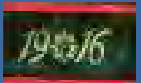




The Maynooth 1916 Commemoration Ceremony Easter Monday



With the 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising just two years away, an event took place on Monday 21st April to commemorate the "Maynooth 15". On Easter Monday evening 1916 the "Maynooth 15" took leave from Buckley's shop in the Main St. and marched towards the College gates where they received a blessing from the College President, they then proceeded along the Royal Canal into Dublin, where they fought in the Rebellion. When they eventually reached the G.P.O., Pdraig Pearse greeted them by saying "Your actions in marching from Kildare, even if you do no more in the Rebellion, will gain you a place in history".



In honour of these men of 1916 the proceedings began with a parade from the College gates to the Town Square, led by the St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band. Fifteen members of the 8th Kildare Scout Troop marched to represent the "Maynooth 15". Also marching on the day were members of the Organisation of national Ex-Service Men and Women. On arrival at the Square there was a wreath laying ceremony. Fr. John Nevin a native of Maynooth blessed the wreath. An officer from the Irish Defence Forces read the proclamation of the Irish Republic. A one minute silence was observed followed by the sounding of the Last Post. To conclude proceedings the National Flag was hoisted to full mast, followed by the playing of the National Anthem.



There was a display of the Irish Military Vehicles Group on the Square and the Irish Volunteers, Dublin Brigade and the Collins 22 Society exhibited 1916 memorabilia upstairs in Brady's Clockhouse. There was a wonderful Children's art display upstairs in Brady's with an outstanding piece of art from Saoirse Grehan, aged 9.



A great day was had by all who attended and of course the favourable weather conditions added to the sense of ceremony. The Maynooth 1916 Centenary Committee hope that this will become an annual event.



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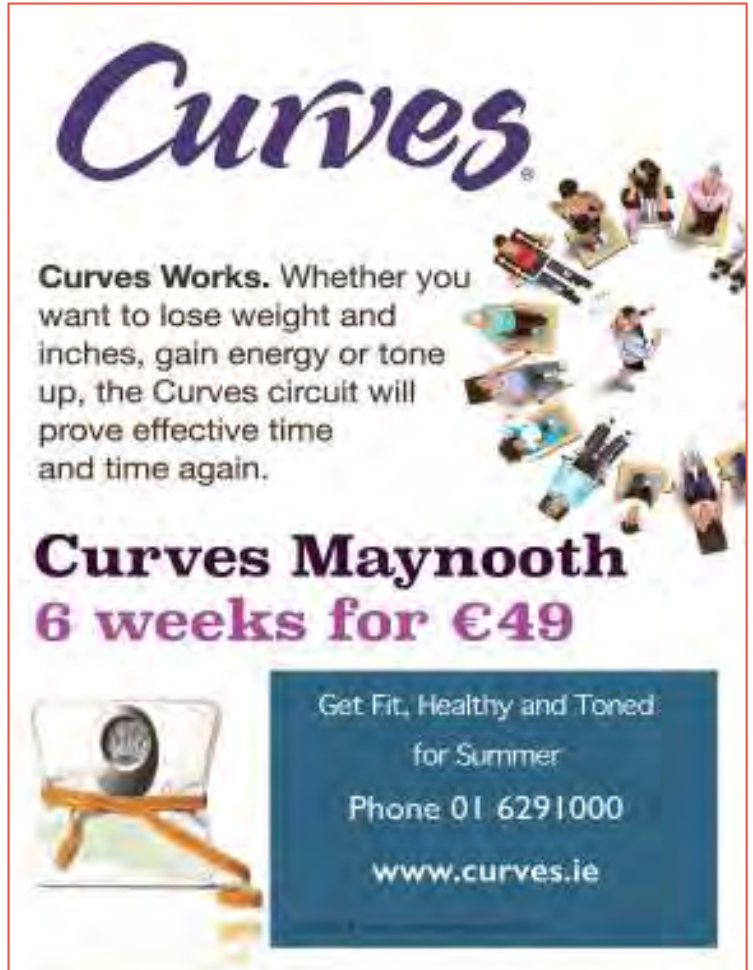
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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council Annual General Meeting 14th April 2014 Notes

The minutes of the last AGM were read and approved. The outgoing Chairman, Tom McMullon addressed the meeting. He thanked the committee for their hard work and commitment during the year. He commended John Doogan for his work in managing the MCC Office and for bringing the office up to a professional standard. The office now consists 30 workers covering the office, the canal, the College and the football grounds. We are still awaiting the approval of an assistant supervisor which is urgently required. MCC continues to strengthen relations with our twin town Canet-en-Rousillon. A delegation of 10 cadets and fire officers from Canet's fire department will visit Maynooth on Friday May 9. MCC committee, the Festival committee, the Twinning Group, St. Patrick's Day Parade were thanked.

Outgoing secretary, Muireann Ní Bhrolchain thanked the committee and outlined the activities, concerns and issues that had come to the MCC's attention in the previous year. The year saw the amalgamation of our CE scheme with that of the Maynooth Environmental Group. A new management committee has been put in place to run the scheme. It has proved very successful. The delay in approval of an assistant supervisor has placed a huge burden on John Doogan but it is hoped that this will be rectified in the next month or two. John Doogan was given special mention for his hard work throughout the year. The workers in the office and outdoor scheme were thanked and congratulated.

There has been a very good working relationship between the Council and Tidy Towns Committee and the Business Association during the year. The *Newsletter* in its new format continues to be successful and is still the main fundraiser for the Council. Many familiar issues were raised such as bad parking in Parson Street and on the Kilcock Road beside the college. Twinning and education initiatives continued throughout the year. The most discussed item on the agenda was the controversy about the future of Post-Primary education in the town. The Maynooth Development Association clarified the situation about the money collected since 1967 for the proposed swimming pool in Maynooth – the total money collected was €28,000 (including interest) and was given to the Post-Primary school for 'development of sporting facilities at Moyglare Hall'. The community space moved from Manor Mills to Tesco's and is well utilised. The Students' Union was welcomed for their involvement in the community with their clean-ups. Ben Finnegan was congratulated on his re-election as president. The Business Association was thanked on the Christmas lights. The Parade and Festival Committee were thanked. The Executive was thanked for their work during the year.

The outgoing Treasurer, Andrew McMullon thanked the executive for their help throughout the year with special mention to John Doogan for his management of the office. John McGinley and his committee were thanked for their work with the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The workers on the canal scheme, Susan and Adrienne for their help with the Maynooth Festival were also thanked. The need for additional fundraising to help with the increasing financial demands of the office was stated. The Treasurer outlined a plan to run a bingo night every Tuesday in McMahon's pub and asked that members of the Maynooth Community

Council to support the event by way of promoting and attending it.

There was some discussion on the lack of an assistant supervisor despite phone calls and letters from the Office. It was stressed that we are preparing people for work and it is too much work for one supervisor to oversee.

Election of officers: The outgoing Committee was re-elected.

Chairperson – Tom McMullon  
Vice-Chairperson – Adrienne Flynn  
Treasurer – Andrew McMullon  
Secretary – Muireann Ní Bhrolchain  
PRO – Susan Durack  
PDO – Paul Croghan

Directors: As a matter of procedure the directors of the MCC which is a limited company, needs to be reviewed every three years. J. Doogan, B. Feely and M. Gleeson were taken off the list. A. Flynn, A. McMullon and S. Durack were included. This was agreed.

A dissolution clause was required for the constitution, wording was agreed and the proposal was passed to be included in the constitution.

**Sub-committees and Affiliates:** Clarification was given around the responsibilities of the two categories. The subcommittee of the MCC are: the Newsletter, the Festival, St. Patrick's Day Parade, Twinning Committee, Community Space, Youth Café and Tidy Towns.

These committees may receive grants covered by MCC and must report to the MCC especially at the AGM. The groups represent sub-accounts within the overall MCC account and therefore must report to the Council for auditing purposes. MCC needs to be informed of the dissolution of any sub-committees. Concern was expressed that not all groups understood this responsibility. The secretary noted that this situation will have to be remedied and a constitutional amendment will have to be made. It was also suggested the MCC meetings should be looked at.

Affiliates include: Maynooth Local History Group, ICA, Senior Citizens, Maynooth Scouts, Educate Together and Maynooth Community Church. These groups do their own fundraising and report their activities to the MCC.

### St. Patrick's Day Parade

John McGinley and Willie Saults announced their retirement from the St. Patrick's Day Parade committee. John McGinley has been involved in organising the parade for the last 30 years. He was thanked for his hard work in this regard. Willie Saults was also thanked.

John reported that this year's parade was very successful with lots of colourful floats and it was a good day. Some suggestions for next year for the new committee to think about: -

That there be no delay at the viewing stand by the groups – possibly try for one year.  
Need for more stewards  
Review prize categories  
Ensure that the OPW light the Castle in green as the college Spire was.

The Executive now need to begin to look for someone else to take over the parade.

This year there were last minute entries i.e. the night before the parade and this is a difficulty with planning etc.

John thanked the Office for all their work and support with the planning of the parade. Tom McMullon expressed thanks to John on behalf of everyone for his dedication over the years.

**Maynooth Local History:** There was a very enjoyable, informative and well attended talk on the two St. Mary's Churches. The Group will have something on to commemorate WWI during Heritage Week. Thanks was expressed to Eoin McCormack for his organising of an event to mark Maynooth involvement in 1916 which is to take place on Easter Monday, starting outside the College and ending with a ceremony in the Square. Maynooth Scouts and the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band are involved. An exhibition of 1916 memorabilia will accompany the event in Brady's and a display of army vehicles will be in the Square. Brady's were thanked for their support in the event.

### Senior Citizens

The Senior Citizens collected €2,000, and on the Sunday after Easter there will be a Tea Dance and Bonnet Competition and there will be a fundraising bag pack on the June Bank Holiday weekend.

### Maynooth Festival (28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August)

Dates agreed are Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 31 August (Heritage Week). Maynooth Business Association will be invited to meetings.

### Tidy Towns Group:

Congratulations to the people of Maynooth who gave 26,157 tons of electrical equipment to the WEEE collection. Maynooth Business Association got involved in Ireland's best kept town project by taking part in a tidy up at 9am last Sunday. There will be a National Spring clean month towards Ireland's best kept town. R. Farrell reported that Intel are celebrating 25 years in Maynooth and will mark it in the town by putting an information board in the Square, similar to the one at the entrance to the avenue. This will be done in June. He expressed his thanks to John McGinley for his tremendous work with the St. Patrick's Day Parade over the years.

### AOB

It was reported that the wooden fence at Maxol is blocking traffic light view as people drive around to the left from the Celbridge Road to the Straffan Road. Noted that there is a traffic light across the road. It was felt the more important issue is the lack of street lighting because of the construction site. John McGinley has brought this to the attention of the local engineer.

The need for railings at entrance of the Gaelscoil was raised. There was a concern that the introduction of railings may narrow the footpath further and hinder buggies.

Ian Russell who is in charge of students groups in the Students' Union is keen to strengthen contacts between the town and college and would like to attend the MCC meetings. Tom McMullon has also put him in touch with Canet-en-Rousillon to further contacts there.

Prada Willie Syndrome Charity Cycle. It was reported that over €10,000 was raised in a recent fundraising cycle to Galway for this very worthwhile Charity. Well done to all involved.



# Editorial

The Newsletter would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to two local figures who have recently announced their retirement from organising the St Patrick's Day Parade. They are John McGinley and Willie Saults. John McGinley in particular has been synonymous with the parade for the past 30 years and has been at every single one, with two exceptions, once when it was cancelled during the Foot and Mouth breakout and second when, as Mayor of Kildare, he was at the New York parade. Their contribution to the organisation of the parade, on the months leading up to it, but even more on the day itself, cannot be estimated. We would like to thank them for their incredible hard work in putting the stand together, organising the floats at Greenfield. There are many others who also help out on the day as stewards but John has been the quiet force behind the whole event for all this time. The Community Council is looking for people to become involved in the organisation. It is the biggest event in the town during the year, it brings hundreds of people onto the streets and fills the pubs and restaurants. Hopefully, this will continue.

The visit of President Higgins and his wife Sabina, to the UK and the Queen was an unmitigated success. The usual pomp and ceremony of the royalty was wheeled out in style and Michael D and Sabina seemed perfectly comfortable with it all. 'Historic' was the word used over and over again and it was. However, one wonders what the leaders of 1916 would make of our newly-found friendship with the 'old enemy' after all their sacrifices. What was more 'historic' was the fact that Martin McGuinness was there also and that changes more than the President's presence. It will be remembered in the future as another step to Ireland's growth to a fully-grown state – something that can take a very long time for colonial countries.

The Government's problems have been growing over the weeks, with the local and European elections looming, there are ministers being attacked and under siege all over the place. Water taxes, education, free GP care for children under 6, all areas of contention. The issue of paying for water has been on and off the political agenda for decades. The next wars may very well be fought for water so it is an important issue for the world's population and not just this little island. There are a number of problems involved in the water system in Ireland, it has had no upgrade for at least a hundred years and there is over 40% of the water leaking from the system. This has to be remedied but without investment this cannot be carried out, the neglect has finally caught up with us. Other problems include areas where the water is undrinkable, should they have to pay for water that they cannot drink? But we are the only country in Europe where we don't pay for water and in most of those countries they cannot or do not drink their tap water, they buy water and there is lot of water bought in Ireland over the last number of decades as well.

There is the accusation against this Government already that they are disconnected from the people and the organisations who oppose them. There are protests about the water taxes but the protests of teachers and doctors against ministers Quinn and White are less visible but a lot more important. Decisions seem to be made without much consultation or thought. The megaphone directed at Ruairí Quinn was probably a step too far and the

behaviour of the teachers was not exactly a good example to students. The silence of the GPs when Alex White spoke to them in our local Carton House was more polite but also contains inherent dangers. Is the Government in danger of a break up? If so what or who could replace it? Not a comfortable vista for some facing the future. Perhaps it is a warning again to those in power not to become divorced from reality, not to become arrogant and removed. Not to make decisions without consultation. These are lessons for all in power.

Beidh scrúdaithe ar siúl ag na mic léinn san Ollscoil an mhí seo. Do chuid acu, seo an uair dheireanach acu ag suí scrúdaithe agus beidh jabanna á lorg acu amuigh ansin. Ba mhaith linn gach rath a ghuí orthu uile, idir óg agus gan a bheith chomh hóg. We would like to wish all the University students the best of luck with their examinations this month. They face an uncertain future in this economy and we hope that they will prosper and find employment in our troubled country.

Ba mhaith linn freisin gach rath a ghuí ar an hiarathóirí uile atá ag seasamh sna toghacháin. We would like to wish good luck to the candidates in the upcoming elections. We may give out about our politicians but particularly at a local level it is invaluable to have local representation. The local councillors work very hard for their community and it is heartening to see so many people standing for election in a climate that is fairly cold to politicians and politics. It is heartening also to see young faces interesting in standing for the various parties and groups. We know they cannot all win but we would urge people to go out and vote. Like independence, the right to vote was hard fought for and we owe it to ourselves to get up and to vote in both the local and European elections. Many of the more important decisions are made in Europe now and it is important that we are involved in that process.

