

Rural Brief May 2022

Investing in Community Leadership

Handling Conflict (In Groups, Meetings, with Staff, Volunteers etc)

11th & 12th May 2022 Times: 9.30am-4.30pm Venue: Fermanagh house, Enniskillen **Facilitator: Diane Greer**

Developing the knowledge and skills to manage conflict and disagreement in groups,



in committee meetings etc is key to being able to effectively engaging with and communicate with groups of people in the Community with similar goals but differing ideas, opinions, or values.

This is a practical, 2 day face to face interactive course aimed at exploring the roots of conflict in groups and helping you identify ways to manage them.

Link to registration:

https://forms.gle/kbcn4qD1WsLqJfWAA

Social Value Engine

Join us on Tuesday 17th May as our partners in East Riding of Yorkshire Council & Rose Regeneration demonstrate how the Social Value Engine can work for your group.

Conor from RCN will also be in attendance to explain how groups, funders & Government Departments have used the Engine in NI to date.

Social Value is being introduced into legislation in Northern Ireland this Summer. Get ahead of the curve and find out how the Engine can assist your group.

To register, click the link below.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/social-value-enginedemonstration-tickets-298074467757

To find out more, contact Conor at RCN: conor@ruralcommunitynetwork.org

April Policy Link

April's Policy Link is now available on our website for anyone interested in keeping up with recent policy changes. To view the document, please click the link below:

Poilcy-Link-April-2022-final.pdf (ruralcommunitynetwork.org)

Defibrillator Grant

Grants of £300 are available to sports clubs, community groups and individuals who are fundraising for a public access defibrillator in their area.

If you are a RCN member and would like to know more, contact Conor.

The grants are being made available by London Hearts which is a leading heart charity in the UK with the aim of placing defibrillators in communities and delivering CPR and defibrillator training.

To be eligible applicants need to confirm that they are or will be fundraising for a defibrillator. For more info on this, contact Conor at RCN.

Applications can be submitted at any time.







https://londonhearts.org/defibrillator-grants

RCN Recruitment

RCN are currently hiring a Community Relations Support Officer. The closing date is 25th May @ 12 noon. To apply, please access the forms using the link and return to kevin@ruralcommunitynetwork.org:

https://www.ruralcommunitynetwork.org/recruitment/r cn-recruitment-community-relations-support-officer-p-t







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National Lottery Fund

Could you help decide how National Lottery money supports communities in Northern Ireland?

The National Lottery Community Fund has two exciting opportunities for people that are passionate about making a positive difference for communities in Northern Ireland.

They are seeking to recruit two new Northern Ireland Committee members for an initial period of four years. The closing date is **5pm on Friday 13 May 2022** If this feels like an opportunity for you, please apply through the website:

https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/about/jobs

Community Buddy Programme

Cycle Against Suicide are offering the Community Buddy programme, which is available free of charge to all community groups. This programme trains individuals in communities how to have a structured but supportive conversation in a safe and non-judgemental space. It allows an individual to discuss how they are coping or not coping, and working together, the individual working with the Buddy discuss (co-produce) ways of moving forward to overcome the challenges. If this is of interest please apply on the website:

https://www.cycleagainstsuicide.com/register-tobecome-community-buddy/

30 Years of Irish Rural Link

Irish Rural Link celebrated 30 years in operation in 2021 but due to Covid were unable to mark this occasion. They are holding their Annual Conference on Friday 6th May from 9.30am GMT to celebrate their 30th Anniversary. It will take a look back at the changes in Rural Ireland over the past 30 years and look to what changes are expected in the future.

The conference will be live streamed and will be available on https://vimeo.com/703365539

More details about the conference:

https://www.irishrurallink.ie/irl-30th-anniversary-conference/

Community Transport Manifesto

Community Transport sector's commitment to accessible, inclusive, and sustainable travel. It explains how we can support the reduction of inequalities and contribute to the decrease of carbon emissions. There is an opportunity through Community Transport to tackle some key political and societal challenges and through proper sustainable investment into the sector, there will be far-reaching and positive returns.

We're calling on all Assembly candidates and their parties ahead of 5th May to commit to:

- Support Sustainable and Multi-Year Funding
- Champion and Invest in Transport to Health and Social Care
- Address Poverty and Prevent Loneliness
- Collaborate with Community Transport to Deliver Net Zero

We are asking all members, stakeholders, partners and friends to pledge their support for our Manifesto on social media (we are on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn) and to encourage candidates to do the same.

To find out more please visit our website:

<u>Community Transport – Help Unlock its full Potential |</u> <u>Community Transport Association (ctauk.org)</u>

NFU Mutual Charitable Trust

NFU MUTUAL CHARITABLE TRUST Grants available: £1,000 - £50,000

Deadline to apply: Friday 27th May 2022

Who is the funding for?

NFU Mutual Charitable Trust is accepting grant applications from charities and not-for-profit organisations that support rural communities across the UK. The trust wants to fund projects that reflect the NFU's objectives. Some of these are to advance public education, relieve poverty and benefit the social welfare of the inhabitants of rural communities. When will you hear back? July 2022

For further information please visit:

https://www.nfumutual.co.uk/about-us/charitable-trust/applications-for-funding/



