



Your Local Rural Support Network

The Local Rural Support Networks

- Supporting rural living across Northern Ireland -

COSTA Community Newsletter

May 2017

COSTA
Local Rural Support Network

**Rural Community
Development Support
Service**
(Mid Ulster Zone)



Department of
**Agriculture, Environment
and Rural Affairs**



Comhairle Ceantair
**Lár Uladh
Mid Ulster**
District Council



**Would your Group
like any assistance?**

Does your group have any Skills, Training,
Support, Funding or Information needs?

Outreach Service available

Please contact COSTA

Tel: 028 855 56880

Email: info.costa@btconnect.com

Community Organisations of South Tyrone
& Areas Ltd
President Grants Homestead
45 Dergenagh Road
Dungannon BT77 0DE

Tel: 028 855 56880 Fax: 028 855 56881

Email: info.costa@btconnect.com

Web:

www.costaruralsupportnetwork.org

Facebook: Board Costa

COSTA EVENTS – May 2017

COSTA 'Charity Registration Info Workshop'

*Workshop for all you need to know about the Charity
Commission NI Registration Process*

Tuesday 16th May 2017

7:00pm – 8:30pm

At COSTA, President Grants Homestead, Dergenagh
- Please reserve places in advance -

Charity 'Annual Returns Info Workshop'

*Workshop for all you need to know about completing
Annual Returns to the Charity Commission NI*

Wednesday 17th May 2017

7:00pm – 8:30pm

At COSTA, President Grants Homestead, Dergenagh
- Please reserve places in advance -

COSTA 'Open Door Support Day'

Thursday 25th May 2017

Book now to receive a one-to-one support session at
COSTA in President Grant's Homestead.

The following time slots are available and will be offered on
a first-come, first-serve basis – note that pre-booking a time
slot in advance is essential:

1. 9:30am – 11:00am
2. 11:30am – 1:00pm
3. 2:00pm – 3:30pm
4. 3:30pm – 5:00pm
5. 5:30pm – 7:00pm
6. 7:30pm – 8:30pm

To book any of the above events:

Tel: 028 855 56880 or

Email: info.costa@btconnect.com

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Upcoming Events & Workshops

- COSTA 'Charity Registration Information Workshop' (one every 4 - 6 weeks)
- COSTA 'Charity Annual Returns Information Workshop' (one every 4 - 6 weeks)
- COSTA 'Open Door Support Day' (one Day per month)
- COSTA 'Energy Efficiency in the Home' Info Session - details TBC in New Year 2017.

--- MORE TO FOLLOW SOON ---

COSTA is planning to deliver

'Energy Efficiency in the Home'

Information Session

in Ballygawley for all the community
in Autumn 2017

To book or for more information
contact COSTA: Tel: 028 855 56880
or info.costa@btconnect.com



Rural Support provides support through a **confidential helpline** which offers a listening and signposting service for farmers and rural families.

The types of issues that we address include emotional distress, suicide risk, financial problems, inheritance issues, physical and mental health, farming paperwork and bureaucracy.

The helpline is available 8am – 11pm, seven days a week on **0845 606 7 607**. (Voicemail and support options available at all other times) Or visit the website <http://www.ruralsupport.org.uk/>



NOTICE OF COSTA 2017 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 28th June 2017

In The Bawn Hall

Bawn, Aughnacloy, Dungannon

12:00noon – 2:00pm

Delicious Lunch Provided

Guest Speaker and
further details TBC shortly

**EVERYONE IS VERY
WELCOME!**



**COSTA Rural Community Development
Support Service (RCDSS)**

COSTA provides a FREE

Outreach Support Service

for local Member Community /
Development Groups and Charities to
increase capacity and access to
funding throughout the Dungannon &
South Tyrone area –

To book an appointment contact
Lorraine Griffin on Tel: 028 8555 6880
or email: info.costa@btconnect.com

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Fresh Start Initiative

A Programme for Women Involved in Community Transformation

8th May 2017

The Department for Communities (DfC) will be facilitating a series of stakeholder engagement events to seek views on the development of a programme providing support for women wishing to be involved in community transformation. This engagement process is being undertaken as part of the Department's contribution to the Fresh Start initiative and to the delivery of the Executive's Action Plan – *Tackling Paramilitarism, Criminality and Organised Crime*.

A series of engagement sessions have been arranged to gather your views about the programme's proposed content which is designed to:

- ☑ Be supportive and enhance the ability of the women participants to work in their communities by making new connections to community and voluntary sector groups and also through community action.
- ☑ Support the creation of influential relationships for women that build participation in our political structures and grow civic leadership from the neighbourhood level upwards.

Information in relation to the stakeholder engagement and work undertaken by DfC's Voluntary and Community Division to date in relation to this initiative can be accessed via the Department for Communities website. The stakeholder engagement sessions will be held as follows:

Dates	Location	Venue / Address	Time
22 May	Coleraine	Causeway Rural & Urban Network Hub, 1 Brook St.	2 – 4 pm
23 May	L/Derry	Holywell Trust, 10-14 Bishop St.	2 – 4 pm
24 May	Belfast	Spectrum Centre, 331 Shankill Rd.	10 am – noon
24 May	Craigavon	Mount Zion House, Edward St, Lurgan	2 – 4 pm
25 May	Dungannon	The Junction, 12 Beechvalley Way	2 – 4 pm
25 May	Newry	Ballybot House, 28 Cornmarket	7 – 9 pm
26 May	Belfast	Training for Women Network, 11-13 Bloomfield Av.	10 am – noon
30 May	Belfast	Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich, 216 Falls Rd.	10 am – noon
30 May	Belfast	Weavers Court Business Park, Linfield Rd.	3 – 5 pm
30 May	Larne	Larne Town Hall, 1-9 Upper Cross St.	7 – 9 pm
31 May	Carrickfergus	Carrickfergus Town Hall, 2B Joymount	7 – 9 pm
31 May	Belfast	NICVA, 61 Duncairn Gardens	10 am – noon
1 June	Bangor	Bangor Carnegie Library, Hamilton Rd.	7 – 9 pm
2 June	Lisburn	Bridge Community Centre, 50 Railway St.	10 am – noon

Advance registration is not required. However, for planning purposes it would be appreciated if you would email Donna-Marie.Hancock@communities-ni.gov.uk or telephone (028) 9082 9406 and provide the names and contact details of proposed attendees.



