

KILLORGLIN CHAMBER ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER

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BEST WISHES
FOR A SAFE
CHRISTMAS &
NEW YEAR

Photograph of the a snowy River Laune with the iconic metal bridge in the background

WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER FOR 2020

Since March, the community of Killorglin have isolated themselves to ensure that we can win the battle against Covid-19. We have helped slow the virus, protect others, save lives and now with restrictions easing and a vaccine on the way, the future looks brighter.

We would like to express our gratitude to the frontline heroes from nurses, doctors, healthcare workers, shopkeepers, restaurateurs, the Gardai and the many more who have risked their own lives to save or support others.

Our annual cultural events and festivals like K-FEST and Puck Fair sadly didn't go ahead this year but we're certain that the voluntary committees will ensure that these great experiences once again are the pride of the town in 2021.

Unfortunately, Killorglin's businesses have been hit extremely hard this year. They have faced many challenges and we are proud of their resilience.

It's now great to see the town reopening safely, just in time for the festive season so I'm urging people to make a conscious effort to please continue to support our local shops and services now and into the future. Please feel free to utilise our comprehensive online business directory via www.killorglin.ie.

Over the festive season, we can all enjoy meeting up with our family and friends safely and responsibly.

I'm sure there are budding young artists amongst us, so why not enter into killorglin.ie's Children's Christmas Art Competition. Please see our website for all the details.

In 2021, we hope to update you all on the next stage of the socio-economic journey which includes exciting Town Centre Regeneration plans which are currently being developed.

Finally, best wishes for a peaceful and safe Christmas and New Year.

Stephen O'Sullivan

Killorglin Chamber Alliance Chair



SHOP LOCAL IN KILLORGLIN THIS FESTIVE SEASON



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Our shop window poster is a gentle reminder to 'Think Local, Shop Local' this festive season

CHRISTMAS IN KILLORGLIN

The festive season will be a little different this year and it's unfortunate that our normal Christmas community events won't proceed but the Town Centre Christmas lights are sparkling, bringing much-needed festive cheer to the community.

The giant Christmas tree lights up the Square and at Library Place the life-size crib takes centre stage.

The spectacular business Christmas display windows are also adding to the great festive atmosphere. A big thanks to everyone involved!



Killorglin Town is dazzling with a spectacular giant Christmas tree, crib and decorations

'IT'S TIME TO THINK LOCAL AGAIN' INITIATIVE

The 'It's time to think local again' initiative, which was launched back in June, will continue to drive the shop local message now and into the future.

KILLORGLIN.IE

Killorglin.ie, the official website for Killorglin Town was launched on Sunday, December 1st, 2019. The website highlights the many benefits of living, working, doing business and visiting the town.

The aim of Killorglin.ie and its social networks is to help build stronger relationships with the local community, stakeholders and potential visitors.

We're delighted to say that over the past 12 months our digital platforms have become a great community communication hub with a total engagement of over 700,000.

A big thanks for all the positive comments, likes and shares.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC PLAN UPDATE

The Killorglin Town Centre Regeneration Plan forms part of the Socio-Economic Plan and aims to generate new ideas and creative design proposals to effect positive change on the town's buildings, public spaces and liveability.

We aim to host a public meeting and future newsletters to keep everyone updated on the projects progress.

UPPER BRIDGE STREET PAINTING PROJECT UPDATE

The Upper Bridge Street painting was completed back in September resulting in it being transformed. The businesses along the street have been spruced up with a fresh coat of paint.

The project is supported by Kerry County Council, Killorglin Chamber Alliance, Killorglin Tidy Towns, K-Fest, the property owners in Upper Bridge Street and funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development Town and Village Renewal Scheme.

A big thanks to Topline Boyles Killorglin, Cara Credit Union, Alan King and his team.



Pictured is Alan King painting his way through Upper Bridge Street. Photograph courtesy of Michelle Cooper Galvin © 2020



ABOUT US

The Killorglin Chamber Alliance is the core of our community where businesses, individuals, and resources come together. Through our collaboration, we can achieve more for the region than any individual or organization could do alone.

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