

**Community Resilience and Community Emergency Planning**

**Calling all Community Development Groups in County Wexford.**



Wexford County Council in Partnership with The Gardaí, HSE, The Fire Service, The Civil Defence, Wexford PPN, GAA and IFA intends to hold 4 Open Workshops – one in each of the main towns – to prepare Community Groups to be in a position to take an active role in emergency management arrangements and planning.

Strong community resilience is a key feature of Irish life and culture. Community resilience is the sustained ability of a community to mobilise available resources to respond to, cope with, and then recover from adverse situations, such as emergencies. Resilient communities minimise disruption caused by an emergency to everyday life and their local economies. Resilient communities are not only prepared to help prevent or minimise the loss or damage to life, property and the environment, that can arise from an emergency, but they also have the ability to quickly return citizens to work and everyday life, reopen businesses, and restore the community as a whole to normality. A resilient community will therefore suffer less both during and after an emergency.

Following on from recent Weather events such as Snow and High Winds Wexford County Council is eager for Community Groups to take an active role in community resilience planning and promoting a safe, sustainable and resilient community.

VENUE, TIMES and DATES for these WORKSHOPS are as follows:

TOWN	VENUE	DATE and TIME
Wexford	Whites Hotel	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.30pm
Gorey	Amber Springs Hotel	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018 at 7.30pm
Enniscorthy	Riverside Park Hotel	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.30pm
New Ross	Brandon House Hotel	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.30pm

For further information please email [community@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:community@wexfordcoco.ie) or contact the Community Development Section of Wexford County Council.