

Spotlight on... Ongar Community Centre



Ongar Community Centre, located on the Ongar road in Dublin 15, is open seven days a week (depending on demand) and can cater for a range of activities. The centre are eager to work with new and emerging groups in the area, to coincide with their work with a wide range of Community groups and organisations, to run activities such as Summer and Easter camps and an annual family day with the Ongar Development Group.

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

- Sport with a indoor sports hall and an outdoor Astroturf pitch available for hire
- Leisure A Dance Studio available with wall to wall mirrors and shock absorbing floor.
- Community Development Events, activities and classes run in the centre all year round.
- Educational and Recreational activities Meeting rooms available suitable for arts and crafts, training, meetings, youth groups and wide range of activities. Additional facilities for hire include internet access.

For more information, feel free to call or visit, a timetable is available and staff can show you how to book-in for activities. The centre always welcomes new people getting involved so a better Community can be built for all.



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#### Community Recognition Funding enhancing Community Facilities

As part of the Community Recognition Fund for 2024, Fingal has welcomed €596,802 in funding as part of Call 2, set to support a series of initiatives surrounding retrofitting, renovation, development, transport and more.

The list of approved projects and the amount of funding allocated to each can be seen on the <u>Fingal County Council website</u>



#### Keen to be Green Awards 2025

This year Dublin Climate Action Week is scheduled to take place from the 12-18th of May.
With Fingal County Council hosting this year, we think this is a great time to celebrate the 2nd Keen To Be Green Awards with the Focus on Water Conservation.

All details on the upcoming planned event can be seen on the <u>Fingal Community Facilities webpage</u>



#### All Ireland Community and Council awards - LAMA 2025

Fingal County Councils Keen to be Green initiative successfully made the shortlist under best environmental project at the recent 2025 LAMA awards. Being recognised alongside other significant FCC and National initiatives, is a measure of the programmes success and each centres commitment to achieving the aims and objectives of the KTBG charter. Congratulations to all involved.





## Fingal St. Patricks day parades 2025



The countdown is on! This St. Patrick's Day, we're inviting everyone to come join us as we paint towns across Fingal green, with parades, lively music, and all the craic you can handle!

On Monday, March 17th our Communities will burst to life – this year there are seven vibrant local family-friendly parades for people to come together and celebrate Ireland's national day in style. Fingal County Council's Events Office anticipates this year's parades will draw the largest crowds yet, with over 100,000 expected to attend across the county, promising an unforgettable experience for all.

In the run up to the big day, our Local Libraries and Community spaces are hosting an exciting lineup of St. Patrick's week activities. You'll find arts and crafts workshops, traditional Irish music, sing-alongs, quizzes, and more, perfect for all ages. Find out more: <u>https://www.fingal.ie/spring-fingal-libraries-2025</u>

For parade locations and start time, please visit the <u>Fingal County</u> <u>Council webpage</u> for all details.

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### Carmichael online training workshops

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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 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.

## Webpages and items of interest

Fingal County Council webpage - <u>https://www.fingal.ie/</u> Fingal Community Facilities Network webpage -<u>https://fingalcommunityfacilitiesnetwork.ie/</u> Fingal Volunteer Centre - <u>https://volunteerfingal.ie/</u> Fingal County Council Community and Sport Community Grants and Funding webpage -<u>https://www.fingal.ie/council/service/community-grants-</u> <u>and-funding</u>

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