Finally, last month marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the complicated and landmark case of the so-called 'Kerry babies' – the saga of Joanne Hayes. The newspapers of Easter Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1984, carried the gruesome story of dead babies, not a sight welcomed by the maternity hospitals of the time, some banned the newspapers from the wards where women were nursing tiny newborns or mourning tragic losses. What emerged however was a catalogue of events that was part of waking complacent Ireland up to the way women were viewed and treated. All this happened just after the Abortion Referendum, contraception was still difficult to get, the Magdalen Laundries still existed quietly and the description 'unmarried mother' was still the norm. The detectives involved were the elite, the murder squad. It was 5 years after the Pope visited Ireland but this was the beginning of the end of supposed holy, Catholic Ireland. There were many demonstrations by locals and women's rights groups in support of Joanne and the local people supported her throughout.

The theories of what happened at the time were quite bizarre and there was a tribunal established to find out why the entire family made statements admitting a murder that did not happen. The actions of the Gardaí at the time were questioned and Joanne's sex life was dissected in public. We would hope that such a scenario would not happen now.

## 1916 Commemoration Ceremony Easter Monday



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SEÁN Ó CATHASAIGH IS THE IRISH TEACHER AT LEINSTER SENIOR COLLEGE, NEWBRIDGE. HE HAS A FIRST CLASS HONOURS DEGREE IN IRISH AND HE HAS A POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION. HE IS A NATIVE IRISH SPEAKER FROM THE CORCA DHUIBHNE GAELTACHT IN WEST KERRY. SEAN HAS LIVED IN MAYNOOTH FOR THE PAST TWENTY YEARS AND JOINED THE TEAM IN LSC IN 2012 AND HAS BROUGHT RENEWED LOVE OF THE IRISH LANGUAGE TO THE WHOLE SCHOOL. HIS RESULTS IN 2013 WERE FANTASTIC AND HAS MADE IRISH ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL STUDENTS.

## INTRODUCTION

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Luaigh dhá cháilíocht - mention two qualifications.

Cén spriocdháta? What is the final date?

Cé a ghlac páirt? Who took part?

Luaigh tuairim amháin-mention one opinion

Luaigh áis amháin- mention one facility

Cé a eiseoidh é? –Who will issue it?

Cén chomhairle? –What advice?

Cén bhaint? – What association?

Cén tairiscint?- What offer?

Cén deis? – What opportunity?

Luaigh dualgas breise amháin- mention one extra duty

Cén moladh? What recommendation/praise?

Cén fáth ar eagraíodh é? Why was it organised?

Luaigh tréith amháin- mention one trait

Cé mhéid scoláireacht? How many scholarships?

Luaigh cúram amháin – mention one responsibility

Cén locht? – What fault?

Cár rugadh Máire? Where was Mary born?

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CEIST 2 – Ceapadóireacht (100 marc) 110/115 nóiméad.

Tá cruinneas , saibhreas agus ceangal cinnte leanúnach ag teastáil sa mhír seo

Tá an cheapadóireacht an –tábhachtach agus dá bhrí sin ní mór don dalta tabhairt faoin gceapadóireacht go ciallmhar agus stuama. Iarrtar ort 500-600 focal a scríobh timpeall trí leathanach. Mura scríobhann tú trí leathanach caillfidh tú marcanna. Bá chóir don dalta ábhar a roghnú a mbeidh ar a c(h)umas scríobh gan dua. Caithfidh ceangal cinnte leanúnach (Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit 2013) a bheith idir an teideal a roghnaíonn an dalta agus an t-ábhar a scríobhann sé/sí. Ciallaíonn sé seo go gcaithfidh an dalta cloí leis an teideal . Tá gramadach comhréir (syntax) agus litriú an-tábhachtach sa cheist seo mar de réir na scéime marcála tá 80% don chruinneas gramadaí agus 20% don ionramháil. Dá dheasca sin ní mór do dhaltai a bheith cúramach le cruinneas na teanga. Tá an cheapadóireacht roinnte i dtrí chuid – AISTE, SCÉAL AGUS DIOSPÓIREACHT/ORÁID.

AISTE- Maidir leis an aiste tá cúig rogha agat agus is féidir leat é a scríobh i bhfoirm aiste nó i bhfoirm agallaimh. Is minic a thugtar aistí a bhíonn ag tagairt d'fhadhbanna éagsúla atá ag cur isteach ar phobal na tíre nó timpeall na cruinne. I gcásanna mar sin, is fiú foclóir mar seo a bheith ar eolas agat An Gaeilge agus Todhchaí na Teanga

1. Tá an cheist seo pléite agus athphléite ag polaiteoirí, ag iriseoirí, agus ag saineolaithe i gcoitinne.
2. Is beag lá/seachtain nach gceistear tagairt éigin faoi thodhchaí na teanga sna meáin chumarsáide.
3. Is cosúil go bhfuil ag teip orainn, go dtí seo, teacht ar aon réiteach sásúil ar thodhchaí na teanga. In ainneoin na cainte go léir níor thángthas ar aon bhealach ceart chun an teanga a athbheochan go fóill.
4. Tá teanga na Gaeilge ag meath agus is orainn féin atá an locht
5. Ar an gcéad dul síos-----
6. Mar a luaigh mé cheana-----
7. Táimse go láidir den tuairim go bhfuil-----
8. Tá polaiteoirí na tíre seo beag beann ar chás na

Gaeilge.

9. Muna bhfuilimid sásta rud éigin dearfach a dhéanamh faoin teanga, ba chóir dúinn éirí as an bhfíminéacht . Admháimis go bhfuil ré na Gaeilge thart.

10. Tá sé de dhualgas orainn ár ndícheall a dhéanamh teanga ár sinsear a chothú.

SCÉAL- Caithfidh féith na samhlaíochta a bheith agat don scéal agus de ghnáth moltar don dalta an scéal a sheachaint. An t-aon bhuntáiste atá leis an scéal ná gur féidir leat é a scríobh san aimsir chaite.

DIOSPÓIREACHT/ORÁID- Tá difríocht idir an diospóireacht agus an oráid. Ó thaobh na diospóireacht a de caithfidh tú argóint a dhéanamh ar son nó in aghaidh an rúin. Ní féidir an dá thrá a fhreastal. Maidir leis an oráid is caint aonair atá i gceist. Tá tú ag caint faoi ábhar ar leith agus is féidir leat labhairt faoi na buntáistí agus mibhuntaistí a bhaineann leis. Ní cheart tabhairt faoin diospóireacht/oráid mura bhfuil tús agus deireadh na diospóireachta foghlamtha de ghlanmheabhair ag an dalta.

Sampla diospóireachta

Tús na diospóireachta: A Chathaoirigh, a mholtóirí a chomhchainteoirí agus a dhaoine uaisle.

Is mise--- agus táimse agus an fhoireann go huile is go hiomlán ar son nó in aghaidh an rúin agus níl dabht orm a lucht éisteachta go mbeimid den tuairim chéanna faoi dheireadh na diospóireachta. Tá súil agam gur thug sibh éisteacht chaoin chneasta do lucht an fhreasúra mar neartaíonn na laigí a bhí ina gcuid argóintí ár seasamh féin. Tá íomhá bréagach suaimhneach cruthaithe ag lucht an fhreasúra nach bhfuil baint ag an saol dáiríre mórthimpeall orainn. Dá bhrí sin tá sé riachtanach mar sin go n-ínsítear an fhírinne glan dóibh gan aon cur i gcéill. Táimse agus m'fhoireann anseo chun é sin a dhéanamh. Táimid in aghaidh an rúin se ar chúiseanna áirithe a luafaidh mé libh anois.

Ar an gcéad dul síos

Táim lán chinnte

Iarraim oraibh arís a dhaoine uaisle, diúltú don rún éagórach seo

Ar an ábhar sin táim ag impí oraibh tacaíocht a

thabhairt dom

Beidh lucht an fhreasúra ag iarraidh a chur ina luí

oraibh ach ná tabhair aon éisteacht dóibh.

Ar an ábhar sin, tá súil agam go n-aontóidh sibh liom nuair a deirim—

Críoch na diospóireachta: Agus faoi dheireadh a lucht éisteachta táim tagtha go dtí deireadh mo chuid cainte ar an rún seo. Ní fíor a bhfuil á rá ag lucht an fhreasúra. Níl siad sásta glacadh leis na fadhbanna móra atá ag an----- faoi láthair. Níl siad ach ag iarraidh pictiúr bréagach a chruthú ar mhaithe leis an diospóireacht seo a bhuanach. Ná ligigí dóibh an diospóireacht seo a bhuanach a dhaoine uaisle. Táim lánchinnte nach ndéanfaidh sibh a leithéid is go dtacóidh sibh liomsa/linne. Táimse/táimid ag insint na fírinne. Tá siad san ag insint bréag. Ar an ábhar sin seasaim féin lena bhfuil ráite agam sa diospóireacht seo agus deirim arís go neamhbhalbh cluas bodhar a thabhairt don lucht éisteachta. Go raibh maith agaibh sa an éisteacht a thug sibh dúinn.

ORÁID-TÚS NA HORÁIDE: A chairde agus a dhaoine uaisle, A áionna céimiúla, A chomhscoláirí, A lucht éisteachta.

Is mise—agus tá áthas an domhain orm an deis iontach seo a bheith agam labhairt libh faoi----.

Ar an gcéad dul síos

Ina theannta sin

Ní hamháin sin ach—

Críoch –Dá bhrí sin a dhaoine uaisle táim nach mór tagtha go dtí deireadh mo chuid cainte agus tá súil agam go mbain sibh sásamh as an méid a bhí le rá agam

Mar fhocal scoir chun dul siar ar an méid atá ráite agam nó chun clabhsúr a chur leis an méid atá ráite agam.



Sula bhfágaim sibh a dhaoine uaisle seo ábhar macnaimh díobh.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh agus guím rath dé oraibh go léir.

PÁIPÉAR A DÓ (ceithre cheist) Dé Máirt 10ú Meitheamh 2014 9.30 go dtí 12.35 – 3 uair 5 nóiméad Ceist 1. LÉAMHTHUISCINT (100 MARC) 2x45 nóiméad.

Saineolas ar an Genre Litríochta

Beidh dhá léamhthuisicint i bpáipéar a dó agus is fiú caoga marc an ceann iad. Caithfidh tú sé cheist a fhreagairt agus bíonn dhá chuid le gach ceist. Má bhíonn ort dhá phointe a lua i d'fhreagra, bí cinnte go luann tú dhá phointe. Ná cuir an dá phointe le chéile san abairt chéanna. Roinn amach iad. De ghnáth is éard a bhíonn sna léamhthuisicintí seo ná daoine a bhfuil clú agus cáil bainte amach acu cheana féin. Sa bhreis air sin bíonn sárraithne ag an bpobal orthu. Seachas ceist a 6b glactar le freagraí i bhfocail an tsleachta. Maidir le ceist 6a is ceist ghramádaí a bhíonn ann- mar shampla, (a) An Saorbhriathar: Níl a fhios againn cé dhein an gníomh- Dúntar, Dúnadh, Dúnfar. (b) Breischéim agus sárchéim na haidiachta. (c) An Tuiseal Ginideach – firinsneach Lár an tsamhraidh, hata an fhir, fear an phoisit. (d) An Tuiseal Ginideach- Baininsneach – Leac na fuinneog, tonnta na farraige, iallacha na bróige. (e) An Tuiseal Ginideal Iolra – Hataí na bhfeair, ainmneacha na dTíortha. (f) An t-ainmfhocal Briathartha – ag déanamh, ag briseadh. (g). Aidiacht san uimhir iolra – beaga, móra. (h) Aidiacht Shealbhach – mo bhróg-(uatha), a mbróg (iolra), a bhróg-firinsneach, a bróg-baininsneach. Maidir le ceist 6b caithfidh tú 50-60 focal a scríobh i d'fhocail féin. De ghnáth bíonn ceist ar genre litríochta agus ba cheart go mbeadh saineolas ag na daltaí ar an genre litríochta is coitianta. Is iad seo a leanas na Genre is coitianta.

Genre Litríochta is coitianta.

1 Tuairisc – achoimre agus eolas. Tá cur síos ar rud éigin

2 Cuntas Staire- cuntas ar shaol duine cáiliúil. Bíonn cur síos ar chúrsaí reatha agus faigheann sé léirmheas. Uaireanta bíonn píosa irisioireachta ann.

3 Insint-Scéal, mothúcháin, maoinie. Bíonn suíomh i gceist agus friotal agus sonraí pearsanta.

4 Leabhar Taistil Eolasach- Is éard atá anseo ná dialann taistil agus de ghnáth bíonn cur síos ar oilithreachta nó turas. Bíonn cur síos ann ar na daoine ar bhuail sé leis agus ar stair na n-áiteanna.

5 Píosa as dírbheathaisnéis nó beathaisnéis.

6 Píosa irisioireachta : Neamhfhicsean, tráchtairacht agus fíricí.

CEIST 2. PRÓS (30 MARC). 30 nóiméad .

Tuisicint ar na scéalta /téamaí agus na carachtair

Maidir leis an gceist seo is féidir leat ceist a 2a Prós Ainmnithe nó 2B Prós Roghnach a fhreagairt. Maidir leis an gcúrsa próis ainmnithe scrúdófar an dalta ar cheann de na gearrscéalta/scéal fiannaíochta /dráma atá ar an gcúrsa. Ba cheart go mbeadh cur amach ag na daltaí ar na carachtair go léir, téamaí, tréithe agus ar imeachtaí na sleachta. Tá sé tábhachtach go ndéanann na daltaí cleachtadh ar na ceisteanna scrúdaithe. Is iad seo a leanas na sleachta próis ainmnithe atá ar an gcúrsa.

1. Oisín i dTír na nóg – scéal réaloidis

2. Dís -gearrscéal

3. Hurlamaboc – sliocht as úrscéal.

4. An Gnáthrud – gearrscéal

Nó Seal i Neipeal- sliocht as Dírbheathaisnéis Nó

Seal i Neipeal

5.An Lasair Choille –gearrdhráma

NÓ

Cáca Milis

CEIST 3. FILÍOCHT (30 MARC). 30 nóiméad

Bí cinnte go dtuigeann tú na heochairfhocail.

Sa mhír fhilíochta ainmnithe scrúdófar dán amháin. Ní bheidh aon rogha agat sa mhír seo. Beidh an dán clóscríofa ar an bpáipéar scrúdaithe. Dá bhrí sin ní bheidh an oiread sin brú ort agus ní gá duit na sleachta a fhoghlaim de ghlanmheabhair. Bain úsáid as sleachta ón dán chun tacaíocht a thabhairt do do fhreagra. Sa bhreis air sin bí cinnte go dtuigeann tú na heochairfhocail seo a leanas.

Codarsnacht,

Athrá,

Scigmhagadh,

Aoradh,

Friotal,

Meafair,

Logainmneacha,

Fáthchiallach,

Pearsantú

Íomhánna, Siombail, Uaim.

