



## Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

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## SAFETY ALERT FOR PARENTS

### ► Cult targeting vulnerable teenagers

The **764 Network** is a decentralised, international network of predators that uses psychological warfare and extreme coercion to target minors. **An Garda Síochána** and **Europol** have designated this group and its umbrella network, "**The Com**," as a high-priority threat in Ireland, specifically noting its rapid growth in 2025 and 2026.

#### 1. Infiltration & Recruitment Tactics

Members often pose as peers or support figures to build a "bond" with children before escalating to abuse.

- **Gaming Infiltration:** They use chat features in **Roblox**, **Minecraft**, and **Fortnite** to make initial contact with victims as young as seven.
- **Discord** servers or **Telegram** groups containing extreme content.
- **The "Lorebook" System:** Violent acts or images of self-harm are shared in digital "lorebooks" to gain social clout within the network.

#### 2. Extremist & Occultist Overlap

The network often adopts "Accelerationist" ideologies, meaning they aim to trigger societal collapse through chaos.

- **Associated Groups:** You may see references to related splinter groups like **CVLT**, **NLM** (No Lives Matter), **H3ll**, or **MKU** (Maniac Murder Cult).
- **Symbols:** Watch for imagery related to the **Order of Nine Angles (O9A)**, such as the "Septenary" star or the "Baphomet" figure, which are frequently used to signal allegiance.

#### 3. Recent Legal Actions & Ireland's Response

In early 2026, Irish authorities significantly increased their focus on these groups due to a rise in reported cases.

- **Irish Casualties:** In 2025, An Garda Síochána identified and safeguarded **16 children in Ireland** who were victims of high-level online harm, some directly linked to these sadistic networks.
- **European Arrests:** High-profile leaders of 764 and its sub-groups were arrested in **April 2025** and **2026** in countries including Greece, Germany, and the UK.
- **Enforcement:** In March 2026, Gardaí issued their **first removal order** under EU terrorist content regulations to force a social media company to take down content related to these extremist networks.

#### 4. Critical Warning Signs for Parents

Authorities highlight several "red flags" that a child is being groomed by 764-affiliated groups:

- **Physical: "Outsigning"** (carving numbers like 764 or names into the skin) or wearing long sleeves to hide such marks.
- **Behavioral:** Sudden, unexplained interest in **Nazism**, school shootings, or ritualistic animal cruelty.
- **Digital:** Possession of multiple accounts or encrypted apps (Signal/Telegram) that they are highly secretive about.

#### Important Resources in Ireland

- **Report:** Submit anonymous reports of illegal content to [Hotline.ie](https://www.hotline.ie/).
- **Advice:** Visit the [Webwise Parents Hub](https://www.webwise.ie/parents-hub/) for technical guides on securing Discord and gaming platforms.
- **Immediate Help:** Contact the **Garda National Protective Services Bureau** or call the Child Sexual Abuse Helpline at **1800 555 222**.

**For more info please click below:**

#### CBS News Report:

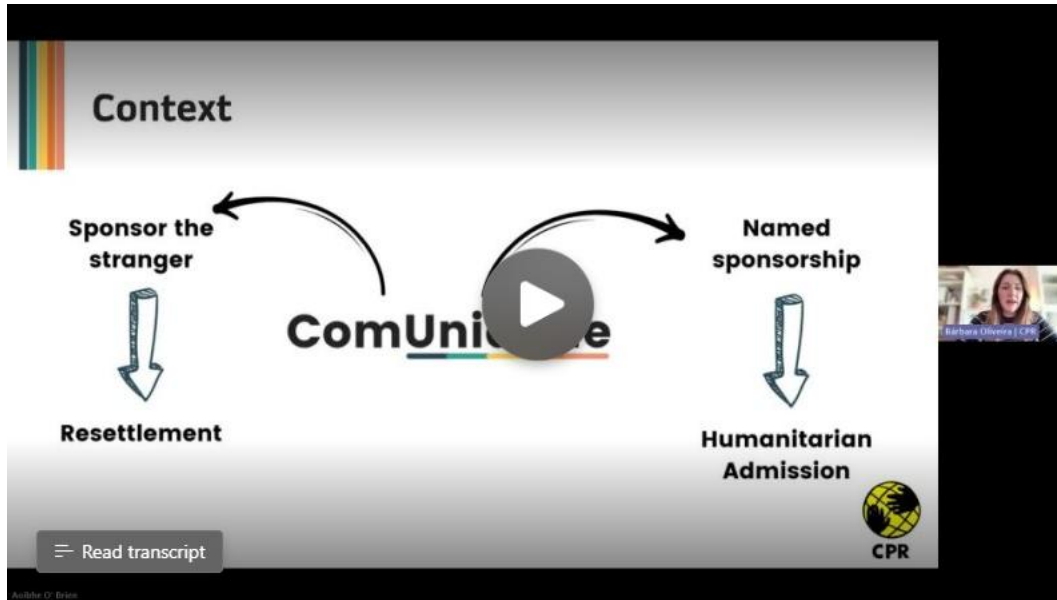


#### Irish Examiner Article:



## WEBINARS/TRAINING

### ► Webinar- Welcomed by Name: Challenges and the potential of Named Sponsorship



As safe and legal pathways narrow throughout Europe, what place does named sponsorship have? This webinar will bring together policymakers, researchers, lived experience experts and frontline practitioners to explore the current landscape of named sponsorship. Speakers will share insights from existing programmes. The session aims to interrogate the challenges of named sponsorship and explore its future potential.

