****

**MEATH COUNTY COUNCIL ANTI- LITTER INITIATIVE 2020**

You are invited to take part in Meath County Council’s Anti-Litter Initiative 2020. You may have taken part in the past or may be an entirely new entrant. Either way this is a great opportunity for your group to get involved in your local community. It is not a competition, each participating group is trying to achieve a high standard of cleanliness in their local area, and there is a grant for those that achieve high standards over the whole month of the initiative.

**Information in relation to Judging**

There will be 2 rounds of judging over a 4 week period in March.

**Judging will take place from the 2nd to 27th March 2020. There will be no judging on 16th, 17th or 18th to allow for St Patricks Day’s events.**

Points will be deducted for the presence of litter and there will be a score for general appearance.

Each participant will be advised of their marks after the final week of judging has been completed. Grants and medals will be issued in April and May 2020.

**Marking System;**

Absence of Litter—80%

General Appearance ---20%

**Grants and Incentives**

All groups who take part will be entitled to a start-up pack which includes gloves, bags and litter pickers.

We will arrange to assist with the collection and disposal of litter and waste collected from public areas.

Groups who attain the following marks (average over both visits by judge) will receive a grant as follows:

96-100 Marks: €150 (plus a Gold Medal for Towns & Villages)

91-95 Marks: €100 (plus a Silver Medal for Towns & Villages)

**All groups who have registered to take part may collect bags, litter pickers & gloves from Recycling Centres at Navan, Trim or Kells from Saturday 15th February 2020.**



**Meath County Council Anti-Litter Initiative 2020**

**Municipal District (please circle):** Ashbourne, Kells, Navan, Ratoath, Trim, Laytown/Bettystown

**Name of Town/ Village/Housing**

**Estate, Group: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Groups taking part in this initiative should be aware that they must have a committee in place with a corresponding bank account to receive a grant**

**Please return this form to the Environment Section, no later than Friday 14th February 2020 by email:** **bcarry@meathcoco.ie**

**Or by post:**

Bernadine Carry

Environment Section

Meath County Council

Buvinda House

Dublin Rd,

Navan, Co Meath

**If you have any queries, please contact Bernadine Carry at 046 9097222.**

**Email:** **bcarry@meathcoco.ie**

**Forms:** [**www.meath.ie/CountyCouncil/Environment/Litter/AntiLitterInitiative/**](http://www.meath.ie/CountyCouncil/Environment/Litter/AntiLitterInitiative/)

**The personal information (data) collected on this form, including any attachments, (which may include the collection of sensitive personal data) is collected for the purpose of processing this application and any data collected is subject to Meath County Council’s privacy statement which can be found at** [**http://www.meath.ie/Data Protection/**](http://www.meath.ie/Data%20Protection/)