



# One Million Irish.org



1 Million Global Irish catalysing Collaboration & Change.









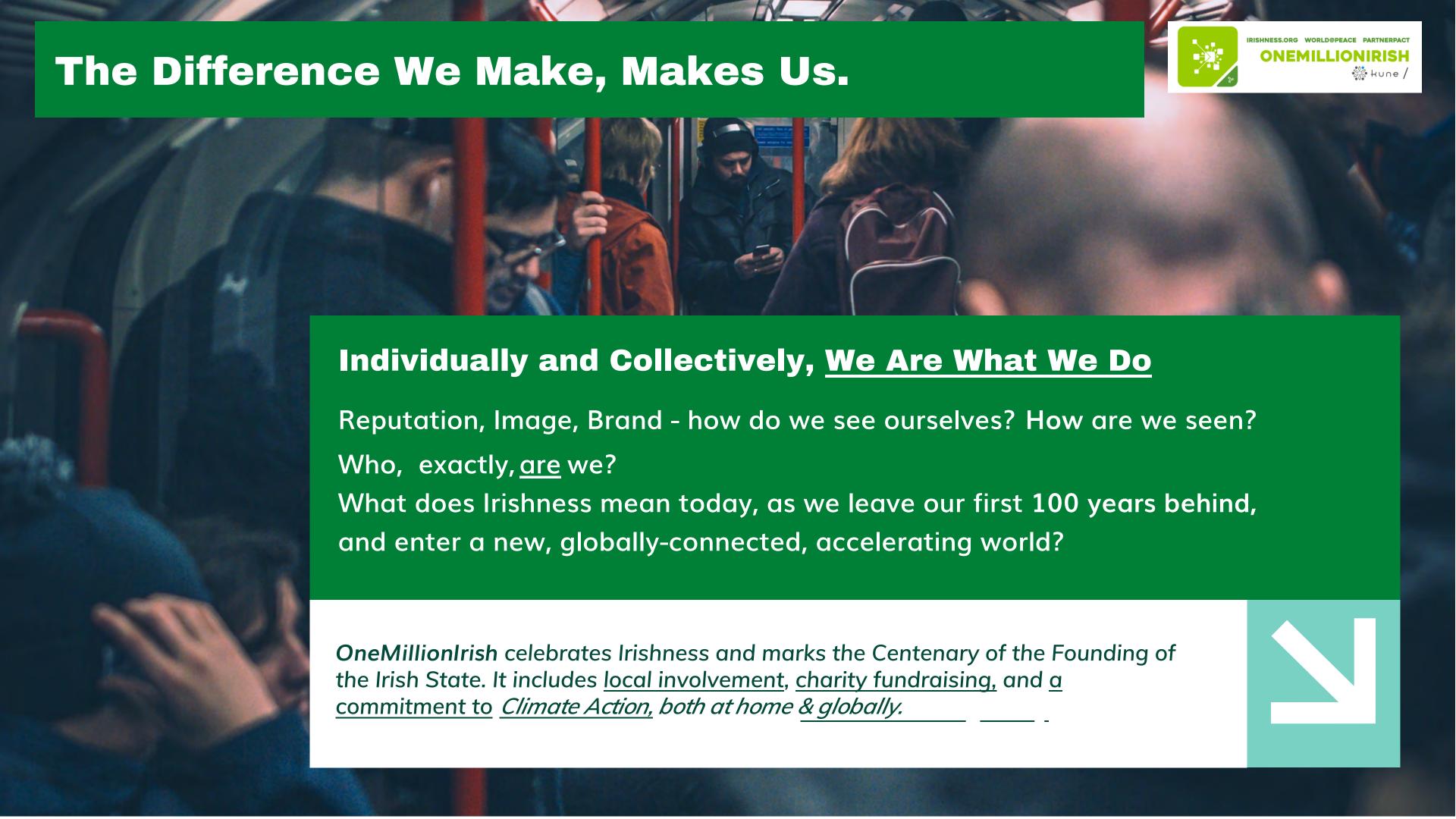












# Irishness as Connective Tissue \*



### **Evolving our Identity; Transforming our Impact**

Building from today - what will Irishness mean in future? What should it mean? In the end, we are what we do. So - who do we want to be?

OneMillionIrish engages our Irishness in a global, as well as a local, context. By aligning collectively on goals that are greater than ourselves, we are called to do, be and achieve more. In stretching, we evolve, connect and grow.