#### Session Focus:

- Understand the global origins of named sponsorship and the current EU context.
- Discover the strengths and weaknesses of programmes in different countries across Europe.
- Identify practical challenges of implementing named sponsorship.
- Learn from an experienced Community Sponsor
- Explore the benefits and strengths of named sponsorship as a Complementary Pathway

## ► HSE Digital Mental Health Webinar



We invite you to attend a HSE webinar about digital mental health supports on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026 from 12.30pm to 1pm.

The webinar aims to help staff;

- understand the free HSE digital mental health supports and tools that are available, and
- explain who these support and tools are suitable for.

This webinar is presented by HSE Health and Wellbeing and HSE Mental Health and is aligned with our national mental health policy **Sharing the Vision**.

Please register [here](#) and feel free to share this invitation with relevant colleagues.

## ► HUGG: You're invited - DIY Woodworking Workshop



If you experienced the loss of someone to suicide and you are over 18 years old, you're invited to take part in a **hands-on DIY Woodworking Workshop**.

Led by **master carpenter Martin Glynn**, this day is all about learning **practical skills**, getting stuck into a project, and spending time with others with **shared experiences of suicide loss**. Whether you come on your own or with a mate, or family member, you'll be in good company. **No experience needed**—just a willingness to give it a go.

Expect a relaxed, **down-to-earth** atmosphere, complimentary refreshments and lunch. You'll leave with new skills, and a few new connections. Registration is **essential**.

### Workshop details

 **Saturday 23rd May**

 **9.45am – 3.30pm**

 **Tallaght Library, Parthalan Place, Tallaght, D24 TNP8**

 Register here - [HUGG DIY Woodwork Registration Form](#)

 If you would prefer to register by phone call us on **01 513 4048**.

Once you've signed up, a member of the HUGG team will be in touch to confirm your spot and answer any questions.

We look forward to welcoming you.

► Ireland in Focus: Mind the Gap



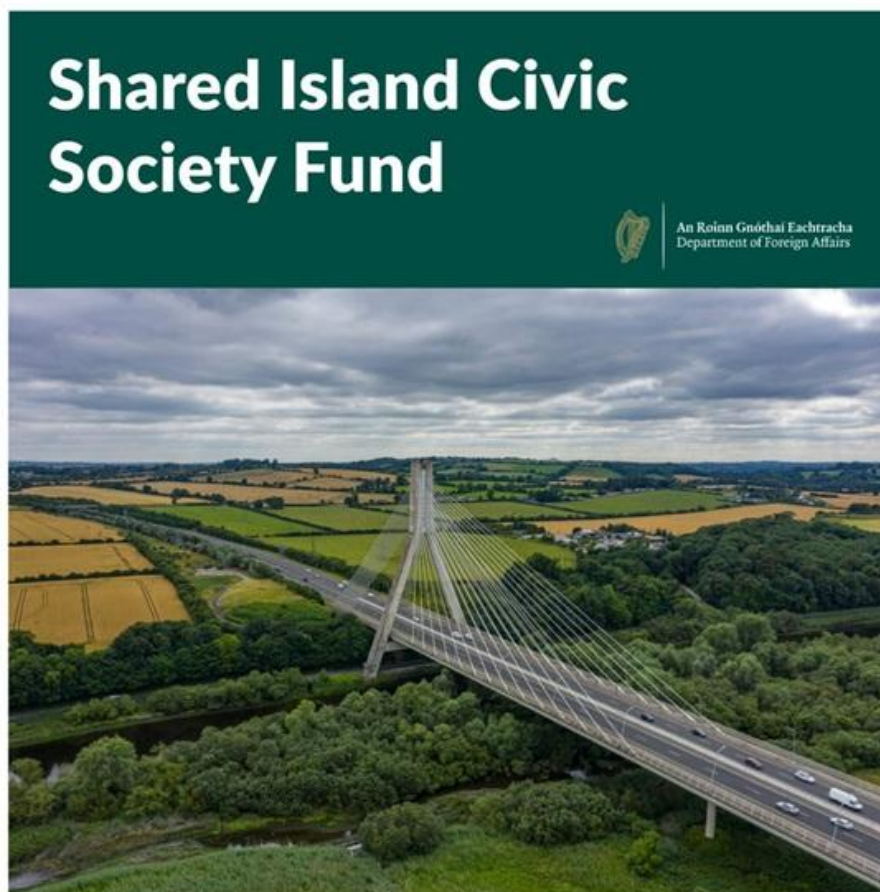
A major new report, *Ireland in Focus 2025, Mind the Gap*, finds there is a widening gap between public attitudes and political discourse. This report shows public attitudes are becoming steadily more inclusive, but political narratives – particularly on migration – are increasingly shaped by far-right framing.

In our first Ireland in Focus annual publication, it brings together key developments, trends and events in 2025 in comparison to 2024 to provide a clearer understanding and reflections of how hate, disinformation and far-right mobilisation are evolving across Ireland.

[For full article click here](#)

## FUNDING INITIATIVE

### ► Shared Island Civic Society Fund



The Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Helen McEntee TD, has announced the opening of the 2026 round of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade’s Shared Island Civic Society Fund.

The Shared Island Civic Society Fund was developed as part of the Government’s Shared Island initiative and promotes practical North-South cooperation between civic society organisations working on either side of the border, consistent with the objectives and the commitments of the Good Friday Agreement. The Fund supports grassroots, cross-border projects that have a clear North South dimension, involving cross-border partners collaborating on a project to strengthen North South civic, economic, cultural, and/or political links.

