

Angela O'Shea

Subject: FW: Email Acknowledgement to Representative: REPS-2021-27596

From: Office of the Minister for Social Protection <Minister@welfare.ie>
Sent: Friday 5 November 2021 11:15
To: Honor Dunphy <hdunphy@waterfordcouncil.ie>
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Case Number: REPS-2021-27596

05 November 2021

Dear Ms Dunphy

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence to the Minister for Social Protection, Heather Humphreys TD, conveying the text of Motion No. 193 agreed at a meeting of Waterford City and County Council.

Enquiries are being made and a further letter will issue to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Kilkenny
Private Secretary

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Office of the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection

Case Number: REPS-2021-27596

Personal REF: HD/AOS/M193

Ms. Honor Dunphy
Meetings Administrator
Waterford City and County Council
City Hall
The Mall
Co. Waterford

11 November 2021

Dear Ms. Dunphy,

I refer to your recent correspondence to Ms. Heather Humphreys T.D., Minister for Social Protection on behalf of Waterford City and County Council with regards to the State pension provision.

At the outset it should be noted there is no statutory retirement age in Ireland. The age at which employees retire is determined by the employment contract between the employer and the employee.

The Benefit Payment for 65 Year Olds (BP 65) was introduced to deliver on the Programme for Government commitment, to address the position of 65 year olds who retire at age 65, in many cases not because they want to, but because that is the retirement age specified in their contract of employment.

This new payment is designed specifically to bridge the gap for people who retire from employment or self-employment at 65 but who do not qualify for the State Pension until age 66. Recipients of the new payment are not required to sign on, engage in activation measures or be available for and genuinely seeking work which was the case prior to its introduction.

The Pensions Commission was established in November 2020 to examine sustainability and eligibility issues with the State Pension and the Social Insurance Fund, in fulfilment of a Programme for Government commitment. As part of its Terms of Reference, the Commission was tasked with considering options to address issues including qualifying age, contribution rates, total contributions and eligibility requirements.

The Commission has now concluded its work and has submitted its final report. The report has been published on the Government website. It is extremely detailed, running to several hundred pages, and covers a range of complex matters in relation to the Pensions system which will require very careful consideration. That will be done over the next 6 months with a

view to bringing a recommended response and implementation plan to Government by end of March 2022.

I hope this clarifies the matter for you.

Yours sincerely,

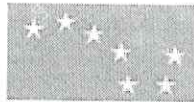
Aoibhinn Wrenn
Pensions Policy Unit

Angela O'Shea

From: Tom Creedon [tocriodain@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday 21 November 2021 23:01
To: Councillor Liam Brazil; Councillor Declan Clune; Councillor Gerard Barron; Councillor John O'Leary; Councillor Seanie Power; Councillor Declan Doocey; Councillor Damien Geoghegan; Councillor John Pratt; Councillor James Tobin; Councillor Pat Nugent; Councillor Seamus O'Donnell; Councillor Thomas Phelan; Councillor Tom Cronin; Councillor Conor D McGuinness; Councillor Eamon Quinlan; Councillor Joe Conway; Councillor Jim Griffin; Councillor Joe Kelly; Councillor Lola O'Sullivan; Councillor Adam Wyse; Councillor David Daniels; Councillor Eddie Mulligan; Councillor Jody Power; Councillor Mary Roche; Councillor Pat Fitzgerald; Councillor John Hearne; Councillor Jason Murphy; Councillor Donal Barry; Councillor Seamus Ryan; Councillor Frank Quinlan; Councillor Joanne Bailey; Councillor Cristiona Kiely; Contact User; Manager
Subject: WCTU calls for flag of Palestine to be flown from Civic Buildings

STRONGER TOGETHER

Waterford Council of Trade Unions



Waterford City and County Council

City Hall, The Mall
Waterford,
Civic Offices
Davitt's Quay
Dungarvan

21 November 2021

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

The Waterford Council of Trade Unions calls on the Waterford City and County Council to fly the flag of Palestine from the Waterford City Hall and the Civic Offices in Dungarvan, on 29 November, the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

This display of support and recognition would be a further demonstration of the commitment of Waterford, following its twinning with the city of Ramallah, to stand with the oppressed people of Palestine.

In 1977, the UN General Assembly called for the annual observance of 29 November as the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (resolution 32/40 B). Since then, a number of Local Authorities in Ireland and abroad have decided to mark this day by raising the Flag of Palestine on civic buildings.

The Irish flag has been flown over the Ramallah City Hall in acknowledgement of the solidarity that the people of this country have shown to Palestinians as they endure oppression and violence.

We urge the Council to mark this important day with the generous and comradely act of flying their flag in solidarity with the people of Palestine.

