

CLIMATE JUSTICE:

STRENGTHENING CAPACITY IN THE COMMUNITY WORK SECTOR

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8TH 2023, F2 CENTRE, RIALTO, DUBLIN

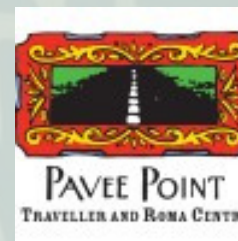
A Call to Action

The need for climate action informed by community work, feminism, and climate justice has increased. *Sustainable, Inclusive, and Empowered Communities supports engagement with climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies, and SICAP 2024-2028 has a new focus on climate justice.*

Join us for Climate Justice: Strengthening Capacity in the Community Work Sector. The event will provide an opportunity for learning, networking, and action.

Open to community workers, community work organisations and those interested in promoting, engaging with and integrating climate justice in their work.

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Register

9.15am	Registration, Cuppa & Networking (bring your own cup)	
10.00am	Introduction to the Event & the Call to Action	Ciara Bradley
10.10am	Civil Society as a Force for Change	Niall Crowley
10.30am	Climate Change & Climate Action: A Community Work Response to Climate Justice	Anastasia Crickley
10.50am	Minister's Keynote Speech	Minister Joe O'Brien
11.10am	Buzz & Questions	
11.30am	Comfort Break	
11.45am	Climate Change & Climate Action: Response from Local Development Companies	Paul Rogers, ILDN
12.05pm	Climate Change, Climate Justice, Climate Action & Feminist Communities for Climate Justice - this will be an interactive learning session focusing on building our knowledge and learning	Collette McEntee and Vanessa Conroy
1.10pm	Light Lunch	
2.00pm	Ice Maker (no, that's not a typo)	Stephanie McDermott and Laurie Whelehan
2.20pm	Consciousness Raising and using Climate Justice Education in Practice as a Resource for Community Workers – this will be an interactive learning session focusing on starting conversations with communities	Caoimhe Kerins, City of Dublin ETB
3.00pm	Pavee Point: Embedding Climate Action	Nancy Collins and Winnie McDonagh
3.20pm	A Call to Action	John McFadden
3.45pm	Final remarks	Ciara Bradley



Dr Ciara Bradley is an Associate Professor in the Department of Applied Social Studies at Maynooth University. Ciara is a community worker and community work educator. She is committed to equality, social justice, human rights and solidarity in her teaching, research and public engagement.

Her research interests include community development practice, professional formation in community and youth work, as well as research methodologies: a community development approach to collaborative and participatory research.



Anastasia Crickley is an internationally recognized authority on community development and a former Head of Department of Applied Social Studies at Maynooth. She has held various positions including the first Chairperson of the European Union Fundamental Rights

Agency, former President of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, and former Chairperson of Community Work Ireland. Anastasia was a founding member of Pavee Point Travellers Centre and the Migrant Rights Centre Ireland, and a European regional trustee for the International Association of Community Development until recently. She is the Chairperson of the All Ireland Endorsement Body for Community Work Education and Training



Mr. Joe O'Brien T.D. is Minister of State with responsibility for Community Development, Integration, and Charities. He is the Green Party T.D. for the Dublin Fingal constituency.

Minister O'Brien has spent most of his professional career as an advocate for migrant rights and inclusion. He has previously worked for the Immigrant Council of Ireland as well as 11 years working with the Crosscare Migrant Project. Minister O'Brien has responsibility for Integration and he oversees the National Action Plan Against Racism, Migrant Integration Strategy and has responsibility for the National Roadmap for Social Inclusion



Niall Crowley is an independent equality consultant, working at European and national level for the past twelve years. Prior to this he was chief executive of the Equality Authority for ten years. Before that he worked in Pavee Point and was a member of the Central Group of what was

then the Community Workers Cooperative. He is author of 'Civil Society for Equality and Environmental Sustainability: Reimagining a Force for Change', published by TASC and St Stephen's Green Trust.

Copies of Niall's book will be available to all participants



Collette McEntee and Vanessa Conroy are the ‘Feminist Communities for Climate Justice’ team which is a joint project between the National Women’s Council and Community Work Ireland. The project amplifies, reflects, and responds to the lived experiences of women and marginalised communities in the face of climate injustice.



