Municipal District Offices during normal working hours, from Monday 1st April 2019.

A copy of the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024 is also available on Wicklow County Council's website www.wicklow.ie.

Any person or organisation who wishes to make a submission in respect of the Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme is invited to do so. Submissions should be made in writing and returned in a sealed envelope marked 'Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019-2024' and addressed to the Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Corporate Estate, Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Wicklow, Co. Wicklow or emailed to housing2@wicklowcoco.ie with subject line - Draft Traveller Accommodation Programme.

The latest date for submissions is 16:00hrs on Friday 31st May 2019.



ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

Check the Register

Check now! The live register was published on the 15th February 2019

www.checktheregister.ie



1800 868 399

This year sees the introduction of a 1800 free-phone number to assist voters who are visually impaired.

Voters will be able to ring 1800 868 399 in advance of the local elections and hear the names of the candidates for each Local Electorate Area.

Further information on this number and the candidates for each Local Electoral Area will be available on Wicklow.ie

Register of Electors - Value Your Vote

The European Parliament Elections, Local Elections and a Referendum are due to take place nationally on Friday 24th May 2019.

The 2019/2020 Register of Electors was published on the 1st February 2019 and came into force on the 15th February 2019.

Electors should ensure they are registered to vote by checking the website www.checktheregister.ie.

A Supplement to the Register of Electors will be prepared for the upcoming elections. This Supplement is for any electors who are not on the current Live Register or for those reaching the age of 18 on or before polling day.

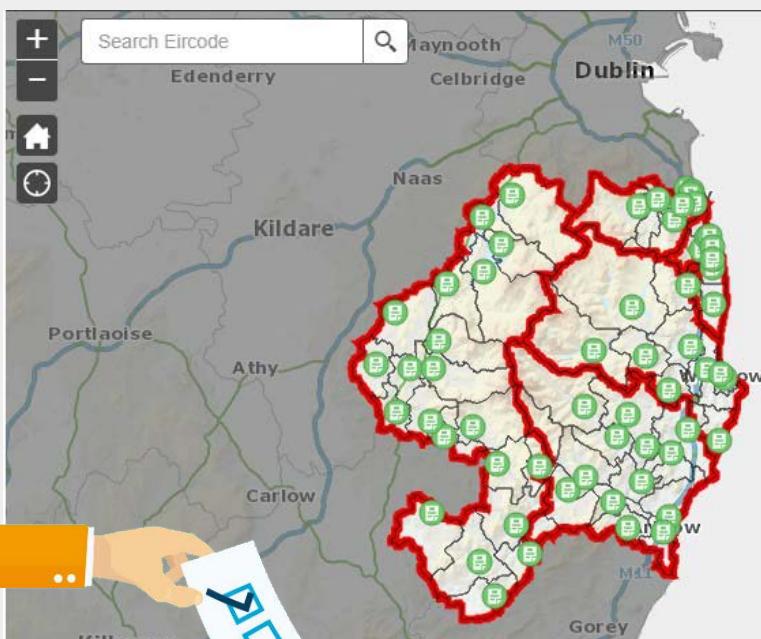
RFA2 (Supplement Forms) and RFA3 (Change of Address forms) are available to download from www.checktheregister.ie. ** Please note that Change of Address is only permissible if electors are moving to another county or outside of the local electoral area in which they are currently registered.

The closing date for receipt of Postal and Special Votes is Sunday 28th April 2019. Please note that Postal Votes are not available for electors who will be away on Polling Day due to being on holidays