Stop & Think

Farm Family Key Skills Health & Safety Training

- 🕒 Farm Health & Safety Workshop
- 🕒 Delivered 'on-farm'
- 🕒 Free to Farmers, Farm Families and Employees
- 🕒 Topics include Slurry, Animals, Falls & Equipment
- 🕒 Overview of the Making it Safer Tool

Register online www.cafre.ac.uk/industry-support or for further information please contact the Farm Family Health & Safety team on **Tel: 028 867 66980**

UPCOMING DATES: (ALL WORKSHOPS START AT 7PM)

Thursday 18th May	Limavady	Tuesday 4th July	Rosslea
Tuesday 23rd May	Kircubbin	Tuesday 25th July	Omagh
Thursday 25th May	Craigavon	Thursday 27th July	Lisburn
Thursday 8th June	Castleberg	Tuesday 8th August	Ballycastle
Tuesday 13th June	Dungiven	Thursday 10th August	Ballynahinch
Tuesday 20th June	Ballymena	Thursday 31st August	Coagh
Tuesday 27th June	Castlewellan		

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First Aid Training

As leaders in first aid training, we understand your need to reduce costs and save time when booking courses for your staff. That's why we offer [first aid training courses](#) at [conveniently located training venues](#) across the UK, so you don't have to look far to find quality training.

Whether you're looking for a venue near to work or home, or booking for a team around the country, finding a British Red Cross first aid course is easy. Simply [visit our website](#) where you can browse by region or search by town/postcode to find a conveniently located course.

If you have a group of up to 15 people who need training, [we can even come to you.](#)

We can deliver courses on your premises or a location of your choice, offering the flexibility to train at a time and date to suit the group and with the benefit of learning in a familiar environment.

Other benefits of training with us include:

- > 99 per cent customer satisfaction rating (based on 2016 delegate feedback)
- > unrivalled reputation for quality and excellence, built up over 35 years
- > automated external defibrillator (AED) training as standard on all first aid at work courses.

Train with a name you can trust – to find out more about what we offer, [download our brochure](#), [visit our website](#) or speak to one of our advisors on Tel: **0845 485 3497**.



Slieve Divena Wind Farm Funding Opportunity

Omagh Forum for Rural Associations in association with Infinis invites applications for funding from community based projects in the locality of Slieve Divena Wind Farm, County Tyrone. Slieve Divena Wind Farm is located in the Altamuskin area between Sixmilecross and **Ballygawley**.

Applicants must be within a 10km radius of the wind farm and proposals will be accepted from all aspects of community life – economic, social, environmental and educational.

The closing date for receipt of applications is Wednesday 31 May 2017. Successful applicants will be notified by end of July.

For an application pack contact Omagh Forum by email at: info@omaghforum.org or download from the website www.omaghforum.org or call 028 8225 1559

DAERA Help with Single Application Deadline 15 May 2017

There are a range of options available to you if you need assistance with completing and submitting your 2017 Single Application:

Online at: www.daera-ni.gov.uk/topics/grants-and-funding/area-based-schemes-2017

Email You can email queries to: areabasedschemes@daera-ni.gov.uk

Phone Call the SAF Advisory Service on **0300 200 7848** (Monday to Friday, 9.00 am to 5.00 pm).

Our team is ready to provide the information and help you need.



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The Prince's Trust Funding for College Kits, Uniforms, Books and Course Fees

Development Award funding is currently available from the Prince's Trust. Please note the following key changes to our funding:

- **APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE COURSE START DATE**
- **OPEN TO 16 – 30 YEAR OLDS, WHO ARE NOT IN EDUCATION, TRAINING OR EMPLOYMENT**

What are Development Awards?

Development Awards are grants of up to £500 to help young people who are struggling to access education, work or training due to a lack of funds. Please note that the average award is £200 and it is not possible to support every young person with a £500 grant.

Development Awards can be used to help with:

- Equipment for a course, job or work placement (e.g. hairdressing equipment, joinery tools, books).
- Course Fees.
- Industry specific qualifications e.g. SIA License, Forklift License, CSR Card.
- Workwear for a course, job or work placement (e.g. interview clothing, uniforms for college placements, mechanics clothing).
- Travel to a course or placement.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a development award, young people should be aged 16 – 30 and unemployed, or working less than 16 hours. If they are in education, this should be less than 14 hours per week. Please note that applications can only be made for new courses the applicant intends to start.

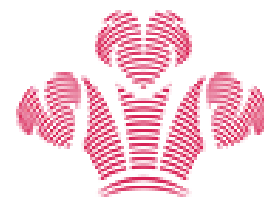
Please note that we cannot fund everyday living costs, courses at Level 4 or above, or any costs that are the responsibility of a statutory provider.

Applicants can be referred to the Prince's Trust via Email: outreachni@princes-trust.org.uk or Tel: 0800 842 842

Or contact:

Marion Kerr | Programme Executive -
Development Awards | The Prince's Trust |
Unit 8 Weavers Court, Belfast, BT12 5GH | 028
90895031 | ext 6731

marion.kerr@princes-trust.org.uk



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