

Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

# Community E-Zine

Welcome to the first edition of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council's quarterly E-zine for community and voluntary groups. We hope to keep you up to date with relevant information about training, funding and Council services. We will also provide a showcase for the amazing work that is carried out by community groups across the Borough.

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We would love to hear from you, so if there is something you would like to see included then email us at:

[community.development@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk](mailto:community.development@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk)

# What is Community Development?

'Community Development is empowering people to make a difference in their community for the benefit of all...'

Resilient, Healthy and Engaged Communities is one of the key strategic themes of Councils Strategy.

Through its Community Support Plan Council aims to strengthen local communities, increase community participation and promote social inclusion. We do this by supporting community groups, community activity and local advice services.

Council receives financial assistance from the Department for Communities (DfC) which we match to support these activities.

We can provide support to your organisation in the following ways

- Grant Programmes
- Support with new group set up and governance issues
- Support to carry out local engagement exercises
- Guidance in operating community buildings
- Sourcing & applying for funding
- Signposting to other support services
- Support to develop business cases for community projects
- Support to review financial sustainability
- Co-ordination and support for groups in the Neighbourhood Renewal areas

**Please get in touch if you think we can help!**

# The Community Development Team

Useful contact information for the members of our Community Development Team

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# Sharing Good News

## From Local Groups

### Loughgiel Community Association

**Loughgiel Community Association** was recently successful in securing £197,000 from the Big Lottery Fund for NI – People & Communities Programme. The grant will fund a part time Co-ordinator and essential programmes for the group. A great deal of work and consultation took place facilitated by the group and supported by the Community Development Officer with Council. Well done to the group and best wishes with their project.



If you have a good news story you would like to share please get in touch.

# Benbradagh Community Support

**Benbradagh Community Support** A very well done to Benbradagh Community Support in Dungiven for securing BBC CIN funding, awarding the group £84,797 for a 3 year period for a partnership between Benbradagh Community Support and Gortnahey Youth Club. The grant will cover a youth engagement officer, youth support staff, some equipment and materials in year 1 and a great deal of our project and activity costs for the 3 years. The project will be split across the two areas with two nights per week of youth work in Dungiven and one in Gortnahey during term time as well as a full summer programme in both areas.

This is a great example of partnership working and sharing of resources, very well done to the group and best wishes for the project.



# Burnfoot Community Association

**Burnfoot Community Association** successfully completed a consultation exercise over the summer months with the help of the Community Development Team in Council. A targeted consultation process took place with the key programmes running in the Centre including the Playgroup, Out of Schools, Summer Scheme, parents, children and the seniors group.

A visioning session took place with the committee to determine the needs of the group for the future. A feedback day took place on 17th September attended by over 50 members of the community to present the consultation report. The group will have the capacity to use their consultation report for future funding applications. A very well done to the group who are totally volunteer led for their commitment and participation in the exercise.





# Sharing Your Community Space!

The Peace IV Sharing Your Community Space Programme has brought together 34 local organisations that operate community facilities in the Borough to explore the idea of shared space and how our local community facilities can be welcoming and shared for everyone.

Each organisation took part in a developmental dialogue and engagement programme as well as skills workshops and study visits aimed at sharing each other's experiences and looking at how to make their facilities more open, shared and accessible. The facilities will also benefit from small scale capital improvement works ranging from £9,000 to £20,000 each.

All shapes and sizes of community facilities have participated in the programme, from large community centres to small community houses, Orange Halls, Gaelic Clubs, old buildings and new.

With capital works well under way, the organisations are using their learning from the programme to look at new ways to engage with local communities and new activities that they can run in their centres.

The unique programme is part of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council's €4.3m grant from the European Union's PEACE IV Programme, which is managed by the Special EU Programmes Body, and will help deliver the Council's Local Authority Action Plan.



# Have your say about policing and community safety issues

## in Causeway Coast and Glens

Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership (CCG PCSP) is undertaking a strategic assessment of needs for its new five-year strategy (2019 to 2024) and one-year action plan for the Causeway Coast and Glens area.

The overall purpose of PCSPs is to help make communities safer, and to ensure that the voices of local people are heard on policing and community safety issues. The aim is to empower communities to develop solutions that will help to tackle crime, fear of crime and anti-social behaviour. The CCG PCSP's yearly action plan aims to make a positive difference to communities,

contributing to a reduction in crime and enhancing community safety in the district.

You can also contribute your views through the online CCG PCSP survey which can be accessed via the link below.

This should take no more than ten minutes to complete. Please pass this survey link onto others in your community, as we are keen to get as many responses as possible to this survey.



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# The Honourable, The Irish Society



## Charitable Grants

The Society evolved into a self-funding, cross-community charitable organisation many years ago and continues to work today for the benefit of the community in County Londonderry.

We welcome applications from individuals and local organisations – from amateur sports and senior citizens clubs; youth groups; community, residents, workers and health associations to schools and other educational bodies – across the entire County. And, for a limited period, in association with The Clothworkers' Company we can offer grants to charities anywhere in Northern Ireland - see the overview page for conditions.

