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A GREAT SHOWCASE FOR UNITY

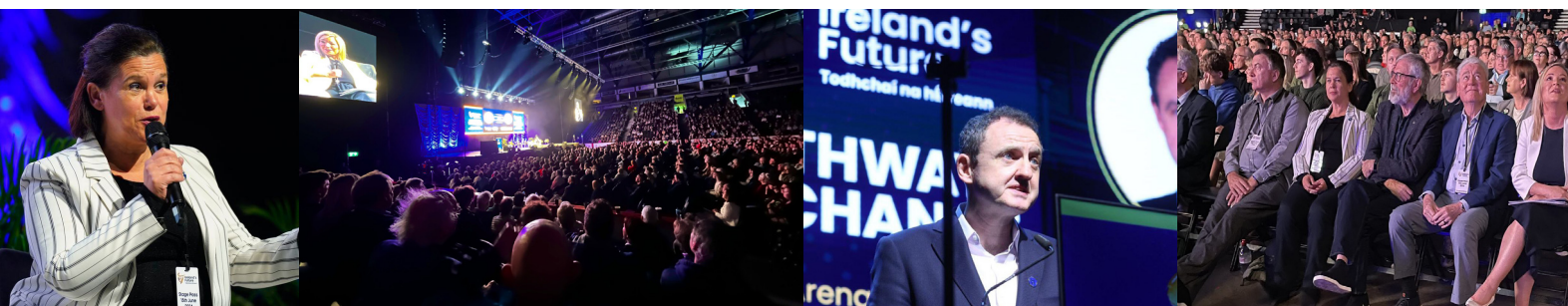
By Gerry Adams

The SSE Arena in Belfast was buzzing with positivity on June 15th as several thousand people participated in one of the largest public discussions held recently on constitutional change and the potential for Irish Unity. Over ten thousand more joined online. The organisers did a remarkable job in bringing together a first class panel of academics, political leaders, artists, economists, protestant voices, comedians, trade unionists and Gaels. Their success can be measured in part by the fact that the audience remained interested and engaged for over four hours.

I was delighted to be there. It was a great event with lots of positive takeaways.

In her contribution to a panel discussion Uachtarán Shinn Féin Mary Lou McDonald urged the Irish government to establish a Citizen's Assembly to widen the discussion around constitutional change and to assist in focussing on the policy changes required to enhance all-Ireland co-operation and to win the referendum on Irish Unity. She said, "I want a government in Dublin to plan and prepare for unity. Unity is about realising Ireland's potential." When asked to sum up in one word her goal Mary Lou won loud applause with the single word – Freedom.

Leas Uachtarán Shinn Féin Michelle O'Neill in a 'fireside chat' with Andréa Murphy of the Belfast Media Group acknowledged the positive work of the Executive since the political institutions were re-established but pointed to the many challenges it faces not least as a result of the substantial shortfall in funding from the British government. She said that there is no contradiction in wanting better public services and advocating for constitutional change.



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There was also keen interest in whether former Fine Gael leader Leo Varadkar would repeat the comments he made on unity in his interview in the Belfast Telegraph that morning. In that publication the former Taoiseach said that Irish Unity must become a “political objective and not just an aspiration” for the next Irish Government and that it needs to be “active rather than passive” on the issue of Unity because achieving it was going to require a lot of hard work.

In his Ireland’s Future contribution Leo Varadkar did not shy away from repeating this view and rubbished the recent claim that unity would cost the Irish exchequer €20 billion annually. He also suggested that the next government should consider using its budget surplus to establish a fund to prepare for the economic challenges of Irish unity.

Mr Varadkar said: “I think it is really important that the belief in unification isn’t seen to be the preserve of any one particular party or one or two parties, it needs to be all parties and no party. I think one of the most important things that we need to do is to make sure we maximise support for that and reach out to people who may be unenthusiastic about it south of the border and those who aren’t convinced or don’t support it yet here north of the border.”

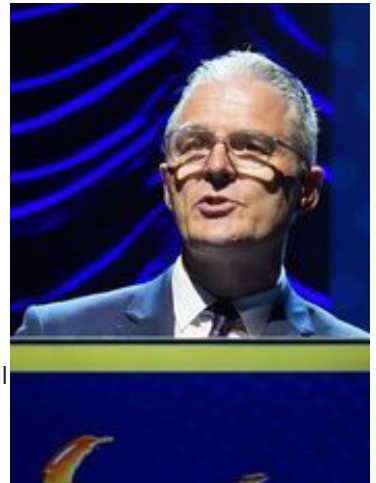
Davy Adams, one time negotiator for the UDA was critical of those in Ireland’s Future who he said were ignoring, and in some cases, opposing the need for reconciliation between divided communities.

