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18<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.

## TO THE MAYOR & EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CARLOW

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A Meeting of the Municipal District of Carlow will be held in the **Town Hall, Carlow**, on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019, at 4.30 p.m.

The following business will be transacted and your attendance is requested.

**E. Brophy,**  
**Senior Executive Officer/  
Meetings Administrator.**

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1. **Approval of Minutes**
  - (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019, at 4.30 p.m.
  
2. **Corporate, Planning, H/R Economic Development**  
Carlow Town Regeneration / Masterplan and Update on Forum
  
3. **Planning**
  
4. **Housing**
  
5. **Transportation**  
Prioritisation of LIS List
  
6. **Community**
  - (a) Skate Park Update
  - (b) Draft Environmental /Amenity Grant Scheme 2019
  - (c) Draft Community Development Scheme 2019
  
7. **Correspondece**
  
8. **Any Other Business**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Carlow Municipal District  
Held in Town Hall, Carlow,  
on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, at 4.30 p.m.**

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**Present:** Councillor K. Murnane, Mayor  
Councillor F. Browne  
Councillor J. Cassin  
Councillor A. Dalton  
Councillor. J. Deane  
Councillor B. O'Donoghue  
Councillor W. Paton  
Councillor J. Pender  
Councillor F. Phelan

**Apologies:** Councillor W. Lacey

**In Attendance:** Ms. B. O'Brien, Director of Service  
Mr. E. Brophy, Senior Executive Officer  
Mr. P. Harrington, Senior Executive Engineer  
Mr. K. Comerford, Head of Enterprise  
Mr. R. Wickham, A/Senior Engineer  
Mr. P. Kavanagh, Economic Development Officer, Carlow  
Town Project  
Ms. Aileen Nolan, Take A Part, Carlow Co-ordinator,  
Ms. J. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Officer

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019, at 4.30 p.m. was  
Proposed by Cllr. A. Dalton,  
Seconded by Cllr. F. Browne  
And Agreed following a show of hands

### ***Presentation on the Tullow Road Project – Take A Part Carlow***

The Mayor asked Aileen Nolan and Lisa Brooks to give a presentation on Take a Part, Carlow. Aileen and Lisa gave a powerpoint presentation. The Mayor thanked Aileen and Lisa for the presentation and they answered questions from members on the project.

### **Housing, Community, Recreation & Amenity**

#### ***Draft Annual Community Service Plan 2019***

With the consent of the meeting, this item was taken next. Midge Nolan spoke on the plan which had been previously circulated. She answered questions from members on the draft service plan. The Draft Annual Community Service Plan 2019 was

Proposed by Cllr. F. Browne,

Seconded by Cllr. A. Dalton

And Agreed following a show of hands.

### **Transportation**

#### ***Area Engineers Report***

P. Harrington distributed a map of 2019 CIR proposals for agreement. P. Harrington answered questions from members on various CIR/LIS schemes and other roads issues.

An issue arose in relation to the provision of footpaths, lighting and a pedestrian crossing at a proposed respite centre in Tullow where development levies were not payable. A meeting to be proposed by Carlow County Council with the HSE with a view to exploring funding possibilities was agreed. The issue of footpaths at Merck was discussed where there is a two hundred metre gap.

#### ***Carlow Town Bus System Update***

R. Wickham circulated a report on the proposed bus service. R. Wickham advised it was hoped to have the NTA address a forthcoming CMD meeting. R. Wickham answered questions from members on the project. Members expressed their disappointment at the slow rate of progress on the project. It was agreed to also invite Irish Rail to the next CMD meeting.

### **Corporate, Planning, H/R, Economic Development**

#### ***Carlow Town Regeneration Project***

The Mayor invited K. Comerford and Pierce Kavanagh to give a presentation on progress on the Town Regeneration Project. K. Comerford and P. Kavanagh

gave the presentation and both answered questions from the members. The Town Forum had a number of meetings and now have three sub-groups with project plans for each. Pride of Carlow Premises Awards for six streets, Shop Front Upgrade Schemes to be opened tomorrow and the third is a Paint Scheme. Green Carlow sub-group had mapped green areas. K. Comerford and P. Kavanagh answered questions from members on the proposal.

### ***Housing Update***

J. Kavanagh circulated the Housing Report and answered questions from members on the report. Members wished Lena Smith well on her retirement.

### **Any Other Business**

B. O'Donoghue advised he had written to the Chair of Tidy Towns Group to try to develop a policy on elections posters, within speed limit signs.

