

# Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight

## 9th - 22nd May, 2026

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Wexford County Council's Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight 2026 is about raising awareness on actions and measures we can all do at a personal and local level and to showcase some of the projects and initiatives underway across our County.

The fortnight serves as a platform to inspire action and drive positive change at local level. Attendance to the Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight events is free, with booking required for some events.

The following events, listed in date order, are scheduled to take place throughout Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight; however, please keep an eye on our website [www.wexfordcoco.ie](http://www.wexfordcoco.ie) (search for "Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight") as additional events may be added.

If you have any questions about an event, please email [climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie)

### Climate Action & Biodiversity Photo Competition



Calling all budding and seasoned photographers. Enter our photography competition during Climate Action & Biodiversity Fortnight for your chance to win a €100 photography equipment voucher or one of ten €10 LEAP cards. Photographs must be Climate Action, Biodiversity or Active Travel in nature.

Enter between 9th - 22nd May inclusive by emailing your photo, along with your name & contact number:

[climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie)

**Saturday, 9th May**

#### On Yer Bike! Wexford Town Street Cycle

Join us for a guided street cycle around Wexford town to help you build your cycling confidence. Bring your own bike or use the Bolt bike-share scheme. This is a great way to familiarise yourself with the main cycling routes around Wexford town and chat with like-minded people over a coffee and a bun. Starting at St Peter's Square, along School St & John St, down Hill St, Redmond Square, along the Quay, King St, finishing at Kellys Corner Food Yard. Under 18s must be accompanied by a cycling adult (one child per adult). Participants must be 10 years old or over. Helmets and hi-viz must be worn

**Time:** 10am - 11.30am  
**Location:** Starting from St Peter's Square, Wexford Town  
**Booking:** Email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

**Sunday, 10th May**

#### Gorey Bike Fest & Family Cycle

A fun morning with bike themed events in Gorey Town Park, including a slow bike race, balance bike games, prizes for best dressed bike, face painting and a short family cycle in Gorey town. A highlight of Gorey Bike Fest is a "Slow Roll Cycle" - a fun, all-ages cycle from the park to the town centre and back again (2.5km). Everyone taking part will receive a refreshment voucher for The Coffee Pod. Children must be accompanied by a cycling adult and all participants must wear a helmet and high vis. No scooters or bikes with stabilisers.

**Time:** 11am - 1pm  
**Location:** Gorey Town Park  
**For more information:** Email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

**Sunday, 10th May**

#### South-east Greenway Community Cycle

Join us for a leisurely cycle on the South East Greenway. Starting from the greenway car park in Rosbercon, New Ross and heading towards Glenmore, the cycle will be at a relaxed pace, taking in the beautiful scenery of the Barrow valley. Refreshments will be served afterwards in Rosbercon. No bike? No problem! Limited adult bikes available to borrow (must book in advance when registering online).

**Time:** 3.00pm - 5.00pm  
**Location:** Greenway Car Park, Rosbercon, New Ross  
**Booking:** Register by email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

**Monday, 11th May**

#### Kilmore Quay Biodiversity Walk & Talk with Jim Hurley of SWC Promotions

Join us for a 3km walk as we explore part of the Kilmore Quay Walking Trail with local naturalist Jim Hurley. With frequent stops, the leisurely guided tour takes two hours, walking on paths, grass, dunes, and the beach. The focus will be on natural heritage, biodiversity, local history, examples of the impacts of climate change, proposed climate action, and more. Tea / Coffee and light refreshments will be served following the event. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**Time:** 11am - 1pm  
**Location:** Shipwreck Cove Playground, Kilmore Quay  
**Booking:** To register your interest, email [climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie)

**Tuesday, 12th May**

#### Wexford County Council Draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan Public Consultation, Enniscorthy Library

Join us for a presentation on the Wexford County Council Draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan followed by Q&A.

**Time:** 2.30pm - 4.00pm  
**Location:** Enniscorthy Library, Lymington Road, Enniscorthy Y21 AD92  
**Booking:** Not required. Drop-in event.

#### Thursday, 14th May Wildflowers Talk, Enniscorthy Library

Flora and Folklore - Wildflower talk with Aedin Ní Thiarnaigh.

**Time:** 7pm - 8.15pm  
**Location:** Enniscorthy Library, Lymington Road, Enniscorthy Y21 AD92  
**Booking:** **Booking essential.**  
To book your place, phone 053 9236055 or email [enniscorthylibrary@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:enniscorthylibrary@wexfordcoco.ie) or visit [www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries](http://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries)

#### Friday, 15th May Bolt e bike & e-scooter Demo

Have you been a little curious but never tried a Bolt bike or scooter? Try one out for free and learn how convenient the Bolt app is to use. One-to-one tuition provided.

**Time:** Drop by between 12.30pm and 2.30pm  
**Location:** Front of Wexford County Council Offices, County Hall, Carricklawn  
**For more information:** Email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

#### Saturday, 16th May Cargo Bike & E-Bike Street Demo, Wexford

Find out all you need to know about e-bikes! WexBUG (Wexford Bike Users Group) and The Bike Shop will demonstrate Cargo bikes and e-bikes on Selskar Street, Wexford (at the Nicky Rackard statue).