One of the most interesting contributions of the many that took place occurred in the section called ‘Protestant Perspectives.’ Among those participating was Wallace Thompson who describes himself as an evangelical Protestant, a close friend of Ian Paisley and a founding member of the DUP. He admitted that he was “outside his comfort zone” by participating in an event on Irish Unity. He said, “My conscience is clear. I have no difficulties setting out what I have

been saying in the last two or three years, especially since the Brexit vote. I am a unionist but I am on a journey. In that journey, it is vitally important that we all talk to each other as we think things through. I would want to encourage my nationalist and republican fellow countrymen and woman to engage with the loyalist, unionist, Protestant community. We may come across as triumphalist and bigoted, and all those things. I fully understand how perceptions can be vitally important in these matters. But, as a community, we often feel beleaguered and besieged, and over the years much of what we have said and done has been brought about by that feeling of insecurity, which can come over as triumphalist and overbearing.”

Wallace Thompson added: “I understand there are changes going to happen. I used the word inevitable about a new Ireland and I have been caught on that since; but it is, I think, on the way at some stage in the future.”

There were lots of other interesting contributions by people from the Arts sector, by economists, by Trade unionists, Joanne Sansome on the rights of disabled citizens and many many more. Jarlath Burns, GAA President’s closing remarks were appropriate, insightful and hopeful for the future. And for me that was the most important aspect of the afternoon’s experience. Thousands of people were talking and thinking about the future. That’s great. So well done to all those who organised and participated in Pathway to Change. And well done Ireland’s Future.



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LURGAN PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY



The Commission on the Future of Ireland hosted its 15th event this month in the Ashburn Hotel, Lurgan.

Cllr Catherine Nelson welcomed everyone to the event and the independent panel included Chairperson Conor Downey (Solicitor), Orla O'Dowd (School Principal), Dooley Harte (Trade Unionist) and Rachel Coyle (National Women's Council).

Dr Caoimhe Archibald gave the main address at the event and spoke of the importance of planning and preparing for Irish Unity;

"We have seen people gather in halls like this up and down the island – we have heard different opinions – we have heard different challenges and we have heard genuine concerns. And all of that is good. That is what respectful dialogue is about.

"Uachtarán Shinn Féin Mary Lou McDonald has repeatedly said she believes that Irish Reunification is within touching distance. I agree with her.

"But I also believe that Republicans alone cannot grasp it.

"What we need is an alliance of change makers who see a better future for themselves and their children, a future based upon equality and opportunity.

"And that is why it is our job – as those in the vanguard of the campaign for Irish reunification – to move beyond the conversation and start the planning for unity.

"Now is the time for the Irish government to move out of the comfort zone about talking about the desirability of reunification to the stage of planning for it.

"We need a Citizens' Assembly on Irish Unity and we need it now.

"But we also have to set out very clearly what are referred to as the bread and butter issues but what are in reality the building blocks of a good standard of living.

"What will an all-Ireland health service look like?

"What will our education system look like?

"How do we build an economy with decent jobs?

"What does a truly equal society look like?

"How will the British identity on the island be cherished and protected in a new Ireland?

"How do we guarantee political rights and entitlements?

"We need to get beyond rhetoric and slogans and start on the practicalities of re-unification. That is the next stage in this process. That is the job of the change makers in the period ahead.

"I have no faith in Rishi Sunak or any English Tory ever putting the interests of people on this island before their own interests. England will govern in England's interests.

"I have always held the firm belief that the biggest blockage to unleashing the true potential of this island is partition. It has negatively impacted every facet of our lives. It has stunted our ability to grow, damaged relationships and enshrined division. I believe partition to be politically and morally wrong.

"But I know others hold a different view. It is up to us to continually make that connection between bad societal outcomes and the continued partition of our island.

"We are now in a decade of opportunity.

"Irish Unity is the big idea – hope and change are the pathway to get there."

