



RPI National Conference

Restorative Practice in Ireland – Where We Are, Where We Are Going

Newbridge College, 25 November 2023

PROGRAMME

08.45 – 09.30	Conference Registration, Networking and Coffee
09.30 – 10.15	Welcome by Newbridge College Principal and RP Team Minister’s Opening Address (tbc) RPI Chairperson’s Address Kieran O’Dwyer
10.15 – 11.00	Keynote Speaker Prof. Tim Chapman, Visiting Professor, Strathclyde University
11.00 – 12.00	Break Out Rooms 1 – Sectoral Focus (See below)
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 14.10	Keynote Speaker Prof. Mary Corcoran, Professor of Sociology, Maynooth University
14.10 – 15.10	Break Out Rooms 2 – Cross-sectoral Themes (See below)
15.10 – 15.50	Panel Discussion What next for RP in Ireland and RPI?
15.50 – 16.00	Closing Address Marian Quinn, CEO of Childhood Development Initiative, former Chair RPI



BREAKOUT SESSION 1 – SECTORAL FOCUS

Room 1	RP in Youth Work	James Bowes, Belvedere Youth Club Terence O’Neill, Youth Justice Projects
Room 2	RP in Community Settings	Emma Wheatley, Martin Moloney and Jonathan Dowling, Dublin North-East Inner City Brian McManus and Áine O’Brien, Kilrush Restorative Community Project
Room 3	RP in Justice	Rose Sweeney (tbc), Garda Youth Diversion Bureau Emma Gunn, Restorative Justice and Victim Support Unit, Probation Service
Room 4	RP in Primary Education	Niamh Fowler and Deirdre Lavelle, St. Mark’s Senior National School, Tallaght Nuala Dalton, OIDE Support Service for Teachers and School Leaders
Room 5	RP in Secondary Education	RP Team, Newbridge College Rúadhán Ó Deasmhúnaigh and Laura Nagle-Kiwanuka, Cork Educate Together
Room 6	RP in Third-Level Education	Dr Rowan Sweeney, University of Gloucestershire (tbc) Fionnuala Brennan, South East Technological University
Room 7	RP in Sport	Martina Jordan, Martina Jordan Restorative Practices Sharon Kelly, Dublin Sports and Wellbeing Partnership and Dr Ciaran Kissane, Diving Ireland
Room 8	RP in Families	Caroline Sheehan, Tusla Prevention Partnership & Family Support Jim McGrath, Netcare
Room 9	Communities of Practice	Judith Lardner, Mindful Communication, and Jenn Little, RP Trainer



BREAKOUT SESSION 2 – CROSS-SECTORAL THEMES

Room 1	RP and Trauma	Catherine O’Halloran, Limerick City Build Deirdre Kenny, One in Four
Room 2	RP and Accountability	Ann-Marie Moylan, Scoil Mhuire Naofa, Carrigwohill Dr Lindsey Liston, University of Limerick
Room 3	RP and Implementation	Claire Casey, Childhood Development Initiative Claire Matthews, Firhouse Educate Together Secondary School
Room 4	RP Quality Assurance	Kieran O’Dwyer, Chair RPI tbc, Garda Youth Diversion Bureau
Room 5	Communicating/advocating for RP	Michelle Stowe, Connect RP Simon Keating, Le Chéile Mentoring
Room 6	Innovative Practice	Muireann Ní Sheanlaoich, Michael Kenny Open Space Ruth Connolly, Collaborative and Proactive Solutions Michelle de Klerk, Alternatives to Violence Project
Room 7	RP evaluation	Dr Brian Payne, University of Ulster Suzanne Cavanagh, Coláiste Dhúlaigh/RPI Research Committee
Room 8	Communities of Practice	Judith Lardner, Mindful Communication, and Jenn Little, RP Trainer (repeat of morning session)