[For full article click here](#)

## ► Community Centre Investment Fund 2026 – Funding Opportunity



The Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht has launched the **Community Centre Investment Fund 2026**, which aims to support the enhancement and development of community centre facilities across the country.

This fund provides an important opportunity for organisations to invest in the improvement, refurbishment, and long-term sustainability of community spaces that play a vital role in supporting children, young people, families, and wider communities.

Full details of the fund, including eligibility criteria, funding categories, and application processes, are available at the following link:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-rural-and-community-development-and-the-gaeltacht/news/community-centre-investment-fund-2026/>

I would encourage all organisations to review the guidance carefully and consider whether there are opportunities to apply, particularly where proposals can strengthen service delivery, accessibility, and community engagement.

## ► Great Island Power Station Community Fund Now Open for Applications



The SSE Thermal Great Island Community Fund is now open for applications.

Through this fund, SSE Thermal makes €25,000 available each year to support community and charitable projects local to our Great Island Power Station, and the wider Great Island area.

We are also very pleased to confirm that we've adapted the fund application process, with grant award guidelines being raised from €2000 per application to between €4000 and €6000. This change will enable us to support higher impact local projects.

You can find the fund guidance document, the application portal and full details at: [Great Island Community Fund | SSE Thermal](#)

Please note **the deadline for applications is 5pm on Tuesday 9th June 2026.**

You can also read more about the impact of our wider community support initiatives in our [2024/2025 Community Investment Fund Report](#).

Separately, we would like to note that Great Island Power Station will enter a planned outage period in early May, expected to last approximately 3-4 weeks, as part of routine operations.

We would be delighted also to **welcome you to Great Island Power Station for a site visit** at some point in the coming months, and to discuss with you SSE's activities in your constituency and our support for local communities.

We look forward to continuing to support the fantastic work taking place across the Great Island community.

## ► €1m in grants to Local Authorities as part of the Culture Programme



An Roinn Cultúir,  
Cumarsáide agus Spóirt  
Department of Culture,  
Communications and Sport

Minister Patrick O'Donovan, T.D., has officially announced **€1.1 million in grants** to be distributed across all 31 local authorities in Ireland. This funding is dedicated to a specialized culture programme celebrating **Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union**.

### Key Details of the Funding:

- **Widespread Reach:** Every local authority in the State will receive an allocation to support cultural activities in their specific county.
- **Event Types:** The grants will fund a variety of community-focused events, including:
  - Festivals and family-friendly activities.
  - Exhibitions and concerts.
  - Talks and workshops.
- **Selection Process:** Applications were invited in December 2025 from libraries, cultural venues, and existing festivals. The [Department of Culture, Communications and Sport](#) closed applications on 11 February 2026.
- **Official Launch:** While these local grants have been announced, the full wider cultural programme for the Presidency is scheduled for unveiling in **June 2026**, following the official launch of the Presidency.

Minister O'Donovan noted that this initiative is vital to ensure all citizens can engage with the Presidency. This local authority strand is part of a broader push to showcase Irish arts, which also includes over €1.4 million in Culture Ireland funding for international projects.

## ► 2026-27 Human Rights and Equality Grants Scheme



The 2026-27 **Human Rights and Equality Grants Scheme** focuses on three core strands linked to the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission's (IHREC) [Strategy Statement 2025-27](#).

### **Funding Strands & Focus Areas**

The scheme supports projects that gather evidence or build capacity in the following areas:

- **Strand A: Disability Rights** – Advancing rights under the [UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#) (UNCRPD). This includes gathering evidence for Ireland's first review by the UN Committee in 2027 and focusing on issues like rights in institutional settings.
- **Strand B: Anti-Racism** – Tackling racial discrimination and advancing the UN Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (UNCERD). Themes include access to justice, political participation, and combating human trafficking.
- **Strand C: Digital Environment & AI** – Protecting rights in the digital world, specifically addressing potential harms from [Artificial Intelligence](#).

## Eligibility & Financials

- **Total Fund:** €350,000.
- **Grant Tiers:** Small grants (up to **€7,000**) and general grants (up to **€22,000**).
- **Qualified Applicants:** Must be a non-profit registered as a Company Limited by Guarantee (CLG) or a Charity.
- **Preferred Actions:** IHREC encourages [Capacity Building](#) through training, evidence-based research, and supporting engagement with international human rights monitoring processes.

## Application Assessment

Proposals are scored out of 100 marks based on:

1. **Quality & Relevance (50 marks):** How well the project aligns with human rights and equality perspectives.
2. **Organisational Capacity (30 marks):** The applicant's ability to manage and deliver the project.
3. **Cost Effectiveness (20 marks):** The clarity and justification of the budget.

Applications must be submitted by **3pm, Tuesday 19 May 2026**. Detailed [Guidance Notes](#) are available on the IHREC website.

## EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS

### ► World Maternal Mental Health Day

**FSS Bhaile Átha Cliath agus an Oirdheisceirt**  
HSE Dublin and South East

**Campaign Partner Pack**  
World Maternal Mental Health Day  
6<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Mothers deserve to feel seen, heard, and supported. They won't always ask for help.

**See, Listen, Support.**

To show you care about maternal mental health let's see the struggle, listen carefully and offer support.

**World Maternal Mental Health Day**  
World Maternal Mental Health Day is an international campaign dedicated to talking about mental health problems during and up to one year after pregnancy.

It's all about raising public and professional awareness of maternal mental health difficulties, advocating for women affected, changing attitudes and empowering women and families by helping them to access the information, care, and support they need to recover.