Is iad seo a leanas na cúig dhán atá ar an gcúrsa.

1. Colscaradh le Pádraig Mac Suibhne

2. Géibheann le Caitlín Maude

3. An Spailpín Fánach ( Ní fios cé chum)

4. Mo ghrá-sa (idir lúibíní) le Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill

5. An tEarrach Thiar le Máirtín Ó Díreáin.

FRÁSAÍ ÚSAÍDEACHA

1. Músclaíonn an dán ----- ionam (Mar shampla, grá, áthas, eagla, brón, gliondar, dóchas).

2. Léirítear an grá atá ag an bhfile dá áit dúchais.

3. Sílim gur dán éifeachtach é.

4. Cuireann an uaim go mór leis an dán.

5. Baineann an file feidhm as ----- (Mar shampla íoróin, aicill, siombailí, íomhánna, athrá.

6. Tá codarsnacht láidir sa dán idir véarsa a haon agus a dó.

7. Tá brón le sonrú sa dán

8. Is iad brón agus áthas an dá mothucháin atá le brath sa dán.

CEIST 2. (Litríocht bhreise (40 marc) 35 nóiméad Roghnaíonn an múinteoir ceist amháin ón liosta thíos chun staidéar a dhéanamh air i rith na b liana.

(a) An Triail

(b) A Thig ná Tit Orm

(c) Gafa

(d) Tórafocht Dhiarmada agus Gráinne

(e) Gafa

(f) Canary Wharf

(g) Dánta Breise.

Bí cinnte de go bhfuil an scéal, téamaí agus teicníochta ar eolas agat. Sa bhreis air sin bí deimhneach de go bhfuileann tú ábalta na línte sna dánta breise a mhíniú. De ghnáth is é an triail an scéal is coitianta a úsáidtear sna scoileanna. Dá dheasca sin ba chóir go mbeadh cur amach ag na daltaí ar na carachtair, Téama, Saol sna seascaidí agus cumhacht na hEaglaise. Sa bhreis air sin ba chóir do na daltaí fiche tagairt a bheith curtha de ghlanmheabhair acu chun an scéal/ceist scrúdaithe a chur in iúl. Ba cheart do na daltaí cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar na ceisteanna scrúduithe chomh maith.

Mar fhocal scoir Caithfidh tú a bheith dian ort féin ó thaobh ama de go háirithe páipéar a dó. Beidh tú faoi bhrú leis an léamhthuisicint . Dá bhrí sin moltar duit na ceisteanna eile a dhéanamh ar dtús sula ndéanann tú an léamhthuisicint.

Guím gach rath ar bhuir n-iarrachtaí agus go mbainfidh sibh amach an sprioc atá leagtha síos díbh féin.

Maise agus fónamh agat (May you be lucky and successful)

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## Spring Thoughts

(1)

Tempora Mutantur...

**Golfers, strollers, chalet dwellers  
Replace red deer and dairy herds.  
A conference centre and hotel  
Flank the Early-Georgian mansion.  
This yew tree, lopped and braced, still  
thrives.**

(11)

Guadeamus, Igitur...

**Cooling pigeons, foraging bees,  
Primroses, speedwells, celadines;  
Sunlight jiggling on a waterfall;  
Visitors strolling gravelled paths;  
In a tree a watching raven.**

(111)

Ars Longa, Vita Brevis

**Some people can't abide decay:  
A cankered rose, a rotting fence,  
One week's build-up of household dust.  
Such things don't really bother me:  
I gild them with the words I write!**

P.Devaney



## Comhaltas Ceoltoirí Éireann - Maynooth



**Picture: The Craobh Mhaigh Nuad float at St. Patrick's Day Parade, led out by the Branch Cisteóir Seán Treacy (left) and Branch Chairman Gerry Fitzpatrick.**

Pictured at their annual St Patrick's Day Performance is the Maynooth Craobh of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann – Irish Musicians Association – which was founded in 2012. Since 1951, Comhaltas have been spreading the gospel of traditional Irish music all over the world, setting up over 400 community-based branches, including 6 in Kildare.

Many consider Comhaltas to be one of Ireland's most successful cultural groups, having trained generations of Irish to study, perform, promote and preserve that central element of traditional Irish culture, namely its music. Tens of thousands of youngsters have learned to play music on traditional instruments, while over two million people attend the sessions, concerts, festivals and workshops sponsored by Comhaltas annually.

### Comhaltas in Maynooth

The local branch was founded in August 2012 by a group of Maynooth musicians, who had close ties to the central Craobh Chúlainn Branch in Monkstown. "We saw the success of the branches in Leixlip and Kilcock, and though there must be scope for a branch also in Maynooth", says Seán Treacy, Cisteóir of CCE Mhaigh Nuad. The hunch proved a good one, and 18 months later, there are now 200 active members.

While festivals, concerts and sessions mark the outward popularity of Comhaltas, many say the enduring legacy of CCE is its educational programs. It is the stated goal of Comhaltas, Maynooth "to bring traditional Irish music, song and dance into as many homes as possible in the North-Kildare area."

To this end classes, are held in the Post Primary School in Maynooth on Wednesdays 19:00 – 21:40 in a range of instruments - Accordion, Banjo, Bodhrán, Concertina, Fiddle, Flute, Guitar, Tin Whistle and also Comhrá as Gaeilge, to those who would like to brush up on their Irish.

The classes are grouped according to ability rather than age, so they are often mixed age. Children are in the majority, but there is a significant proportion of adult participants. These include:

Parents who are learning an instrument alongside their children.

People with a background in other musical styles, who are looking to discover traditional music.

Students in Maynooth looking for a distraction from their studies :-)

Individuals with no musical background looking to "give it a lash".

The class teachers have an array of competition and performance experience behind them and several have the Comhaltas Teacher Training Diploma Courses. Class tunes are synchronised, meaning branch musicians work off a set of common tunes that enables regular sessions that are enjoyed by young and old.

There is a branch session in McMahon's Pub every Wednesday evening from 10, and junior session are held upstairs in McMahon's approx once a month in an environment suitable for all ages. All ability levels are catered for at these sessions

### Comhaltas - The Early Years

CCE was formed in 1951 in Mullingar, County Westmeath by traditional musicians from the Pipers Club in Dublin and other Gaelic culture advocates from around Ireland. They sought to improve the standing of traditional Irish music, dance and language in Ireland, which had suffered due to a general cultural and economic stagnation on the island, and from the emergence of popular culture and mass media; a world in which Irish music had not really found a foothold.

The first Fleadh Cheoil (festival of music) organized by Comhaltas in May 1951 was poorly attended, but it helped set in motion a renewed interest in Irish music. Today the Fleadh is one of Ireland's most popular events: the one held in Derry last August, in honour of that city's status as European capital of culture, drew 430,000 people.

In the early years, the Comhaltas movement was complemented by men like Ciaran MacMathuna of Radio Éireann, who recorded unknown musicians in rural areas, treasures which would have been lost in a purely oral tradition. Sean O Riada, composer and arranger, was another who laid the foundations for the revival of Irish music in the 60s, applying arrangements and ensembles from jazz and classical music to traditional music.

Before long, every county in Ireland had a Comhaltas branch, while in Britain and Scotland chapters formed in Liverpool, London and Glasgow, and other places with large Irish communities. Eventually that enthusiasm spread around the globe, and today branches of Comhaltas flourish in Japan, Australia, and Argentina and in several European countries.

Irish traditional music has centuries-old roots and has drawn influences from African, European and American traditions – it is now available for you to tap into right here in Maynooth, you're very welcome any time to informally drop in to check out either the lessons or the session. Feicfidh muid sibh go luath.

Hup!

**By Deric O Cearúil, Comhaltas Craobh Mhaigh Nuad - April 2014**

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| Lessons Where / When / What   | Post Primary Maynooth / Wed 19:00 – 21:40<br>Accordion, Banjo, Bodhrán, Concertina, Fiddle, Flute, Guitar, Tin Whistle and also Comhrá as Gaeilge |
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# Know Your Rights

## Self-employed people and Jobseeker's Allowance

### Question

My small business is not doing well at present so my income has dropped substantially. Am I entitled to any social welfare payment?

### Answer

If the amount of work you are getting from self-employment has reduced so much that it no longer provides a sufficient income, you may qualify for Jobseeker's Allowance. You must meet all the conditions to qualify for this payment, including a means test, but you do not need to close your business or stop working as a self-employed person.

The earnings from your business will be assessed in the means test. The assessment must reflect the income that you may reasonably be expected to get from your business over the next 12 months. Income for the last 12 months will be taken as a guide, but the means test will also allow for any factors that are likely to vary. You should be prepared to discuss these factors when you are being assessed for the payment.

Your earnings over the 12 months are assessed as your gross income minus work-related expenses. Your expected annual earnings from self-employment are divided by 52 to find your weekly means from self-employment.

Usually, you will be asked for your receipts and payments or audited accounts for the current and previous year. For example, if you apply for Jobseeker's Allowance in May 2014, you will be asked for your receipts and payments from January 2014 to May 2014 and for 2013. However, in certain cases you may be required to show audited accounts for the last two or more years.

You may qualify for Supplementary Welfare Allowance while you are waiting to be assessed for Jobseeker's Allowance or if a decision is made that you don't qualify for Jobseeker's Allowance.

The website [selfemployedsupports.ie](http://selfemployedsupports.ie) has further information on the services and entitlements available.

## Anti-bullying policies and training

### Question

Our son is moving to secondary school soon and we're concerned that he might be bullied. Is there any advice available?

### Answer

The Department of Education and Skills requires an anti-bullying policy to be part of the written code of behaviour in all schools. Each school must publish its anti-bullying policy on its website and give it to the parents' association. The policy must include clear procedures for investigating, recording and dealing with instances of bullying. The school principal must report regularly to the Board of Management and the Board must carry out an annual review of the policy and its implementation.

The National Parents Council Primary (NPC-P) and National Parents Council Post Primary (NPC-PP) have jointly developed a programme of anti-bullying training for parents of school pupils. The programme is funded by the Department of Education and Skills under the Anti-Bullying Action Plan. Each session runs for two hours and is provided free of charge.

The nationwide training sessions have been developed

specifically for parents, so they are not suitable for children. They aim to enable parents to support their children regarding issues of bullying. The sessions also inform parents about the Anti Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, which are available on the Department's website [education.ie](http://education.ie).

You can find out where and when these training sessions are available from the websites of the two parent councils [npc.ie](http://npc.ie) (primary) and [npcpp.ie](http://npcpp.ie) (post-primary). The two councils have also developed an information leaflet for parents and you can access this on each of their websites as well.

Your son may find the website [watchyourspace.ie](http://watchyourspace.ie) useful if he has concerns about possible bullying.

The Office for Internet Safety and others have developed a booklet to increase awareness of all aspects of cyberbullying, including how to identify it and how to prevent it – available at [internetsafety.ie](http://internetsafety.ie).

## Serving on a jury

### Question

I've recently been called for jury service and I'd be happy to do it, but I'm not sure who can serve on a jury. At the age of 65 am I too old?

### Answer

There is no upper age limit for eligibility for jury service, but at age 65 or over you can be excused as of right if you do not wish to serve.

There are several other categories of people who can be excused as of right, including members of the Dáil and Seanad, ministers of religion, doctors, nurses, midwives, teachers etc. You can also be excused as of right if you have served on a jury within the last three years or have been excused by a judge at the end of a previous period of jury service.

It is an offence to fail to attend for jury service without reasonable excuse.

Every Irish or British citizen in Ireland who is aged 18 or over and who is on the Register of Dáil Electors is eligible to serve on a jury, except for:

- People who are involved in any way with the administration of justice and
- People who are unable to read or who have a long-term impairment so that it is not practicable for them to serve on a jury.

You cannot serve on a jury if:

- You are not an Irish or British citizen
- You have been convicted of a serious offence in Ireland
- You have ever been sentenced to five years or more in prison or
- Within the last ten years, you have been sentenced to three months in prison.

Read more on the Courts Service website [courts.ie](http://courts.ie).

## Vaccinations when travelling abroad

### Question

We are planning a round-the-world trip later this year. Should we think about getting vaccinations?

### Answer

You should consider getting vaccinations if you are travelling outside of Western Europe, North America,

Australia, and New Zealand. Health risks vary from country to country, so you will need to get advice about this well before you travel – ask your family doctor, the Health Service Executive (HSE) or your travel agent.

You will also find relevant information on the World Health Organization Country List. The HSE website has information on the different types of vaccines, such as those for cholera or tuberculosis – [hse.ie](http://hse.ie).

Travel vaccinations are not covered by the medical card so you will have to pay the full cost for them.

Start the process of vaccination in good time before you travel. Some vaccines take time to become effective, so give yourself at least 8 weeks for full protection.

An early start is particularly important if you plan to travel with children. The BCG vaccination against tuberculosis (TB), for example, should be given at least 3 months before your child travels.

Some countries require you to have certain vaccinations and you will need to show an International Certificate of Vaccination in order to gain access to these countries. Other vaccinations are recommended and you can decide yourself whether to get them.

If you feel unwell on your return to Ireland, you should see a doctor as soon as possible. Give full details of the countries you visited.

**Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.**

**Know Your Rights has been compiled by Citizens Information Service which provides a free and confidential service to the public.**

**Information is also available online at [citizensinformation.ie](http://citizensinformation.ie) and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, 0761 07 4000.**

## An Nuadha Players Cake Sale

An Nuadha Players Community Theatre will hold a Cake Sale in the Boys School Maynooth on May 11th at 9.15am and it will continue till the last crumb.