Cllr. Cassin requested an update on Skate Park at next meeting.

Cllr. Cassin requested his dismay be recorded at the report on the Department of Psychiatry in Kilkenny.

Cllr. Dalton noted lack of capacity for children in ASD units in Carlow Town.

The members agreed a vote of sympathy be expressed to Cllr. Walter Lacey on the death of his mother Mary.



**Report on Carlow Town Activities -**  
**April 2019**

Please see below an update on the following Carlow Town activities:

- Carlow Town Development Forum
- Ireland 2040 & ERDF Funding
- Christmas in Carlow
- Festivals & Events Funding
- Carlow Town Wi-Fi

**Carlow Town Development Forum:** The Carlow Town Development Forum was set up in September 2018 and chaired by the Chief Executive. The Mayor represents the members on the Forum. The Forum has met 5 times in 2018 and twice in 2019 and is supported by the Economic Development Officer (Carlow Town). A draft Action Plan for 2019 has been discussed and agreed, and 3 sub-groups were created to drive separate projects.

These groups are:

- 1. Painting / Pride of Carlow Group**
- 2. Green Carlow Group**
- 3. Communications Group**

There has been a total of 14 Sub-Group meetings since the project established.

The Carlow Town Development Forum met on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

**Pride of Carlow Premises Awards**

The inaugural Pride of Carlow Premises Awards was held in The Waterfront Building, Mill Lane, Carlow on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. The six winners are as follows:

- Tullow Street (Upper) – Teach Dolmen
- Tullow Street (Lower) / Castle Street – Macs Menswear
- Kennedy Avenue - Moda
- Barrack Street – Neighbourhood Espresso
- Potato Market – O'Brien's Off Licence
- Dublin Street – Red Setter Guest House

The judges were JP Kennedy, Managing Director of TileStyle, Tallaght, Dublin 24 and Chairman of Retail Excellence; and Carol Smyth, Executive Planner, Dublin City Council Planning Department. The judges were very impressed with the standard of many premises, and 18 venues were shortlisted before the 6 winners were chosen.

At the presentation, Carlow County Council officially launched the Shop Front Upgrade Scheme to provide an incentive for an entire shop front upgrade which are currently being considered for awarding on week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.

### **Dedicated Paint Scheme**

It is proposed to have a dedicated Paint Scheme for Carlow Town to be advertised on week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019. The scheme will operate on the following method:

- A grant scheme based on an 80% grant rate (ex. VAT)

### **Window Display Project**

It is proposed to request owners of derelict premises to place window displays of products in their premises. The Economic Development Officer will engage with owners and estate agents to progress this project. There is also a suggestion to engage an artist to create murals on the windows of vacant premises, and discussions are in progress with the Arts Office regarding this.

### **Data Collection Research Project**

A data collection exercise around family/Carlow owned enterprises in the Town Centre in order to build a media story for release prior to Easter is currently in progress, with the Economic Development Officer (Town Centre) so far visiting premises on Castle Street, Barrack Street, Kennedy Avenue, Potato Market, Tullow Street Upper, Tullow Street Lower, and Dublin Street (approximately 100 premises in total).

### **Mapping Project**

The Green Carlow Group has completed a mapping of Carlow Town Centre, mapping out the green areas already available. From this it is envisaged that the Group would identify areas for further greening, and areas which could be given over to biodiversity, in line with The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015-2020. The Group has tendered for a Carlow Town Biodiversity Plan, which has a closing date of 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019. The Group will also select a small area on Barrack Street for planting in April, with a view to unveiling this on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019. This has been agreed by the Forum, subject to funding.

The Group is investigating the possibility of LEADER funding for the Biodiversity Plan and funding the smaller Barrack Street project through the County Council and donations.

### **Planting / Biodiversity Project**

The Group will begin planting in Barrack Street and is also looking at incorporating biodiversity planting into the hanging baskets which are funded by Carlow County Council and coordinated by Carlow Chamber. This is currently in progress, with a tender going out at the end of March, and the baskets being ready in May.



### **Awareness Campaign**

In collaboration with the Communications Group, the Green Carlow Group will generate awareness around the biodiversity and greening plans for Carlow Town and engage with other Stakeholders in the Town, such as An Gairdin Beo and Visual. The Green Group are looking at creating a weekly/bi-weekly column around biodiversity, engaging experts in the area to contribute to the column.

### **Ireland 2040 Funding**

Carlow County Council is awaiting confirmation of funding in respect of Ireland 2040 Urban Funding. The executive acknowledge it is 3 months since the announcement of funding.

