

# NACN'S BULLETIN BOARD

North Antrim Community Network

Old School, Mill Street, Cushendall

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**Date For Your Diary**

## **NORTH ANTRIM COMMUNITY MEMBERS MEETING:**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October      7:30pm      Garvagh & District Development Association**

Guest Speaker – Moira Crosbie **Unity Trust Bank** Socially focused, customer centred, award winning bank. This meeting will be particularly beneficial to all groups who want to save on bank charges.

## **NORTH ANTRIM COMMUNITY**

**Information and Funder Fair on the 8<sup>th</sup> November in The Leighinmohr House Hotel  
Leighinmohr Avenue off Galgorm Road Ballymena from 7.00pm to 9.00pm**

We are expecting over 25 organisations to attend to support you. Please also inform any groups including Youth, Sport, Cultural Drama Groups etc also any individuals in your area considering starting a business or Farmers who wish to diversify. It is important that we let as many people as possible have details of this event. **There is something for everyone!!** Please insert in any church Bulletins or newsletters within your area.

For further information or if you wish to register your intention to attend please ring the office 028 21772100 or e mail [claire@nacn.org](mailto:claire@nacn.org).

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## **RURAL COMMUNITY NETWORK AGM MEETING**

**Thursday 20 October 2011 The Bardic Theatre, Donaghmore AGM and Annual Conference**

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## **NORTH-EAST REGION RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

### **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

Applications should be completed online at the [www.eugrants.org](http://www.eugrants.org) website. If internet access is unavailable paper copies can be obtained by contacting programme staff or by downloading the form from [www.northeastrdp.com](http://www.northeastrdp.com).

Guidance notes are available for downloading on the [www.northeastrdp.com](http://www.northeastrdp.com) website and programme staff are also available for further assistance. We would encourage all potential applicants to contact programme staff to check project eligibility prior to completing an application form.

**Please note: Closing Date for Applications for North-East Rural Development Programme will close on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October.**

We are keen to see as many applications as possible.

There will be new opening dates in the New Year

North East Region, Ecos Centre, Ballymena, BT43 7QA. Tel/Fax: (028) 2563 8263.  
Email: [northeast.rdp@ballymena.gov.uk](mailto:northeast.rdp@ballymena.gov.uk) Website: [www.northeastrdp.com](http://www.northeastrdp.com)

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## **PROJECT OFFICER - JOB**

Project Officer - Fixed Term Contract to 30 September 2013 Location Glenarm & Carnlough

(A project supported by the PEACE III Programme managed for the Special EU Programmes Body by the North East PEACE III Partnership)

SO1 Points 29-31 £24,646 - £26,276  
Fixed Term Contract to 30 September 2013  
37 hours per week

The Project Officer will develop and implement the “Larne Cohesion Project (Glenlough Project)” for Larne Borough Council as part of the North East Peace III Partnership Programme.

This local project will be delivered within the coastal villages of Carnlough and Glenarm.

Applicants must have:-

1. A third level qualification in relevant discipline (HNC or higher) in Community Development, Youth, Good Relations, Social Sciences, Business)
2. At least 2 years experience working within the area of community based work; community development, good relations, project management

**For further details apply online or in writing to the Human Resource Service, Larne Borough Council, Smiley Buildings, Victoria Road, Larne BT40 1RU or by telephone 028 28263084.**

Completed forms must be returned by Monday 24 October 2011 at 4.00 pm.

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## **UNLTD**

**Do you have a dream to improve your community? UnLtd can provide the funding to bring your idea to life!**

Do you have an Idea that could tackle a problem or issue in your community? UnLtd – The Foundation for Social Entrepreneurs wants to hear from you!

UnLtd are seeking applications from people who are 50+, live in Northern Ireland and have an idea for a project that could have a real social impact in their community. The Ignite Awards aim to support older people who have the drive, passion and commitment to bring their idea to reality. We will provide funding up to £5,000 to get your idea off the ground. One successful applicant said the Ignite Awards were just like television programme ‘The Secret Millionaire’ – if you have the commitment to take forward your project we will support you to achieve your

goal! In the past year we have supported people from a diverse range of backgrounds and skills across Northern Ireland. Mary has written a book 'Where 2 Turn' to support carers, Eugene is rolling out reading classes for people with a disability in the Newry area, Joan and Tina are developing a care farm for people with mental health issues in North Down and Stephen is organising DJ workshops for young people in Armagh.

We will cover the practical costs to get you started such as venue hire, equipment, marketing and insurance costs. We do not fund constituted groups or existing projects. If you have the idea for a project and want to make a difference, we want to hear from you now! **For more details on the UnLtd Engage Ignite Awards, contact Lesley Johnston on 028 9024 4007 or email [lesleyjohnston@unltd.org.uk](mailto:lesleyjohnston@unltd.org.uk), or visit our website [www.unltd.org.uk](http://www.unltd.org.uk)**  
The Ignite Awards are supported by The Atlantic Philanthropies.

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## **EXPLORING ENTERPRISE 2 PROGRAMME**

Are you unemployed? Do you want to gain a qualification? Do you want to explore the possibility of starting your own business?