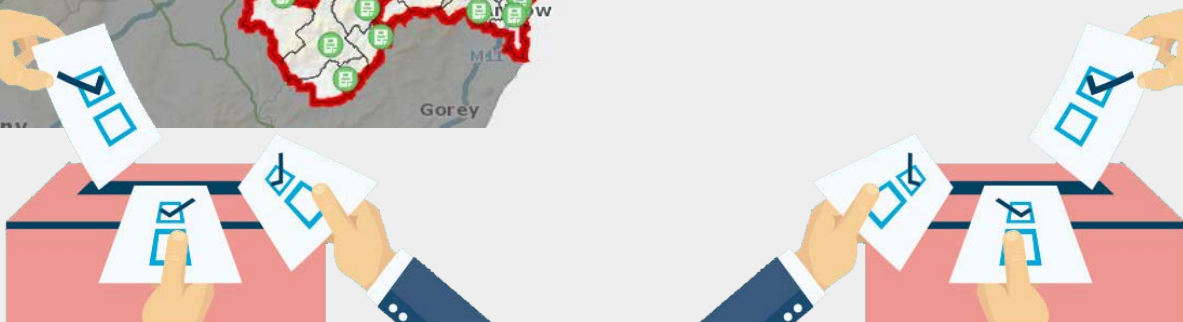
The closing date for receipt of Supplement Applications is Tuesday 7th May 2019.



Interactive Maps for Local Electoral Areas



The GIS team in Wicklow County Council has published an interactive map containing Local Electoral Areas(LEA), Polling Districts & Polling Stations. As nominations are received, a list of candidates running in each LEA will also be available through this map. Each of these datasets are also available on www.data.gov.ie

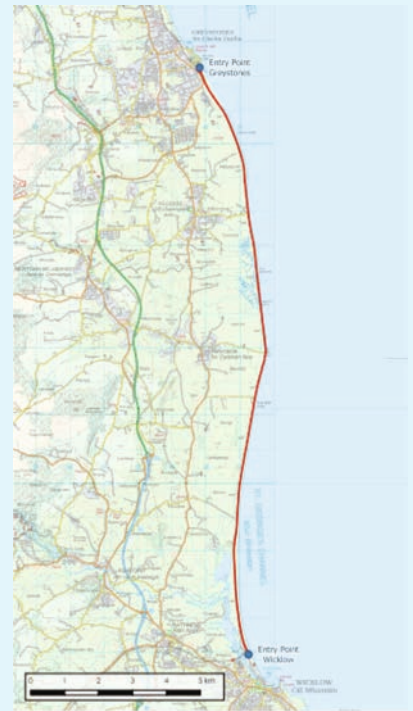


Wicklow to Greystones Coastal Route

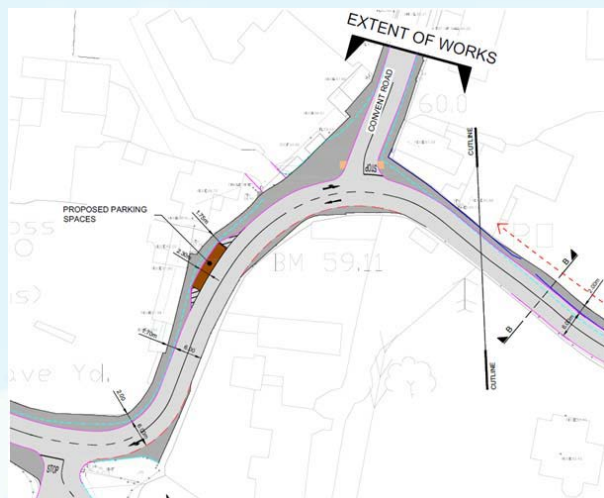
A Community Workshop was held regarding the Wicklow to Greystones Coastal Route in the Druids Glen Hotel, Wicklow Thursday 28th February 2019.

The development of this Coastal route was proposed by the Wicklow Town Team and Wicklow County Council agreed to undertake a feasibility study to determine whether a greenway, a coastal route or trail is feasible, given the existence of the Murrough SPA, coastal erosion and proximity to the railway line. Consultants have been appointed to undertake this and it is intended that the report will be completed by the end of April 2019.

The purpose of the community workshop was to seek the views, opinions and feedback of the local community on the greenway / coastal route from a local perspective. Over 80 people attended the event with the emphasis been on recording the issues both positive and negative raised from the local community.