**Objectives of our Campaign**

- **See:** To see the struggles mothers may not speak about, and help reduce stigma around maternal mental health.
- **Listen:** To listen openly and kindly to mothers in our communities so that they feel heard, and emotionally supported.
- **Support:** To support mothers by encouraging kindness, connection and access to the help they deserve.

**Key Messages**

Motherhood is a journey filled with love, but it's not always easy. Up to 1 in 4 mothers experience maternal mental health difficulties.

**See, Listen, Support** many mothers struggle quietly. When we see, listen, and gently step in, we make space for real support.

Help is available there are supports and services that can help. Visit [motherhood.ie](http://motherhood.ie) for more information.

**How Can You Help?**  
We're asking you to champion women and their families by sharing content on your social media platforms on World Maternal Mental Health Day, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and during the week of the 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> May.

On May 6<sup>th</sup> we are asking supporters to share the campaign social media content that is included in the folder that you received with this partner pack. You can post this content directly to your social media platforms using:

#MaternalMentalHealthMatters  
#MindingMe  
#SeeListenSupport

When posting social media content we recommend using the below description:

Motherhood is a journey filled with love, but it's not always easy. Many mothers struggle quietly. When we see, listen, and gently step in, we make space for real support. Visit [www.motherhood.ie](http://www.motherhood.ie) for info.

#MaternalMentalHealthMatters  
#MindingMe  
#SeeListenSupport

We are also asking supporters to share some of the other content we have produced.

Amy's story: <https://youtu.be/HT2LJAyHoVg>  
Lilithia's story: <https://youtu.be/5tmHFmKOUrQ>  
Michelle's story: <https://youtu.be/5tmHFmKOUrQ>

Dr Sabrina Coyle  
Clinical Psychologist in Specialist Perinatal Mental Health at the Coombe on maternal mental health and transitions to motherhood:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OHANX6qF3U4>

You can access a podcast and other resources at: [www.motherhood.ie](http://www.motherhood.ie)

**How Can You Help Spread The Word?**

Maternal mental health is everybody's business, and we want to provide connection, comfort and support to those who are living with maternal mental health difficulties.

We want as many people as possible to know about maternal mental health and the availability of supports and services. Our campaign content and other resources can be shared or incorporated into your current communications including newsletters, email updates, direct mail, or printed materials.

We are happy to work in collaboration with you to make sure we reach those who need support.

**Follow the Campaign**

You can also follow the campaign on our social media channels and you can reshare the content to your page using

#MaternalMentalHealthMatters  
#MindingMe  
#SeeListenSupport  
[www.motherhood.ie](http://www.motherhood.ie)

Instagram: [hsedubsoutheast](https://www.instagram.com/hsedubsoutheast)  
Facebook: [hsedubsoutheast](https://www.facebook.com/hsedubsoutheast)

**Contact**

For more information, or to get hard copies of resources, please contact Sarah Heame HSE Dublin and South East: [Sarah.Heame@hse.ie](mailto:Sarah.Heame@hse.ie)

This campaign was developed by the Minding Me: Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow Perinatal, Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Working Group.

 Connecting for life

## Why we need Maternal Mental Health Day

### HELPING MOTHERS, HELPING BABIES!

In many countries, as many as **1 in 5 new mothers experiences some type of perinatal mood and anxiety disorder (PMADs)**. These illnesses frequently go unnoticed and untreated, often with tragic and long-term consequences to both mother and child.

#### Raising Awareness

##### NO ONE IS IMMUNE!

Women of every culture, age, income level and race can develop perinatal mood and anxiety disorders. Symptoms can appear any time during pregnancy and the first 12 months after childbirth. There are effective and well-researched treatment options available to help women recover.

#### Influencing Policy

##### ILLNESS IS NOT A CRIME!

Women are sometimes considered to be criminals instead of patients needing treatment, in the case of infanticide. Through building awareness, it aims to prevent these tragedies and stands for just and scientifically based care.


#### Changing Attitude

##### NO HEALTH WITHOUT MENTAL HEALTH!

Increasing awareness will drive social change with a goal toward improving the quality of care for women experiencing all types of PMADs, and reducing the stigma of maternal mental illness. We are encouraging mental health professionals, friends and relatives of new moms to **ask her how she's really feeling** and encourage her to seek help.

## ► Gorey Family Resource Newsletter

# GOREY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE NEWSLETTER MAY 2026



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**We are delighted to announce that our website is now fully operational with a new design, to access the latest resources, news, and updates visit: [www.goreyfamilyresourcecentre.ie](http://www.goreyfamilyresourcecentre.ie)**

### What is going on in the Centre

#### Cruinniú na Nóg

Join us at the centre for a series of fun, free Cruinniú na Nóg workshops running from mid-May to early June. Children aged 1-3 are invited to take part in a range of engaging music sessions designed to inspire their imagination and creativity.

- Wednesday 20th May, 9.30am – 11am
- Wednesday 27th May, 9.30am – 11am
- Wednesday 3rd June, 9.30am – 11am
- Saturday 6th June, 9.30am – 11am

**Booking is essential.** To reserve a place, please contact **Anne** on **089 2732388**.

### International Day of Families 15<sup>th</sup> May

This day centres on the theme “Families, Inequalities and Child Wellbeing,” drawing attention to how social and economic differences affect children across the globe. Families are vital in shaping a child’s growth and exist in many different forms. These include single-parent, extended, blended, and same-sex parent families, as well as those created through adoption or fostering, and those who choose to be child-free. Every family brings its own unique source of care, support, and connection. Despite their differences, all families share a common role in offering love, stability, and a sense of belonging. Today, we celebrate every one of you.

