

Bray Area Partnership Talk on Health in the Community

Over 40 representatives from community groups and members of the community attended a lunchtime talk on Health in the Community in the Little Flower Hall last Wednesday.

In the audience were people from a wide range of local groups and agencies including the Citizens Information Centre, Bray Cancer Support, Bray Travellers Community Development Centre and a variety of disability service providers.

Elizabeth Doyle from the HSE outlined the new national Primary Health Care Structures and how this would affect and involve individuals and communities in Bray. She highlighted the patient centred approach of the structure which aims to provide a system which is easy to navigate and increases the amount of health services available in the local community. Doyle stressed the need for the input of the community into the primary health care structures and there was discussion about how service providers may become involved within the primary health care teams. It is hoped that the primary health care teams will become operational in the Bray area in the near future. Bray Area Partnership will continue to work with those who attended to look at ways to feed into any structures developed.

This lunchtime talk was one in a series being run by Bray Area Partnership. Each talk focuses on a different aspect of work in the community and aims to provide information, encourage discussion and explore new ideas.



left to right are Kate Duggan, Bray Area Partnership; Fran Brennan, Living Life Voluntary Counselling Centre; Annette Plunkett, W.H. Five Loaves; Elizabeth Doyle, HSE

Contact Kate at Bray Area Partnership on 2868266 for more information or if you are from a local group and interested in becoming involved in follow up work around health in the community.

Bray Area Partnership is a local development company. Its mission it to tackle social exclusion and disadvantage in the Bray area.

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