Delgany Village Accessibility Scheme

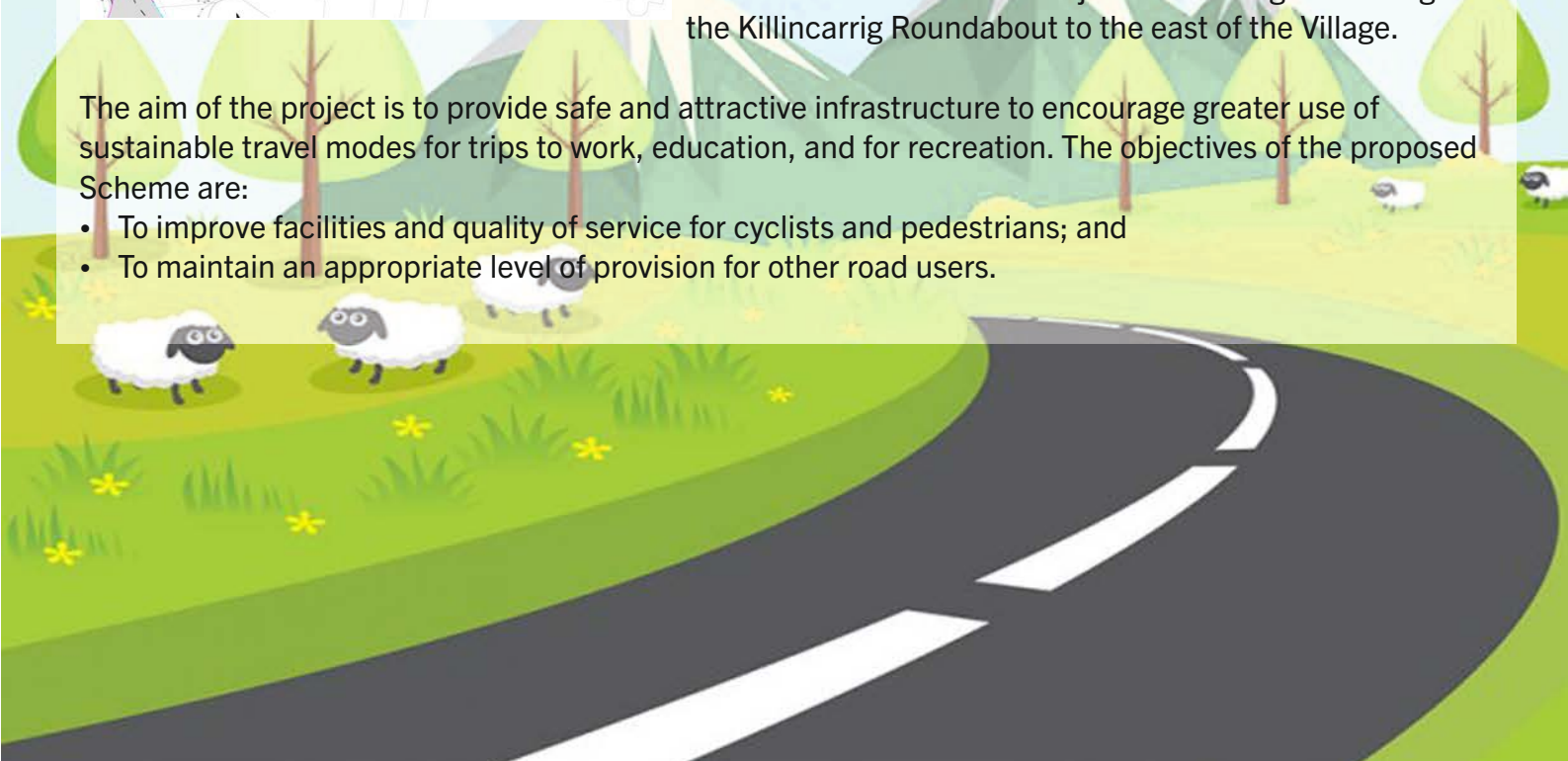


Following consideration of the Chief Executives report the members of the Greystones Municipal District at a meeting 18th February 2019 agreed to the proposed scheme.