A FREE programme that helps identify your needs in getting back into employment or taking your business idea to the next level and beyond.

The EXPLORING ENTERPRISE 2 Programme will Help You:

- Gain a Qualification – QCF
- Understanding Business Enterprise
- Improve your skills for Self-Employment/Employment
- Meet New People
- Get Back on Track

Next EXPLORING ENTERPRISE2 Programme **Starts 9<sup>th</sup> November, Glenlough Hall, Carnlough.** We are here to help.

Eligibility criteria is that you must be either unemployed or working/in education less than 16 hrs a week. You must be over 16.

**For Information visit [www.enterpriseni.com](http://www.enterpriseni.com) or contact your Local Enterprise Agency Patricia Brennan, LEDCOM LEDCOM Ind. Estate, Bank Road, Larne, BT40 3AW  
Tel: 028 2827 0742 Email: [brennanp@ledcom.org](mailto:brennanp@ledcom.org)**

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## **BOILER REPLACEMENT ALLOWANCE**

Are you a householder aged 60 or over, and

- In receipt of Rates Relief but not Housing Benefit?
- Is your existing heating boiler at least 15 years old and inefficient?
- In receipt of Loan Pension Allowance?

A boiler replacement scheme worth a total of £2m has been launched recently by the Department for Social Development and will be administered by the Housing Executive. The pilot scheme is aimed at older people who do not qualify for other Government energy efficiency improvement schemes.

**For more information or to apply for the Boiler Replacement Allowance contact N. Ireland Housing Executive on 03448 920 900 or email [northeast.grants@nihe.gov.uk](mailto:northeast.grants@nihe.gov.uk)**

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## **CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING**

### **CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING NOW AVAILABLE!**

**Date:** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011

**Time:** 9.30am – 4.30pm

**Location:** Council Chamber, Coleraine Town Hall

**Cost:** £10 per person

**As the course is being subsidised by Coleraine Borough Council, we are pleased to be able to offer this training at the reduced rate of only £10 per person. We anticipate the remaining few places to fill up quickly therefore if you would like to guarantee yours, please contact Janene asap on 028 703 58285 or email: [janene@causewayvc.org](mailto:janene@causewayvc.org)**

*(Please note that payment must be made in advance to secure your booking. Lunch is not provided on the day)*

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## **WOODLAND TRUST**

**Apply now to receive a free community tree planting pack to plant in February, March or November 2012**

2012, the year of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, is an ideal opportunity to plant trees to commemorate this, or any other, special occasion. Each pack will contain a royal oak sapling.

**Tree packs come in two sizes:**

- **105 trees**

ideal for planting either in small groups of trees or as a hedge (approx 30m)

•**420 trees**

create a long hedge (approx 120m), or divide up and plant at different sites. If planted as a block of trees, there is sufficient for approximately one acre of land.

Trees supplied are young saplings about 20 - 40 cm high.

**What happens to your application?**

- Applications for February 2012 will close on the 7th December
- Applicants will be informed if they have been successful by 23rd December
- Trees will be delivered to successful applicants at the start of February

In the meantime, if you would like help planning and preparing for your planting, we have a team of expert volunteers who would be happy to talk to you and provide advice.

**Tel: 0845 293 5689 Email: [woodlandcreation@woodlandtrust.org.uk](mailto:woodlandcreation@woodlandtrust.org.uk)**

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**THE VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK**

**Who are you going to call?"**

**4<sup>th</sup> November 2011 10am – 1pm**

**Living Rivers, 2- 4 Railway Street, Ballymena.**

The Voluntary Community Sector Network (VCSN) is hosting a key networking event in the field of Drugs and Alcohol. The unique event will provide an opportunity to highlight and promote the work and services available from the VCSN within the Northern area in relation to reducing harm related to Drug and Alcohol misuse.

For further information contact:

**Emma McElhone Community Support Service Tel: 028 2563 6610 Mobile: 075 8402 3715**

**Email: [emma.mcelhone@northerntrust.hscni.net](mailto:emma.mcelhone@northerntrust.hscni.net)**

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**THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL**

The Community Relations Council (CRC) welcomes applications to its Core Funding Programme for work commencing in April 2012.

This Core Funding Programme is designed to support voluntary and community organisations to develop community relations work, in a strategic manner, on a regional basis. Support is specifically targeted at work with adults to combat sectarianism in Northern Ireland on a strategic, long term basis.

**Further information and the application form can be downloaded from the CRC website at [www.nicrc.org.uk](http://www.nicrc.org.uk) or on request from the Core Funding Officer by telephoning 028 90227500.**

Please note there are two deadlines for the submission of an application to the Core Funding Programme:

<b>Renewal Groups</b> i.e. groups currently in receipt of Core Funding	<b>Deadline</b> <b>4pm 28<sup>th</sup> October 2011</b>
<b>New Applicant Groups</b>	<b>4pm 25<sup>th</sup> November 2011</b>

Please note that all applications must be returned in hard copy format (faxed or emailed versions will not be accepted) to:

Community Relations Council, Glendinning House, 6 Murray Street Belfast BT1 6DN

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. The Community Relations Council will not accept any responsibility for applications that are delivered late or incomplete by third parties.