Let's Connect Local & Global Irish energies to tackle local & global issues, and evolve Irishness through that leadership.

<sup>\*</sup> Frank Hannigan coined this richly expressive phrase, which I love; and the credit is his...

## One Million Irish in Numbers

1 MILLION x LOCAL-IMPACT, CHARITY FUNDRAISING AND CLIMATE-ACTION EVENTS, IN IRELAND AND GLOBALLY.

5,000 x CITIES & TOWNS, 100 x COUNTRIES.

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 $\frac{10,000 \times BUSINESSES, 1,000 \times UNIVERSITIES}{and 300 \times IRISH CLANS}$ 

2,000 x INITIATORS & COORDINATORS (IRISH)

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1 WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT, RAISING CLIMATE ENGAGEMENT & ACCOUNTABILITY

1 x GLOBALLY-REINVIGORATED IRISH IDENTITY, 6 EMPOWERMENT & CONNECTION.





### Local and Global Impact & Charity Fundraising



In Ireland and globally, Covid-19 has decimated charity incomes while skyrocketing demands on services. Let's get creative and help solve this! What can we do to <u>raise funds for our local charities in Ireland</u>?

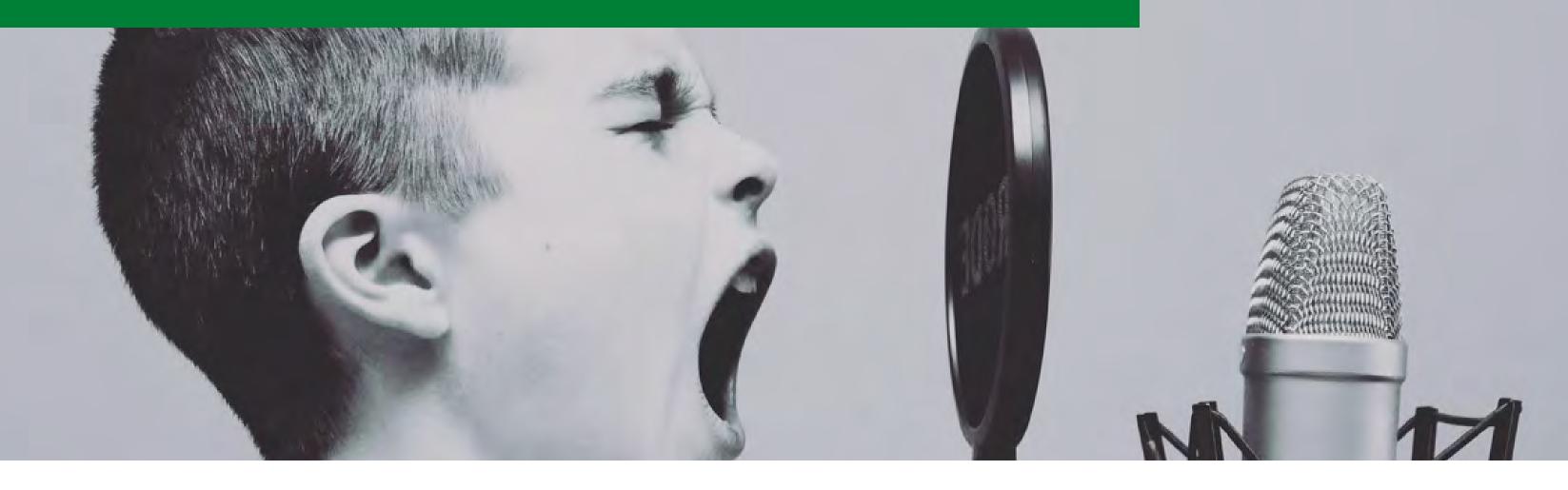
And, what can the Irish everywhere do to support local charities where they live?

Together, Irish people can make a difference at home and worldwide, while connecting, having fun, and celebrating who we are.

OneMillionIrish is also about <u>Local Action & Impact</u>. What can we do to <u>become more actively engaged in our communities</u>, in Ireland and globally? What events or initiatives can we support or introduce? How can we make a difference with our skills, our time, our resources? How can we <u>support each other to be everbetter citizens</u>, wherever we may be?

### **Globally-Connected Action**





Climate Change is a critical global issue, and Ireland is already taking commendable action in this regard. Together with our large Diaspora, we can and must additionally provide a powerful layer of global advocacy for, and global momentum towards, definitive action on climate.

