

***Meath County Council Pride of Place Initiative  
Application Form 2019***

Please complete and submit to Pride of Place, Community Section, Meath County Council, Buvinda House, Navan or e-mail to [prideofplace@meathcoco.ie](mailto:prideofplace@meathcoco.ie) by 5pm Friday 7th June, 2019

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| **Section 1 – Applicant Details & Contact Information** |
| **Name of Applicant***: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* |
| **Name of Housing Estate/ Town/ Village/ Business/ Project \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **Contact Person for all correspondence:** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* |
| **Address for correspondence:** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*  **Municipal District***:* Ashbourne, Kells, Navan, Ratoath, Trim, Laytown/Bettystown  **(please circle);** |
| **Phone No:** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* **Nominated Email Address:***\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* |
| **Is your group affiliated to Meath Public Participation Network?** *Yes:* 🞎 No: 🞎  **If not, would you like to register your group with Meath PPN?** *Yes:* 🞎 No: 🞎 |

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| **Section 2 - Scheme Categories**  *Please tick box(es) for category or categories you are applying for.* |
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| **Section 3 - Entry details for Housing Estates & Best Bee Friendly Front Garden (Categories 1 – 4)** |
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| **Please give a brief description of proposed work to be undertaken in your estate in 2019, together with the number of residents involved and any other relevant information** |
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| **Section 4 - Entry details for Residential Streetscape (Category 5)** |
| **Category Name: Residential Streetscape (Category 5)** |
| **Please give a brief description of proposed work to be undertaken on the nominated streetscape in 2019, together with the number of residents involved and any other relevant information** |
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| **Section 5 - Entry details for Categories 6 – 16**  **N.B. Please complete a Section 4 page for each entry under categories 6-16** |
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| **Please give a brief description of proposed works/ project to be undertaken in 2019, together with any other relevant information** |
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| **Section 7 - Entry details for Category 17 – Shop Front** |
| **Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **Please complete below only if a Community/Tidy Towns/Pride of Place Group are nominating this business:**  **Name of Nominating Group:**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Contact name for Group:**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Phone Number:**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **E-Mail Address:**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Any other relevant information:**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

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| **Section 8 - Entry details for Category 18 – Hospitality/ Tourism** |
| **Group/ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **Please give a brief description of the Hospitality / Tourism services to be considered, together with any other relevant information** |
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| **Section 9 - Entry details for Category 19 – Volunteer of the Year** |
| **Volunteers Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Nominating Group: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Nominating Group contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominating Group phone no. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **This award will be adjudicated based on the information given here. Therefore please ensure to give as much information about the person and why they should be considered as possible.** |
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**Note in relation to data protection:**

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***Conditions and Guidelines for Meath County Councils***

***Pride of Place Initiative 2019***

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1. ***General Information which applies to all categories:***

* Late applications will not be accepted. Please return completed application forms to Community Department, Meath County Council, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 Y291 or by email [prideofplace@meathcoco.ie](mailto:prideofplace@meathcoco.ie) by **5pm on Friday 7th June, 2019.**
* Please refer to the application guidelines below for information on each category.
* Groups may apply for more than one category but must use a separate relevant section sheet for each category entry.
* Additional information, photos, plans may be included separately if required.
* Please note that incomplete applications will be returned to you for completion.
* Information provided is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Acts.   Should you wish that any of the information, supplied by you, not be disclosed please specify the reasons for its sensitivity and you will be consulted prior to any release.
* Pride of Place adjudication will take place in June, July & August 2019 Monday – Friday, during business hours. The contact name given should be somebody who will be available to meet the judge(s).
* The judging date will be arranged at least two weeks in advance and every effort will be made to accommodate groups with a suitable date and time.
* Please note that there is a team of adjudicators who judge the different categories so depending on the categories a group applies for it may be necessary to meet with different adjudicators on different dates.
* A group representative must be available to meet the adjudicator on judging day; failure to do so may mean that the adjudicator cannot judge the entry and the application can no longer be considered.
* The ‘Applicant Details and Contact Information’ section of this application is required to be completed for corresponding with the applicant and this personal information will not be shared with a third party. The questions relating to membership of the PPN are optional questions and if not completed, the application may still be eligible. If the remainder of the ‘Applicant Details and Contact Information’ section of this application is not completed in full, the application may not be processed as part of this scheme. In relation to the length of time that this personal information will be kept by Meath County Council, applications received will be held for the duration of program plus 1 year.