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|--------|-------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------|
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| 12-Jan | 18,19,21,26 | €2,450  | David McCormack - Emer Darcy - Anne Naughton         |
| 19-Jan | 2,17,22,23  | €2,500  | Mary Murray - Slim - Mick McGovern                   |
| 26-Jan | 6,8,9,19    | €2,550  | Niall Cronolly - John Hanrahan - Emma Gallagher      |
| 02-Feb | 6,11,19,27  | €2,600  | Joan Carroll - Conor Strickland - Noel Dempsey       |
| 09-Feb | 7,15,21,23  | €2,650  | Elaine & Suzanne - Pauline McAvinue - Richard Tighe  |
| 16-Feb | 11,15,16,18 | €2,700  | Stephen Finnegan - Jill Judge - Nigel O'Shea         |
| 23-Feb | 9,24,25,28  | €2,750  | Gerry Reilly - John Sauls - Dave Vavasour            |
| 02-Mar | 15,16,21,25 | €2,800  | Ailbhe Quinn - Gina Folan - Katie Neville            |
| 09-Mar | 7,14,17,21  | €2,850  | Aileen Gleeson - Fiona Healy - Pat Power             |
| 16-Mar | 1,10,14,28  | €2,900  | Mike Coyne - Tony Clifford - Anthony Casey           |
| 23-Mar | 13,22,25,27 | €2,950  | Ambrose O'Brien - John O'Shea - Dan Bradley          |
| 30-Mar | 16,23,25,28 | €3,000  | Sam Feeney - TJ Byrne - Anne Wall                    |
| 06-Apr | 15,18,23,28 | €3,050  | Ciaran Flanagan - Mick O'Sullivan - Suzanne Farrelly |
| 13-Apr | 4,8,27,28   | €3,100  | Kieran O'Connor - Caroline McCabe - Paul Coyle       |
| 20-Apr | 10,13,17,28 | €3,150  | Ann Cribben - Tony Byrne - Isabel & Sofie            |



## RECIPE IDEAS FOR FAMILY GATHERINGS

### Lemon Lime Bars

32 servings

#### Ingredients

|                                 |                                                 |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 2 cups all-purpose flour        | * 1/2 cup icing sugar                           |
| 2 tablespoons cornstarch        | * 1/4 teaspoon salt                             |
| 3/4 cup butter, cut up          | * 4 eggs, lightly beaten                        |
| 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar     | * 1/3 cup half-and-half                         |
| 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour | * 1 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel         |
| 1/3 cup lemon juice             | * 1 teaspoon finely shredded lime peel          |
| 1/3 cup lime juice              | * 1 drop green food colouring                   |
| Sifted icing sugar (optional)   | * Thin strips of lemon and lime peel (optional) |



#### Method

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 13x9x2-inch baking pan. Line pan with parchment and set aside. In a large bowl combine the 2 cups flour, the 1/2 cup icing sugar, the cornstarch and salt. Using a blender, cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs (mixture will look dry). Press firmly into bottom of prepared pan. Bake 15 minutes (crust will look dry). In a medium mixing bowl whisk together the eggs, granulated sugar, half-and-half and 3 Tbsp. flour; divide in two bowls. In one bowl add lemon peel and lemon juice; in the other bowl lime peel, lime juice and green food colouring into other half. Pour the lemon filling over hot crust; bake 10 to 12 minutes or until set. **Tip: Be sure to pour the lemon filling over the crust immediately after you take it out the oven.** This will ensure that lemon layer sets. Carefully pour lime filling over lemon filling; bake 10 to 12 minutes more or until set. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack. Use paper to lift uncut bars from pan. Cut into bars. Sift over icing sugar. Top with lemon and lime peel, if desired. Refrigerate to store.

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### Strawberry Brownie Kabobs 24 kabobs

#### Ingredients

1 box brownie mix  
2 16-oz packages of large strawberries  
1 bag marshmallows  
2 squares of cooking chocolate  
Wooden skewers, cut in half



#### Method

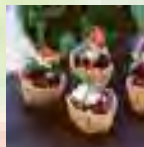
Preheat oven to 350 degrees and spray mini muffin tins with non-stick spray. Prepare the brownie batter according to the package's instructions and divide batter among muffin tins. Bake for 15-20 minutes, or until cake tester comes out clean. Allow brownies to cool in the pan for 5 minutes, then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely. Clean, dry, and cut the strawberries so both ends are flat (I just liked the look of them this way). Layer the strawberries, brownies, and marshmallows on the skewers and lay them out on a wax paper-lined cookie sheet. Melt the chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl in 30 second intervals until completely melted. Transfer to a piping bag or ziploc bag with the corner snipped off and drizzle each kabob. Transfer to the fridge to allow the chocolate to set and until ready to serve.

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### Mini Taco Bites

#### Ingredients

|                                     |                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2 tablespoons butter, melted        |                                   |
| 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt            |                                   |
| 1/4 teaspoon chilli powder          |                                   |
| 1 package (10-inch) flour tortillas |                                   |
| 1 pound lean ground beef            |                                   |
| 1/4 cup diced onion                 | * 2 teaspoons chilli powder       |
| 1 teaspoon cumin                    | * 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt        |
| 1/4 teaspoon oregano                | * 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper     |
| 1 (8-ounce) tomato sauce            | * salt and pepper                 |
| 1/2 cup refried beans               | * 1/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese |
| 1/2 cup finely shredded lettuce     | * 1 plum tomato, finely diced     |
| 1 tablespoon finely diced red onion | * 1/2 avocado, finely diced       |
| cilantro for garnish                |                                   |



#### Method

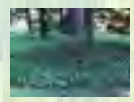
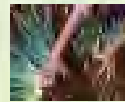
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Mix together melted butter, garlic salt, and 1/4 teaspoon chilli powder. Cut tortillas with a 3-inch biscuit cutter or cookie cutter. You should get 3-4 circles per tortilla. Stack tortillas, wrap in a moist paper towel, and microwave for 20 seconds to soften. Brush both sides of tortilla circles with butter mixture and press into cups of a mini muffin pan making the shape of the muffin cup. Bake for 15-18 mins. Cool in pan 5 mins and then remove to wire rack to cool completely. In a large nonstick pan over medium-high heat, cook ground beef, breaking it up with a wooden spoon. When most of the pink is gone add onion. Cook 2 more mins. Add chilli powder, cumin, and cayenne pepper. Stir for 30 seconds and then add tomato sauce. Simmer until thickens and then season to taste with salt and pepper. Place refried beans and cheese in a small microwave safe bowl. Heat 30 seconds and stir. If cheese is not fully melted, heat until cheese melts. Place a small amount of bean mixture on bottom of each taco shell. Top with small spoonful of meat mixture. Sprinkle with lettuce, tomato, red onion, avocado, and cilantro. Add small dollop of sour cream.

## May Gardening

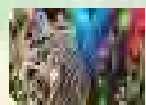
This is the month when gardeners will be taking advantage of the longer days. Watch out for late frosts. Protect tender plants. Earth up potatoes and plant any that you have left. Collect rain water and remove all weeds as soon as they appear. Open greenhouse vents and doors on warm days. Not forgetting to check for nesting birds before clipping any hedges. Mow lawns weekly. Apply a liquid fertiliser to spring bulbs after they have flowered, to encourage good flowering next year, and help prevent daffodil blindness. Keep a watch on pests. Aphids can multiply rapidly during mild spells. Remove early infestations.



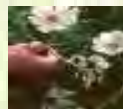
Remove spent blooms on tulips, daffodils and other spring flowering bulbs. Install plant supports for peonies, delphiniums and other tall plants. Snapdragons and alliums can also be planted. Divide overgrown winter iris and order later flowering varieties for mid-summer planting if you haven't already done so. Don't forget to continue to feed bulbs after blooms fade. Soil around stargazer lilies should always be kept moist and mulched during growing period. Later in the summer a thorough drying will do them good. Harden off summer bedding plants in early May. Don't put outside if there still is a threat of frost. Plant lily-of-the-valley or other flowering bulbs around the trunks of your trees to enhance its natural beauty.



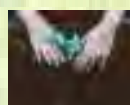
If you want to grow your own spring bedding for next year, many common choices are wallflowers, pansies and bellis perennis. They need to be planted between now and July so they will flower next spring. Winter bedding plants for the following winter can also be sown now till July. Divide clumps of herbaceous perennials that you want to propagate. Divide primulas after flowering, planting them in a back bed until they are ready for planting out again in the autumn. Divide hostas as they come into growth. Sweet peas training and tying in to their supports to encourage them to climb and have a good display. Pinch out the leading shoots on plants such as chrysanthemum and helianthus to encourage bushy plants. Liquid feed plants in containers every two to four weeks.



Prune overcrowded, dead or diseased stems of your clematis once it has finished flowering. Remove any reverted green shoots on hardy variegated evergreens preventing reversion taking over. Tie in climbing and rambling roses as close to the horizontal as you can. This will restrict sap flow causing more side-shoots to grow along the length of stem. This will produce more flowers. Twining climbers such as honeysuckle and clematis need regular tying in and twining around their supports. Make sure newly planted trees and shrubs don't dry out. Also loosen any tree ties that are digging into the bark as soon as you can.



Plant tomatoes, peppers and melons after all the danger of frost is gone and the soil is warm. Don't forget to plant tomatoes in a different spot each year to reduce fungus disease problems. Broccoli and cauliflower can be planted now in early May. Sow beet seeds an inch deep. Later you can thin them to one strong plant in each position. For faster germination of seeds, mix them with a wallpaper paste in a plastic bag. Then squeeze the mixture out of the bag into small holes in moist soil for planting. Pile earth up around your potato plants now. Mulch raspberry and black currant bushes with well rotted manure or compost. Making sure that you first water the soil around the area until it is quite moist.



Also not forgetting the pond, new plants can still be sown this month. To contain vigorous specimens why not plant them in aquatic baskets. Top the surface with gravel so that the fish won't stir up the compost. Avoid introducing goldfish to wildlife ponds as they will eat frogspawn and upset the natural balance already there. Remove blanket weed by twirling around a rough stick. Skim off floating weeds such as duckweed with a net. Please leave weeds on the edge of the pond for at least 24 hours to let any trapped creatures to return to the water before adding to the compost heap.



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**Maynooth Toastmasters**

On Monday evening 24th March the Area Final's were held at the Glenroyal Hotel, with contestants from Athy, Kildare, Maynooth and Naas Toastmasters. The International Speech Competition and Speech Evaluation Contests took place, competition was very intense with members from Naas winning the Speech contest and from Kildare winning the Evaluation contest. In excess of 50 members attended the meeting afterwards Maynooth hosted hot finger food, cakes and other refreshments. While there are always winners and losers in any competition, Toastmasters is quite unique as everybody taking part gains in confidence, learns new skills and expands their horizons. Competitions are a most enjoyable part of Toastmasters and everyone is encouraged to take part.

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The Maynooth Senior Ladies Football Team assisted the events committee with the table quiz held in the Maynooth GAA Club last Friday 28th March. The night was a great success and the ladies team would like to thank the local businesses who very generously donated prizes to the raffle. Without the support of these local businesses, events like these are very difficult to run. We would like to encourage everyone to support these businesses who continue to support the GAA Club and the local community.

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A portrait of Teresa Murray, a woman with short brown hair and bangs, smiling. She is wearing a dark blazer over a white collared shirt. The background is a soft-focus mix of blue and purple.

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Launching the Maynooth 10K 2014 L/R Conor Mallaghan (Carton House), Joe Schmitt (Irish Rugby Coach), Owen Byrne (Maynooth PP), Paul O'Connell (Irish Rugby Player), Teresa Murray (Chairperson of Maynooth PP PTA), Aoife Walsh, Sinead Burke, Ryan Deegan (Maynooth PP), Devon Toner (Irish Rugby Player). Photo: Mark Colfer

## Maynooth 10K 2014

They say that time flies when you're having fun and yes, that was a quick year. It only seems like yesterday when we were packing away the bollards, barriers and water bottles and here it is around again!

We're looking forward to a great event this year and we have a number of exciting additions to this year's event both to help you prepare and on the day itself.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page "Maynooth 10k 2014" and our Twitter feed "@maynooth10k" for more information and, of course, don't forget our website [www.maynooth10k.ie](http://www.maynooth10k.ie) for all the information in one place at one time!

*This year we are delighted to welcome KFM on board. KFM are giving us substantial air time to publicise the event and will also be covering the event "live" from their outside broadcasting unit at Carton Avenue.*

The 10k will commence in St. Patrick's College grounds and proceed up the Main Street to the Leixlip Road and continue through Carton to the finishing line on Carton Avenue.

The funds raised pay for the development of first class playing fields and a walking and running track. This much-needed facility will be available to everyone and is being developed in association with Maynooth GAA. From a business perspective the proposed facility will be available to host home games, currently often played away and this will bring more people and their welcome business and goodwill to the community.



## Runners Joggers Walkers

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Completed applications to be returned to reception of Maynooth Post Primary School, Moyglare Road, Maynooth, in an envelope marked "Maynooth 10k" along with cheque or postal order made out to Maynooth 10k. Entry fee €20.

## Enter Online through [www.maynooth10k.ie](http://www.maynooth10k.ie)

A Chara,

Check-in, parking and cloak-room facilities for Maynooth 10k will be available at Maynooth Post Primary school from 8:00am on Sunday the 18th May. You can check-in on Saturday 17th between 2:00pm and 4:00pm. On behalf of Maynooth Post Primary P.T.A. I would like to invite you to our prize giving ceremony on Sun at 12.30 at the school where refreshments will be served. I wish to thank St. Patrick's College and Carton House for the use of their grounds, our many sponsors, An Garda Síochána, KFM, Maynooth Newsletter and all who are volunteering their time to make the day a great success.

Mise le meas, Teresa Murray, Chairperson of Maynooth Post Primary PTA



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## Maynooth Tidy Towns



At time of writing our National Spring clean event is due to take place on Sunday 27th April in co-operation with Maynooth Business Association.

We have planted the flowers that Supervalu donated to us for St. Patrick's Day around the town.

Thanks to all to brought electrical products to WEEE Ireland collection in Tesco Car park on 29th March, the final tonnage was 26.157.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Annual Collection will take place on 22nd to 25th May in several locations.

One of our projects for 2014 Tidy Towns Application was to manually clear the Square of moss which has been completed.



Our Wednesday evening clean ups meet at the Square @ 7.30pm, Saturday morning @ 10am, meet in the Square and also Sunday morning clean ups meet at the Square @ 7.45am.

Best wishes to all taking part in the Maynooth 10k race on Sunday 18th May.



At time of writing Maynooth's involvement in Ireland's Best Kept is being judged during the month of May so we respectfully request that all candidates in the Local and European Elections would refrain from postering the Main Street up to the Kilcock Road.

**Please make a special effort to keep Maynooth litter free.**

Richard Farrell - PRO Maynooth Tidy Towns - 087 3153189 - Also on Facebook

## LOCAL GIRLS JOIN IN BROWNIE CENTENARY BIRTHDAY BASH!



Maynooth girls were among 3,000 Brownies from around Ireland to join in a Brownie centenary birthday bash in Dublin Zoo on Saturday 12th April. They were thrilled to be joined at the party by Today FM presenter, Ray D'Arcy, whose daughter is also a Brownie!

Brownies – the branch of Irish Girl Guides that caters for 6.5 to 10.5 year olds – started in Newbridge, Co Kildare, in 1914. The movement quickly spread throughout the country and today 4,000 girls in Ireland enjoy taking part in activities, games and challenges that help them develop self-confidence and a range of life skills.

Taking as their motto, 'Lend a Hand', Brownies are encouraged to think of others and to contribute to their local communities. They can earn a wide variety of badges in a non-competitive environment, including disability awareness, world cultures, crime prevention and science investigation. Before cutting the spectacular celebration cake, Today FM presenter Ray D'Arcy said: "I am delighted to join Brownies today as they celebrate their centenary. It is a momentous occasion and it is fantastic to see the zoo awash with yellow Brownie uniforms. Our daughter, Kate, joined the Brownies last year and loves her weekly meetings. We're delighted that she is part of such a wonderful organisation."

One of the organisation's oldest members, 93-year-old Hazel Shiel, was also thrilled to be able to join in the celebration. She has many happy memories of her time in Brownies, which she joined in 1928. "There was a great fellowship in Guiding – there still is – and that's why I never left," she said.