COP-27 (November '22, in Egypt) is a particular focus in this regard. The recent Glasgow COP-26 did not deliver nearly enough progress. Irishness, globally, can play a part in making COP-27 more impactful.

To do so, we need a plan, and to coordinate with each other. We need to be informed, and to share information. We need to act, and to promote action. We need to be accountable, and to hold to account.

It's time for Irishness everywhere to unify, motivate and lead action towards definitive change. At this critical time, let'struly embrace Irishness as a global Connective Tissue for Climate Awareness, Accountability & Action.



# How: Crowdsourced, Cointelligent Design Thinking



To begin with, let's brainstorm & design many different pathways to OneMillionIrish success. Working together, we will shape smart ways of making this happen; making real Irish impact locally & globally.





The #GreenToGive Ideas & Designs Challenge:

### Teams, Companies & Industries

#### THE SITUATION

- . There are over 250,000 businesses operating in Ireland
- · Nearly 10,000 of these have export sales and relationships.
- Over 1,600 overseas company operations directly employ over 250,000 people.
- There are > 31 million businesses in the USA alone >9% of the US population claim
- Multiple Irish bodies engage in

#### THE OPPORTUNITY

- · People want to make a difference; employees want to work for employers who care: and companies want to connect with their communities customers, suppliers and industries
- Companies, teams, professional organisations and industry bodies can get involved in local & international action.
- Irish companies, teams & professionals overseas also join in, supporting their local causes.

### QUESTIONS & STARTING POINTS...

The #GreenToGive Ideas & Designs Challenge:

### Twinned & **Linked Towns**

#### THE SITUATION

- Most Irish towns & cities have "Twin Town" relationships with one or more places across Europe and globally.
- Local authorities support these links.
- Covid has impacted our ability to interact with our twinned towns.
- Additionally we have natural links to towns globally, through historic, family, business and industry links.
- Schools also build and maintain links through exchanges, trips and online

#### THE OPPORTUNITY

- We can initiate fundraising & local-impact actions across our network of twinned towns, and even (in turn) their twinned towns.
- · Each town raises funds for it's own charities, and works to make an impact in their area.
- · This might be event-driven and happen simultaneously.
- We can also support & build our climate activity together with our twinned towns.

- How can Schools support this and take part



The #GreenToGive Ideas & Designs Challenge:

### Irish Networks, **Overseas**

#### THE SITUATION

- The Department of Foreign Affairs lists nearly 1,000 Irish Diaspora/Overseas networks & organisations.
- These include Business, Social Cultural, Sport and Educational
- Many are deeply engaged in
- All will have connections with local businesses, schools, universities, charities, and/or town/city administrations.

#### THE OPPORTUNITY

- · GreenToGive provides an opportunity for Irish networks & organisations to reach out locally, wherever they are, and deepen Irish ties in their localities.
- · It provides an opportunity for recruitment, and for fostering closer engagement with existing
- GreenToGive also explicitly provides fundraising opportunities for networks that are involved in local charity

#### QUESTIONS & STARTING POINTS.



The #GreenToGive Ideas & Designs Challenge:

### Irish Pubs

#### THE SITUATION

- There are some 7,000 Irish Pubs around the world, outside of Ireland (.. or at least, that's Wikipedia's figure).
- They're findable, even through Google & social media.
- There are associations. networks, etc.
- Most serve Guinness.
- Irish Bars can act as a venue or host for events, as well as building local awareness for

### THE OPPORTUNITY

- Let's find ideas to promote through Irish Bars that will be good for business while also promoting generosity, impact &
- Let's find easy ways to reach these bars en masse (Irish Pub networks, groups & organisations) and create easy. fun and profitable ways for them to be part of #GreenToGive

- bars involved?
- Who (people or companies) should we speak with, to set this in motion?
- what's the answer?

### QUESTIONS & STARTING POINTS.







**QUESTIONS & STARTING POINTS...** What ideas, events, promotions would work well in Irish Pubs worldwide?

How can these be win-win events for the

How can these build or support spin-off events, in their neighbourhoods?

What question should we have asked - and

## How #2: Countless points of Optimisation & Leverage



OneMillionIrish creates space for everyone to contribute in one global, purposeful, fun programme. There are countless ways to help make this happen; let's see what works, and do more of that!