Following consultation with the Department the Chief Executive has approved the awarding of the contract for the Preparation of a Regeneration Vision and Implementation Strategy including Economic Analysis and Masterplan for Carlow Town to 2040. The project team will meet the selected contractor in the coming weeks to commence the project and briefings will be arranged for members and stakeholders.

### **ERDF – Perry’s Project**

A review meeting in respect of the ERDF project was conducted with the Chief Executive, Director of Services & Enterprise Ireland of the proposal submitted for funding. It was acknowledged that the funding proposal was in line with government policy but failed on the basis of the competitive process. Further development of the project is recommended in order to allow for submission of the project and the management team will consider same in the coming weeks. It is acknowledged that elected members have not reviewed the plan for the site and briefing and review of the proposed plan can be arranged with the Economic Development Officer.

### **County Carlow – A Festive Family Experience**

A process of evaluation for County Carlow – A Festive Family Experience is currently in progress. To date a review with the organisers of the Carlow Market has been conducted, and the LEO has had meetings with advertisers and event partners. An online survey to review the public view of the activities will be conducted shortly with a full report and recommendations on the entire County Carlow – A Festive Family Experience to be complete for end April 2019. Planning for Christmas 2019 will commence in May 2019.

### **Festival & Event Funding**

Festival & Event Funding has been agreed by the members, and all recipients have been informed. Meetings between the Local Enterprise Office and all recipients have been organised.

### **Carlow Town Wi-Fi**

Meetings have been commenced in order to progress and investigate free public Wi-Fi for Carlow Town in external public areas has been conducted and at the proposal will be reviewed during April for further consideration by the elected members in May/June 2019.

## **Brexit Supports**

It is acknowledged that Brexit may have a significant impact on the Retail Sector with the support of County Carlow Chamber will roll out “Prepare Your Business for Customs” Practical Workshop on an ongoing basis for relevant companies. Brexit mentoring is available from the Local Enterprise Office which can be availed of by contacting the Senior Enterprise Development Officer in the Local Enterprise Office.

*Fiona O'Neill*

Director of Services (Acting)

*Kieran Comerford*

Head of Enterprise

Housing Report Update Carlow Municipal District April 2019

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**TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CARLOW**  
**HOUSING UPDATE FOR APRIL MEETING 2019**

• **CURRENT LOCAL AUTHORITY BUILD PROJECTS in Municipal District**

| <b>LOCATION</b>                  | <b>NUMBER OF UNITS</b> | <b>Current Status</b> | <b>Delivery Date</b> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Castle Oaks (Part V)             | 5                      | Closed                | Quarter 1 2019       |
| Carrigbrook, The Laurels, Carlow | 63                     | On site               | Quarter 4 2019/2020  |
| Dublin Road, Tullow              | 21                     | On Site               | Quarter 1 2020       |
| Fr. Flood Avenue, Rathvilly      | 8                      | On Site               | Quarter 1 2020       |
| Dereen Heights                   | 2                      | Tender Assessment     |                      |
| St. Mary's Park                  | 4                      | Tender Assessment     |                      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>103</b>             |                       |                      |

**CURRENT APPROVED HOUSING BODIES - BUILD PROJECTS**

| <b>AHB/LOCATION</b>                                       | <b>NUMBER OF UNITS</b> | <b>Current Status</b>   | <b>Delivery Date</b> |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| CLUID – Sleaty Street, Carlow                             | 26                     | COMPLETE                | QUARTER 1 2019       |
| TUATH – Brownhill   | 44<br>(27 delivered)   | In progress             | Quarter 2 2019       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Maple Road)    | 3 (Phase 1)            | Acquisition in progress | Quarter 2 2019       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Maple Road)    | 4 (Phase 2)            | Acquisition in progress | Quarter 2 2019       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Maple Road)    | 8 (Phase 1)            | New Build               | Quarter 4 2019       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Maple Park)    | 20 (Phase 2 & 3)       | New Build               | Quarter 4 2019       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Beech Close)   | 9 (Phase 4)            | New Build               | Quarter 1 2020       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Rivercourt (Beech Park)    | 10 (Phase 5)           | New Build               | Quarter 2 2020       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Ballon                     | 22                     | On Site                 | Quarter 4 2020       |
| Co-Operative Housing Ireland – Ballickmoyler Road, Carlow | 57                     |                         | Quarter 4 2020       |
| RESPOND – Shillelagh Road, Tullow                         | 47                     |                         | To be confirmed      |
| TINTEÁN – Pollerton                                       | 6                      | Approved                | Quarter 4 2019       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>256</b>             |                         |                      |

### **Vacant Properties**

7 casual vacancies currently in Carlow town all have gone to tender for refurbishment works to be carried out in advance of allocation

### **Purchases**

5 properties purchased to date in 2019 to undergo renovation in advance of allocation.