Helen Concannon, Chief Commissioner of the Irish Girl Guides, said: "Trying to stay relevant and in touch with each new generation of young girls can be a difficult task but it is one the Irish Girl Guides has excelled at. Tens of thousands of girls have benefited from their involvement and most have moved on to Guides (age 10.5-15) where they continue to grow and mature and are introduced to the international aspects of the Guiding movement."

Martina Fox, Chair of Brownie Branch, said: "The significance of the centenary is that we were here for girls in 1914 and, though girls' needs have developed and changed over the years, the core values they get in Guiding never changes, which is why it will definitely exist in 2114. Brownies were brilliant 100 years ago, Brownies are brilliant today and we know in 100 years' time Brownies will still be brilliant!"

**The Irish Girl Guides welcomes new members from age 5, young leaders from age 15 and adult volunteers from age 18. To find out more, see [www.irishgirlguides.ie](http://www.irishgirlguides.ie) or tel: 01 6683898.**



## Katie O'Neill Crowned Kildare Rose



Maynooth's Katie O'Neill was selected as the 2014 Kildare Rose. The Kildare Rose 2014 Gala Selection night took place at the Osprey Hotel & Spa, Naas on Saturday evening April 5th. Katie will go on to represent the county in the regional finals in Portlaoise

on the June Bank Holiday weekend. Katie is the daughter of Dermot and Helene proprietors of the well known O'Neills Bar & Steakhouse in Maynooth. We wish her well!

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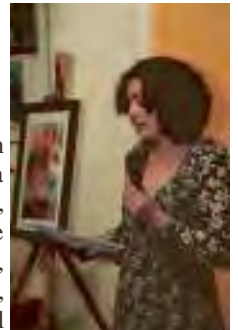
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## Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibition

The Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group celebrated the launch of its 16<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition on Friday 25 April in the Maynooth Post Primary School. Kildare novelist, Shauna Gilligan opened the event. She spoke highly of the art works on display, 71 in all, which were produced by 13 local artists from Maynooth, Kilcock and Celbridge. There was a wide range of subjects and media. Local scenes such as Maynooth Harbour, Carton Avenue, Maynooth Castle, Maynooth College views as well as landscape, seascape, figurative, equine, floral subjects were represented. It was a very successful event with many visitors coming to the exhibition on the Saturday and Sunday.

The Group would like to thank Shauna Gilligan for her considered and thoughtful opening remarks. We also thank Mr. Tom Ashe the patron of the art group for his support over the years, Mr. Johnny Nevin Principal of the Maynooth Post Primary and the office and caretaking staff of the school. It is doubtful we would be able to celebrate what is now our 16<sup>th</sup> year without the support of the school. Thanks also to everyone who attended the opening night and to those who came to the exhibition over the weekend. It was very rewarding to see so many people taking an interest and who shared their thoughts about the art on display.





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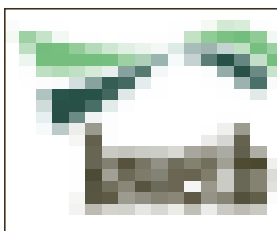
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# Maynooth Labour News

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## **North-South Cycle Route Corridor Study for Maynooth**

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's motion the Area Engineer expects to be bringing Draft proposals for this much needed Cycle Corridor from Moyglare Hall to the Maynooth Business Campus before the Area Committee in mid May. The Area Engineer is the Project Engineer for the Scheme.

## **Extensive Footpath and Cyclepath Works for Straffan Road Later This Year**

Cllr. John McGinley has been pressing the Council to carry out improvements to footpaths and cyclepaths on the Straffan Road for some time. The Area Engineer has now confirmed to John that they have plans to get funding from the National Transport Authority (NTA) for extensive footpath and cyclepath works on the Straffan Road later this year.

## **Illegal Parking in Maynooth**

Cllr. McGinley got the following update on his motion:

"The committee requested that a letter issue to the Naas Traffic Corps seeking increased enforcement of the red phase of traffic lights in Maynooth as drivers are increasingly ignoring the lights and are failing to stop. This letter was issued as requested. The chief superintendent has referred the matter to the superintendent in Leixlip for attention. The area engineer reports that the Gardai have been patrolling Maynooth regularly and have been issuing parking tickets."

## **Cllr. McGinley Calls for 3 Ton Limit Sign to be Re-erected at Convent Lane Entrance**

Cllr. McGinley has asked the Area Engineer to re-erect the missing "3 Ton Limit" sign at the Main Street/Convent Lane junction. It is now needed more than ever with the narrowing of the roadway at the junction. The 3 ton limit sign is still in place at the other end of the Dunboyne Road at the roundabout at Carton wall.

## **Cllr. McGinley Asks the Area Engineer to Address the Problem of the Maxol Hoarding Blocking the Traffic Signals**

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Area Engineer to address the problem of the new hoarding at Maxol blocking the traffic signals for motorists coming in the Celbridge Road to the Straffan Road. It is particularly hazardous for visitors who don't know that there are traffic signals ahead. It also blocks the view of pedestrians waiting to cross at the zebra crossing.

## **Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures from Main Street into Doctors Lane**

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the council examine the feasibility of putting a footpath from the Avenue Cafe as far into Doctors Lane as possible in the interest of public safety."

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer:

"There are serious challenges on this laneway with regard to the overall width of the road corridor but the area office can examine the feasibility of a footpath of sorts."

## **Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures Improvements at the Junction at St. Mary's Church:**

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the council examine the feasibility of installing a

right turning lane at St. Mary's Church for those vehicles coming down Moyglare Road and wishing to turn right up the Kilcock Road."

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer:

"The upcoming Part 8 consultation on the North/South corridor cycle route includes for a review of this junction and this suggestion can be reviewed at that time."

The Area Engineer advised Cllr. McGinley that the first Draft of the proposals should be ready by mid May

## **Cllr. McGinley Calls for a New Fire Station for Maynooth**

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That a proper location be identified for a new Maynooth Fire Station as a matter of urgency as the existing location is highly unsuitable and the state of the existing station is very poor."

John got the following reply:

"The area office reports that the relocation of the fire station is a matter for the fire service. However, there are certain elements of the north/south corridor plan for Maynooth which may improve access for the fire service to the road network in Maynooth. The chief fire officer reports that funding for fire stations is provided by the Department of the Environment and that there is currently no budget available for fire station capital projects including the purchase of sites. The selection of a future site will require the consideration of many different factors including proximity to risks, access and egress and a location proximal to where fire fighters live. It is accepted that the current site is not suitable and that facilities need to be upgraded but, given the absence of funding, there is no short term solution."

Cllr. McGinley rejected the reply and stated that the condition of the station defies Health & Safety regulations for the staff. John stated that everyone knows that the Fire Station is in the worst possible location and that it was a great pity that the NRA scuppered the proposed new site opposite ESSO on the Straffan Road three years ago. John proposed that the Chief Fire Officer and the NRA be invited to the next Area Meeting to discuss this serious issue. John's proposal was agreed.

## **Update on Dublin Bus Extensions**

Derry O'Leary from Dublin Bus attended the Area Meeting on 21 March to address Councillors Questions.

He would not entertain the proposal from Cllrs. Griffin & McGinley that the turning point for the 66 should be over the M4 at the nursing home site entrance.

He said that there were no safety issues at the Parsons Hall location even when it was pointed that the Council only gave Planning Permission for Parsons Hall if the exit/entrance was through Ashleigh Grove.

He said that Dublin Bus don't need traffic signals at the Straffan Road/Meadowbrook Link Road junction.

In relation to the 67 extension to Moyglare Hall he stated that they would have liked to have the turning point in Moyglare Hall. However, the schools offer of a site provides a great opportunity and the sooner it is available the better as far as he is concerned.

## **Enhanced Pedestrian /Cycle Crossing on Kilcock Road From North to South NUIM Campus**

This project went on public display two years ago and

was approved by Kildare County Council at the March meeting. The works comprise the provision of a 10m wide pedestrian/cycle crossing located on a 40m long raised table. There will be a plaza on the northern side similar to that at the new library. It will be fully funded by NUIM

## **Taxi Regulation Office of An Garda Siochana Attends Area Meeting**

Two representatives from An Garda Siochana attended the Area Meeting on 21 March to address Councillors Questions.

Cllr. McGinley pointed out that the "cherry picking" by Dublin Taxis was very unfair to the two local hackney businesses as their livelihood was at stake. John further pointed out that these Dublin taxis were a serious hazard as they blocked footpaths, cycle paths and indeed the roadway when people were exiting the night clubs.

The two representatives agreed to address these issues as far as they could.

## **NRA Agrees to Remove Litter from the M4 Slip Road on Straffan Road**

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's motion the NRA have agreed to remove the litter from the M4 slip road.

## **Safety Measures at the Straffan Road M4 Interchange**

Cllr. McGinley got the following update to his Motion:

"The area engineer has written to the NRA on behalf of Kildare County Council requesting an examination of the safety issue relating to the pedestrian crossing on the eastbound down-ramp at the Straffan Road M4 Interchange. No reply has been received from the NRA as yet."

## **Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures in Old Greenfield**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Question for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"Can the Council erect stop signs at the junctions in Old Greenfield, Maynooth and can repairs be carried out to the footpaths where necessary?"

## **Cllr. McGinley Demands Action on Burnt out House in Old Greenfield**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Question for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"What progress has been made in getting the burnt out house in Old Greenfield demolished and the site cleared?"

## **Cllr. McGinley Seeks Explanation for Delay in Taking Estates in Charge;**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Question for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"What are the additional issues that have to be overcome in relation to S180 and the Taking in Charge process now that Irish Water has come into being?"

## **Cllr. McGinley Asks for Road & Footpath Repairs in Leinster Park**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the road surface and footpaths in Leinster Park, Maynooth, be brought up to an acceptable standard now that the estate has been taken in charge."

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### **Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures at Laurence Avenue/Celbridge Road Junction**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That safety improvements be carried out to the Laurence Avenue/Celbridge Road junction in order to make it less dangerous for traffic exiting from Laurence Avenue."

### **Cllr. McGinley Calls for Improved Public Lighting at Straffan Road/Celbridge Road Junction**

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following Motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the public lighting at the Straffan Road/Celbridge Road junction in Maynooth be improved in order to compensate for the closure of Maxol and their floodlights."

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# Catherine Murphy Independent TD

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## Jobs Boost for Leixlip Welcomed Intel Announcement is 'Fantastic News' for Leixlip and Kildare

Catherine Murphy, Independent TD for Kildare North, today warmly welcomed the announcement that Intel is expanding its operations in Leixlip significantly.

"There has been widespread anticipation of this announcement – Leixlip is my hometown, and nobody in the vicinity could have failed to notice the premiums being placed on housing rental prices and indeed car parking. The influx of construction workers over the last couple of years has been more than evident and it is fantastic news today that the anticipation was well founded."

"Both Leixlip itself and Kildare, as a County, will benefit immensely from this major boost which puts Leixlip at the centre of the technology industry. The creation of these jobs will be a tremendous stimulus to the local economy and the knock-on effects will benefit business throughout the county."

"The fact that Intel continue to invest in Leixlip is testament to the quality of the locality and the local infrastructure."

## Garda Code of Conduct Was Never Enforced

Independent TD Catherine Murphy today drew attention to the Code of Conduct relating to Data Protection within An Garda Síochána, which although drafted and published on their website, was never formally enacted by the Minister for Justice or his predecessor.

The Code was agreed between the Data Protection Commissioner Billy Hawkes and the then Garda Commissioner, Noel Conroy. However, for the Code to be legally enforceable, according to section 13(3)(i) of the 1988 Data Protection Act, it must be laid before the Dáil and despite the apparently lengthy and detailed process in creating and publishing the code, it appears it was never laid. I have conducted extensive searches through the annals of Dáil Éireann – with the assistance of the Oireachtas Library & Research Service and can find no evidence of it ever having being laid. This effectively renders the code a soft guideline as opposed to one that carries the weight of full and proper sanctions.

"We have to ask why both this Minister for Justice and his predecessor never laid this document before the Dáil. Surely a Code of Conduct relating to such a vital matter as Data Protection should have been given priority in order to avoid the type of situation we now find ourselves in. Not only that, but the time, effort, and, I must assume, financial costs that went into the drafting and publishing of this code seem to have been wasted given that it has a limited legal basis."

"It would appear that the Data Protection Commissioner made repeated efforts to secure compliance but to no avail. There is also the concern that there are other records out there, in various formats, that are also not in compliance – what about these? We are potentially looking at a tsunami of non-compliant records coming to light and the subsequent chaos that this could cause to our legal system."

## Housing Needs Report Highlights the Need for Strategic Thinking

Commenting on today's report from the Housing Agency, which projects that a minimum of 80,000 new

units will have to be built to support the population over the next 5 years, Independent TD for Kildare North, Catherine Murphy, drew attention to the plight of commuter and satellite towns.

"When people hear 'urban need' they tend to think of the main city centres but consider areas like North Kildare where 2 big projects are underway – Intel in Leixlip and the Kerry Group in Naas. The area is under enormous pressure to sustain a huge population increase that continues to rise. Rental costs have soared and this is pushing many families into homelessness. Kildare is the fourth most populated County in Ireland; more populated than Limerick City and County but it doesn't have a City. Similar arguments exist for areas like Meath and parts of Wicklow."

"The housing waiting list in Kildare County Council is amongst the highest in the country, further adding to the pressure on rental prices and demand for new builds. Recent reports on the Government's new 'Construction 20/20' strategy have concerned me. It appears that in the rush to start building again, we are neglecting to take note of the lessons from the past. We need to look at strategic ways of increasing the housing provision that won't leave us battling another legacy of poor planning practices. We have got to focus on balancing regional development and housing must be considered in this context. Services and infrastructure must accompany housing development to ensure we create sustainable, functioning, communities that work long-term."

"Let's start looking at completing the unfinished estates; let's begin building the second and third phases of many half-finished developments, let's draw down funds from the Strategic Investment Fund to allow Housing Associations to begin building thereby alleviating the housing crisis whilst simultaneously creating construction jobs."

## Minister's Assertion Regarding Housing Crisis is Misleading

Independent TD Catherine Murphy today challenged Finance Minister Michael Noonan's assertion that NAMA holds the key to the housing shortage. The Minister recently claimed that NAMA is likely to be the answer to the housing shortage and that it will be used as a form of development agency in order to produce up to 25,000 homes over the next five years.

"Putting all our eggs into one basket is a recipe for disaster. While it is true that NAMA may be in a position to provide some housing units in some very specific locations, it is not the case that these units will magically fix the current crisis we have in housing and to suggest otherwise is to mislead people. This solution to this crisis must be strategic, multi-agency and targeted. We need to address this crisis in various ways including new building developments for social housing, making funding- which can be leveraged from non-national sources including the European Investment Bank- available to housing associations, strengthening legislation in relation to the private rental sector in this country in order make long-term renting a more attractive option and we need the banks to start lending again to those people who can sustain a mortgage. I encounter people on a regular basis who are paying more in rent than they would on a mortgage but they just cannot secure a mortgage from the banks" "Housing is not just a bricks and mortar issue- we have to look at building communities that are sustainable, not just throwing houses up wherever land is available. We have to stop viewing housing as a commodity rather than an integral part of a functioning

society."

