Tuarascáil Bhliantúil Coiste na Gaeilge 2020

Díríonn Coiste na Gaeilge Comhairle Contae Mhuineacháin ar úsáid na Gaeilge a chur chun cinn sa Chontae. Bunaíodh an Coiste agus toghadh na Comhairleoirí seo a leanas: An Comh. Pat Treanor, An Comh. Cathy Bennett, An Comh. Richard Truell, An Comh. Raymond Aughey agus An Comh. Hugh McElvaney.

Bhí dúshláin romhainn i 2020 ach is fíor, áfach, gur éirigh leis an gCoiste réimse leathan gníomhaíochtaí a sholáthar as Gaeilge agus orthusan bhí:

- Scéim deontas do Sheachtain na Gaeilge trínar bronnadh naoi gcinn de dheontais €200 ar Ghrúpaí Pobail chun imeachtaí as Gaeilge sa Chontae a reachtáil.
- 2. Is mór an trua go raibh orainn an scéim bhliantúil scoláireachtaí chun mic léinn dara leibhéil a chur go dtí cúrsaí samhraidh sa Ghaeltacht a chur ar ceal, ach táimid tiomanta don bhfilleadh ar an scéim úd nuair a beidh na cúrsaí samhraidh ar siúl arís.
- 3. Tharla oiliúint sa teanga do bhaill fhoirne agus baill tofa Comhairle Contae Mhuineacháin go luath sa bhliain agus 12 a bhí páirteach inti. Mí na Samhna tharla oiliúint ar leith don bhfoireann tosaigh sa phlé le custaiméirí as Gaeilge, an eagraíocht Gaelchultúr a sholáthraigh í sin ar bhonn náisiúnta.
- 4. Le linn an frithdhúnadh mí an Mheithimh d'eagraigh an Coiste trí oíche ceoil, amhrán agus filíochta i sraith beo ar *Facebook* darb ainm Le Chéile Muineachán. Bíodh is go raibh anchuid srianta i gceist ba mhór an gaisce é a leithéid de chlár ardchaigdeáin a chur ar fáil. Gabhaimid buíochas le gach éinne a bhí ag baint leis na hócáidí.
- 5. Don Oíche Chultúir bhí an Coiste páirteach in ócáid san Ionad Patrick Kavanagh. Ba mhór an pléisiúr fáiltiú roimh an file áitiúil Caitríona Ní Chléiricín maraon leis an nGaeilgeoir ceolmhar cáiliúil Phillip King agus a bhanna ceoil Scullion.
- 6. Anuraidh cheannaigh an Leabharlann 250 leabhar nua as Gaeilge do pháistí ar chostas €1466. Anuas air sin d'eagraigh an Leabharlann ócáid le Gráinne McElwaine do mhic léinn meánscoile. D'fháiltíodh freisin roimh dhá Sheimineár Gréasáin leis an údar as Gaeilge Sadhbh Devlin mar chuid d'Fhéile Leabhar na bPáistí ar tharla sreabhadh orthu isteach go Bunscoileanna ar fud na tíre.
- 7. I ndiaidh tréimhse comhairliúcháin phoiblí sheol an Coiste Scéim nua Teanga go dtí an Aire Stáit Jack Chambers TD. Ghlac an tAire leis an Scéim ar an 27 Nollaig. Tá sé rí-thábhachtach go gcuirfear i bhfeidhm na geallúintí a luadh sa phlean seo go ceann na dtrí bliana atá romhainn amach.

Coiste Gaeilge Annual Report 2020

Monaghan County Council's Coiste Gaeilge aims to promote the use of the Irish language in County Monaghan. The Coiste has been established with the following Councillors elected; Cllr. Pat Treanor, Cllr. Cathy Bennett, Cllr, Richard Truell, Cllr, Raymond Aughey and Cllr. Hugh McElvaney.

2020 was a challenging year, however ,the Coiste still managed to deliver a wide range of activities as Gaeilge they included:

- Grant scheme for Seachtain na Gaeilge with nine grants of €200 each awarded to Community Groups to hold for events as Gaeilge in the County.
- 2. Unfortunately, the annual scholarship scheme for second level students attending Gaeltacht courses during summer months was cancelled, but there is a commitment to return to this scheme when summer courses resume.
- 3. Irish language training for Monaghan County Council staff and elected members took place in the early part of the year with 12 participants. In November3 staff undertook specific training for front line staff dealing with customers As Gaeilge delivered on a national basis by Gaelchltúir.
- 4. During the lockdown in June, the Coiste delivered 3 nights of music, song and poetry on a facebook live series called Le Chéile Muineachán. It was a great achievement by all involved to deliver such high-quality programme given the restrictions in place. An coiste would again like to thank all involved
- 5. For Culture Night the Coiste participated in an event in the Patrick Kavanagh Centre. The Coise was delighted to have local poet Caitríona Ní Chleircín and well renowned musician and Gaelgeoir Phillip King and his band Scullion.
- 6. The library bought 250 new children's books as Gaeilge last year at a cost of €1466. The library also ran an Irish language event with Gráinne McElwaine for secondary school students. They also hosted 2 Webinars with an Irish Language author Sadhbh Devlin as part of Children's Book Festival in October which were streamed into Primary schools across the County.
- 7. The Coiste after a period of public consultation submitted a revised Irish Language Scheme to the Minister of State, Jack Chambers TD. The scheme was accepted by the Minister on the 27th December. It is very important that the Council implements the commitments given in this plan over the next 3 years.