**Michael Brennan**  
**A/Director of Service**  
**18<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

### **Houses in progress in Tullow**







5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**To the Mayor and Each Member of the Municipal District of Carlow**

**Re: Draft Environmental / Amenity Grant Scheme 2019**

Members have provided €25,700 in the 2019 Annual Service Plan for Environmental/ Amenity and Tidy Towns grants. Notice of the scheme was advertised in the local press and eligible applications were received. Members will be aware of the very valuable work carried out by community and voluntary groups throughout the county with the assistance of Carlow County Council's Environmental / Amenity Grant Scheme. The scheme has played a major role in transforming the appearance of the Municipal Districts. The money invested by this Council is greatly supplemented by the communities and Tidy Towns Groups through their voluntary efforts and fund raising activities and many areas/communities also receive separate funding through success in Council Initiatives such as Carlow's Pride of Place.

This year a total of 88 applications were received from Community Groups/Residents Associations in the Municipal District of Carlow compared with 83 in 2018.

I recommend the schedule of grants, as per attached, for consideration and approval. Members can if they wish give consideration to increasing the grants by providing extra funding from your Discretionary Grant.

*Michael Brennan*

**Michael Brennan  
 Community, Recreation &  
 Amenity Department  
 Carlow County Council**

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## Environmental / Amenity Grant Scheme 2019

|    | <b>Residents Association / Community Groups</b> | <b>Recommended Grant €</b> |
|----|---|----------------------------|
| 1  | 1 to 20 St. Patrick's Park Residents            | 200                        |
| 2  | An Gáirdín Beo                                  | 300                        |
| 3  | Anglers Walk Residents Association              | 300                        |
| 4  | Ashfield Residents Association                  | 300                        |
| 5  | Askea Lawn Working Group                        | 400                        |
| 6  | Avondale Drive Residents Association            | 300                        |
| 7  | Bellwood Drive Residents Association            | 200                        |
| 8  | Bourlum Residents Association                   | 200                        |
| 9  | Bramble Court Residents Association             | 200                        |
| 10 | Brooklawns Residents Association                | 300                        |
| 11 | Burrin Manor Residents Association              | 400                        |
| 12 | Burrindale Residents Association                | 200                        |
| 13 | Carlow Millstream Residents Association         | 200                        |
| 14 | Carlow Union of Parishes                        | 200                        |
| 15 | Carrig Rua Tullow Road Res Association          | 200                        |
| 16 | Castle Oaks Residents Association               | 200                        |
| 17 | Cathedral Close Residents Association           | 200                        |
| 18 | Clonmore Community Centre                       | 100                        |
| 19 | Cois na Coill                                   | 200                        |
| 20 | College Green Residents Association             | 200                        |
| 21 | Comharsana Res Association                      | 150                        |
| 22 | County Carlow Sustainability Festival           | 200                        |
| 23 | Courtlawns Residents                            | 200                        |
| 24 | Dargan Lawns Residents Association              | 200                        |
| 25 | Dereen Heights                                  | 200                        |
| 26 | Dun a Ri Committee                              | 200                        |
| 27 | Eagle Hill Road/Marian Tce. Hacketstown         | 300                        |
| 28 | Feltham Hall Residents Association              | 200                        |
| 29 | Fr. Byrne Park                                  | 300                        |
| 30 | Fr. Cullen Terrace                              | 300                        |
| 31 | Friars Green Residents Association              | 200                        |