GreenToGive - The Climate Mission



GreenToGive-Teams,Cos,Industries



GreenToGive #MonthOfMusic



ClansConnect & BattleOfClans



GreenToGive - Irish Networks



GreenToGive Town-to-Town Globa...



GreenToGive - Irish Pubs Presentation



GreenToGive - People & Stories Presentation



GreenToGive - Sport Presentation



17Green & GivingDay Presentation



GreenToGive - Superpartners & Sp... Presentation



GreenToGive Ambassadors Presentation



GreenToGive #Nonprofit #Fundrai...



GreenToGive - Crowdsourced Doc...



GreenToGive - Media & Outreach



GreenToGive - Governance & Over...



GreenToGive - Competitions & Re...



GreenToGive #MonthOfDoing





GreenToGive: Culture, Arts & Enter... GreenToGive #MonthOfFun



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GreenToGive for Schools



GreenToGive Academia

There are, quite simply, hundreds of ways to help do all of this.

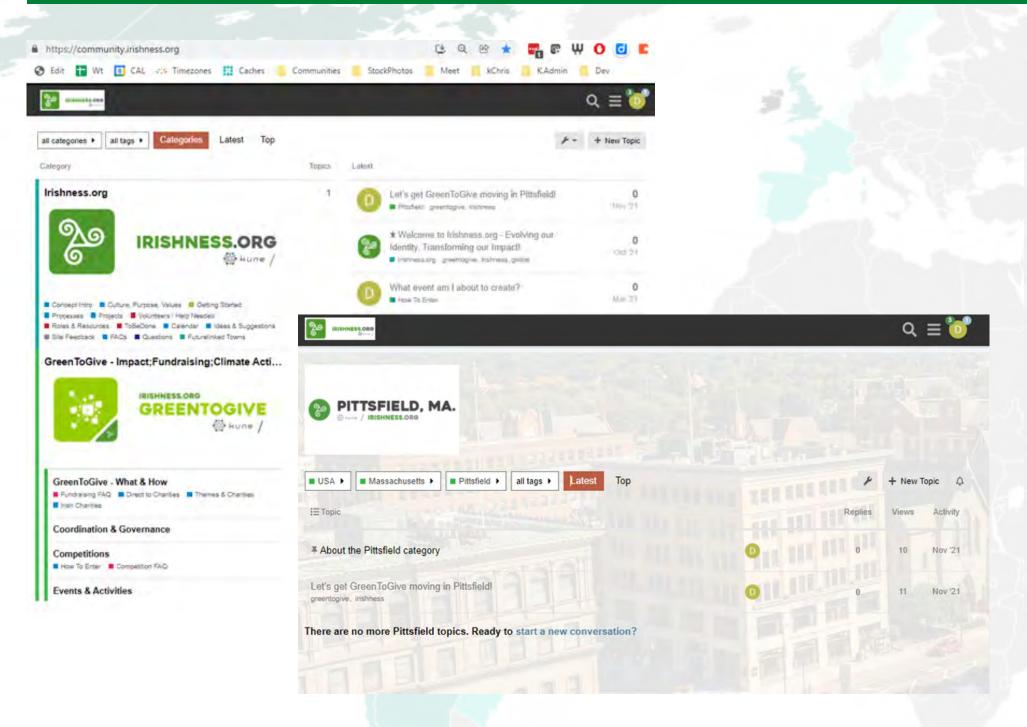
We need win-win approaches that are uniquely suited & compelling for those involved.

We'll first promote ideas & option online (and to relevant groups & people); look for suggestions & tease out ideas; see what ideas combine best; and pilot the most promising avenues.

Different ideas will work for different participants, and success comes from the sum of many paths forward.

### How #3: A Global Community & Collaboration Platform





OneMillionIrish relies on many different participants globally, each doing a little, and all enhancing each other.

We've built a tailored community platform to make this possible. This platform will allow everyone brainstorm & crowdsource, and to connect, coordinate & support each other.

Central to this Community is a custom, local-and-Irishness-branded sub-community for each of thousands of cities & towns globally. (Examples shown to the left, and below.

We're targeting over 5,000 connected & participating communities, towns & cities. By providing a local OneMillionIrish forum at this level, we can help bring the Irish together first in their localities, and then globally, for Local Impact, Fundraising & Climate Action.

These communities will be invited to form an ongoing global network of Irishness, acting as catalysts for Climate, Biodiversity and Social change.