## Allow Ballot Papers to Reflect Reality

Independent TD Catherine Murphy used her contribution in today's Dáil debate on the Electoral (Amendment) No 2 Bill to call on the Minister to allow for the inclusion of the word 'Independent' on the ballot paper.

Under current legislation, an Independent candidate is not allowed to use the word Independent –instead he or she is forced to have the term 'Non-Party' on the ballot paper or else choose to leave it blank, neither of which is ideal according to Deputy Murphy.

"The ballot paper should reflect the reality of the candidate's standing. Imagine for example, a party candidate not being allowed to have the name of their party included on the ballot paper – it would be unfair and misleading, the same is true for Independent Candidates. Candidates are under extreme pressure to ensure that the information they include on the ballot paper is accurate and factual yet they are not allowed to include one of the most important facts about themselves – namely that they are an Independent candidate."

"Given that only 2% of the population are registered members of a political party, and considering the fact that our constitution makes absolutely no reference to party politics, it seems grossly unfair that a person who makes the choice to run as an Independent candidate cannot include the word Independent – a true and accurate reflection of their candidature – on the ballot paper. I would call on the Minister to rectify this unfair practice and I have tabled an amendment to the Bill which would allow for this change to be effected." Minister's Presentation of Social Welfare Figures Misrepresents the Reality

Responding to figures released from the Department of Social Welfare today which claim to have identified savings of €632 million in 2013 as a result of social welfare reviews, Independent TD for Kildare North, Catherine Murphy cautioned people not to assume that the bulk of these savings were as a result of fraud detection.

According to Deputy Murphy, the figures are being presented in such a way as to lead people to believe that there is widespread fraud within the Social Welfare system and this is simply not the case.

"I would be as in favour as anyone of ensuring that where fraud does exist within the system it is detected and stopped immediately however in reality, very little of these savings will have come from fraud detections yet the Minister insists on giving the impression that the inspections uncovered widespread fraud. Instead you will find that many of these cases were denied payment for a specific period of time because the Department implemented harsh criteria which would have resulted in people losing their payment for a period of time. Many of these payments would have been reinstated on foot of an appeal and in the meantime a huge amount of both administrative time and resources are wasted."

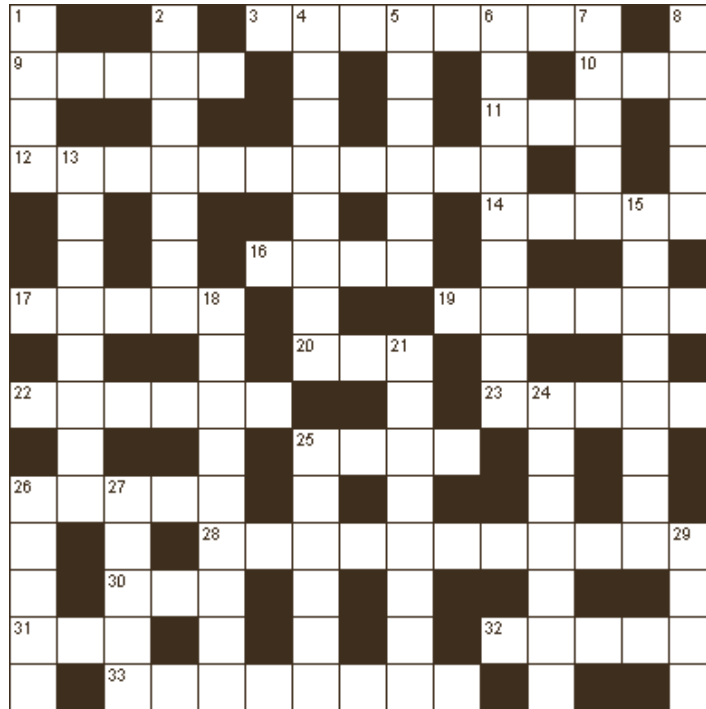
"Yet again the language of government is intended to mislead and confuse. The Government chooses to present these figures in a way that is less than an honest reflection of the reality behind the figures in order to suit their message. It is vital that people understand the way in which language is being manipulated by this Government so that they look beyond the headline and actually scrutinise the claims being made by various Government Departments."

## Clues Across

## May 2014 Crossword - No: 424

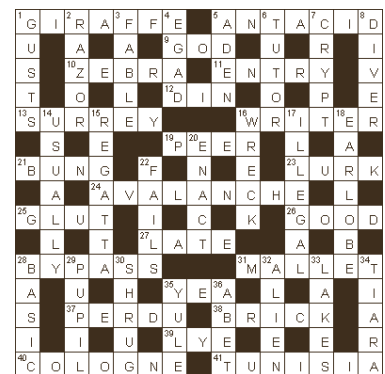
## Clues Down

3. Wealthy (8)  
 9. Terminate at a premature stage (5)  
 10. Supplement (3)  
 11. Policeman (3)  
 12. Kill (11)  
 14. Simpleton (5)  
 16. Dull sound (4)  
 17. Slides (5)  
 19. Republic in W Europe (6)  
 20. Part of verb to do (3)  
 22. Sloping letter (6)  
 23. Seashore (5)  
 25. Manager (4)  
 26. Theme (5)  
 28. Beneath the ground (11)  
 30. Tool for making holes in leather (3)  
 31. Involuntary muscular contraction (3)  
 32. Piles (5)  
 33. Knockout punch (8)



1. Infatuated (4)  
 2. Dispersal (7)  
 4. Extremely hungry (8)  
 5. Reptile (6)  
 6. Peculiar (9)  
 7. Lukewarm (5)  
 8. Fatigued (5)  
 13. Short dagger (8)  
 15. Resolution (8)  
 18. With skill (9)  
 21. Depict in words (8)  
 24. Tenth month of the year (7)  
 25. Indian religious leader (6)  
 26. Castle water pits (5)  
 27. Instruct (5)  
 29. Flat circular plate (4)

## Answers to Crossword 423


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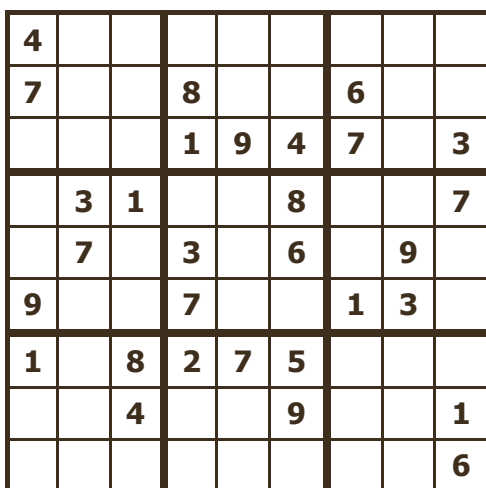
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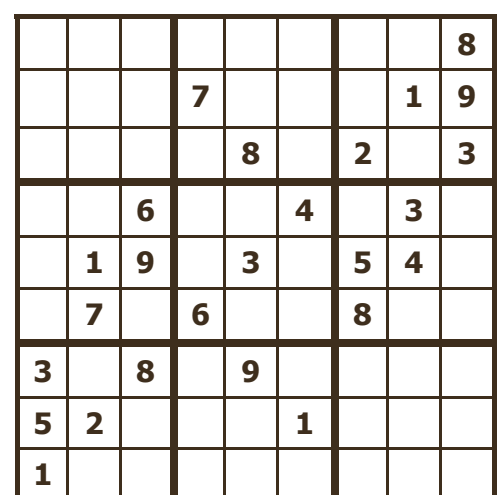
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## VOTE NAOISE Ó CEARÚIL NUMBER 1 ON THE 23RD OF MAY

### AMBULANCE SHORTFALL FOR NORTH KILDARE

Naoise has been contacted by numerous members of the Dublin Fire Service and Ambulance and Kildare Ambulance Service.

"I have been informed that even though the ambulance problem may seem like a Dublin problem, it is a severe problem for Kildare also. This is mostly due to the lack of staff in Dublin and that ambulances from Maynooth and the North Kildare Area will be stationed for the most part in Dublin due to the shortcomings in service to the city stripping north Kildare of services.

Many people are aware of the lack of an ambulance service in Maynooth on Thursdays but the issue is far greater than this. Ambulances are regularly taken away from Kildare to cover staff shortages.

With these further revelations coming to light, I am shocked and angered that the people of Kildare may suffer due to the shortfall in funding and staff in Dublin."

### Ó Cearúil hosts Meeting for Local Businesses

Last Wednesday, local election candidate Naoise Ó Cearúil (FF) hosted a meeting for local businesses. The meeting was held in the Glenroyal Hotel and was attended by over 30 Businesses from Maynooth and the surrounding areas.

Dara Calleary T.D, Fianna Fáil Spokeperson on Jobs addressed the meeting on supports and grants available to local businesses. He stated that the Government was not doing enough to protect small to medium enterprises and that they were finding it tough at the moment.

Naoise Ó Cearúil then spoke on his ambitions for local businesses if elected to Kildare County Council. He stated that "It is Local Businesses that are supplying jobs in these tough times. The only way for our local economy to improve is by ensuring the success of local employers". He also stated that he will lobby for more site visits from Enterprise Ireland and the IDA if elected.

Speaking at the meeting, Declan Kennedy from Brady's Clockhouse, said that "The rates are killing business in the town centre. It's far more profitable to set up in a business campus where rates are cheaper and there is an abundance of parking", he continued, "If things don't improve we will end up with a town centre devoid of small shops"

Rob Kennedy from the Avenue Restaurant highlighted the issue with the new upgrade at the entrance to Carton Avenue. He said "As Naoise has highlighted, the curb comes out too far. It is impractical for drivers of all vehicles, small and large. There was an accident within a week of the project completion. It has also added to the traffic problems."

Other issues brought up were Pay Parking in Maynooth, Traffic Congestion and Litter. In his closing remarks Deputy Calleary said, "You have an excellent candidate in Naoise, he will advocate on your behalf and will ensure that businesses in the town are listened to and consulted. I'm asking you to give Naoise your support for the next 6 weeks and you will have his for the next 5 years, that sounds like a good deal to me."

### Ó Cearúil Launches Shop Local Saturday

On Saturday the 19th of April people are encouraged to shop in their local stores to give a boost to the local

economy. This is an Ógra Fianna Fáil initiative, Naoise is a committee member and organiser of the event.

Ó Cearúil stated, "We all know that our local shops are at the heart of our communities and we must ensure their success as a community. I would encourage everybody to try their best on Saturdays to do most of their shopping in local businesses. This might be your local butcher, baker or clothes shop."

### Blind Bend between Beaufields and Woodlands

There is major concern over the crossing between Beaufields and Woodlands in Newtown.

The fence surrounding Beaufields creates a blind spot for pedestrians and is a hazard.

I noticed that the council have placed a red box on the road in an attempt to address the problem.

Naoise is looking to have the fencing and hedging surrounding Beaufields moved back to address the problem.

### Issues with Moyglare Hall Estate

Residents of Moyglare Hall have been in contact with Naoise regarding proposed planning in the estate. Naoise has been advising and assisting the residents in finding an appropriate solution to the issue.

### News for Older members of our community

I have been helping older people in applying for the "Warmer Home Scheme" which is available from the SEAI. This scheme assesses the home and insulates it to ensure that it is not losing heat. This covers attic insulation, window and door upgrades.

There is also the "Mobility Aid Grant" from the County Council which covers hand rails in the house and also a low level showers.

If you or anybody you know needs help in applying for these please get in contact.

### Footpath on Celbridge Road

Naoise has been lobbying for a footpath on the Celbridge road on the Educate together side. This footpath is badly needed for children and parents going to and from the school.

### CONSTITUENCY OFFICE OPENS ON 1ST OF MAY

Naoise Ó Cearúil has opened the doors of his local constituency office. The office is open to all members of the public who would like help or advice. The office will also act as Headquarters for the Local Elections. If you would like to help with the campaign please come along at any time.

The office is located behind the Permanent TSB, in the former premises of the Creative Arts Centre.

Feel free to pop in and say hello!

### Register to Vote

You still have until the 6th of May to Register to Vote. You can find the supplementary register on [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie) This form must then be signed by a member of an Garda Síochána before being sent to Áras Chill Dara.

If you need a form, please get in contact with me.

### A Message from Naoise

Dear Neighbour,

As many of you are aware we are fast approaching the Local Elections on the 23rd of May. I am standing for these elections because I know I can make a positive difference to our town.

I have been active in the community for many years and am proud of my achievements in helping people

with their issues.

I have been born and raised in Maynooth and we need a local voice in Kildare County Council. We also need a young voice to bring new ideas and a new approach to the table.

If elected to the Council I will work my hardest on your behalf and I will continue to be available whenever and if ever you need my assistance.

Maynooth is the finest town in Ireland and together we can make it an even better place to live, learn and raise a family.

You have my commitment that I will always be there for you if you need me and I am asking for your support and your number 1 vote on the 23rd of May.

Vote for a Local Candidate, Vote for a New Candidate, Vote for YOUR Candidate, Vote for, Naoise Ó Cearúil

## Maynooth Golf Society

Results Sheet 2014  
Trim Golf Club Date 12/04/2014  
John Tiernan Cup  
Sponsored by Euro Farm Food

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|-----------------|------------------|----------|
| 1st Prize       | Terry Moore      | 40pts    |
| 2nd Prize       | Danny Finan      | 40pts    |
| 3rd Prize       | Brian Shiels     | 39pts B9 |
| 4th Prize       | John Carroll     | 39pts    |
| 5th Prize       | Barry Desmond    | 37pts B9 |
| 6th Prize       | William Farrelly | 37pts B9 |
| 7th Prize       | Mick Fahey       | 37pts    |
| Front 9         | Joe Moore        | 19pts    |
| Back 9          | John Thompson    | 22pts    |
| Nearest the Pin | Danny Finan      |          |
| 2's             | Danny Finan      |          |

Maynooth Golf Society's second outing of the 2014 was played at Trim Golf Club. 41 members competed for the John Tiernan Cup in good April weather. Scoring was high, as there was finally a run on the ball although winter placing was still being played.

First prize with a score of 41 points was presented to Terry Moore, outscoring all of the younger golfers in the society with a fine display course management. Second place was Danny Finan with a score of 40 points. Danny also collected 2 other prizes on the day, nearest the pin and the 2's Club. Third place was with a score of 39 points was new member Brian Shiels. All other prize winners are listed on the results sheet.

The prizes were presented to all winners in McMahon's Bar. The new incoming Captain Gerry McTernan presented the prizes to all of the lucky winners. The sponsor Euro Farm Foods were thanked for their sponsorship of the John Tiernan Cup. He also thanked McMahon's Bar who provided a wonderful array of finger food to all who attended the prize giving.