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| 32 | Gallipot Residents Association                  | 150 |
| 33 | Governey Park Residents                         | 400 |
| 34 | Graigowan Residents                             | 200 |
| 35 | Hawthorn Residents Association                  | 300 |
| 36 | Hazel Court Residents Association               | 200 |
| 37 | Heatherfield Court Residents Association        | 200 |
| 38 | Highfield Residents Association                 | 300 |
| 39 | Hillbrook Residents Association                 | 300 |
| 40 | Hillview Residents Associations                 | 300 |
| 41 | John Sweeney Park Residents Association         | 400 |
| 42 | Kernanstown Residents Association               | 300 |
| 43 | Kingswood Residence Association                 | 200 |
| 44 | Lacken Rise Residents Association               | 200 |
| 45 | Laurels Residents Association                   | 400 |
| 46 | Michael Collin Park Residents Association       | 200 |
| 47 | Millstream Residents Association                | 200 |
| 48 | Monacurragh Residents Association               | 300 |
| 49 | Monastery Court Residents Association           | 200 |
| 50 | Montgomery Street                               | 200 |
| 51 | Mount Leinster Residents Association            | 300 |
| 52 | New Oak Residents Association                   | 400 |
| 53 | New Street Residents                            | 200 |
| 54 | Oak Park Drive Residents Association            | 300 |
| 55 | Oaklawns Old Dublin Road                        | 200 |
| 56 | Oakley Park Residents Association               | 300 |
| 57 | Old Burrin Residents Association                | 300 |
| 58 | Paddocks Residents Association                  | 200 |
| 59 | Pinewood Residents Association                  | 200 |
| 60 | Poachers Gate Residents Association             | 200 |
| 61 | Rath Feilim Residents                           | 200 |
| 62 | Rivercourt Residents Association                | 200 |
| 63 | Riverview Close                                 | 200 |
| 64 | Seven Springs Idrone Park Green Res Association | 300 |
| 65 | Sharon Ave Residents Association                | 300 |

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|----|---|-----|
| 66 | Sherwood Residents Association                          | 200 |
| 67 | Slaney Meadows Residents Association                    | 300 |
| 68 | Springfield Drive Residents Association                 | 200 |
| 69 | Springfield Park Residents Association                  | 200 |
| 70 | St. Johns Caring Centre                                 | 100 |
| 71 | St. Mary's Park Residents Association                   | 300 |
| 72 | St. Patrick's Park & Phelan Street                      | 250 |
| 73 | Steeple View Crescent Residents                         | 200 |
| 74 | Talbot Tce./Browneshill Walk/Greenhills Res Association | 300 |
| 75 | The Downs Residents Association                         | 200 |
| 76 | The Fairways Residents Association                      | 200 |
| 77 | The Glade Residents Association                         | 200 |
| 78 | The Glen Residents Association                          | 200 |
| 79 | The Millrace Housing Association                        | 200 |
| 80 | The Orchards Residents Association                      | 300 |
| 81 | The Plots Allotments                                    | 250 |
| 82 | Willow Park Residents Association                       | 300 |

|   | <b>Tidy Towns Groups</b>         | <b>Recommended Grant €</b> |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Carlow Tidy Towns Association    | 1700                       |
| 2 | Clonmore Development Association | 500                        |
| 3 | DTA Tullow Tidy Towns Committee  | 1700                       |
| 4 | Hacketstown Community Group      | 700                        |
| 5 | Rathvilly Tidy Towns             | 700                        |
| 6 | Tinryland Tidy Towns             | 500                        |



**17<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**To the Mayor and Each Member of the Municipal District of Carlow**

**Re: Draft Community Development Grant Scheme 2019**

Members provided €10,000 in the 2019 Annual Service Plan for Community grants. It is noted that Members agreed that Bursary Awards for Carlow College and IT Carlow are to be funded from this allocation which equates to €3,000. The scheme was advertised in the local press.

The aim of this grant scheme is to support community and voluntary groups in County Carlow who undertake projects/activities which benefit the local community and specifically support the following key priority areas:

- Community Development (increasing the ability of individuals and groups to influence issues that affect them and their communities, supporting people to take part in decision making, recognising that some people may need additional support to overcome barriers they face and supporting the right of people to make their own choices)
- Work with groups who experience social exclusion and increase their opportunities for participation
- Work with groups to promote integration of Travellers and new communities

Members will be aware of the very valuable and worthwhile work carried out by these groups throughout the county.

A total of 27 applications were received from Community and Voluntary Groups in the Municipal District of Carlow compared to 29 in 2018. 21 groups were successful in being recommended for funding under this scheme and 6 groups were unsuccessful in their application as they did not meet the criteria of this grant scheme, however they may be eligible for funding under the Communities Facilities or the Local Agenda 21 Grant Schemes.

I recommend the schedule of grants, as per attached, for consideration and approval. Members can if they wish give consideration to increasing the grants detailed below by providing extra funding from your Discretionary Grant.