### Coffee Morning 15<sup>th</sup> May

We warmly invite you to join us on **15th May** from **10:00am to 12:00pm** for a special Coffee Morning. This event is being held to raise awareness of both the National “**Hello, How Are You?**” Campaign and the **Go Purple Event**.

Our Friday Women’s Group will be marking the occasion by dressing in purple and hosting small activities throughout the morning in recognition of Domestic Violence Survivors, while also helping to raise awareness of this important issue. This is a campaign initiative from An Garda Síochána.

The “Hello, How Are You?” campaign shines a light on loneliness, isolation, and mental health struggles. It reminds us of the powerful impact that a simple question — “Hello, how are you?” — can have on someone’s life.

We would love for you to join us for a morning of connection, support, and community. If you’re able, we encourage you to wear purple on the day as a show of solidarity.

There will be tea, coffee, treats, and a raffle on the day — we hope to see you there!

### April Reflections

Thank you to everyone who has joined our Chair Yoga and Tai Chi programmes—it’s wonderful to see such great participation, and both are going really well!

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in our recent coffee morning. The event featured an informative talk from ALONE, Colette our Community Guard in Gorey, and McCabe’s Pharmacy—making it a wonderful collaboration. Please feel free to pass on any of the information shared to anyone you know who may benefit from it!

### Groups

**Wednesday Women Group:** 10am - 12pm Wednesdays  
**Men’s Club:** 10am - 12pm Thursdays  
**Ukrainian Women’s Group:** 10am - 12pm Thursdays  
**Friday Women Group:** 10am - 12pm Fridays

For info email [reception@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:reception@goreyfrc.ie)

**Following interviews discussing sustaining the future of Gorey FRC, we’re delighted to share that we’ve been named finalists in this year’s County Wexford Business Awards!**

**We couldn’t be prouder of our team and all we have achieved- it’s a real honour to be recognised alongside such outstanding organisations.**

**Thank you to everyone who has supported us- we are excited for what’s ahead!**

## Outreach Services Available in the Centre

**Wexford Women's Refuge** – There is help for women and children who are experiencing domestic abuse. | Appointments in Gorey FRC 1800 220 444

**Traveller Community Health Programme** – Women's Group available on Wednesday's 10am – 12pm | For more information contact Laura 053 915 5800

**Perinatal Mental Health Midwife** – If you're looking for support with mental health difficulty during pregnancy or after the birth of your baby | Referrals to Jenny can be arranged through your healthcare provider.

**Family Carers Ireland** – Available this month 28<sup>th</sup> May from 11am – 1pm | Drop in for a chat in a safe space for advice and support – Jason from Family Carers Ireland is available to advise with any entitlements or adaptations.

**Alzheimer Society** – Tuesdays 10am – 12pm & 2pm – 4pm | For more details contact Charlene 087 3976290 or 053 948 5988

**Wexford Volunteer Service** – If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity in Wexford come along and speak with Yana on Mondays from 9am to 4pm | Contact Yana on 087 2593650 or yana@volunteerwexford.ie

**ManUp** – Empowering Men's Mental Health. | Call Dean on 089 404 1986 or Anne on 089 273 2388 to find out more.

If you know anyone who could benefit from our outreach services, please feel free to share this information with them.

## Courses

We are delighted that a range of WWETB courses will be delivered at the centre commencing in June.

**The following courses will be offered:**

### Gorey Family Resource Centre

Learn to Sing  
Beginners Willow Making  
Intermediate Willow Making (participants must have completed the Beginners course)  
Beginners Sewing  
Beauty, Make-Up and Nail Art

A registration day will take place on **Wednesday, 13th May**, from **10:00am to 12:00pm** and **2:30pm to 4:00pm**.

### Riverchapel Community Complex Hub

Willow Making  
Sewing and Quilting  
Beauty, Make-Up and Nail Art  
Return to Yourself

For further information, please contact **Pamela** on **053 9489017** or via email at [pamela@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:pamela@goreyfrc.ie)

## Support Services

### FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE

Support, information & advocacy for parents across a wide range of issues.  
Tuesdays & Thursdays – by appointment  
053 9489017

### WELFARE RIGHTS INFORMATION

We provide welfare rights support with one-to-one assistance, including help with completing forms, support with CV writing, and guidance to help point you in the right direction.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9.30am–4.00pm  
Please call 053 9489017 to make an appointment

### LOW COST COUNSELLING SERVICE

Waiting list now open, you must be available Monday to Thursday during working hours to avail of this service.  
Please contact [pamela@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:pamela@goreyfrc.ie)

## Family Support Services - in Riverchapel Community Complex Hub

**Wednesday Mornings 9.30am - 12pm**  
**Contact 089 2732388 or email [anne@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:anne@goreyfrc.ie) for an appointment.**

- We provide a range of supports and services to families to make the day-to-day challenges of family life a little easier.
- Parental Support programmes
- One to one Parenting Support
- Advocating for and signposting families to relevant services and supports, where appropriate
- Welfare Rights, Information & assistance with completing forms etc.