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## **[PFIZER UK FOUNDATION](#)**

### **Pfizer UK Foundation – Good Practice in Tackling Health Inequalities by Communities**

- **Opened by May Blood (Pfizer Board Member)**
- **Melanie Heaver, Pfizer Chairperson – overview of the organisation**

Provide grants for local communities to tackle health inequalities – a bottom-up approach. The organisation has been in existence for 6 years & in this time has invested £6.6m in 242 projects across the UK. NI is currently under-represented in funding applications so they are keen to encourage groups from here to apply. To date, £752k has been invested locally, in 25 projects, majority of which have been in Belfast.

Focus is on deprived or marginalised communities, collaborative/partnership working, funding is short term (1 year) & for both statutory & non-statutory organisations. Projects need to identify clear outcomes. Organisations can apply for between £3000 & £50000. There are 3 rounds of funding per year – deadlines are 18<sup>th</sup> Jan/30<sup>th</sup> May/5<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Contact:**     [pfizerukfoundation@pfizer.com](mailto:pfizerukfoundation@pfizer.com)  
                  **01737 330713**

- **Examples of good practice that have been funded by Pfizer**
  - **Brian O’Hagan & Fergal O’Brien (SHSCT) – GP Carers Project** (established system for early identification of carers in GP practices, screening, signposting & referral)

- **Joe Hyland, SOS Bus – work in Hillhall Estate Lisburn** (work in local communities, encourage them to identify & research their own problems & find solutions, through building community connections & improving relationships)
- **Gerry McElwee & Doreen Regan, UCF – Quit 2 Fit programme** (smoking cessation & weight management 1-1 support)

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## **“THIS WAS YOUR LIFE”**

### **“ This Was Your Life” Ripple Effects of a Suicide**

*This Performance Roadshow by The Samaritans will be held*

The Sandel Centre, Knocklynn Road, Coleraine, BT52 1WT.

**Thursday 24th Nov 2011**

The Play is Free of Charge as funded by PHA, **Doors 7:30pm**

This play is based around the format of the old TV show “This Was Your Life”. It concentrates on the suicide of a young woman and how this tragedy impacts her family, friends and her doctor. It explores each person’s feelings on how they could maybe have handled this differently. The cast are all serving or former Samaritan Volunteers.

**To Book Place Contact :**

**Amanda Pollock Suicide Prevention Development Officer**

**Email: [amanda@nacn.org](mailto:amanda@nacn.org) 028 217 72100**

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## **VILLAGE SOS LIVE IN NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Thursday 3 November 2011, 10am to 4pm City Hotel Derry, Londonderry**

Village SOS is hosting a series of free events to bring the benefits of community enterprise directly to you. Come along and be inspired by the people behind community enterprises like shops and pubs, broadband projects and transport schemes as they share their real-life experiences. You’ll also meet **Ballygally Community Development Association** who have just opened their new shop and are about to launch their new hall one the original Village SOS projects. At this **FREE** event, you’ll have the unique opportunity to hear expert hands-on advice from rural and enterprise specialists including [Plunkett Foundation](#) and its partners [Co-operatives UK](#), [Locality](#), and [Development Trusts Northern Ireland \(DTNI\)](#).

**Sessions include:**

- How to start your own community-owned project
  - Regional and inspirational community businesses, such as community-owned shops and pubs, broadband projects or transport schemes sharing their journey and path to success
- Workshops and exhibits
- Expert advice from sector specialists
- A free lunch!
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**You should attend:**

- If you have an idea for a project to help your community but don't know how to start
- If you already have a community-owned project and are looking for advice and support
- If you are from an organisation that supports rural communities or community-owned projects and want to know more.

The nationwide Village SOS roadshow will visit every English region and Wales twice, as well as Scotland and Northern Ireland.

**To book your free ticket go to <http://www.villagesos.org.uk/uk-event/village-sos-roadshow-city-hotel-derrylondonderry>**

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**JOB ADVERT**

The Portglenone Enterprise Group Ltd, as the lead organisation for the Bann Maine West Community Cluster, invites applications from appropriately qualified and experienced individuals to deliver a support programme for the Cluster.

Hours: 25 hours per week inclusive of evening and weekend work.

The suitable candidate will also be able to demonstrate an ability to secure funding , work with and develop volunteers in a variety of activities.

The programme will run initially from November 2011 – March 2012 with the possibility of a longer term contract subject to funding. Applicants must be available for interview on 4th November 2011. Applicants must be able to commence delivery of the project by 14th November 2011.

**The closing date for application is 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 @ 1.00 pm.**

**For further information and a full specification contact**

**Portglenone Enterprise Group Ltd, Market House, 61 Main Street, Portglenone BT44 8HP  
Tel: 028 25820150 E-mail [jeanette.vandermerwe@bannmainewest.co.uk](mailto:jeanette.vandermerwe@bannmainewest.co.uk)**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE TO PASS ON INFORMATION IN THIS BULLETIN BOARD TO OTHER RELEVANT GROUPS IN YOUR AREA**

