



Local Authority Integration Team

November & December 2024

What's on in Dublin 15?

Who is the Local Authority Integration Team?

Fingal County Council's Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT) works with:

- Applicants for International Protection
- Those with Refugee, Subsidiary Protection, or Permission to Remain status
- Programme Refugees
- Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTP)

Our role is to support and empower individuals integrating into Irish Society and foster a sense of belonging and inclusion. Our support includes access and signposting to language, employment, education and health supports.

Contact us at integration@fingal.ie

About This Newsletter

All events listed are free to attend!

For a comprehensive list of activities in your local area check out:

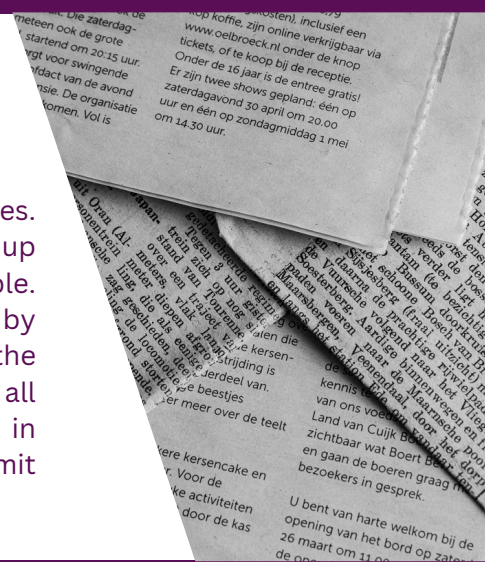
- **Fingal County Council's event calendar:**
<https://www.fingal.ie/events/fingal-events-guide-2024>
- **Fingal County Council's library events brochure:**
<https://www.fingal.ie/fingal-libraries-summer-2024-brochure>
- **Your local community centre:**
<https://fingalcommunityfacilitiesnetwork.ie/centres/>

News

Updates from the International Protection Office

Implementation of Paperless Procedure

- The IPO is adopting a digital first approach, phasing out the use of paper files. This will improve the service to applicants and help the IPO to speed up processing times to give people decisions on their cases as quickly as possible. With effect from 1 September 2023, all correspondence must be submitted by email only to info@ipo.gov.ie unless the IPO has specifically requested the submission of original copies of official documents by post. The IPO will return all unsolicited documents sent by post to sender and will not take any action in relation to them. Applicants and their representatives may continue to submit any documentation they wish by e-mail.



Weave a Winter Wonder Family Day

What is it: Make an easy peasy festive decoration using simple weaving techniques. Wrap a wooly wreath, eave a winter beable or simply stich a star, and add some winter wonder to your tree!

When is it: Saturday 14th December 1pm & 2:30pm

Where is it: Draíocht, The Blanchardstown Centre, Dublin 15, D15 RYX6

More information: Advanced booking essential through Box office: 01- 885 2622

Bandstand Cultural Music Workshop

What is it: Experience the instruments and songs across African, Latin American, and Celtic music traditions

When is it: Tuesday 12th November 10am - 12noon

Where is it: Scoil Mhuire Senior School

More information: Contact mntormey7@gmail.com

Fingal Inclusion Week: African Percussion Workshop

What is it: Celebrate Fingal Inclusion Week by exploring the world of African Music and Song in this fun interactive event.

When is it: Wednesday 13th November
4pm-5pm

Where is it: Corduff Sports Centre

More information: Booking via Corduff
Sports Centre Tel. 01 8235000



All-Nations Inclusive Coffee Morning

What is it: Coffee Morning inviting various ethnic groups to come together and share their culture

When is it: Wednesday 13th
November 10am - 11:30am

Where is it: Blakestown
Community Resource Centre,
Blakestown Way, D15TX62

More Information: Contact
manager@blakestowncrc.com



Blanchardstown Tree Lighting

What is it: Join the Mayor of Fingal on Thursday 28th November at 6pm on Main Street with the Blanchardstown Brass Band.

When is it: Thursday, 28th November, 6-7PM

Where is it: Main Street, Blanchardstown

More information:
<https://www.eventsinfingal.ie/events>

Update from the Ukraine Crisis Temporary Accommodation Team

Addendum to the Absence Protocol for BOTP Christmas 2024

It has been agreed that for the period of 23 December 2024 - 08 January 2025 BOTPs will not be subject to the Absence Protocol and may travel freely (applications to UCTAT do not need to be made in advance). BOTPs must have returned to their State funded temporary accommodation by 08 January 2025, or risk losing that accommodation. During this time BOTPs must continue paying the mandatory contribution charge to their accommodation provider.

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