**Our next outing is to Portarlington Golf Club on Saturday 10th May (Eddie Kavanagh Cup).**

## A BRIEF HISTORY

*Peter Nevin – Maynooth Local History Group*

### ST MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Mary's was dedicated on the 14th of June 1840. It was a great occasion with 2000 people reported to have attended despite a seating capacity of 600. Many more thronged the streets as the celebrated Apostle of Temperance – Fr. Theobald Matthew, who preached at the ceremony, arrived at the market place near the Courthouse. The Archbishop of Dublin Daniel Murray presided at the dedication and the Parish Priest at the time Fr. John Cainen who was instrumental in having the Church built, led the ceremony.

The Church was the third to be built since the Reformation and succeeded a Church in Pound Street, currently housing St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band. The first was constructed in the area of Leinster cottages, long since demolished, but distant memories of some more senior residents remember stories of a cemetery in the area.

The new Church was a major enlargement to cater for Maynooth's increasing population in response to developments in the early 19th century. The Royal Canal had started operations, a new bridge over the Lyreen (William's Bridge) facilitated traffic and enterprise, including new milling and brewing operations, St Patrick's College was flourishing and Carton estates demanded a lot of labour.

St. Mary's appearance in 1840, which was described as "purely Gothic" must have looked somewhat dull. It was 22 years later that the façade was enhanced with the addition of cut stone and bell tower (as seen today) on the design and supervision JJ McCarthy, one of Ireland's most celebrated architects of the 19th century. His other designs in Maynooth included the College Chapel and spire and the senior infirmary.

Further additions and improvements include the following:

- Austrian Oak Altar was installed by Canon O'Rourke P.P., who succeeded John Cainen. in 1869
- Canon O'Rourke was also responsible for the installation of a full piped organ (15 stops) in 1882. The Nettlefold family overhauled this massive instrument in the early 20th century. Sadly to state, this organ was removed in favour of an electric instrument in the 1950's
- Canon Hunt P.P succeeded O'Rourke in 1887 and during his period as Parish Priest, had side Altars added in similar style to the main Altar and mahogany altar rails
- The stained glass window over the south transept was installed 1940 on the occasion of the centenary and translates as follow "To our Lord Jesus Christ, Eucharistic King,

The Clergy and People of Maynooth with grateful hearts presented (this window) on the occasion of the 100th year since the blessing of the Parish Church". Dated 18th July 1940

In recent years the Church has been weather sealed and redecorated with the one of the finer additions being the Celtic styled impressions of the four Evangelists, on the centre ceiling.



### ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND

The historic Church of St. Mary's, nestled opposite the ruins of Fitzgerald castle of Maynooth, has undergone many changes since it was originally built as a private chapel for the Fitzgerald family during the Norman times.

As centuries passed, it fell into ruins during times of political upheaval and was restored during times of prosperity. As a result, today's Church is a mosaic pieced together from earlier structures, both sacred and secular.

After the Norman invasion, the ancestors of the Kildare Geraldines built a great castle on their manor in Maynooth, and in 1248 the Fitzgerald baron was licensed to maintain a Chaplain for his castle. The tower now standing at the west belongs to the 15th century, and the back wall of the church wall represents the last fragment of the medieval curtain-wall which surrounded the castle keep.

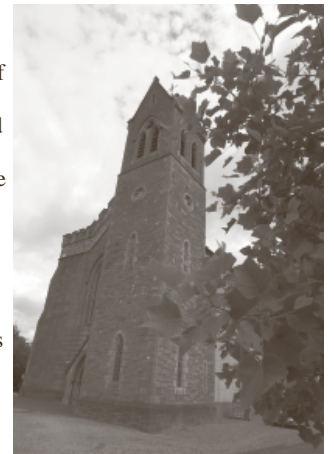
In 1521, Garret Og, the 9th Earl of Kildare, incorporated the castle chapel into a Chancery and College of St. Mary's. When the castle was captured during the rebellion of Silken Thomas, the land belonging to the Fitzgeralds was forfeited to the Crown and for a brief period the College became known as "King's College of Maynooth" before being dissolved in 1538, like all other religious houses under King Henry the VIII.

The present building stood in ruins until 1632 when it was restored as an Anglican Chapel for the 16th Earl of Kildare. However, upon his death in 1656, the castle itself was abandoned and fell into yet another state of decay.

With the return of the Fitzgerald family to Maynooth in the 18th century, the 1st Duke of Leinster restored and extended the castle and Chapel in 1770 and donated it as a replacement for the ruined Church of Ireland in Laraghbryan (the unusual wooden east window of St. Mary's was taken from that Church in Laraghbryan. At the same time, the remnants of the Fitzgerald council chambers were demolished and the medieval stone carvings over the windows were restored and incorporated into the present day Church).

Two further restorations in 1828 and 1859 of what is now the Parish Church of St. Mary's Maynooth is a testimony of the Dukes of Leinster. Between 1821 and 1875, the old tower was used as a mausoleum for the Fitzgerald family. The coffins of the 3rd Duke of Leinster and seven relatives, along with Rev. Blacker, are still housed in the tower.

The last restoration occurred from 1993-1998, and its present state of simplicity is due to the time, efforts and fundraising activities of the Church's parishioners and serves now as a place of worship, prayer and praise.



### Maynooth Students Cycle for Charity raise over €100,000 for Prader Willi Syndrome

250 Cyclists and another 100 volunteers departed NUI Maynooth's Student Union at dawn on the morning of Friday 28 March to cycle the 400km round trip from Maynooth to Galway, raising much needed funds for the Prader Willi Syndrome Association of Ireland.

The group, Maynooth Students for Charity, are taking part in the annual Galway Cycle for the 27th time. The event has raised in excess of 1 million euro for good causes such as Jack and Jill Children's Foundation, Headstrong and Cystic Fibrosis Association of Ireland.



This year's cycle has already raised €10,000 in aid of Prader Willi Syndrome Association of Ireland. Prader Willi Syndrome is a rare genetic disorder that affects approximately 100 people in Ireland. It is characterised by a chronic feeling of hunger, low muscle tone and delayed development amongst infants and children. In fact it is so rare that parents often need to educate doctors and other medical professionals about it.

There is a distinct lack of appropriate information available to both parents and medical professionals and the Galway Cycle is hoping to raise greater awareness of the condition, funding information packs for new parents and all those who work with people with Prader Willi. PWSAI was established and is run by the parents and families of people with Prader Willi Syndrome on a voluntary basis.



## PEOPLE BEFORE PROFIT ALLIANCE LOCAL NEWS

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### VOTE #1 – MARTIN GREHAN – ELECTION MANIFESTO

The local elections are fast approaching and with that in mind we have included our election manifesto in its entirety below. You have until May 9<sup>th</sup> to register and all residents of Ireland (permanent or temporary), regardless of nationality are eligible to vote in local elections. Forms are available from the Post Office, Library, Citizens Info Centre and the Garda Station.

#### My Pledge if elected:

- I will not participate in the junket culture of Kildare County Council.
- I will not vote for Council Budgets that include cuts or stealth taxes and I will refuse to do any deals with right-wing or pro-austerity parties.
- I will oppose any motions that would see the privatisation of council services or the outsourcing of council jobs.
- I will never claim a salary above the average industrial wage while an elected representative.

#### About The Candidate:

Martin is a lifelong resident of North Kildare. He has worked tirelessly on many issues including:

- Campaigning against cuts to our local ambulance service.
- Helping to defeat the introduction of the Household Charge and fighting the introduction of property and water taxes.
- Supporting the Maynooth Schools Group Campaign.
- NUI Maynooth – Martin has long been involved in student campaigns in NUI Maynooth opposing fees. People Before Profit are in favour of equality of access to all levels of education and believe in funding education through progressive taxation.
- Donadea Forest - Martin was a part of the campaign that successfully prevented the sale of Donadea Forest. People Before Profit oppose the privatisation of our natural resources.

### SAVE OUR AMBULANCE!

Since September 2012, no emergency ambulance has operated from the Maynooth ambulance base on a Thursday between the hours of 7am and 7pm. In March of this year, the Irish Times highlighted the death of Wayne McQuillan in Drogheda. Wayne died after waiting 40 minutes for an ambulance to arrive from Ardee. An ambulance in the locality was not available. How long before this occurs in our community?

- Martin, along with others, instigated a campaign 18 months ago to restore our ambulance service. The campaign has to date collected 2,500 signatures in opposition to the cuts.
- We are stepping up the pressure in the run-up to the local elections, under the tagline: "Austerity Kills - Save Our Ambulance".
- Picketing every Thursday to highlight the issue, look out for us in around the county!
- We held a very successful protest in Maynooth on Saturday April 5th.

*Martin, if elected, pledges to use his mandate to make the restoration of the ambulance service on Thursdays his number one priority.*

### NO TO WATER CHARGES

From January 2015, the government wants you to pay around €300 per year for water, when you already pay for water through general taxation.

Our demands:

- Abolish Irish Water, saving hundreds of millions on the installation of meters and consultants' fees.
- Invest in fixing leaking pipes, 28% of water is lost in Kildare every year.
- Invest in proper water conservation methods, like retrofitting of dual flushes, grey-water systems and water butts.

Proper investment in conservation of water will save us money, aid long-term economic growth, and protect the environment. People Before Profit will support a campaign of popular resistance to water charges.

### LOCAL & NATIONAL HOUSING CRISIS

Due to increased student numbers in NUI Maynooth and the expansion at Intel, North Kildare is in the midst of its own housing crisis. Like in Dublin, rents are rising dramatically, accommodation shortages persist, thousands are in mortgage distress, and over 5,000 people are on the social housing list in Kildare.

We demand:

- Increase rent allowance caps and introduce rent controls. These are common in many EU countries, including Germany.
- An emergency programme to build desperately needed social housing. NUI Maynooth must also invest in providing affordable accommodation to students.
- Write down mortgages for those in genuine distress.

*Martin has started an online initiative to draw attention to the local housing crisis. Visit [therentistoodamnhighmaynooth.wordpress.com](http://therentistoodamnhighmaynooth.wordpress.com) to keep up-to-date.*

### MAYNOOTH SCHOOLS ISSUE

*Martin fully supports the Maynooth Schools Group's "One Community – One School" Campaign. We oppose Ruairi Quinn and the Dept. of Education's plan to have two separate schools built on the same Moyglare Road site.*

Our stance on this issue:

- The proposed new post-primary school buildings on the Moyglare Road should be one school, a Junior/Senior model with one identity and one management structure. No distinctions should be made between children attending post-primary in Maynooth.
- Provision for education through Irish (up to Leaving Cert) must be included in this one school.
- Recent developments suggest that delays to the proposed planning permission may mean it is 2017 before the new buildings open. This is unacceptable. Maynooth Post-Primary's current condition makes it unsuitable for the expected increase in student numbers over the next few years.

It is clear the vast majority of the community supports "One Community – One School", with 500 parents attending a

public meeting on this issue some months back. It is important that pressure on the Dept. of Education is maintained, through the medium of popular resistance, to ensure that the aims of the campaign are fulfilled.

### WHY ARE WE PAYING PROPERTY TAX?

If you paid Local Property Tax (LPT) you might be wondering exactly what it is you're paying for:

- Fine Gael & Labour told us that the LPT would go into funding local services, administered by Kildare County Council (KCC). This has not happened. In fact the first tranche of the LPT has gone into the setting up of Irish Water.
  - There are numerous unfinished or poorly maintained estates across North Kildare. Issues affecting these estates include lighting failures, pyrite, sewage and other utility issues, and lack of maintenance of communal areas.
  - Public roads are in appalling states of disrepair across North Kildare.
- Solutions:
- Abolish the Property Tax. It's not paying for local services - that's what general taxation is for.
  - KCC must take responsibility for all estates where developers are bankrupt or not maintaining the estate.
  - Investment in proactive road repairs. KCC's policy of emergency repairs only is completely inadequate.

### HELP NEEDED

As the election approaches we are putting in a huge effort to try get Martin elected. If you agree broadly with our policies and would like to help out please get in touch. We don't ask for any sort of commitment, just as much time and effort as you can give. Help you could give is to take a dozen leaflets for family and friends, or agree to leaflet your road or estate, or get involved with canvassing if you feel comfortable doing so. Call Martin on 0860878114 if you want to help out.



# Maynooth Sinn Fein Notes

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A Chairde,

I am Réada Cronin and I am delighted to introduce myself as the Sinn Féin candidate for the Maynooth Local Electoral Area in the upcoming Local Elections for Kildare County Council on Friday 23rd May. After the last General Election, and knowing the promised political revolution would be a failure, I knew I had to become politically active myself to try to force real and meaningful change. As an egalitarian republican committed to social justice, Sinn Féin was always the only party for me. The aspirational values of the 1916 proclamation, a document well ahead of its time, are as compelling and necessary to achieve today as they ever were.

Kildare County Council has for too long been run by the three establishment parties and it's time for a fresh voice and a bit of common sense to cut through some of the nonsense and the "vanity projects" in which they indulge. We all want our communities and local areas to look well and be maintained properly, and a big "bualadh bos" for Maynooth Tidy Town's and their sterling work here, but some recent projects are akin to getting a new and expensive carpet for the sitting room while your kitchen presses are bare and you can't afford to bring your elderly parents or sick children to the doctor. There is no doubt that we won't get change without changing the way we vote and that's why I'm asking you to vote for me on Friday 23rd May.

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS AND PROPERTY TAX

During the course of canvassing estates in Maynooth for the forthcoming Local Elections on 23rd May I was invited by some residents to sit in on their Residents' Association meeting as an observer and to listen to their concerns. I gladly attended, and will do so at any other Residents' Association meeting at their request. I heard how difficult the Residents' Associations are finding it to get cash-strapped residents to pay subscriptions towards the up-keep of their estates whilst also paying a Property Tax and Household Tax on their family home.

One resident on a road within the estate told me that Kildare County Council has refused to take his street into its charge. Residents of this road are forced to negotiate disintegrating footpaths and replace street lighting out of their own pockets while Kildare County Council cites unfinished business with the original builder. They are still required, indeed bullied, into paying Property Taxes for services they do not receive. Incredible.

How many times have we heard the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Phil Hogan promise that Household and Property Taxes would be "ring-fenced" for local areas? It has since transpired that funds were redirected to establish Irish Water, and helped pay for the installation of those shiny new water-meters outside your home.

On this subject, while I've been canvassing around Maynooth I've lost count of the amount of people who are angry that their footpaths are broken, their estates are in a general state of disrepair and the money that was meant to cover local services and supposedly improve their local areas has instead been confiscated to dig up their footpaths for water meters to allow the implementation of domestic water metering and charging of water.

**With local councils having the power to increase or reduce the local Property Tax by plus or minus 15% I promise, that if elected, I will vote for the**

**reduction. I will also, in accordance with Sinn Féin party policy, seek to abolish this unfair tax when in government. If government is serious about reducing the tax burden on ordinary families they should scrap this unfair tax and the impending Water Tax.**

## MAYNOOTH AMBULANCE PROTEST

**Don't get sick on Thursdays!**

Due to austerity cut-backs, there is no ambulance service on Thursdays from the Maynooth Ambulance base between 7a.m and 7p.m. On 6th April I, along with other local activists held a protest in Maynooth Square to highlight this potentially disastrous situation. We instigated this campaign group to restore this vital ambulance service.

