

## Press release

### Public information meeting on St. Declan's Way

Work to re-establish St. Declan's Way as a premier pilgrim walking route has been forging ahead in recent months. The St. Declan's Way Management Committee, a voluntary group set up in 2015, has been leading the drive to rejuvenate the trail. For many years the trail lacked adequate signage and waymarkers, while some sections became overgrown and impassable. The committee, which has representatives from communities along the route, aims to ensure that walkers will once again be able to navigate their way from Cashel to Ardmore. A grant of €150,000 received under the Rural Recreation Scheme, Department of Community & Rural Development, has been vital for these efforts.

A huge amount of work has been completed date with important support from Waterford City & County Council, Tipperary County Council, Waterford LEADER Partnership and South Tipperary Development CLG. The final stages of the project are now in sight. With this in mind, a meeting of the St. Declan's Way Committee will be held on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. in Mount Melleray Abbey. The meeting will review progress and outline the remaining steps for completion.

The meeting is open to any member of the public who is interested in St. Declan's Way. It is an opportunity for communities, residents, landowners, walkers and others to learn about this pilgrim trail, which promises to be a big addition to the tourism and recreation infrastructure of Waterford and Tipperary.

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