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*Michael Brennan*

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Community, Recreation & Amenity  
Carlow County Council

|     | <b>Community &amp; Voluntary Groups</b>             | <b>Recommended Grant €</b> |
|-----|---|----------------------------|
| 1.  | Amigo's   | 200                        |
| 2.  | Cairdeas Centre                                     | 400                        |
| 3.  | Carlow Older Person's Forum                         | 300                        |
| 4.  | *Carlow & South Leinster Rape Crisis Centre Limited | 500                        |
| 5.  | Carlow Beekeepers Association                       | 200                        |
| 6.  | Carlow LGBTI  | 400                        |
| 7.  | *County Carlow Environmental Network                | 200                        |
| 8.  | *Eist Cancer Support Centre                         | 400                        |
| 9.  | Equal Chances Polish School                         | 200                        |
| 10. | Forward Steps Resource Centre                       | 400                        |
| 11. | Green Polish Group                                  | 200                        |
| 12. | Irish Wheelchair Association                        | 300                        |
| 13. | New Oak Social Club                                 | 250                        |
| 14. | Rathvilly Development Group                         | 400                        |
| 15. | *South East Regional Family Support Network         | 400                        |
| 16. | St Catherine's International Women's Group          | 400                        |
| 17. | St Catherine's -Traveller Men's Group               | 300                        |
| 18. | Syrian Women's Group-Tullow                         | 350                        |
| 19. | Tullow Men's Shed                                   | 400                        |
| 20. | Tullow Multicultural Women's Group                  | 400                        |
| 21. | Tullow Road Development Group                       | 400                        |

\*Please note recommended for part funding from the Municipal District of Muinebheag.

**From:** Carlow PPN  
**Sent:** Thursday 18 April 2019 11:58  
**To:** Fiona O'Neill <[oneillf@carlowcoco.ie](mailto:oneillf@carlowcoco.ie)>  
**Subject:** FW: Rainbow Crosswalk Project

Hello,

Carlow Pride Festival is a voluntary local non profit community group set up last year with the help of Carlow County Development Partnership. Our mission as a group is to be a beacon for LGBT+ people in Carlow County and the south east by holding Carlows first ever Pride Parade and Festival in July 2019.

This year - we are the only Pride in the entire South East, so public and business attention is notable with our engagements on social media, in our email, through the funding granted and by the donations we have received. We are aiming to be that beacon of hope in July for Carlow Town, Carlow County and the entire South East of Ireland.

Our group has emerged in the South East at the right time - In the last few months we have done countless radio and magazine interviews and there has been a enormous public interest in this project.

In the last few months we have got the backing form Carlow County Development Partnership, Carlow Credit Union, Fáilte Ireland, Carlow County Council, Ireland's Ancient East and Local Enterprise Office. Businesses around Carlow are now proudly raising the Rainbow Flag and raising the hopes, visibility and inclusion of LGBT people in Carlow.

Because of this we want to create one of Europe's first ever rainbow crosswalks in Carlow Town. Rainbow crosswalks are temporary or permanent installations that are beacons of hope and happiness. Around the world, these padestrian crossings have generated enormous boosts to tourism, business and community harmony. One of the most famous ones in the world in West Hollywood bear Beverly Hills was designed by prolific artist Martin Duvander. This permanent monument is one of the most photographed things in Los Angeles. Martin has reached our to our group and offered to donate some of his artwork for auction to help make this a reality for our small town.

We have teamed up with local artist and businesses to make this project a reality. Currently we have our local artist drawing up ideas and some of his creation. His has also superimposed these ideas onto streets in Carlow so we can visualise his work. The Paint Hub have also said that they will donate all paint and materials required to make this project happen.

A local commercial paint manufacturer and wholesaler has offer three different types of road grade paint that are Council approved. One is temporary (6-12 weeks), semi perminant (1-3 years) and permanent (10+ years). All of these specifications and the entire classification of those products are available on request.

We are determined to create a permanent representation of LGBT people in Carlow. It will represent the people who left, the people who stayed and the people who never came back.

To this end, I am writing to request if members of Carlow Pride Festival can present to the MD of Carlow on this idea in the hope that Carlow can be put on the map as representative of the LGBT community in the County.

I look forward to your response.

Many thanks,

John Paul Payne

**Pictured - Sydney Australia.**

More information about our group:

GCN interview April 2019 -  
<https://gcn.ie/carlow-pride-rural/>

Beat FM interview March 2019 -  
<https://soundcloud.com/beat102103/the-sunday-grill-podcast-17-march-2019> Starts at 26mins  
25sec

KCLR interview April 2019 -  
<https://soundcloud.com/kclr96fm/kclr-live-carlow-pride-will-shine-this-summer>

Thanks so much!