AECOM were engaged by Wicklow County Council to undertake a review of Delgany Village to assess the existing conditions for road users and to prepare design proposals arising from the review. The study area is located along the R762 (known locally as Glen Road / Church Road), which is the main route into Delgany off the N11 dual carriageway. It runs from the Bellevue Hill junction through the Village to the Killincarrig Roundabout to the east of the Village.

The aim of the project is to provide safe and attractive infrastructure to encourage greater use of sustainable travel modes for trips to work, education, and for recreation. The objectives of the proposed Scheme are:

- To improve facilities and quality of service for cyclists and pedestrians; and
- To maintain an appropriate level of provision for other road users.



Bray Transport Interchange

Following consideration of the Chief Executives report the members of the Bray Municipal District at a meeting 5th March 2019 agreed to the proposed scheme.



The scheme proposes to regenerate the existing Forecourt at Bray DART Station to create a transport interchange that strikes a balance between fulfilling the key functions of a transport interchange and providing a landmark civic space with a clear identity contributing to the local place function. The extent of the scheme consists of the general forecourt area in front of the Bray Dart Station and sections of Quinsborough Road, Eglinton Road and Florence Road.

The scheme intends to facilitate interchange between the key modes of walking, cycling, taxi, bus and railway, whilst providing a high quality public realm that complements the heritage of the station building. In general this will consist of works to footpaths, including the construction and realignments of kerb and channel line, and provision of high quality paving setts and landscape features.

Seafront Pavilion, Strand road, Bray

Following consideration of the Chief Executives report the members of the Bray Municipal District at a meeting 5th February 2019 agreed to the proposed scheme.



The scheme proposes to create a high-quality public plaza on Strand Road in front of the Sea Life Centre that will create a hub of activity on the waterfront.

The aim of the scheme is to deliver a public space that will:

- give people the opportunity to sit and relax;
- allow people to move about easily and comfortably between Sea Life Centre and the other cafes and businesses on both sides of Strand Road plaza;

- provide a coherent connection between the footpaths and cycle tracks on either side of the Sea Life Centre; and
- allow potential space for outdoor café/restaurant seating and hosting public events.

The scheme will include: widened pedestrian areas using new paving materials; a segregated cycle track linking to the existing cycle route on both sides of the scheme; new seating, trees and planters; and new public lighting.

The road carriageway will be raised and reduced in width to control vehicle speeds and shorten crossing distances for pedestrians.

Robert Childers Barton and the First Dáil

Wicklow County Archives Excerpts

The 1918 General Election: A new democracy



1918 Election Poster
(Credit: National Library of Ireland)

For the first time, due to the Representation of the People Act, working-class men over 21 years and women over 30 years (under certain conditions) could vote in parliamentary elections. In Ireland, this resulted in a land-slide victory for Sinn Féin who took 73 of the 105 Irish seats at Westminster and went on to form the first Dáil in Dublin on the 21st of January 1919.

Indeed, County Wicklow returned two Sinn Féin TD's to that first sitting of the Dáil in 1919 - Sean Etchingham for the constituency of East Wicklow (the IRB man defeated Irish Party candidate D.J. Cogan) and Robert Barton for the constituency of West Wicklow.

Wicklow County Council calls for nationalist candidates

The election was arguably one of the most important events in the creation of the Irish republic, but it was preceded by dramatic reform in Irish local democracy with the formation of the county council system in 1899. The old Grand Juries and Boards of Guardians, dominated by the landowning classes, were replaced by democratically elected County Councillors. The Local Government (Ireland) Act of 1898 also extended the franchise to most occupiers of property and included women for the first time. As a result, nationalist candidates won the majority of seats and most County Councils, including Wicklow, were predominantly nationalist.