1. ***Categories***

* ***County & Municipal District award – CMD***
* ***County only award – C***
* ***Municipal District only award - MD***

**Cat 1 - Housing Estate Small (CMD)** – Housing Estates with 30 houses or less

**Cat 2 - Housing Estate Medium** **(CMD)** – Housing Estates with between 31 and 70 houses

**Cat 3 - Housing Estate Large** **(CMD)** – Housing Estates with 71+ houses

**Cat 4 – Best Bee Friendly Front Garden (MD)** - This award is for the best bee friendly front gardens. It is recommended that as much information as possible about the garden is included in the application form e.g. bee friendly initiatives, description of the garden design, planting programme, features, theme, any environmental initiatives etc as well as photographs which show the garden at its best. Please include the Eircode to assist the adjudicator in locating the property.

**Cat 5 - Residential Streetscape (C) -** A number of residential houses along a village or town street.   
**N.B.** Please note that housing estates are to be included under categories 1 to 3 above.

**Cat 6 – Village/ Townland >500** **(CMD) -** Village or townland with a population of up to 500 people

**Cat 7 - Small Town 500 - 2000 (CMD) -** Small towns with a population of between 500 and 2000 people

**Cat 8 - Large Town > 2000 (CMD) -** Towns with a population of more than 2000 people

**Cat 9 - Youth Project (CMD) -** Youth Groups must be able to demonstrate how their project integrates with or benefits the local community.

**Cat 10 - Watercourse Amenity (CMD) -** This category is concerned with the celebration, enhancement and protection of a natural or semi-natural water body and its immediate environs.

**Cat 11 - Grow Your Own (CMD) -** This category rewards groups that carry out or support initiatives that improve community sustainability through production of food within the local area. The growing of flowering plants for local use may also be considered.

**Cat 12 – Heritage (CMD) -** This award is for any projects or works that gather information, conserve or promote an awareness and understanding of the natural, built or cultural heritage of an area (whether in a rural or urban setting).  Our heritage encompasses historic buildings, monuments, museums, heritage objects and collections, landscapes, seascapes, native flora and fauna and wildlife habitats (e.g. woodlands) geology, heritage parks and gardens, inland waterways or local history/genealogy and folklore.

**Cat 13 - Nature/Wildlife (CMD) -** Entry to this award should show how your group works to conserve and enhance semi-natural habitats and amenities.  Any projects should take account of protected species or areas and show that best practice is carried out (For further information please see [www.npws.ie](http://www.npws.ie)).

**Cat 14 – Best New Group (MD) -** Only groups who have **not** entered the Pride of Place competition prior to 2019 are eligible for this category.

**Cat 15 - Vacant Premises (CMD) -** Must state the address of the vacant building and outline what works or improvements have been carried out on the building during the past year.

**Cat 16 – Age Friendly Initiative (MD) -** This award will be awarded to the best age friendly initiative in the Municipal District. Age Friendly projects will be adjudicated on the engagement with older people and how at a local level their views, interests and needs are catered for. This can be a community project or one operated by a business.

**Cat 17 - Shop Front (MD)** – This category is for shops that enhance the overall attractiveness of the street/ location, shop/ window display, enhancement of any architectural features, careful use of colours, cleanliness etc.

**Cat 18 - Hospitality/ Tourism (CMD)** – This award is for any group or business who can demonstrate a commitment to the enhancement of local tourism and how it serves the community in a positive manner and drives community spirit.

**Cat 19 - Volunteer of the Year (MD) -** This award will be adjudicated based on the information given on the application form. Therefore please ensure to give as much information as possible about the person and why they should be considered for Volunteer of the Year.

1. ***Judging Criteria 2019***

***Categories 1 – 3 & 5 (Housing Estates: Small, Medium, Large and Residential Streetscape)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Cleanliness and Tidiness * Integration with surrounding area | 25 Marks |
| **Planting and Floral Arrangements**   * Planting Programme (annual/perennial) * Colour Co-Ordination * Planters/boxes, hanging baskets, etc. | 25 Marks |
| **Involvement of Residents**   * Effort & involvement of group * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement | 25 Marks |
| **Environmental Best Practice**   * Water awareness * Waste awareness including green waste * Environmental initiatives * Biodiversity awareness and initiatives * Sustainability awareness and initiatives * Initiatives show to minimize and manage dog fouling | 25 Marks |

