

Meeting 20: Louth Local Development Offices, The Haymarket, Drogheda

Friday 29th September 2023

The See Something Say Something confidential free text alert system was launched by Drogheda Implementation Board and An Garda Síochána. Members of the public are encouraged to report anti-social behaviour anonymously and for free by texting DROGHEDA, followed by the incident location and details, to 50555.

It was agreed to commence a planned communications campaign relating to drug related litter.

Tusla have allocated resources for a part-time Family Support Practitioner to be hosted in the Red Door Project. They will work with the hardest to reach young people and families challenged by addiction.

A request for funding for an early intervention youth justice worker on the Northside of Drogheda, based in Foróige's CABLE project and endorsed by Drogheda Implementation Board has been approved by the Department of Justice.

Significant progress has been made in relation to the transfer of a property in Rathmullen for the purposes of developing a community resource there. It is anticipated that the transfer process will be completed by November 2023.

Significant progress is also being made in relation to Moneymore Townland Community Hub. A workshop has been convened between the four community organisations that make up Moneymore Consortium and Louth County Council to agree governance arrangements. Following this Louth County Council will proceed to planning.

An update on the progress of projects funded via the Drogheda Implementation Board small grants scheme was reviewed. Projects are progressing well with a number of events taking place over the coming weeks and months to celebrate participant activity.

The Drogheda Nurture Fund, a microfinance fund for entrepreneurs and small businesses in the Drogheda and Laytown-Bettystown areas was launched on 6th September. Further information <u>here</u>

Drogheda Implementation Board are hosting an event for sporting clubs and organisations of all codes in DIFE on Saturday 21^{st} October from 10 - 1. Minister Thomas Byrne will open the event and Davy Fitzgerald is the keynote speaker. Places can be <u>booked here</u>.

A Drogheda Community Safety and Wellbeing Event, being organised by members of Drogheda Implementation Board subgroups in partnership with Louth Local Development, is due to take place on Tuesday 14th November from 9.30-12.30. Email <u>implementationboard@Imetb.ie</u> for more information.