Paul Rogers is the CEO of Northside Partnership. He has extensive experience of working within the community and voluntary sector in the areas of local and community development, charities governance, strategic planning, organisational development, communications, project management and IT.



Caoimhe Kerins is an Adult Education Officer responsible for adult literacy, community education, English language, guidance, and information services in the South Inner City of City of Dublin ETB. She has managed various adult education and community development projects and chairs CDETb's Climate Justice Education Steering Committee. Caoimhe uses participatory, creative, and inclusive methodologies from a critical pedagogical perspective to integrate learning with creating social change.



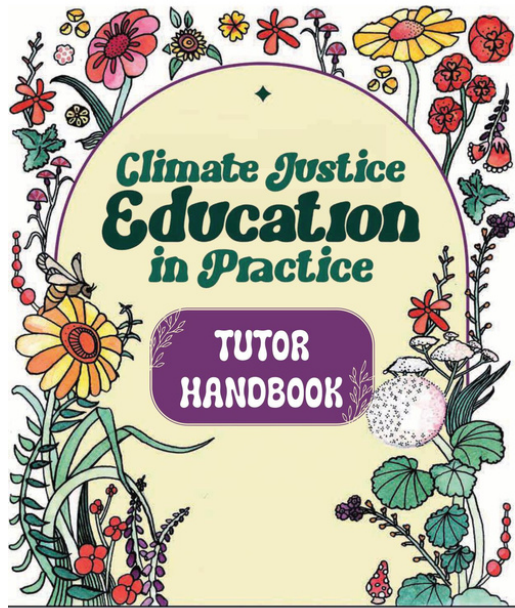
Stephanie McDermott lectures in the field of Equality, Citizenship, Rights, Activism and Community Development. As a critical educator and activist, her work centres on social action, civil engagement, and mechanisms to increase the minority voice. She also has a keen interest in the ‘lived experience’ of migrants, refugees, asylum seekers and ethnic minority groups. Stephanie has extensive experience of working with civil society organisations also works as a facilitator in Community Development and Leadership. She is a member of CWI and sits on the board of AIEB.

Laurie Whelahan has worked in community development and social inclusion for over 20 years including the two SICAP programmes for Co. Wicklow. A member of CWI and a recent post graduate of Creativity and Change and Eco Art Practice at MTU, Laurie has a keen interest in creating synergy through action and building Social Inclusion within the community using community development and art.



Nancy Collins and Winnie McDonagh are both Traveller Primary Health Care Workers who work with their community and service providers in the promotion of Traveller health. Both are active in promoting Traveller empowerment and participation and have experience of the impact of Climate Change on Traveller quality of life including such issues as fuel poverty and the impact of poor living environment. Winnie was involved in a walkability project which used the National Transport Authority’s (NTA) walkability audit as a tool to support Travellers living in Traveller-specific accommodation to identify and develop an analysis of local infrastructural barriers to more active lifestyles. Nancy is on Pavee Point’s internal Climate Action Working Group which aims to promote climate action internally, at community level and at a national policy level.





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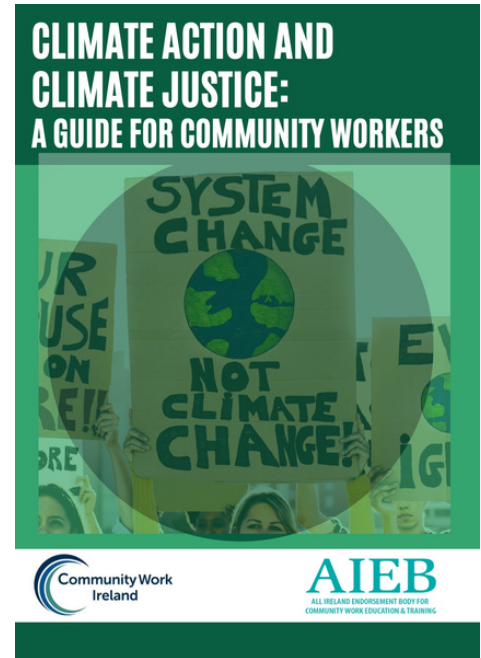
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Civil Society for Equality and Environmental Sustainability: Reimagining a Force for Change

By Niall Crowley



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Publications that will be available at the event