## Riverchapel Community Complex

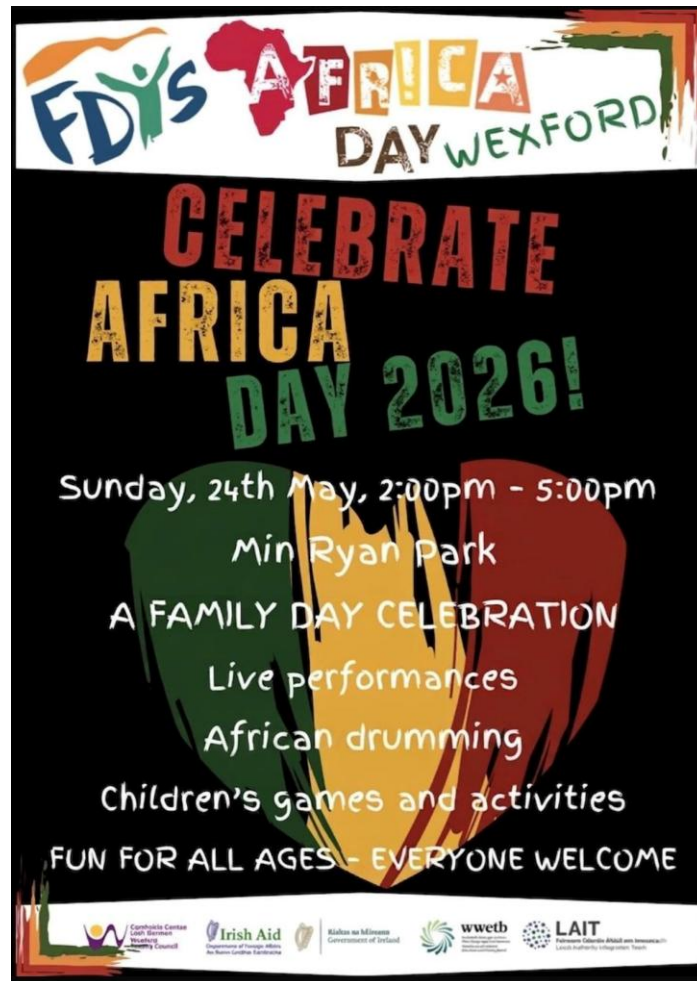
It was great to link in with participants at Riverchapel Community Complex, have a catch-up, and share details of all the exciting things coming up there.

## This Month's Spotlight

### Perinatal Mental Health Midwife

At Gorey FRC, we are fortunate to have Jenny, a perinatal mental health midwife who provides specialised guidance and support for individuals experiencing mental health challenges or anxiety during pregnancy and the early postnatal period. Referrals to Jenny can be arranged through your healthcare provider.

## ► Africa Day 2026



### **A Celebration of Culture, Community & Connection**

When: Sunday, May 24th 2026, 2pm - 5pm

Where: Min Ryan Park, Killeens, Wexford

What's on: This open and welcoming event for all ages is an opportunity to experience culture, connect with others, and enjoy a great day out in Wexford.

- African fashion parade showcasing beautiful textiles, prints and contemporary style.
- African food sampling – a chance to taste a variety of flavours from different parts of the continent.
- Live music, performances and a DJ creating an energetic atmosphere.
- African drumming
- Family-friendly activities include: Arts and crafts, Games for children
- Face painting.

**Contact: [debbie.roche@fdys.ie](mailto:debbie.roche@fdys.ie)**

## ► Call to Social Enterprises: 2026 Census of Social Enterprise is Open



An Roinn Forbartha Tuaithe  
agus Pobail agus Gaeltachta  
Department of Rural and Community  
Development and the Gaeltacht

### 2026 Census of Social Enterprise Is now open!

- *Minister Buttimer calls on every social enterprise to complete the survey*
- *Don't miss out on this opportunity for your social enterprise to be included and heard*
- *Important opportunity for social enterprises to influence future policy decisions, funding priorities, and support programme development*

**The Census is open until 28<sup>th</sup> June and can be accessed: [HERE](#)**

Action 51 of *Trading for Impact* the National Social Enterprise policy includes a commitment to periodically hold a Census of Social Enterprise. Growing, strengthening, and realising the impact of social enterprises within communities are key goals of the Government's Social Enterprise Policy, and the information collected during the Census is key to the continued targeted delivery of this policy, and how the sector will be supported into the future.

Minister for Community Development and Charities, Jerry Buttimer TD said:

***“This Census will help us understand where social enterprises are growing and where they need additional support to ensure decisions made about the sector are informed by the voices and experiences of those delivering real impact on the ground. “For the first time, we will be able to conduct a comparative analysis between the data from 2023 and 2026, which will provide a strong evidence base to Government, along with those stakeholders we work in partnership with, to target our work to support the sector.”***

Following a competitive tendering process, that included a social clause, the Consortium of Social Enterprise Republic of Ireland and Amárach Research were awarded the contract to deliver this project on behalf of the Department of rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht.

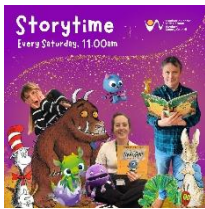
**Please provide only one response from each social enterprise**

## ► Wexford Town Library Events



### **LEGO Free Play every Saturday from 11:00am - 3:00pm. Suitable for ages 5yrs+**

LEGO Free Play tables available on our Children's floor area from 11am to 3pm. Free to attend. LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. Get Creative. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. No booking required.



### **Story Time every Saturday, 11.00am-11:30am, Suitable for children aged 3–7 years.**

Join us for Story Time in Wexford Library every Saturday morning. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. **No booking required.**

### **Sensory Hour, Every Saturday from 4.00pm-5.00pm.**

Sensory Hour supports library users who have sensory, extra, and/or additional needs. It offers a calm and sensory family friendly environment.



**Rhyme Time, every Wednesday, 11.00am-11:30am. Suitable for children aged 0–3 years.**

These fun, free and interactive Rhyme Time sessions are perfect for babies and toddlers. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. No booking required.

