



## Expression of Interest Form

# 2014 Community Planning Workshops

## Ideas to Action

Galway Rural Development Co. Ltd is organising four courses in Community Planning to assist members of community and voluntary groups to develop and sustain active and interested groups, plan projects and events and lobby and advocate on behalf of their groups.

The courses will be delivered around the county in the four areas where most interest is identified.

**Do you find it difficult to keep your group going and keep your members involved? Then this short course is for you.**

**Develop the Skills to maintain an active and committed community group:**

The training programmes will be **12 hours in duration.**

**Those interested in participating should indicate their preference in regard to scheduling of the course and the general area – options are as follows:**

**Thursday evenings: 7pm – 10pm commencing either September 25<sup>th</sup> or October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
(four weeks duration)**

**Friday mornings: 10am – 1pm - dates to be confirmed  
(four weeks duration)**

**2 Full days: Fridays 10am – 5pm – dates to be confirmed  
(2 days duration)**

**Venues will be selected based on the level of demand in the general area.**

**The course will cover the following areas:**

- How groups work and develop. How to improve your meetings and generate ideas to sustain an energized group.
- Ensure good communications, how to keep everyone in the loop, identify changes needed, lobby and advocate on behalf of your group
- Plan – how to make things happen, how to develop a plan, how to know if it is working, how to evaluate the group's work

The maximum number of participants will be 12 per course.





If you are interested in this course you can request a registration form by filling in your contact details below and return to Galway Rural Development by post or email as per contact details below on or before Friday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2014. There is no cost to participants and places will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address for Correspondence \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening/ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your preference in regard to scheduling of the course

- 1. Thursday evenings commencing 25<sup>th</sup> September \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Thursdays evenings commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> October \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Friday mornings (4 week duration) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. 2 full days Friday (2 day duration) \_\_\_\_\_

General area \_\_\_\_\_

(eg. Craughwell, Ballinasloe, Gort, Tuam, Claregalway)

**For further information please contact: Mairéad O'Reilly, Galway Rural Development, Mellows Campus, Athenry, Co. Galway. 091 844335 or maireadoreilly@grd.ie**

