

PICK YOUR TOUR



International Conference
on Learning Cities
Cork - 2017

TOURS FOR DELEGATES – WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH



9.15am – 10.00am

Join the Lord Mayor of Cork, Councillor Tony Fitzgerald, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, for morning coffee & a farewell message.

10.00am - Buses leave City Hall

3.00pm - Buses return to City Hall

There are four trips to choose from, each organised by one of the signatories of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2015 who are leading the development of Cork as a Learning City:

1 Cork Institute of Technology (CIT)

3 Cork Education & Training Board (CETB)

2 University College, Cork (UCC)

4 Health Services Executive (HSE)



Visits include lunch & each concludes with a visit to a Learning Neighbourhood.

We hope that delegates will have an enjoyable & memorable experience of just some of the learning opportunities available in Cork.

As numbers are limited, you are advised to book your trip at Registration. Please indicate any dietary requirements.

LEARNING Neighbourhood

A Learning Neighbourhood is an area that has an ongoing commitment to learning, providing inclusive & diverse learning opportunities for whole communities through partnership & collaboration.

Learning Neighbourhoods aim to benefit residents by taking the learning city concept to the neighbourhood level. The programme assists local education networks & organisations to showcase & develop lifelong learning opportunities.

The Learning Neighbourhoods initiative is supported by a steering group comprised of staff from The Centre

for Adult Continuing Education in University College Cork (UCC), Cork Education & Training Board (ETB), Cork Institute of Technology (CIT), Cork City Council, and representatives from the neighbourhood coordinating groups.

Cork's Learning Neighbourhoods are: Ballyphehane, Knocknaheeny, Mayfield, Togher.

Delegates can also experience the annual Cork Lifelong Learning Festival today – with a variety of events across the city – see separate programme.

**CORK LIFELONG
LEARNING FESTIVAL**



Cork Institute of Technology Tour

CIT is a modern, multi-campus, third level institution which offers a wide range of teaching & research opportunities across a broad range of disciplines. Delegates can experience a sample of this range through a visit hosted by the **CIT National Maritime College of Ireland**.

Ever fancied piloting an ocean-going vessel through storm conditions? Ever wondered what it's like to experience a capsized at night? Play at being a ship's captain or man overboard - learning through simulation in just one of the experiences this unique facility offers.

A constituent college of Cork Institute of Technology, the National Maritime College of Ireland (NMCI) is in Ringaskiddy, County Cork, and provides training & education for the Merchant Marine & the non-military needs of the Irish Naval Service (INS). NMCI is the first third level college in Ireland to be built under the government's Public-Private Partnership scheme; the partners include CIT, INS & Focus Education.

The NMCI provides education services of the highest quality. Specialist spaces including survival facilities, seamanship & shipwrights' workshops, firefighting/damage control, jetty & lifeboat facilities & engine room are provided. The college has specialised simulation equipment in the areas of navigation, bridge training, communications, engineering machinery operations, liquid cargo handling/ damage control & vessel traffic systems.

See www.nmci.ie and www.cit.ie



Timetable

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| 10.20am | Welcome address from Mr. Conor Mowlds, Head of College |
| 10.45am | Brief introduction to the CIT experience – Multi Campus Exhibition stands on display in the Foyer, including information on: Learning Factories, Recognition of Prior Learning, CIT Entrepreneurship, Continuing Education Opportunities, Access & Inclusion Programmes. |
| 11.45pm | Learn how to make an Irish Coffee – Presentation by staff & students from the CIT Tourism & Hospitality Department. |
| 12.10pm | Traditional Irish Music performance from students at the CIT Cork School of Music. |
| 12.40pm | Lunch in the Foyer of the NMCI, enjoy delicious food, using locally sourced ingredients, prepared by CIT's Tourism & Hospitality Department. View some of the creative output, with a nautical theme, of CIT's Crawford College of Art & Design. More information: Deirdre Creedon 021 433 5140 email Deirdre.creedon@cit.ie |
| 1.00pm | Leave the NMCI for the Learning Neighbourhood in Togher. |

Visit **TOGHER LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD** at St Finbarr's Hurling & Football Club for a celebration of all things Irish. Meet local people.

Enjoy presentations by different local groups, clubs, schools & organisations. Irish food tasting, performances of Irish dancing, singing. Everyone welcome to join in & learn the Siege of Ennis, a traditional Irish dance.