Following on from the recent Prime Time Special investigative programme, Minister for Health Dr James Reilly was questioned in the Oireachtas. Minister Reilly refused to acknowledge the grief of the families who have already lost loved ones as a result of delays in the emergency ambulances around the country. He even went so far as to say he's improving the service. Although how, in the name of God, cutting ambulance hours can improve the service remains unanswered. "More with Less", how are you!

As a doctor James Reilly really ought to know that if hospitals are the heart of our health system, then the ambulance personnel and the service they deliver are its arteries. Their pay has been cut and their work load has been increased with many of these highly-trained professionals working longer hours under much more stressful conditions. As a result of the cut backs most ambulance personnel are driving increased mileage that could possibly be deemed illegal were they working in the haulage industry.

You may have noticed "Austerity Kills – Save Our Ambulance" posters in and around Maynooth. I am aware that the presence of these posters may be an affront to the eyes of some people, drawing attention as they do to an inconvenient truth. During the course of my activism on this issue I had the privilege of meeting a brave fire officer. This fire officer was on duty on the night of the horrific Stardust fire in Artane in Dublin, in 1981. He recalled that it was a very quiet night on duty that evening, when suddenly all hell broke loose. The rest unfortunately, is an indelible part of our history. This is the very basis of our emergency services. We won't know when we, or our loved ones might need an ambulance but when we do, time is usually of the essence. Please be aware that I will vigorously continue to highlight this issue until the service is restored.

If you have had any incidents with ambulance delays on a Thursday or any other day, please contact the email below or feel free to use any of my contact details.

Please stay in touch with the campaign at [facebook.com/StopTheNorthKildareAmbulanceCuts](https://facebook.com/StopTheNorthKildareAmbulanceCuts) or by email at [stopthenkambulancecuts@gmail.com](mailto:stopthenkambulancecuts@gmail.com)

**If you would like to become politically active in our community feel free to contact me, Réada Cronin, using any of the contact details at the top of the page.**

**Consider joining a party that recognises that our lives and our community are not scribbles in the margins of an economist's balance sheet or a sideshow in some spin doctor's deception. Consider joining Sinn Féin.**



**ASK SHARON THE STYLIST!!**

*"Confidence is sexy!  
I'm comfortable with my body and not afraid to show it off."*  
**Sofia Vergara – American Actress**

**Question: "How do I know what body shape I am?"**

**FACT:** Just like our personalities we are all unique in body shape! Here are just some terms to describe a woman's body shape and size and to make it easier I have some pictures to show you. As you can see it is all about proportions and the trick is to balance out the top half of our bodies with the bottom half which is very easy to do with different styles of clothing once you know which type you are.

**Bananas, Apple, Pear and Hourglass are the four main types!**



**Banana Shape:** A banana shaped would be slim, slender, and have great arms and legs.

**Apple Shape:** Women with this body shape would have larger-looking abdomen and chest areas, but are blessed with long legs.

**Pear Shape:** The main identifiers of a pear-shaped body are larger lower bodies and smaller upper bodies.

**Hourglass Shape:** Would have well-proportioned upper and lower bodies of same size, which is further complemented with a distinctively narrow waist.

**For more information or to arrange an appointment call Sharon @ 087 9962459/ Office 01 6016295**

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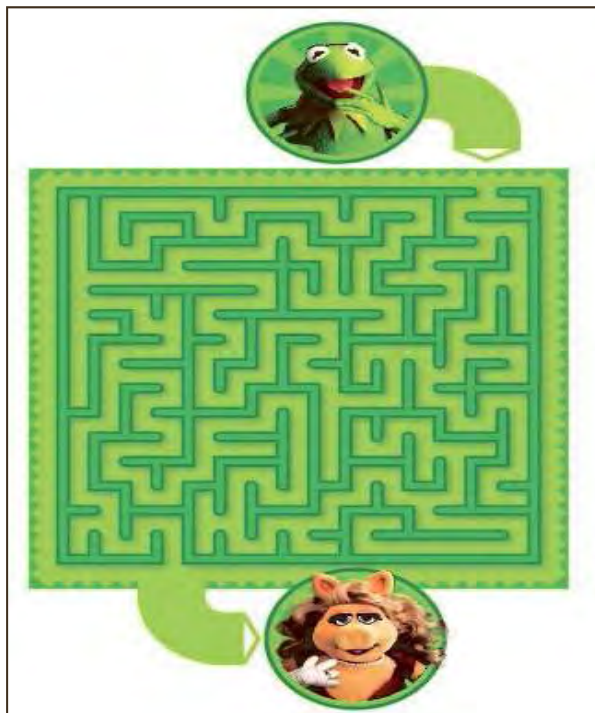




# McDonald's Maynooth

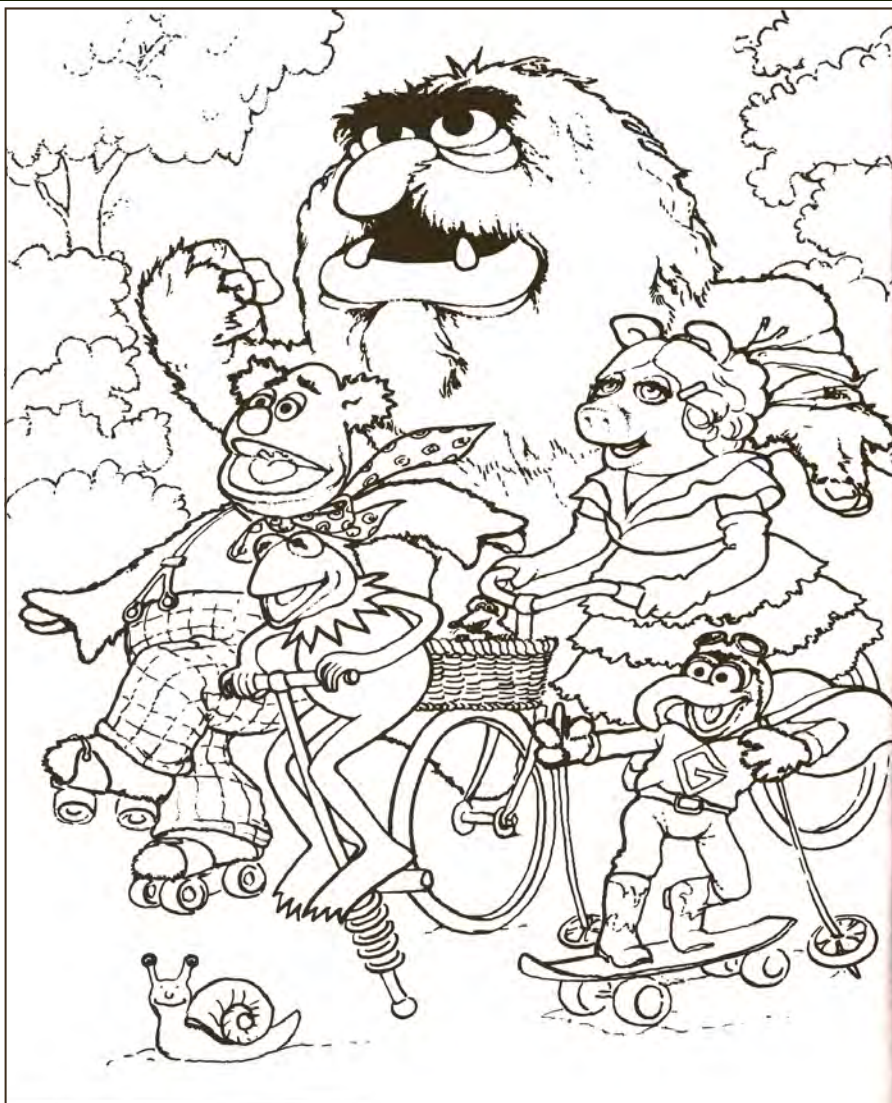
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*Help Kermit find Miss Piggy*



*Can you solve our Word Search Puzzle?*

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### McDonalds Children's Colouring Competition

#### Prizes: Free Family Meal From McDonald's, Maynooth

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

**April Winners:**

Age: 3 - 5: Sihan Yang, Leinster Lodge

Age: 6 - 7: Emily Conneely, Pagestown

Age: 8 & Over: Darragh Leonard, Castlepark



Prizes for Colouring Competition can be collected at:  
 Maynooth Community Council Office, Unit 5, Tesco Shopping Centre.  
 Entries must arrive before: Tuesday 20th May 2014



# McDonald's Advert

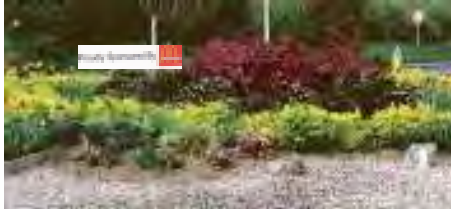


# McDonald's Maynooth

## Celebrate 5 years of Community Involvement



McDonald's has been operating in Maynooth since 2009 and in June this year will celebrate their 5th year in business in their Carton Park restaurant. McDonald's has been actively involved in the Maynooth community, supporting many different community programmes over the years. This has always been something that McDonald's Maynooth has strived to do.



Maynooth Tidy Town Association is an integral part of the community here in Maynooth, the work carried out by them is well above the recognition they receive. McDonald's were eager to get involved with the Association, once approached by Paul Croghan. Mr. Croghan invited the restaurant to get involved alongside other local businesses, asking them to commit to weekly litter walks along the Blacklion Road collecting and disposing of litter collected at their own expense. McDonald's Maynooth were more than happy to do so.

The volunteers in the Association dedicate their free time to ensure our town looks pristine and as a thank you to them McDonald's provides tea and coffee for the volunteers. After two years of collaboration with Tidy Towns, McDonald's enhanced their co-operation by sponsoring the redevelopment of the roundabout on the Old Dublin Road. They also commit to providing new flower beds and shrubs to maintain the roundabout each year.



Investing in the local youth development is important to everyone and McDonald's takes their involvement very seriously. Working with Maynooth Town FC has given them the opportunity to help out more in the community. In the beginning, they sponsored the under 11's team by providing training equipment and jerseys. Each year since then, their sponsorship has grown to also providing free meals to each 'Man of the Match' in the group on a weekly basis. This year, thanks for their close relationship with Paul Brogan, McDonald's also sponsors the Maynooth Town FC Academy. The academy aims to provide grass roots development coaching for boys and girls between the ages of 5 & 14. McDonald's Future Football Programme (in association



with the FAI) is a nationwide initiative where all restaurants will sponsor a Family Day for their local clubs. McDonald's will provide face painting and balloons on the day, as well as water and fruit bags for children playing matches.

The 'Drive Safe, Arrive Safe' campaign is an incentive close to the hearts of many residents and something that McDonald's has supported fully in Maynooth. During the Christmas season, McDonald's worked with local Gardai and Mantra nightclub to develop a unique addition to the standard rewards, offering free soft drinks for groups with designated drivers. McDonald's also agreed to provide a free large meal for these drivers.

Another initiative McDonald's Maynooth have been involved in was the Equinox Cycle, which is a 230Km cycle that passes through Maynooth. McDonald's has provided tea and coffee and a rest stop to the riders for the last 3 years. McDonald's also proudly supported the St. Mary's Band Maynooth Golf Classic.

Maynooth 10K is coming up on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May and McDonald's is proud to be involved for the 2nd year running. During the race, McDonald's will again provide 2 water stations - one outside the restaurant and one at the finish line. It will also erect a stand on Carton Avenue for face painting and a colouring competition to entertain families attending. We hope the event will be as successful as last year.

McDonald's is proud to be involved in the community in Maynooth and hopes to keep supporting the local community and business for many years to come.

# McDonald's Maynooth

## A Fun Place To Eat



## OLIVER REILLY FUNERAL HOME



On Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, local citizens gathered to witness the opening of the Oliver Reilly Funeral Home in Maynooth. The open day introduced the stately new premises to the public with a blessing held on the grounds at Leinster Street. This opening day offered a brief insight into the dignity and compassion with which the Oliver Reilly Funeral Directors have conducted their business for more than 3 decades.

A family history stretching back three generations has given current funeral director Paul Reilly a unique perspective in running a funeral home. The business was founded in 1963 by Oliver Senior, who established a reputation for the trustworthiness and empathy he showed to those needing his services during difficult times. In 1975, Oliver's son Sean took over and increased the business to cover most of North Kildare, and Paul joined the growing business in 1999. They have operated a funeral home in Prosperous for over 30 years, and they have plans to open a new funeral home in The Woods, Clane, in 2015.

Paul Reilly grew up understanding the importance of the family business and the care it requires. He graduated from the McGowan School of Embalming in Ballina, Co. Mayo and combined that education with his rich family history. The schooling he received gave him a new foundation that has enabled him to synthesise modern skills with traditional undertaking practices.

Paul's fresh outlook allows him to adapt his services to the needs of a modern and changing Ireland. One of the features available in the new parlour is a webcam that can facilitate Skype and Facetime calls to family or loved ones who live abroad and cannot attend the service in person. The biggest focus is always on attending to the needs of the family and ensuring that they are able to spend as much time as they can with their loved one. Funerals and the country may have changed over time since the Reilly family opened their first parlour, but their commitment and compassion have remained over the decades.

The new premise in Leinster Street, Maynooth is a prime example of the Reilly ethos, as it provides solace and dignity to anyone needing its services. The purpose-built funeral home is suitable for both religious and civil services, final farewells, and life celebrations. It also contains a showroom of coffins and caskets suitable for all tastes and budgets. Custom coffins can be made and are on display as well, including Dublin and Kildare team logo coffins for sports fans. The new funeral home in Maynooth is a testament to a long legacy of excellence and service from the Reilly family.

*Oliver Reilly Funeral Home*  
*The Harbour, Leinster Street, Maynooth*  
*Maynooth Office: Telephone 01 6289 452*  
*Paul Reilly Mobile: 086 8105581*  
*[www.reillysfuneralhome.ie](http://www.reillysfuneralhome.ie)*



## Eve Larine

Eve Larine is a centre based in Maynooth which caters for people with mental health difficulties. It is very ably staffed by Paul Dowling (Manager) Tina Murphy, Martin Carter, and Ann Mulligan. Participants get to enjoy a person-centred programme which concentrates on their individual talents and abilities.

Eve Larine boasts an interesting garden centre which is open to the public who wish to buy plants or to 'browse' on a pleasant spring day. Participants are encouraged to work in the garden to develop their gardening skills. The centre has taken part in many different competitions and ventures not least the St Patricks Day parade in Maynooth scooping the prize for a third year as best entry!

We are all very proud of our "workplace". There is a great relationship among people who attend, some on a part-time basis some on a full-time basis and a great relationship between staff and participants.

A big thanks to the Genil Training centre who (very colourfully) took part in the parade with us. I have included various photographs taken at Larine court also some of our preparations for the parade and some taken on the day itself.

*Patricia Sheridan*



**Art Work At Larine**



**Larine Garden Centre Open To The Public**



**St Patrick's Day Parade**



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