Footage from the Lurgan People's Assembly can be watched here: [People's Assembly on the Future of Ireland held in Lurgan \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



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The Economic Benefits Of Irish Unity To Be Discussed At Major Belfast Conference - Conor Murphy MLA

Sinn Féin's Commission on the Future of Ireland is hosting an event today (28th June) in Belfast's Europa Hotel on 'Irish unity and the all island economy'.

The event will be independently chaired by Cathy Gormley-Heenan, Professor of Politics at the Ulster University and former member of the north's Independent Fiscal Commission.

The panel for the discussion will consist of Sinn Féin's senior finance spokespersons Pearse Doherty TD, Caoimhe Archibald MLA and Conor Murphy MLA

This will be the Commission on the Future of Ireland's 16th public event, and the 4th in Belfast, since it was initiated by Sinn Féin in 2022.

Speaking in advance of the event Conor Murphy said,

"The scale of discussion around constitutional change has never been higher, it's now a mainstream topic of conversation among citizens.

"As that conversation deepens, people are increasingly questioning what Irish unity might mean for our island economy and for their own financial situation.

"In the past civic and business leaders such as Sir George Quigley, a Presbyterian, argued that regardless of how Ireland was governed, it made sense for such a small island to operate as a single economic unit.

"I believe that this can only be properly realised when economic decisions that affect this island are made by people here and not by the political class in Britain, many of whom have never set foot in Ireland. London will always rule in London's interest, we need to rule ourselves in our own interests.

"As a result of membership of the EU single market and the cross-border institutions established by the Good Friday Agreement, all-Ireland trade has been developing for decades. It has been turbo charged by Brexit and shows no signs of diminishing.

"However, with the north tied to Britain's economic model and its problems of low productivity and low growth, for many years economic performance in the south has surpassed that of the north.

"In this context it is apparent that being tied to Britain does not deliver a strong economy in the north.

"Modelling by the eminent Professor Kurt Hubner shows that the economic boost delivered by unity would quickly eliminate the north's subvention, which is often cited as a barrier to reunification.

"Professor John Doyle of Dublin City University has published quite extensively on the subvention. He also states that, in reality, the low level of the subvention, when it is properly calculated, means that the economic opportunities provided by reunification outweigh the north's fiscal deficit.

"Irish unity has become even more economically necessary as a result of the British Government's decision to leave the EU, the largest market in the world, removing the north against the expressed wishes of the electorate.

"Thankfully the protocol protects the all-Ireland economy by keeping the



whole of the island in the EU market for goods.

"Cross-border trade is surging, and now there is a degree of certainty on our trading arrangements, it is time to build upon this success. "However, we must go further.

"The best economic scenario would be a reunified all-Ireland economy which combines the best of the south and the best of the north. "That is where the conversation needs to go.

"The Irish Government must begin to plan and prepare for constitutional change. It should establish an all island Citizens' Assembly and Oireachtas committee to discuss Irish unity and bring forward a detailed plan and program of work. This should include publishing an economic plan for unity."

Coverage of 'Irish Unity & the all Island Economy' event with be included in next months edition of Unity News.



IRISH UNITY AND THE ALL ISLAND ECONOMY

FRIDAY 28TH JUNE 2024
EUROPA HOTEL, BELFAST, 11AM-1PM

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Discussion on constitutional change and the ending of partition is growing. This is demonstrated by the increasing numbers of people across Ireland and beyond, from diverse backgrounds, who are questioning the status quo and exploring the possibility of Irish unity. Sinn Féin activists are continuing to promote the Irish Unity campaign in their local areas.

BELFAST & DUBLIN TWINNING



AGRI SHOW IN CORK WITH MICHELLE SHAHID, JOANNE COLLINS & CLLR JOE LYNCH



UNITY BILLBOARD ON DISPLAY AT BELFAST MARATHON



BELFAST UNITY WALK, BLACK MOUNTAIN



WHY NOT ORGANISE SOMETHING IN YOUR AREA?

Things you can do:

- Incorporate Unity literature into local campaign stalls and political canvasses
- Use the large Unity banner in your area
- Organise a cycle for unity, unity walk, mountain climb day of action etc.

GNÍOMHACHAS AR AONTÚ na hÉIREANN

Cén fáth nach n-eagróidh tú imeacht ar théama na haontachta i do cheantar?

Rudaí a thig leat a dhéanamh:

- Litríocht faoin Aontacht a bheith mar chuid de stallaí feachtais áitiúla agus i stocaireacht pholaitiúil.
- Úsáid a bhaint as an mbratach mór Aontacht i do cheantar.
- Rothaíocht nó siúlóid nó siúlóid sléibhe nó lá gnímh ar son an hAontachta a eagrú.

