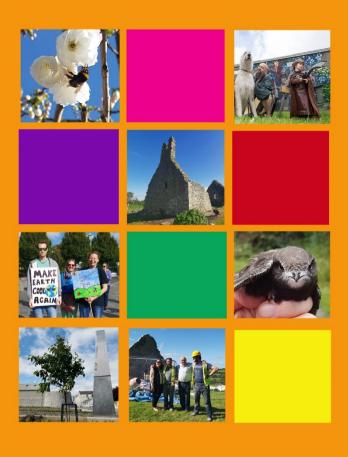
LAOIS HERITAGE MATTERS



Midlands Park Hotel | Portlaoise | Co. Laois Saturday, 23rd of November 2019





CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Saturday,23rd of November 2019 Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise

Conference Registration Tea and Coffee

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| 9.45 | Welcome & Opening Address Michael Parsons, Chair, the Heritage Council |
| 9.50 | Opening of conference, Cllr Willie Aird Cathaoirleach of Laois County Council |
| SESSION 1: NATURAL HERITAGE CHAIRED BY LAOIS HERITAGE FORUM MEMBER | |
| 10.00 | Action for Swifts in Laois Ricky Whelan, BirdWatch Ireland |
| 10.30 | All-Ireland Pollinator Plan Juanita Browne, National Biodiversity Data Centre |
| 11.00 | Community biodiversity projects in Kilminchy Edel Heeran, Laois Outdoor Education |
| 11.30 | Climate Adaptation in the Midlands Climate Action Regional Office |
| 12.00 | Open Forum Discussion |
| 12.30 | Lunch |
| | ON 2: BUILT HERITAGE BY ANGELA MCEVOY, LAOIS HERITAGE FORUI |
| 1.30 | Mapping Laois Dr Arnold Horner |
| 2.00 | Archaeology of the Heath Dr Eoin Sullivan, Archaeologist |
| 2.30 | Col. James Fitzmaurice & the Portlaoise Plane Teddy Fennelly, Laois Heritage Forum |
| 3.00 | Tea/Coffee |
| 3.30 | Laois Churches Conservation Colm Flynn, Archaeologist |
| 4.00 | Fort Protector Richard Mc Loughlin, Lotts Architecture |
| 4.30 | Open Forum Discussion |

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BOOKING FORM

There is no charge for the conference, but places will be limited, and advance booking is essential. Please return this booking form to confirm your attendance and to book lunch. Booking is also available via Eventbrite (www.eventbrite.ie).

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