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University College Cork Tour

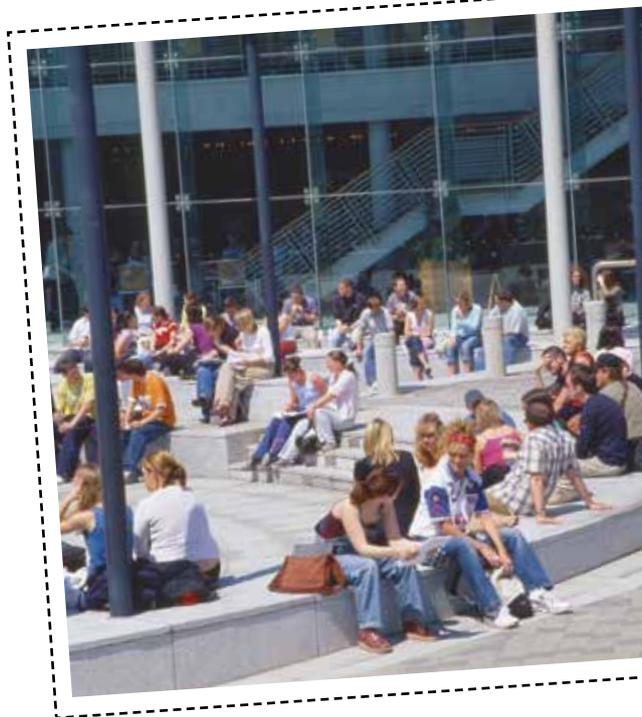


From 19th century architecture & design to today's artwork, delegates will experience a world-class modern teaching & research-led Irish university. Visit includes a choice of walking tours, exhibitions, music, screen printing, opportunities to meet people involved in lifelong learning.



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| 10.30am | Delegates are greeted by staff & multi-lingual students & escorted to Aula Maxima; welcomed by UCC President & UCC Vice President for Teaching & Learning. |
| 10.45am - 11.45am | <p>Delegates split up for their preferred tour – there are four choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage/History: learn UCC's history from its foundation in 1845 to the present, with visits to heritage buildings; hear about George Boole, founder of Boolean Logic; • Honan Chapel & Irish Traditional Music: chapel in Hiberno-Romanesque style of the Celtic Revival of early 20th century, highlights include mosaic floor & stained glass windows; tour ends with Quercus talented students' programme performing traditional Irish music - delegates can join in & try an instrument; • The Glucksman Gallery: on-campus cultural & educational institution; see three current exhibitions; learn about using galleries & museums for education; delegates try screen printing & make a memento of their visit; • The Green Campus: discover why UCC was the first university in the world to be awarded the Green Flag by the Foundation for Environmental Education. |
| 11.45am | Delegates accompanied back to Aula Maxima, to visit staffed information stands. |
| 12.30pm | <p>Buffet Lunch in Aula Maxima, with emphasis on local produce; vegan, gluten-free, halal, kosher & other options available.</p> <p>More information: Mary O'Rourke 021 490 3609 Email: mary.orourke@ucc.ie See www.ucc.ie</p> |



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| 1.30pm | Depart UCC for visit to Ballyphehane Learning Neighbourhood |
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Visit **BALLYPHEHANE LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD**  at the Community Garden, in the grounds of Tory Top Road Library. During Ballyphehane's year as a pilot Learning Neighbourhood, schools, community projects, sports groups, the local daycare centre & childcare facilities, all worked together to demonstrate the multiple learning opportunities & the many possibilities there are for shared learning. See displays about some of the collaborative projects undertaken. It's also an opportunity to meet some of the people involved.

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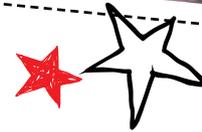
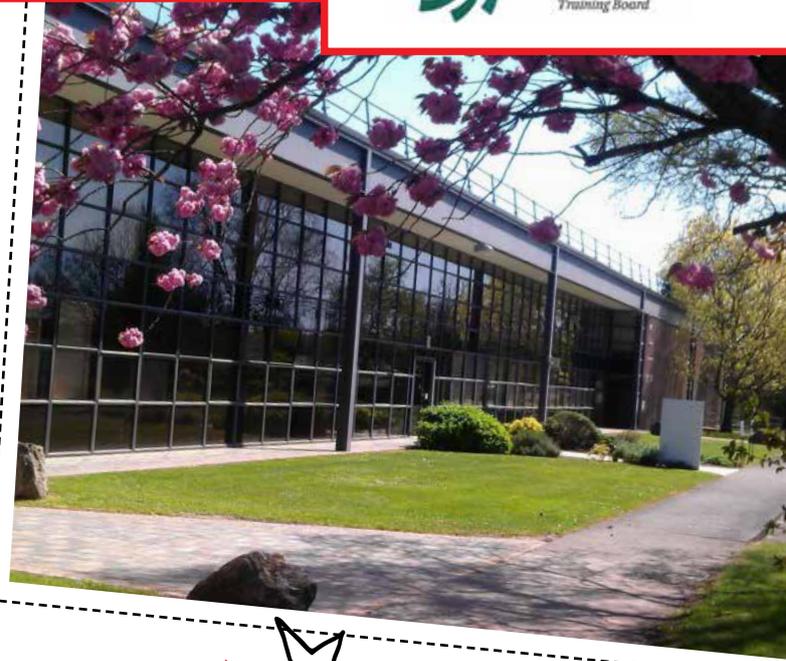
Cork Education & Training Board Tour



LIFELONG LEARNING IN ACTION

The Cork Education & Training Board (CETB) is a founder & key driver of the Cork Lifelong Learning Festival. CETB supports & delivers learning for all ages from preschool, primary & secondary school, along with further education & training, apprenticeship courses & a unique & extensive adult & community education service, including adult literacy & second chance education, with a focus on Access, Transfer and Progression.