***Category 4 (Best Bee Friendly Front Garden)***

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| * Bee Friendly Initiatives * Planting Programme (annual/perennial) * Colour Co-Ordination * Planters/boxes, hanging baskets, etc. * Consideration given to biodiversity | 50 Marks |

***Categories 6 – 8 (Village/ Townland, Small Town & Large Town)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Cleanliness and Tidiness * Integration with surrounding area | 25 Marks |
| **Planting and Floral Arrangements**   * Planting Programme (annual/perennial) * Colour Co-Ordination * Planters/boxes, hanging baskets, etc. | 20 Marks |
| **Involvement of Residents/ Community**   * Effort & involvement of group * Communication and engagement * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement | 20 Marks |
| **Environmental Best Practice**   * Water awareness * Waste awareness including green waste * Environmental initiatives * Biodiversity awareness and initiatives * Sustainability awareness and initiatives * Initiatives show to minimize and manage dog fouling | 20 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing projects * New projects * Future plans/ projects | 15 Marks |

***Category 9 (Youth)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Engagement * Initiative shown * Project successes * Integration with the local community * Benefits to local community | 50 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing projects * New projects * Future plans/ projects | 20 Marks |

***Categories 10, 11 & 13 (Watercourse Amenity, Grow Your Own & Nature/Wildlife)***

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| **Overall Approach**   * Research and project scoping * How does the project apply good heritage/biodiversity practice in managing and/or enhancing a site * Is the project well thought out or part of a Conservation/Management Plan | 30 Marks |
| **Involvement of Community**   * Effort & involvement of group * Communication and engagement * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement | 25 Marks |
| **Environmental/Biodiversity Best Practice**   * Water awareness * Waste awareness including green waste * Environmental initiatives * Biodiversity awareness and initiatives e.g. *All Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015-2020* * Sustainability awareness and initiatives | 30 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing projects * New projects * Future plans/ projects | 15 Marks |

***Categories 12 (Heritage)***

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| **Overall Approach**   * Research and project scoping * How does the project apply good heritage practice in managing sites, collections, objects etc. * Alignment with  County Heritage Plan and/or County Biodiversity Plan * Is the project well thought out or part of a Conservation/Management Plan | 40 Marks |
| **Involvement of Community**   * Effort & involvement of group * Communication and engagement * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement | 30 Marks |
| **Benefit to local heritage**   * How did the project promote heritage to a wider audience * Benefits to intended target group or local area | 30 Marks |

***Category 14 (Best New Group)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Description of group and brief | 30 Marks |
| **Involvement of Residents/ Community**   * Effort & involvement of group * Communication and engagement * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement | 25 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing projects – achievements to date * New projects * Future plans/ projects | 25 Marks |

***Category 15 (Vacant Premises)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Cleanliness and Tidiness * Integration with surrounding area | 25 Marks |
| **Planting, Floral Arrangements, Artwork**   * Relevance of art work/planting/decorative feature to the area/ building/premises * Colour Co-Ordination – planting/ painting | 20 Marks |
| **Involvement of Community**   * Effort & involvement of group * Communication and engagement * Youth Involvement/Older Person involvement * Liaison with owner | 40 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing project * Future plans for the premises | 15 Marks |

***Category 16 (Age Friendly Initiative)***

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| **Overall Impression**   * Engagement with the local community/ services/ agencies/ businesses * Initiative shown * Project successes * Integration with the local community * Benefits to local community | 50 Marks |
| **Current & Future Plans**   * Ongoing projects * New projects * Future plans/ projects | 20 Marks |

***Category 17 (Shop Front)***

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| Visual Impact | 60 Marks |
| Supports the Overall Attractiveness of the Street | 50 Marks |
| Attractive Window Display | 50 Marks |
| Careful Use of Colours that Work in harmony with Materials of the Building | 40 Marks |

***Category 18 (Hospitality/ Tourism)***

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| **Tourism:**  How the project/ business drives tourism locally and within their business/ outline one marketing initiative | 20 Marks |
| **Presentation:**  Overall impression of the physical building or space including floral displays, shop front, interior; how the physical space incorporates the local environment | 60 Marks |
| **Community:**  How the business/ project serve the community in a positive manner and drives community spirit. Evidence of working with local groups. | 60 Marks |
| **Innovation:**  What sets this business or project apart from other enterprises. | 60 Marks |

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