Prior to the general election of 1918, a meeting of Wicklow County Council in November of that year passed the following resolution calling all delegates of public bodies in the county to select nationalist candidates

Proposed by Councillor J. McCarroll, seconded by Councillor M. Langton.—Resolved—That, as representing the whole of the County of Wicklow, this Council requests its Chairman to summon, in each Constituency, a Conference of the Clergy of all denominations, and of Delegates from all the Public Bodies in the County, National Organizations, and Trade and Labour Bodies, for the purpose of selecting Nationalist Candidates for the forthcoming Parliamentary Elections in East and West Wicklow.

Extract from Wicklow County Council minute book, 18th November, 1918 (Wicklow County Archives)

for the upcoming parliamentary elections:

The council resolved in June and November 1920 to acknowledge the authority of the new Dáil and to end all communications with the British Local Government Board:

“Resolved—That we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, at this duly convened meeting hereby acknowledge the authority of Dail Eireann as the duly elected Government of the Irish People, and undertake to give effect to all decrees duly promulgated by the said Dail Eireann in so far as same affect this Council; and direct that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Republican Minister for Foreign Affairs for transmission to the Governments of Europe, and to the President and Chairman of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America.”

Passed unanimously.

Extract from Wicklow County Council minute book, 18th June, 1920 (Wicklow County Archives)

Proposed by Councillor M. Fleming, seconded by Councillor W. Grainger. Resolved—That this Council, having already decided to abide by the enactments and directions of Dail Eireann, and its Departments, hereby direct that no further communications on any matter whatever be conducted on behalf of the Council with the British Local Government Board. Passed.

Extract from Wicklow County Council minute book, 15th November, 1920 (Wicklow County Archives)

First minister for Agriculture



Robert Childers Barton

Robert Barton Childers (Credit: www.dail100.ie)

Robert Childers Barton of Annamoe, an extensive landowner and former British army officer joined the republican movement having been greatly impacted by witnessing the treatment of the 1916 rebels. At that first Dáil sitting in 1919, as TD for West Wicklow, he was named first minister for agriculture. Establishing the National Land Bank, Barton worked with the Land Commission and the Dáil courts to redistribute land through co-operative farming societies.

Arrest and imprisonment

Barton was arrested by the British in February 1919 for making seditious speeches at Carnew and suffered very harsh treatment in prison, before being finally released in 1921 to assist with the truce negotiations in London. While in prison, Wicklow County Council honored Barton by making him chairman of the council at a meeting in June 1920 and formally objecting to his imprisonment:

“ Resolved—Whereas R. C. Barton, T.D., was savagely sentenced to a term of penal servitude in an English prison by a Court-martial of the English Army of Occupation in Ireland, and, whereas the offence with which he was charged was an alleged speech of which certain units of the English force gave evidence, by stating that they took a “ mental note ” of the words alleged to be uttered,

“ We, the members of the Wicklow County Council, at this our initial meeting, as a protest against this inhuman treatment, and as proof that the Irish patriot in an English prison is ever dear to his people, hereby confer on R. C. Barton the highest honour it is our gift to bestow, that of Chairman of this Council.