CETB prides itself on its commitment to providing 'A Pathway for Every Learner' by working collaboratively with learners, communities, employers & local businesses to provide innovative & creative learning opportunities.



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| 10.20am | Arrive at Terence McSwiney Community College, Knocknaheeny. Welcome from Ted Owens, Chief Executive, Cork Education & Training Board. |
| 10.30am - 12.30pm | <p>Experience learning through technology, music, sport, culture & heritage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take part in an Ogham writing workshop, the ancient alphabet used to write early Irish; • Hear musical performances including from Music Generation, an access programme co-founded by U2. Listen to members of the Music Generation National Choir, which recently performed with U2 guitarist The Edge at the Vatican; • Take part in a bodhrán session with local students; the bodhrán is an Irish frame drum; • Listen to "Voices of Learning" - stories from individuals on how various CETB education opportunities have impacted on their lives; • A leading Irish sports star demonstrates Hurling skills; a local school team play a short game of Hurling. Delegates are invited to take part in a Puc Fada Competition; each participant is provided with a sliotar with their first name inscribed on it in Ogham. The Puc Fada is a contest where you hit the sliotar as far as possible; a sliotar is the ball used in Hurling; • CETB & APPLE: See how CETB has developed a mentoring programme for 2nd level students in partnership with Apple, whose European Headquarters is in Cork, by enjoying an interactive showcase in music & film production, using up-to-the minute technology. |

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| 12.30pm- 1.30pm | <p>Lunch provided by the National Learning Network (NLN) Training Centre located nearby. NLN provides a range of flexible training programmes & support services for people who need specialist support (job seekers, the unemployed, people with an illness or disability) around Ireland. See www.nln.ie</p> <p>During lunch, delegates are entertained by Cork ETB School of Music.</p> <p>More information: Ciarán Lynch 086 822 4017 Email Ciaran.lynch@corketb.ie See www.corketb.ie</p> |
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| 1.30pm | Group leaves Knocknaheeny to visit Mayfield Learning Neighbourhood. |
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Visit **MAYFIELD LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD** at the Sports Complex, Old Youghal Road. Mayfield is a thriving

community with a long & proud tradition of local learning, and a strong tradition of co-operation, outreach & the provision of innovative services for all ages. Discover the educational courses, social clubs, sports clubs, services & supports that are available in the area. Meet the people involved. Local musical groups & choirs perform.



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Health Service Executive Tour



HEALTH IN EDUCATION & EDUCATION IN HEALTH

The Health Service Executive provides public health & social care services to everyone living in Ireland. On its tour today, learn about the best of Cork culture, food, and the unique links between healthcare organisations, educational bodies & Cork communities.



Timetable

10.15am

Shandon Historical Tour:

- Visit Cork Butter Museum – based in the Cork Butter Market built in 1730;
- St Anne's Church (Shandon bells), dates from 1722 – a symbol of Cork;
- In Firkin Crane Theatre learn about local groups, enjoy refreshments;
- Community Choir performs as group leaves



1.30pm -
2.30pm

Group visits **KNOCKNAHEENY LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD**

11.30am

Arrive at St Mary's Health Campus:

- Introduction to the Health Campus, former orthopaedic hospital
- Poster presentations: learn about links between health, education & communities
- Early Years Learning Showcase
- Lunch – provided by Churchfield Community Trust, the Knocknaheeny Hollyhill Community Café & other community growing & catering partners – all dietary requirements catered for.
- Traditional Harpist performs during lunch.
- Take part in Yoga taster, outdoors if weather permits.

More information:

Stephen Murphy 087 981 4803
Email stephend.murphy@hse.ie
See www.hse.ie

Walking tour of Knocknaheeny, which is undergoing a major regeneration programme; staff from Cork City Council will highlight progress & plans for the future.

Tour takes in:

- Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill Community Centre to hear from members of the community first-hand how they have benefitted from the Learning Neighbourhood initiative;
- Sunday's Well Boys' National School Sensory Garden – designed by the boys & providing a natural playground & stimulating learning environment;
- Performance of traditional music by local schoolchildren with Cork Academy of Music;
- Hurling Skills – pupils help you try the traditional sport, the fastest field sport in the world, with prehistoric origins.

LEARNING
Neighbourhood

1.30pm

Leave St Mary's - on foot or by bus, depending on weather & mobility issues.

