



Renewal



# Calling all Households in Straide...

The Straide Community Futures Action Plan is now more than 5 years old. The Straide Community Steering Group are now embarking on a Renewal Plan, supported by Mayo Community Futures. This newsletter outlines the Renewal Plan process and how to have your say.

The purpose of the Renewal Plan is to give our community a chance to re-evaluate our Community's needs. The process allows us to examine what actions have been achieved from the previous plan. Importantly it gives us the opportunity to add new priorities and ideas we may have for the next five years.

The first step in this process is the household survey. You may remember completing a survey for the first Action Plan. You are asked to answer 5 questions. This process gives every household an opportunity to put forward all of your ideas. We aim to get the survey to you in early March and we encourage people to think about what they would like to see happen in Straide over the next 5 years.

The Priorities voted for inclusion in the 2014-2019 Plan are shown below. We have had many successes and there is still more work to do. Among our major achievements has been the refurbishment and re-opening of the Straide Davitt Community Hall. This has given us the opportunity to organize many new successful community activities. The Michael Davitt Museum goes from strength to strength with exciting new plans for the future. There has been significant improvements on the grounds of the National School. Other highlights include the work of Straide Historical & Cultural Society and the War Dead Memorial Committee. One of the outstanding community achievements was winning a National Award in Pride of Place 2019.

### **2014 – 2019 Straide Action Plan**

Outdoor Amenities & Facilities	Multi-use Sports Field, Playground & Picnic Area, Local Walkways,
Footpaths, Roads and Parking	Footpaths, traffic calming, school parking, local road improvements
Community Hall & Activities	Upgrade and Develop the Hall, Management Committee, Community Activities
Community Facilities & Services	Community Alert, Area Enhancement, Community Transport, Childcare needs
Heritage & Tourism	Develop Museum, Conserve & maintain graveyards, develop heritage of Straide

What about the next 5 years ? What projects would you like to see developed ? How will Straide become a more sustainable Community ? What are the needs of all of us living in Straide ?

A Community Action Plan enables all of us to have a say. It encourages people to get more involved and to make things happen. A Plan also strengthens our community's ability to access support and funding for projects. It helps us to represent our goals and objectives more effectively at both a local, county and national level.

To ensure we are compliant (*Covid-19 restrictions and with GDPR – data protection requirements*) you will receive an online survey via your phone (whatsapp) and for those unable to use whatsapp, a printed survey can be dropped into your letterbox with a pre-paid return envelope. All responses remain anonymous and go directly to Mayo Community Futures Office.

Along with the household surveys, we will gather information from our local Business community, and seek specific input from our Youth and Older People in our community.

Mayo Community Futures Office will collate all the information provided and issue a second Survey (delivered in the same way). You will be asked to vote on your top 7 priorities which you consider the most important for our community. The results of this voting will then form the basis for the Renewed Straide Action Plan for the coming 5 years and we hope to have a completed Plan published and available by May 2021.

This is a difficult time for everyone and communicating in a time of a world pandemic is challenging. We ask you to be involved in this process. This is an opportunity for us to come together and create shared goals for our community for the next 5 years.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact your townland contact or any member of the Steering Group you may know. If you feel we may not have your phone contact details, please ensure you get in touch with one of us to confirm if phone communication is possible.

<b>Townlands</b>	<b>Steering Group Contacts</b>
Ummoon / Aughaward / Blackfort / Ballinisland / Crignifilla	Pat Coleman
Straide Road (Ballylahan to the Church)	James Larkin
Straide Road (From Copper Beech / Cloonkevan	Brendan Maloney / James Larkin
Grallagh / Ardclon	Helen Bourke / Myra Deacy Keenan
Boherglass / Gurrnard / Currane	Tom Fahy / Jane Mulroy
Cloonconlon	Michael Kelly
Knockshanbally	Nigel McHale / Keith McGreal
Blanemore / Pollagh / Crillaun	Mary McHugh / Kate O'Hara
Tavnagh / Knockafall / Rathrussell	Geraldine Maloney / Eamonn McNicholas
Ballylahan / Gurteen	Myra Deacy Keenan / John Jordan
Carracastle / Oughtoose	Geraldine Hynes
Redhill / Springhill	Nigel McHale / Fr. Martin Convey

We look forward to hearing from you

*Have your say, complete the Survey.....*



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*Straide Community Steering Group is a volunteer committee with members representing Straide Community Development Group, Straide Parish Council, Straide National School, Michael Davitt Museum, Straide Rural Social Scheme, Straide & Foxford United AFC, Moy Davitts GAA, Straide Badminton Club, Friday Night Soccer Club, Straide Text Alert Committee, Straide Women's Group and individual active members of our Community.*