**All events are FREE.** Wexford Public Libraries App. Access your library 24/7. Online resources include eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, eNewspapers, eComics & Graphic Novels, music, take eLearning or language courses, business, education, and research databases and more. **Library membership is free.**

<https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries/whats-on-in-my-library>

## ► Bunclody Library Events



**Rhymetime for ages 0 to 5 years - every Wednesday at 11.15am**

Join us for Rhymetime every Wednesday when will have lots of fun nursery rhymes and stories suitable for babies and toddlers followed by a Duplo play session. No booking required.



**Sensory Friendly Hour**

**Every Saturday from 4.00 to 5.00pm**, Sensory Friendly hour will be observed in Bunclody Library. We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. **No booking required.** All welcome!

**Sensory Basket**

A sensory basket containing various sensory toys/books available for children to use while visiting the library. Just ask at the desk.



### **Saturday Storytime every Saturday, 11.00 to 11.40am**

Join us every Saturday morning for stories and songs for ages 3 to 7 years. No need to book - all welcome!



### **Lego Free Play for ages 4+ - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2.00 to 3.30pm**

Join us for a Lego Free Play afternoon here in Bunclody Library. Perfect for ages 4+, we have Duplo and Lego to let the children's creativity shine! No need to book. All welcome.

## **► Enniscorthy Library Events**



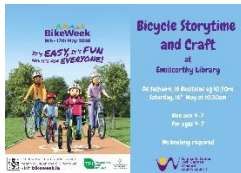
### **Library Hangout Club for Teens, Friday, May 8th @3.30pm**

A relaxed and welcoming space for 15-17 year olds to hang out, read, and connect. The Library Hangout Club is all about good books, fun, games, great conversations, and a chilled atmosphere.

The library is a relaxed environment where you will be able to chat and share views with no judgement, there's no assigned reading list and no pressure.

If you are between the ages of 15 and 17 years, why not drop in and see for yourself!

**Please register here:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538440>



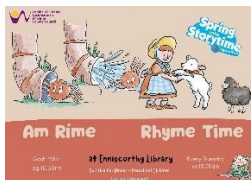
### **Bike Week Storytime and Craft at Enniscorthy Library, Saturday, May 16th @ 10.30am**

Join us in Enniscorthy Library as we celebrate Bike Week with a fun bicycle themed storytime and craft session! Children will enjoy some fun stories about cycling and make a bike-themed craft to bring home, as well as receiving a FREE Bike Week goodie bag.

Perfect for 4-7 years old but fun for everyone!

Through the magic of storytelling, children are transported to far-off lands, introduced to diverse characters, and exposed to a rich tapestry of language, all while developing fundamental literacy skills such as vocabulary acquisition, comprehension, and phonological awareness.

**All welcome and no booking required.**



### **Interactive Spring into Story Time at Enniscorthy Library**

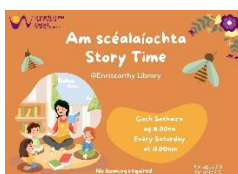
Join us in Enniscorthy Library every Saturday at 11am for our Interactive Story Time!

Perfect for 3-5 years old but fun for everyone!

Through the magic of storytelling, children are transported to far-off lands, introduced to diverse characters, and exposed to a rich tapestry of language, all while developing fundamental literacy skills such as vocabulary acquisition, comprehension, and phonological awareness.

All welcome and no booking required.

**Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4528210>**



### **Interactive Story Time at Enniscorthy Library**

Join us in Enniscorthy Library every Saturday at 11am for our Interactive Story Time!

Perfect for 3-5 years old but fun for everyone!

**All welcome and no booking required.**

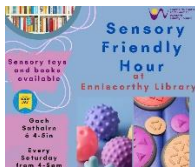


**LEGO Free Play at Enniscorthy Library - every Saturday 11.30am-5pm.**

Enniscorthy Library invites you and your family to join us for a session of LEGO Free Play, LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. This session is suitable for ages 5+.

**Please note we're closed for lunch from 1pm-2pm.**

**No Booking Required**



**Sensory Friendly Hour at Enniscorthy Library - Every Saturday from 4-5pm**

Sensory Friendly Hour will be observed in Enniscorthy Library.

We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. No booking required. All welcome!



**Sensory Magic Table Family Session - for Families or Groups, Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 11.30am, 12.15pm, 2.15pm and 3pm**

Back by popular demand, we're excited to invite you to our Sensory Magic Table Event. The Magic Table (Tovertafel) is a sensory-friendly device that projects interactive games onto a table (using image and sound) and infrared sensors respond to the hand and arm movement of the players.

The Magic table consist of a series of interactive light games which include chasing bees away, splashing in water, target practice, sweeping up leaves and a drum kit with interactive drums.

**Each 30 minutes session is suitable to accommodate one family unit or a small group (up to 7 people), ensuring intimate and engaging experience.**

Booking essential.

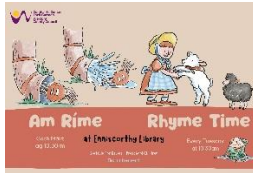
Please register for your place below.

11.30am - <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538368>

12.15pm - <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538369>

2.15pm - <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538370>

3pm - <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538371>



**Baby and Toddler Rhyme Time at Enniscorthy Library - every Tuesday at 10.30am**

Join us in Enniscorthy Library for songs, stories and rhymes!

Perfect for up to 3 years old but fun for everyone!

Through rhymes children naturally learn essential skills for communicating such as turn-taking and joining in.

