

The East Coast Regional Drugs and Alcohol Task Force are taking part in the Alcohol Forum Programme and at present we have completed stages 1-4 of the programme structure.

The ECRDATF are seeking people with local knowledge to form part of our subcommittee within the Alcohol Forum.

The Alcohol Forum is an NGO established to work in partnership with all sectors to reduce hazardous drinking and its consequences to the individual, the family and the community. Their work has strong focus on the role that alcohol plays within the family and with young people and has identified a real gap in available, robust data to underpin their focus in this area.

The Programme Structure:

1. Expression of Interest process.
2. Selection
3. Briefing of Chairperson and Coordinator.
4. Briefing Full Task Force/Charter of Commitment.
5. Start now with an Alcohol Subcommittee, some examples of members could be as follows:
 - CYPSC coordinator, Integrated planning
 - Garda member- Licencing Officer or Community Liaison Officer
 - Traveller and/or Community Rep
 - Women's organisation
 - Youth organisation
 - Elected Reps
 - Local partnership, social inclusion,
 - Local Festival Providers representative (Festival Tool kit) – to decide if Vintner rep to be included
6. Meet with Alcohol Subcommittee to decide Terms of Reference- update on each Agenda.
7. 3 days of centrally delivered training covering theory, practice, evidence.
8. Logic Model covering outcomes and outputs, as per DATF plan.
9. Assisted Facilitated Planning Sessions dependant on what works.
10. Local Action Plan.
11. Local Implementation.

<http://www.alcoholforum.org/community-action-on-alcohol/>