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## ROSCOMMON LEADER PARTNERSHIP CONTRACTS TWO PEOPLE TO DRIVE HERITAGE TRAINING AND PROJECTS ACROSS THE COUNTY

Roscommon LEADER Partnership is delighted to announce that they have contracted two people to work across county Roscommon on heritage projects. Their job 'HERITAGE ANIMATORS' will be assist groups and individuals with any heritage training or project proposals they would like to develop.



Sharon Eastwood (printed shirt) and Janie Crone

Sharon Eastwood and Janie Crone were appointed in August. They hope to work closely with the many key people and bodies of Roscommon whose energy and enthusiasm they would like to harness to help drive and direct the LEADER Heritage programme of work. This will be in–line with relevant county plans (eg. Roscommon Heritage Plan

Sharon says 'The wealth of natural, built and cultural heritage across County Roscommon affords many opportunities to stimulate social and economic development in our communities. We are very excited about this programme and look forward to working with communities across the County'.

Nollaig Feeney, Heritage Officer, Roscommon County Council, says 'County Roscommon Heritage Forum welcomes the appointment of two Heritage Animators for the county and we look forward to working with them to progress several actions from the County Roscommon Heritage Plan'.

Sharon and Janie are currently carrying out a series scoping meetings. They will then host two public information evenings at the end of September to discuss the possibilities on offer (details of these information evenings will follow).

Patsy Daly, LEADER Manager says 'Sharon is a biologist by training whilst Janie is an archaeologist. Their work, vast experience and knowledge across Roscommon makes them well suited to facilitate our Heritage programme. '

For further information, please contact Sharon Eastwood on <a href="mailto:Sharon@woodrow.ie">Sharon@woodrow.ie</a>.











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