**All welcome and no booking required.**



**Magic Babies - Rhyme Time for Pre-walking Babies, Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> @2.00pm**

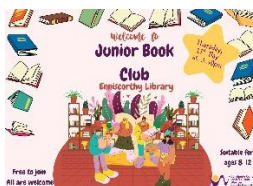
Join a Rhyme Time session designed especially for pre-walking babies. Little ones will enjoy songs, rhythms and interactive play enhanced by the magical Tovertafel, which projects colourful, moving images onto a mat.

Perfect for bonding, sensory exploration and introducing your baby to the joy of music and play.

The Magic Table (Tovertafel) is a sensory-friendly device that projects interactive games onto a table or a mat (using image and sound) and infrared sensors respond to the hand and arm movement of the players.

Booking essential.

**Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538418>**



**Junior Book Club, Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> @3.30pm**

Would your child like to join our free book club here at Enniscorthy Library?

Suitable for ages 8 - 12, the children get together monthly to talk about books in all genres and to share a love of books.

We explore new styles together to encourage reading and to develop a love for books.

This club is about reading for pleasure, making friends and doing some fun activities, drawing or writing too.

If you would like to know more, ask at the desk of the library or ring us on 053 9236055.

**Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538426>**



**Biodiversity Big Screen - Family Movie, Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 2.15pm**

Take time out this May and join us for Biodiversity Big Screen- Family Movie. Gather your family and friends and enjoy a feel-good story of wildlife, rhythm and resilience in a welcoming setting of the library.

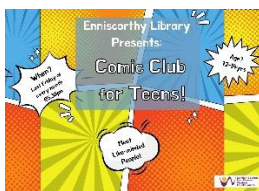
We'll have comfortable seating and fantastic movie that's perfect for all ages.

Best of all, it's free and open to everyone!

Contact the library for more information.

**Booking essential.**

Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4536823>



**Comic Club for Teens, Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> @3.30pm**

Love a good story told in both pictures and words? Want to meet like-minded people?

Join fellow comic book lovers for a discussion, board games and a chat.

If you are between the ages of 13 and 15 years, why not drop in and see for yourself! Take a friend with you.

The library is a relaxed environment where you will be able to chat and share views with no judgement, interesting conversation, and lots of chat & fun!

Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538411>

**► New Ross Library Events**



Join us in New Ross Library **every Thursday at 11.00am** for a fun-packed session with lots of stories, rhymes and songs! Just come along, no booking required

<https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4158186>

## ► Gorey Library Events

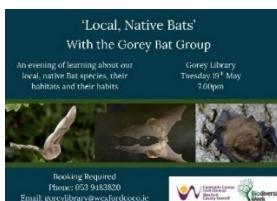
### Adult Events for May:



Bring Your Own Craft Day: Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:30am-12:30pm



Adult Clay Ladybird Workshop: Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm



Local Native Bats Talk with Gorey Bat Group: Tuesday, may 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

### Children's Events for May:



Here Comes the Sun Tummy Time, Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am  
Age: 0-2



Rainbow Bike Decorating Workshop , Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am  
Ages 4-9



Bicycle Story and Craft, Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am  
Ages 4-9



Nature Explorers Craft, Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm  
Age: 8-12



Story Sacks Hour, Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00am  
Ages 2-6

## Regular Adult Events



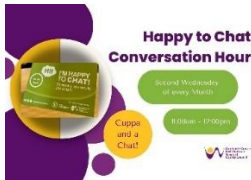
Lifting the Lid Public Piano: First Monday of the Month at 2:30pm



Ciorcail Comhrá: First Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm  
**AND NEW:** Second Tuesday of the Month at 2:00pm



English Conversation Circle: First Saturday of the Month at 2:30pm



Happy to Chat Coffee Morning: Second Monday of the Month at 11:00am



La Leche League Breastfeeding Support: Second Wednesday of the Month at 10:30am



Gorey Library Film Club: Second Thursday of the Month at 2:30pm



Scrabble Club: Every Tuesday at 7:00pm



Knitting Circle: Every Friday at 11:00am



Wordsmiths Writing Group: Every Friday at 2:00pm

### Regular Children's Events:



Children's Storytime: Every Tuesday at 11:00am

Age: 3-5



Baby Rhyme Time: Every Thursday at 10:30am

Age: 0-3



LEGO Freeplay: Every Saturday at 10:30am

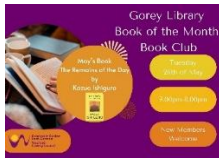


Sensory Hour: Every Saturday at 4:00pm

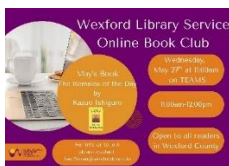
## Adult Book Clubs and Reading Circles:



Short Story Reading Club: Third Thursday of the Month at 7:00pm

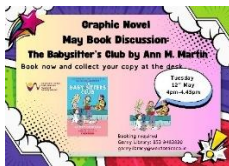


Book of the Month Book Club: Last Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm



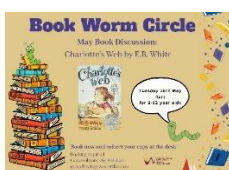
Wexford Library Service Online Book Club: Last Wednesday of the Month at 11:00am

## Children's Book Clubs and Discussion Groups:



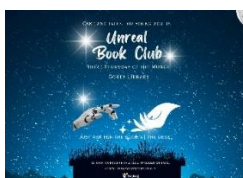
Graphic Novel Book Discussion: Second Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

Age: 9-12



Book Worm Book Circle: Last Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

Age: 9-12



YA Unreal Book Club: Third Thursday of the Month at 4:30pm

Age: 12-15