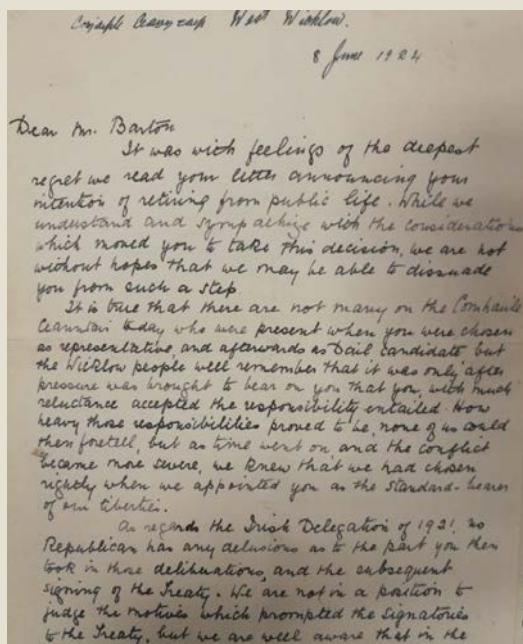
“ Further, we ask the justice-loving people of every land to note that R. C. Barton fought in France for the freedom of small Nationalities, and that England, the ‘ Champion of Small Nations,’ rewards him with a convict cell for seeking to free the oldest of the small Nations—Ireland.”

Carried unanimously.

Extract from Wicklow County Council minute book, 18th June, 1920 (Wicklow County Archives)

Truce and civil war

Having reluctantly signed the Treaty in 1921 as a member of the Irish delegation in London, Barton was re-elected to the Dáil in 1922 but did not take his seat. He joined the anti-treaty side during the civil war in support of De Valera and was again imprisoned and eventually released in December 1923. See below extract from a letter from the West Wicklow Sinn Féin Comhairle Ceantair to Barton, in an effort to persuade him back to public life:



"Wicklow people will remember that it was only after pressure was brought to bear on you that you, with much reluctance accepted the responsibility entailed how heavy those responsibilities proved to be, none of us could then foretell, but as time went on, and the conflict became more severe, we knew that we had chosen rightly when we appointed you as the standard-bearer of our liberties".

After the election of Fianna Fail in 1932, Barton eventually returned to public life serving as chairman of the Agricultural Credit Corporation and later Bórd na Móna among other public appointments and commissions.

Sources

Extract from letter from West Wicklow Comhairle Ceantair to R. Barton (Wicklow County Archives)



Wicklow 
Comhairle na nÓg
Young Voices. Local Issues.

Congratulations to Wicklow Comhairle na nÓg, winners of the Garda Youth Award for Community safety for the work carried out on internet safety and the cyber bullying charter.

Greystones 2020 launch

www.greystones.ie

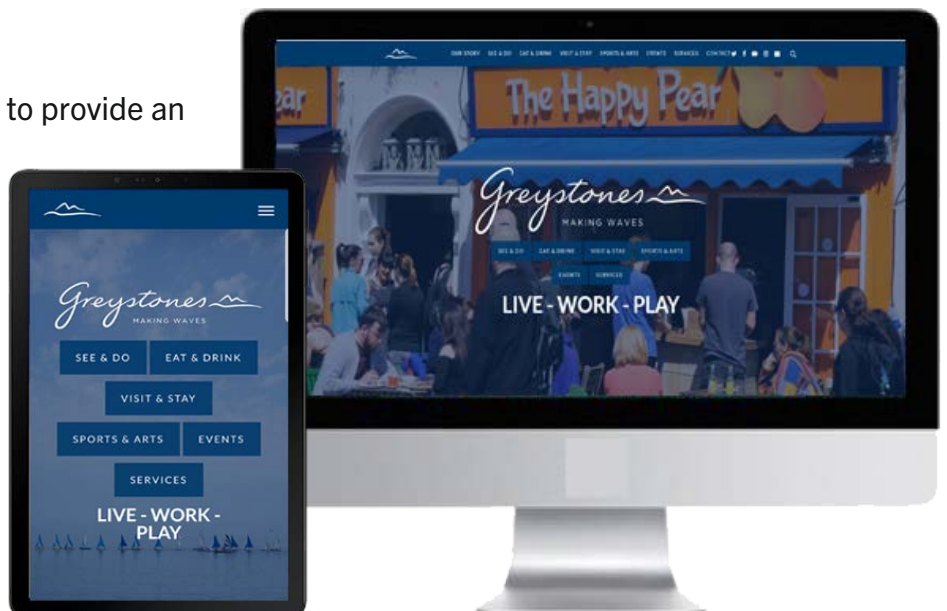
The worlds most livable town gets its own dedicated website

A new dedicated website promoting all the attractions of Greystones has recently been launched. Greystones 2020 Town Team, in partnership with Greystones Municipal District and Wicklow County Council, launched Greystones.ie in the Hotspot, Greystones, on Tuesday, 26th March 2019.

