

PRESS RELEASE

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Wexford County Council extends invitation to residents of Castlebridge to join Castlebridge Town Team.

Castlebridge has been allocated €10,000 towards the establishment of a Town Centre First Team, under measure 1 of the 2024 Town Centre First suite of supports.

Town Centre First aims to create towns that function as viable, vibrant and attractive locations for people to live, work and visit. It supports towns to function as the service, social, cultural and recreational hub for the local community, is Government Policy informed by data and best practice and is delivered by local authorities in partnership with communities.

To ensure that as broad a representation as possible sit on the Castlebridge Town Centre First Team, Wexford County Council are hosting a drop-in information session in **Castlebridge Community Hall, on Friday 30th August from 2pm to 6pm**, we are looking for local people to express an interest in serving on the Castlebridge Town Team.

Town Regeneration Officer with Wexford County Council, Mick McCormack will be on hand to host information briefings on the hour and will meet and answer questions from anyone who calls to the event. It is hoped that all the sectors/groups within and around Taghmon will come and express an interest in sitting on this new Town Centre First Team. Town Teams are typically made up of reps from business, community groups, residents, tourism groups, An Garda Síochána, charities, social enterprises, sports organisations, cultural groups, voluntary groups, Chamber of Commerce, retailers, developers, and educational facilities. Each town however is different and it is important that the Team reflects the Town.

Welcoming the news Chair of the Castlebridge Town Centre First Team, Cllr. Robbie Staples said *'I am looking forward to working closely with the Castlebridge Community and the new Town Team in starting a process that will strengthen Castlebridge Town Centre and enhance the lives of the residents of Castlebridge and surrounding areas. This is a great opportunity for Castlebridge and I would encourage as many groups and people as possible to attend this event'*

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