

Farewell

In July we said farewell to our friend, colleague and Membership, Social Value and Training Officer – Conor McGale – as he headed off for pastures new.



Conor invested 7 years with RCN - supporting rural communities, people and organisations to develop capacity and increase their impact. We wish Conor all the best as he starts his new role with Rose Regeneration.

Trauma Informed Practice Training

As part of Good Relations Week 2023, Rural Community Network (RCN) is delivering an online course in Trauma Informed Practice - Level 1 Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Awareness.

This workshop is part of RCN's ongoing participation in, and commitment to, the regional strategy to embed ACEs Awareness and Trauma Informed knowledge and practice at community and statutory levels. Delivery will be provided by RCN staff who have been trained by Safeguarding Board NI (SBNI). All resources used to deliver the workshop have been developed by SBNI.

Where: Zoom

Date: Monday 18th September 2023

Time: 10am to 12.45pm

For more information and to register click [here](#).



A Rural Gathering

Inclusive and thriving rural places and people are at the heart of Rural Community Network.

As part of Good Relations Week 2023, we are teaming up with TIDES Training to deliver a special seminar where we will creatively explore how we continue to grow inclusive rural spaces and places of welcome, creativity, innovation and sustainability. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

Where: RCN office, Cookstown

Date: Friday 22nd September 2023

Time: 10am to 2pm

Register [here](#).



Social Media Training

Being on social media is essential for generating visibility and helping people find out what you do. But with a huge range of digital platforms available, how do you know which is better for your organization? This training session will help you navigate your way through each platform and signpost you to tools that can help make things easier.

Lunch and refreshments provided.

Where: RCN office, Cookstown

Date: Wednesday 27th September 2023

Time: 10am to 12.30pm

Sign up: <https://forms.gle/y2LPQ2P4ThHNNkd1A>



Data Protection Update with ICO

DATA PROTECTION UPDATE

with

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Information Commissioner's Office

**Wednesday 18th October 2023
@ 10.30 am**

- The role of the ICO
- What is personal information?
- The data protection principles
- Lawful basis for processing
- Individual data protection rights:
- Breach reporting
- Update on the DPDI Bill



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To book your place contact:
yvonne@ruralcommunitynetwork.org
Tel: 028 86766670
Live in person event/Light Lunch provided



Rural Community Awards

The Housing Executive have launched their 2023 Rural Community Awards competition. They want to continue to celebrate the work of volunteers across NI who are quite often the 'unsung heroes' within our communities.

For the chance to win any of the three Rural Community Awards please click on the link [here](#) for more information.

Entry forms should be returned by post to:
The Rural Unit Northern
Ireland Housing Executive, 2 Adelaide Street, Belfast,
BT2 8PB

Alternately entries can be emailed to:
rural.housing@nihe.gov.uk



Avoiding Blunders with Funders



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**A Practical Guide to Submitting
Funding Applications**

Wednesday 15th November 2023 @ 10.30 am



To book your place contact: yvonne@ruralcommunitynetwork.org
Tel: 028 86766670 Live in person event/Light Lunch provided

Impact Workshop

The ability to understand and demonstrate outcomes and impact is becoming a key requirement for many within the voluntary and community sector. The purpose of this event will be to explore the impact of community development, hear from the lived experiences of those volunteering and/or working in the community/ voluntary sector and reflect on the impact of our work. Facilitated by NICVA

To register click [here](#).

When: Thursday 21st September 2023

Time: 4.45pm - 8.00pm

Where: Fermanagh House



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