

## Spotlight on... Parslickstown House



Parslickstown House is open seven days a week, depending on demand, and can cater for a range of activities. The centre was built in 1840 and is located among local small businesses supported by the BASE Enterprise Centre in the Dublin 15 area. The building still has a lot of the original 19th century brickwork and foundations.

The aim of the centre is to be a positive hub for the community allowing everyone to take part in:

- Leisure – with a community coffee shop on site with a wide-ranging low-cost menu and a large outside garden space with fruit trees and planted vegetables to site and relax in.
- Community Development – with a dedicated youth office on site and office space available for local services and groups to operate from.
- Educational and Recreational Activities – meeting rooms available for training and other activities along with an ancillary hall to book for a range of training, sporting and educational activities.

For more information, feel free to call in to the coffee shop or visit them at reception. They will give you a timetable and show you how to book. New people are always welcome to the centre to use the facilities on site along with assisting the centre in helping to build a better community for all.



## Mayor officially opens Meakstown Community Centre

Fingal's newest community centre in Meakstown was officially opened by the Mayor of Fingal, Cllr Brian McDonagh on the 16th of November 2024



The €8 million facility was entirely funded by Fingal County Council and its opening is the culmination of a ten year project by the Council and the local community to deliver a community hub for the area.

The full article on the launch can be found on the Fingal webpage [here](#)

## FundingPoint Local Access Digest December 2024 to January 2025

The Fundingpoint Local Digest provides up-to-date funding information for nonprofits in the Fingal County Council area.

Funding sources reflect both local and national funding opportunities. All information is quoted directly from funder website / literature. The bi-monthly Fundingpoint Local Digest is brought to you by Fingal County Council and The Wheel. This can be viewed and downloaded from the FCFN website [here](#)

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## Carmichael online training workshops

The Community Development Office are providing free online training workshops for staff whose Centres are part of the Facilities Network. The full list of courses available, along with dates and times, can be found on the Carmichael website.

If you would like to avail of any of these workshops, please email [Ciaran.morgan@fingal.ie](mailto:Ciaran.morgan@fingal.ie) with the attendees full name and chosen session - a link to register will then be sent on.

\*Please note the workshops are non refundable to FCC and are limited to 2 per person to be given on a first come, first serve basis.

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## Swords Christmas Markets and Balbriggan turning on the lights

At Swords Castle Christmas Market, we bring together the very best of the season's magic and traditions. Stroll through the charming stalls adorned with twinkling lights, it's the perfect way to kickstart your Christmas celebrations!

Step into a fairytale setting in the heart of Swords. The Castle, adorned with festive decorations, creates a magical backdrop for your holiday shopping. Swords Castle Markets take place on the 7th & 8th of December 2024.



Join the Balbriggan Community, Balbriggan Gospel Choir and the Panto Stars from the Lark on Thursday the 5th of December at 6pm at Georges Square to light up Balbriggan for the rest of the Christmas season.

## TradFest & Fingal County Council Launch TradFest 2025 in Fingal

Ireland's largest trad and folk music festival invites audiences to experience the best of live music in the beautiful atmospheric setting of Fingal, with over 30 concerts taking place from 22-26 January 2025.

For further information on events taking place visit the [Fingal County Council webpage](https://www.fingal.ie) and [Tradfest.com](https://www.tradfest.com)



## Quickbooks Training



A reminder to all those that are taking part in the first batch of Quickbooks training on the 16th of December 2024, the 13th, 20th and 27th of January 2025 in the Corduff Resource Centre.

More sessions will aimed to be provided in 2025 for those who are not part of the first group - any queries on this training can be sent to [Ciaran.morgan@fingal.ie](mailto:Ciaran.morgan@fingal.ie)



## Webpages and items of interest

Fingal County Council webpage - <https://www.fingal.ie/>

Fingal Community Facilities Network webpage -

<https://fingalcommunityfacilitiesnetwork.ie/>

Fingal Volunteer Centre - <https://volunteerfingal.ie/>

Fingal County Council Community and Sport Community Grants and Funding webpage -

[https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/community\\_grants\\_and\\_funding\\_](https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/community_grants_and_funding_)