The new website highlights the many benefits of living and working in Greystones as well as promoting businesses in the town and its wonderful amenities and tourist attractions.

Also included will be an Events page to provide an opportunity to showcase What's On for both visitors and community alike.

It is the latest initiative from Greystones 2020 working in partnership with the Council on projects for the benefit of Greystones.





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Yearbook 2018 Wicklow

Breakdown of population Total 142,425



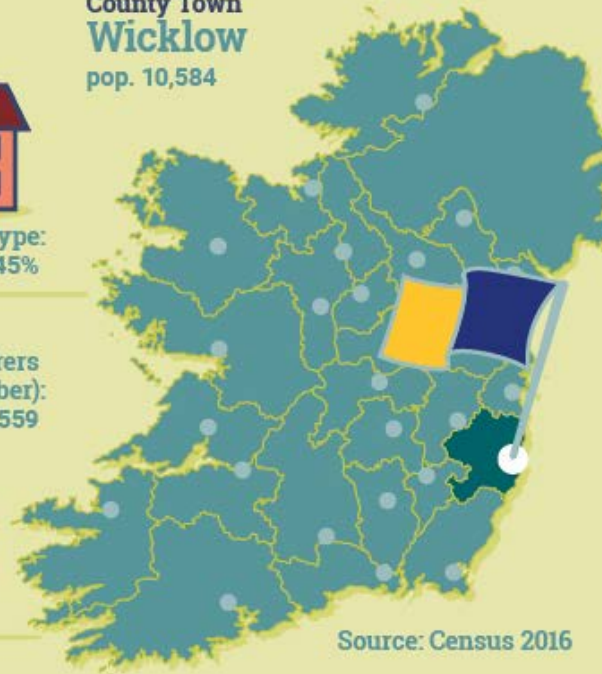
Female 72,269
Children 38,041
Male 70,156
Average age 37.2

Number & most common type of Private Households



Number: 49,211
Most common type: Detached house: 45%

County Town
Wicklow
pop. 10,584



Source: Census 2016

Number of Students/ Pupils Aged 15 and Over 11,880



Number & percentage of Persons with a Disability

Number: 19,244
Percentage of total persons: 13.5%



Carers
(number):
5,559



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Top baby names



Jack

Emily

Total population

142,425

Median house price

€315,000



1,891
Births



850
Deaths



1,072
Marriages



Have a third level
education

1,674



Speak Irish daily

Source: CSO

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Bray Recycling Centre	01 2116666		eao@wicklowcoco.ie
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Local Sports Partnership	0404 20100		ahubbard@wicklowcoco.ie
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Motor Tax - Blessington	045 858031	045 891248	motortax@wicklowcoco.ie
Planning	0404 20148	0404 69462	plandev@wicklowcoco.ie
Register of Electors	0404 20161	0404 20112	franchise@wicklowcoco.ie
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Out of Hours Calls Service

Wicklow County Council has put in place an out of hours call service to deal with calls which are considered to be of an emergency nature and require immediate assistance outside of the normal office hours i.e. 9.00am to 5.00pm.

The service is provided between the hours of 5.00pm and 9.00am, Monday to Friday and all day Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays.

Calls relating to:

- Public Water or Sewerage matters; callers will be advised to call Irish Water directly on **1850 278278**.
- For all other Council Services please phone the Wicklow County Council out of hours emergency service at **01 2916117**.
- For emergency services such as Fire Service, Ambulance or Gardai etc callers are advised to ring **112 or 999** directly.



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