**Time:** 11am - 1pm  
**Location:** Selskar Street, Wexford  
**For more information:** Email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

#### Saturday, 16th May Foulksmills Community Cycle

5km fun cycle starting and finishing in Foulksmills Park. Refreshments afterwards in the park. Cyclists must wear a helmet and hi vis and all children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Registration is essential for this free event as numbers are limited to ensure safety.

**Time:** 7pm  
**Location:** Start & finish at Foulksmills Community Park Y35 A9WK  
**Suitability:** All children must be at least 10 years of age. Maximum of two children to one supervising adult. Participants must use a roadworthy bicycle. Hi-viz & helmets must be worn.  
**Booking:** **Free event but pre-registration is essential.**  
To book your place, email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

#### Sunday, 17th May Gorey Biodiversity Bike Ride, Gorey Town

To celebrate the cross-over between Bike Week and Biodiversity Week, for the third year running Gorey Pedestrian and Cycling Association will be hosting a Biodiversity Bike Ride through Gorey Town. We'll make stops at several key biodiversity sites and explore how we can both appreciate and protect the Nature that surrounds us. Suitable for competent cyclists age 10+ so grab your bike, your curiosity, and let's pave the way for a greener, more sustainable future! Don't forget to bring your helmet, hi-viz, water bottle, and enthusiasm for nature!

**Time:** 11am - 1pm  
**Location:** Starting at Gorey Orchard (next to the fire station), finishing in Gorey Town Park  
**Booking:** Free event but pre-registration is essential (no walk-ins on the day). To book your place, email [cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:cyclingofficer@wexfordcoco.ie) or Google "Bike Week Wexford 2026"

#### Monday, 18th May Dusk Chorus Guided Walk Binoculars at the ready!

Tomhaggard Clean Coasts invites you to join them for a guided Dusk Chorus Walk & Talk with Ornithologist Cian Cardiff, followed by light refreshments. Meet at Sigginstown Castle at 7.30pm where the group will set off for the walk to Tacumshane Lake at 8pm. Admission is free and all are welcome; it is recommended to bring a set of binoculars.

**Time:** 7.30pm  
**Location:** Sigginstown Castle  
**Booking:** **Booking required.**

#### Tuesday, 19th May Plant Swap at Wexford Library

Bring a plant, swap a plant or just pick up a plant that brings you joy!

**Time:** 2pm - 4pm  
**Location:** Wexford Library, Mallin St., Wexford, Y35 AY20  
**Booking:** **Booking required.**  
To book your place, phone 053 9196760 or email [wexfordlibrary@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:wexfordlibrary@wexfordcoco.ie) or visit [www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries](http://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries)

#### Tuesday, 19th May "Nature Explorers" Craft Workshop for Children, Gorey Library

Join us in Gorey Library for a nature craft using natural and recyclable materials. This event is part of our new Nature Explorers series of art and craft workshops, which will be inspired by the seasons, allowing children to discuss and learn about the natural cycles of the local area through creativity. Suitable for ages 8-12.

**Time:** 3.30pm - 4.30pm  
**Location:** Gorey Library, Gorey Civic Square, The Avenue, Gorey Y25 WK37  
**Booking:** Booking required.  
To book your place, phone 053 9483820 or email [goreylibrary@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:goreylibrary@wexfordcoco.ie) or visit [www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries](http://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries)

#### Tuesday, 19th May Bat Talk, Gorey Library

The Gorey Bat Group invites you to an evening of learning about our local native bat species, their habits and habitats this Biodiversity Week. Please join our local enthusiasts for an informative evening at Gorey Library. This talk is suitable for all age groups.

**Time:** 7pm - 8pm  
**Location:** Gorey Library, Gorey Civic Square, The Avenue, Gorey Y25 WK37  
**Booking:** Booking essential.  
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#### Wednesday, 20th May EV Car To Buy or Not to Buy!

Done Deal will present on the do's and don'ts of buying a new or second hand EV. A panel discussion will then take place with three motorists who have different types of EV's - A full EV with long battery range, an older EV with short battery range and an EV hybrid.

**Time:** 7pm - 8.15pm  
**Location:** St. Joseph's Community Centre, Bishopswater, Wexford Y35A66C  
**Booking:** **Booking required**  
To book your place, email [climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie)

#### Thursday, 21st May Tintern Walk followed by an Underwater Photography Display by Ivan Donoghue

Join us on this scenic walking trail through the Tintern demesne which boasts stunning views of the Cistercian monastery. Along the way, some biodiversity measures will be identified by members of the Tintern walking group. The walk will be followed by an underwater biodiversity photography display by Wexford Sub Aqua Diver Ivan Donoghue in The Vine Pub in Saltmills. Light refreshments served.

**Time:** 11am (Biodiversity Walk in Tintern) 12.30pm - 1pm (Photography Display)  
**Location:** Walk starts & finishes at The Vine Pub Car Park. Underwater Biodiversity Photography Display in The Vine Pub in Saltmills.  
**Booking:** **Limited spaces, booking essential.**  
To book your number of places, email [climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:climateaction@wexfordcoco.ie)

#### Thursday, 21st May Wexford County Council Draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan Public Consultation, Gorey Library

Join us for a presentation on the Wexford County Council Draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan followed by Q&A.

**Time:** 7pm - 8.30pm  
**Location:** Gorey Library, Gorey Civic Square, The Avenue, Gorey Y25 WK37  
**Booking:** Not required. Drop-in event.

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