

MAYO CLIMATE ACTION AWARENESS WORKSHOPS



OVERVIEW



South West Mayo Development Company, as part of a Climate Action Awareness Group, are delivering a bespoke workshop programme 'Mayo Climate Action Awareness Workshops' in 5 Mayo Towns. These workshops will look at a number of topics related to climate change, the relative impacts and adaptation and mitigation actions that can be taken.

The format of these workshops will allow for educating and creating awareness of climate change issues and for interactive discussion around these issues and associated actions that can be taken individually or as a community. The training material will be a combination of both generic and specifically local information using local case studies directed at communities.

This program will run over a period of 6 weeks, starting the 4th of February 2020 with 3 workshops running in 5 locations around the county. The first two workshops in each location will be common across all 5 locations, with the final workshop focusing on different themes in each location, but open to participants across the whole county.

INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOPS 1 AND 2 WILL RUN IN ALL 5 TOWNS



WORKSHOP 1: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNITY

The aim of this workshop is to create an understanding of the causes of climate change, how individuals will be impacted, and how we need to adapt to the impacts and mitigate to prevent further climate change.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- How the climate has changed and the causes of climate change.
- Carbon footprint and footprint research in Ireland.
- Projected climate changes for Ireland and how these changes impact communities, businesses and habitats.
- Adaptation actions and mitigation actions with a focus on what individuals and communities can do to reduce their impact on the climate.



WORKSHOP 2: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH BIODIVERSITY, WATER QUALITY AND GREEN SOLUTIONS

The aim of this workshop is to create an understanding of how biodiversity and water quality are impacted by climate change, actions to conserve and protect and the role of green solutions in combating climate change.

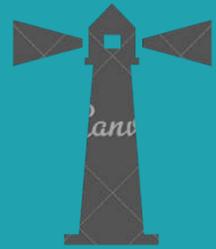
This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- Biodiversity and its ecosystem services.
- The impacts of climate change and humans on biodiversity.
- Adaptation and mitigation solutions to protect biodiversity.
- Flooding, its knock on implications and pollution risk.
- Water quality and how to protect our water resources.
- The impacts of temperature and doubts on our water resources.
- Water conservation solutions at home and in the community.



FOCUSED WORKSHOPS

EACH FOCUSED WORKSHOP WILL RUN IN **ONE** LOCATION ONLY
BUT OPEN TO ALL PARTICIPANTS AROUND THE COUNTY



WORKSHOP 3A: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND COASTAL IMPACTS

The aim of this workshop is to create an understanding of how the Mayo coastline will be affected by climate change and what will be the coastal impacts and challenges for our communities for future.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- The causes of climate change and a review of past climatic events in Mayo (from 1970-current).
- The impacts of climate change on coastal communities and habitats.
- The impacts of rising marine temperatures, severe weather events etc. on marine ecosystem services.
- Review of solutions to protect coastal communities and habitats.



WORKSHOP 3B: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITY ENERGY

The aim of this workshop is to create an understanding of how a community can conserve energy and support renewable energy projects and infrastructure.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- Sustainable energy, energy efficiency and technologies and renewable energy including costs and paybacks.
- How to set up an energy project that will deliver results locally.
- How to engage your community and key partners and to access support and funding.
- Examine case studies where communities have taken ownership of renewable energy projects.



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WORKSHOP 3C: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND HOUSEHOLD ENERGY

The aim of this workshop is to understand how we use energy at home and determine actions and supports to reduce energy and save money.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- How energy is used at home and our home energy use footprint.
- How to analyse energy use at the home and to implement simple energy saving options.
- How to create warming homes while saving on cost and how to access appropriate funding and support.
- Assess the next steps in individual action and communities action on how to reduce energy and save money in the long term.

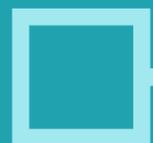


WORKSHOP 3D: UNDERSTANDING HOW PERSONAL CONSUMPTION AFFECTS CLIMATE CHANGE

The aim of this workshop is to understand how our personal consumption (fashion, food choices, food waste etc.) can contribute to climate change.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- Our food and waste footprints.
- The individual footprint of the items in our shopping baskets.
- The impact of food choices and waste on climate change
- How to reduce the carbon intensity of your water and food habits.
- Various resources available helping food and waste habits.



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WORKSHOP 3E: UNDERSTANDING HOW TRANSPORT AFFECTS CLIMATE CHANGE

The aim of this workshop is to understand the greenhouse gas emissions from transport and discuss more sustainable and smarter travel options for individuals and communities.

This workshop will introduce topics such as:

- Footprints for all transport modes.
- Understanding the greenhouse gas emissions per km. for the different modes of travel.
- The importance of transport actions to limit global warming and how public transport can assist in mitigating Climate Change.
- How to lower the emissions of car journeys and reducing the need for car travel.

PRE REGISTER NOW

Pre-registration is recommended due to limited spaces by sending an email or message with your full name, email address, contact number and workshop locations to:

EMAIL

CLIMATEACTIONAWARENESS@GMAIL.COM

OR

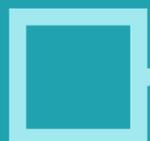
FACEBOOK

[@mayoclimateactionawareness](https://www.facebook.com/mayoclimateactionawareness)

OR

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WORKSHOP ONE



✓ BELMULLET

4th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Aras Inis Gluaire

✓ BALLINA

6th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Family Resource Centre

✓ CASTLEBAR

8th February 2020
10am - 1pm
Lough Lannagh Village

✓ CLAREMORRIS

11th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Town Hall

✓ WESTPORT

13th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Leeson Enterprise Centre

✓ **BELMULLET**

15th February 2020
10am - 1pm
Aras Inis Gluaire

✓ **BALLINA**

18th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Family Resource Centre

✓ **CASTLEBAR**

20th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Lough Lannagh Village

✓ **CLAREMORRIS**

22 February 2020
10am - 1pm
Town Hall

✓ **WESTPORT**

25th February 2020
7pm - 10pm
Leeson Enterprise Centre

**WORKSHOP
TWO**



FOCUSED WORKSHOPS

DATES AND LOCATIONS



WORKSHOP 3A: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND COASTAL IMPACTS

- ✓ Bellmullet - Aras Inis Gluaire
27th February 2020
7pm - 10pm



WORKSHOP 3D: UNDERSTANDING HOW PERSONAL CONSUMPTION AFFECTS CLIMATE CHANGE

- ✓ Claremorris - Town Hall
5th March 2020
7pm - 10pm



WORKSHOP 3B: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITY ENERGY

- ✓ Ballina - Family Resource Centre
29th February 2020
10am - 1pm



WORKSHOP 3E: UNDERSTANDING HOW TRANSPORT AFFECTS CLIMATE CHANGE

- ✓ Westport - Leeson Enterprise Centre
7th March 2020
10am - 1pm



WORKSHOP 3C: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE AND HOUSEHOLD ENERGY

- ✓ Castlebar - Lough Lannagh Village
3rd March 2020
7pm - 10pm

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