## Funding Programmes

Grants are currently limited to £750 max for a group; a 5 year rule applies to repeat applications. Further guidelines and examples can be found on our website. Applications are considered by a Local Advisory Committee meeting 3 times a year, currently in February, June and October. Closing dates for each meeting are normally 5th January, 5th May and 5th September.

In addition we now have a limited amount of funding available for NI charitable projects outside of County Londonderry: £2,000 max size of grant.

## Contact

For more details and application forms, please visit:

**[www.honourableirishsociety.org.uk](http://www.honourableirishsociety.org.uk)**

or write to:

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Telephone: 028 7034 4796

Email: [theirishsociety@btconnect.com](mailto:theirishsociety@btconnect.com)

Look at some of our Grant examples and check the Guidelines to see if you believe the Society could help you or your organisation. Or see details of Recent Grants awarded in the News and Events section. Other sources of funding can also be found in the Northern Ireland Trust Group's Voluntary Action Handbook.



A Community Engagement Platform has been set up for Causeway Coast and Glens. The aim of the Platform is to help build relationships and connect more voices to local public service providers and decision makers and to act as a borough wide platform for consultation and engagement with the community and voluntary sector. The Platform will also provide community representation on Causeway Coast and Glens Community Planning Strategic Partnership. Two well-attended and enthusiastic sessions have taken place with representation from a wide range of community & voluntary groups from across the whole Borough. There is still an

opportunity to get involved! If you are a member of a Causeway Coast and Glens based community and voluntary group, involved in community development, networking, sports, social enterprise, arts, environment, health or social inclusion then get in touch with us at: T: 028 27660204

Causeway Coast and Glens Community Planning Strategic Partnership is calling on individuals active within the community and voluntary sector to co-chair the new Community Engagement Platform. Nomination for the role of a Co-chair is now open to any interested individual active in the local community and voluntary sector of Causeway Coast and Glens. Click this button for more details and the Nomination Form:

## Community Development Seminar Series

Please find information about some interesting and informal community seminars/ workshops coming up. If you are interested in older people's issues, rural issues, community empowerment, safeguarding and mental health and wellbeing, then please register to book a space at: [community.development@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk](mailto:community.development@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk)

	Date & Time	Venue	Topic and Speakers	Who should attend
<b>Seminar 1</b>	Tuesday, 5th March 2019 10.00am - 12.30pm	Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre Limavady	Lifeline – Who they are and what they offer communities. Aware Defeat Depression – Wellbeing Being Programmes Support Groups	Community Development Organisations Mental Health and Well-Being organisations who deliver services and support to local communities
<b>Seminar 2</b>	Tuesday, 12th March 2019 10.00am - 12.30pm	Flowerfield Arts Centre Portstewart	AGE NI – Older People – Regional Perspective Alzheimer's Society	Community Development organisations Community Development groups providing service/luncheon club/activities/projects for older people.
<b>Seminar 3</b>	Tuesday, 19th March 2019 10.00am - 1.00pm	Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre Limavady	NSPCC Safeguarding Children and Young People Level 2 Training	Community Development Organisations who provide Summer Schemes/Youth Clubs/Other Youth Related Activities/Community Residential
<b>Seminar 4</b>	Tuesday, 26th March 2019 12.30pm - 3.00pm	Flowerfield Arts Centre Portstewart	Neill McInroy - Centre for Local Economic Strategies - The UK's leading independent think and do tank with an aim to achieve social justice, good local economies and effective public services	Community Development Organisations Groups campaigning or interested in issues such rural isolation, women, disability, older, social enterprises etc

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 we want  
 to hear  
 from you...



## Useful Contacts

<b>Limavady Volunteer Centre</b>	<a href="http://www.lcdi.co.uk">www.lcdi.co.uk</a>	028 7776 5438
<b>Causeway Volunteer Centre</b>	<a href="http://www.causewayvc.org">www.causewayvc.org</a>	028 7035 8285
<b>Causeway Rural &amp; Urban Network</b>	<a href="http://www.crun.org">www.crun.org</a>	028 7034 4934
<b>North Antrim Community Network</b>	<a href="http://www.nacn.org">www.nacn.org</a>	028 2177 2100
<b>Building Communities Resource Centre</b>	<a href="http://www.theresourcecentre.org">www.theresourcecentre.org</a>	028 2766 5068
<b>Supporting Communities NI</b>	<a href="http://www.supportingcommunities.org">www.supportingcommunities.org</a>	028 2564 5676
<b>NICVA</b>	<a href="http://www.nicva.org">www.nicva.org</a>	028 9087 7777
<b>Rural Community Network</b>	<a href="http://www.ruralcommunitynetwork.org">www.ruralcommunitynetwork.org</a>	028 8676 6670

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COMMUNITY BUILDINGS MENTOR PROGRAMME

Coleraine West  
Community Centre

This is an exciting bespoke programme designed to match community development organisations operating their own community building with an expert mentor in a key area.

- Health and Safety
- Human Resource Management
- Social Media and Marketing / Website Development
- Consultation and Engagement
- Capital Fundraising Applications
- Social Enterprise Development
- Financial Sustainability

For an application please contact:

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