Sincerely,



TOM CREEDON
SECRETARY

Angela O'Shea

Motion No. 199

Subject: FW: HEA-MO-19920-2021

From: Ministers Office <ministers_office@health.gov.ie>

Sent: Friday 26 November 2021 14:46

To: Honor Dunphy <hdunphy@waterfordcouncil.ie>

Subject: HEA-MO-19920-2021

26th November 2021

Dear Ms. Dunphy,

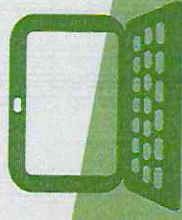
The Minister for Health, Stephen Donnelly T.D. has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your recent correspondence regarding Sláintecare.

Yours sincerely,

Miriam Rooney.

Private Secretary to the Minister for Health

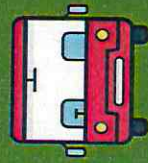
Local Authority Elected Members Training Webinar



Sustainable Travel and Transport Planning
and Local Authority Development Plans



Sustainable Travel and
Transport



Local Authority Perspectives
on Active Travel

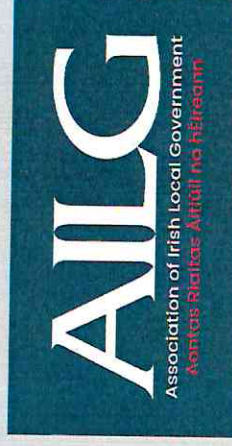
Friday, 26 November

10:00-11:30 am

Register: info@ailg.ie



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Planning Regulator



Learning Objective

We all have mental health. Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. Good mental health and well-being is not an on-off experience. It affects how we think, feel, and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make healthy choices. It also affects our physical health. Work, in fact, is actually one of the best things for protecting our mental health, but it can also adversely affect it.

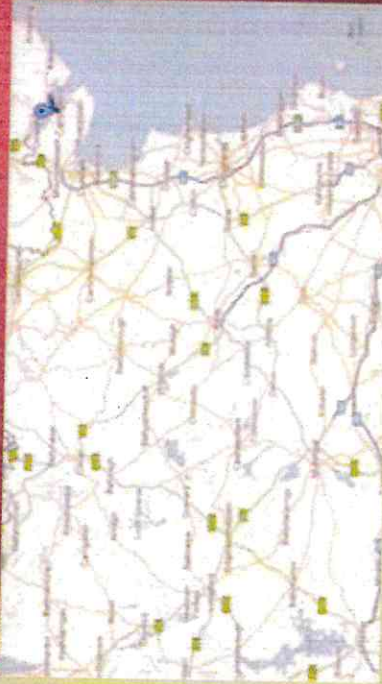
Mental health is about wellness rather than illness and is not merely the absence of a mental health condition. This makes mental health everybody's business.

Our conference aim is to help you understand mental health and wellbeing and to be aware of some of the factors that can affect mental health. We also explore some of the ways mental health and wellbeing can be fostered, supported and enhanced as an individual, in the community and in workplaces.

Conference Fee
€100

VENUE

THE FOUR SEASONS HOTEL
CARLINGFORD,
CO. LOUTH



Professional Event Organisers
Present a Conference on

Mental Health & Wellbeing

3rd, 4th & 5th
December 2021

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Friday 3rd December 2021

6pm to 7pm- Registration followed by Welcome Address and Official Opening

Saturday 4th December 2021

9am to 10am - Registration followed at 10.15am with

Understanding Anxiety & Depression

11am - Tea / Coffee followed at 11.30am with

The Laws of Communication

Lunchbreak at 1pm followed at 2.30pm

Insecure Attachment & its Consequence

Sunday 5th December 2021

Conference overview and exploration of topics covered in conference followed by a learning experience analysis.

Facilitated by Conference enabler.

Close Conference

Celtic Conferences

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We help organisations achieve quality learning outcomes by motivating, energising and inspiring learners to help discover their passion and potential and develop skills, knowledge and behaviours that are readily and immediately transferable to the workplace.

SPEAKER

Mari Hanly is a counsellor and psychotherapist based in West Cork. She holds a B.A. Honors degree in Counselling and Psychotherapy and is fully accredited with the Irish Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists. She specialises in individual and couple's therapy. She is trained in Eye Movement Desensitisation and Reprocessing EMDR therapy which is particularly effective in anxiety and post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). She is currently studying for her Masters in Integrative Psychotherapy.



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16th November 2021

To/ Each Local Authority

At the Ordinary Meeting of Sligo County Council held on 1st November 2021, the following resolution was agreed:

"That this Council in conjunction with Tusla, Dept of Children and Equality and the Gardaí establish an appropriate and safe Refuge Centre for victims and survivors (mainly women) of domestic violence in Sligo and surrounding area."

It was also agreed to circulate this motion to all other local authorities for their support".



Kevin Colreavy
Meetings Administrator

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