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A United Ireland ‘remains the goal’

- Mary Lou McDonald

Uachtarán Shinn Féin Mary Lou McDonald delivered the main oration at Sinn Féin’s annual Wolfetone Commemoration at Bodenstown this month. During the course of her comments Mary Lou said that Tone sought not only to motivate his own generation to unite in the name of Ireland’s independence, but also to inspire patriots in the generations to follow.

Read Mary Lou’s remarks below:

“To subvert the tyranny of our execrable government, to break the connection with England, the never-failing source of all our political evils, and to assert the independence of my country – these were my objects.

“To unite the whole people of Ireland, to abolish the memory of all past dissensions, and to substitute the common name of Irishman in place of the denominations of Protestant, Catholic and Dissenter – these were my means.”

A chairde, these words written by Theobald Wolfe Tone more than two hundred years ago have stood the test of time.

Tone’s words, the underpinning principles of Irish Republicanism, have reverberated down the centuries, inspiring each generation who have pursued the cause of Irish freedom, equality, and unity.

Principles set out at a time when egalitarian revolutionary zeal and enlightenment were reshaping the world.

Tone sought not only to motivate his own generation to unite in the name of Ireland’s independence, but also to inspire patriots in the generations to follow.

It’s a clarion call which inspired the 1798 rebellion of the United Irishmen and which choruses through those parchments charting our nation’s uprising against British rule.

It flows through the Fenian Proclamation of 1867, the 1916 Proclamation of the Irish Republic, and the 1919 Democratic Programme of the First Dáil.

We see it too in the words written by Bobby Sands as he lay imprisoned and brutalised in a H-Block Cell.

“The day will dawn when all the people of Ireland will have the desire for freedom. It is then that we will see the rising of the moon.”

Tone’s clarion call was heard and embraced again and again. One fight for independence, across many generations.

An unbroken chain of struggle to uphold Ireland’s ancient right to nationhood and the right of the people of Ireland to equality, dignity, and control of our own destiny.

Every year in June, we make this pilgrimage to Bodenstown. To stand near Tone’s graveside not only to recall history, but to recommit ourselves to the future we seek to shape together. Our mission remains the realisation of Tone’s dream.

Standing in this place in 1996, our dear departed comrade, Rita O’Hare said it plainly and I repeat her words to you today:

“...let us say loudly and clearly that we are Irish republicans. We are out to break the connection with England as Tone was. Like Tone, we seek to unite the people of Ireland. And with Wolfe Tone, we assert the independence of our country.”

That is our raison d’être. The next length of this fateful journey falls to us - this generation of republican activists. We are the generation that will achieve referendums on the reunification of Ireland. We must be about the work of persuading, of convincing, of winning ever more hearts and minds. To win the referendums and win them well, we must build alliances, and broaden an inclusive campaign right across society. To unite not only our country, but to unite our people.

The future we seek is the achievement of the Republic, a nation home for all. With optimism, hope, and determination, we seek to transform Ireland to a place where opportunity and prosperity are truly open to every worker, every family, and every community. Where poverty, disadvantage, and exclusion are confronted with real leadership.

We want to create a new Ireland in which ordinary people come first, always. Our priorities are rooted in our values as Irish republicans and as an all-Ireland party.

Values that will never change. We are for an end to partition. We are out to achieve the planned, peaceful,

and democratic reunification of our country in our time. We are for equality.

We are out to create an Ireland free of racism, discrimination, sectarianism, and bigotry, free of second-class citizenship. We are for reconciliation.

We seek to build on the historic success of the Good Friday Agreement by reaching out the hand of friendship every day to those of a Unionist tradition.

To acknowledge hurt, to break down barriers, to build fraternity so that children from all communities can have the future they deserve together.

We are for economic justice and for workers’ rights.

We are out to create a society that is fair, equal, and prosperous for ordinary workers and families right across Ireland.

We are anti-imperialist.

We are for self-determination, justice, and international solidarity in the name of human dignity.

As we move forward, we move forward in hope and in confidence. We look beyond today and towards the type of Ireland we’re creating for all our children. The things that republicans fought for in every generation, and the very same things we’re working for today. An Ireland worthy of Tone’s clarion call and of all those who gave their lives to achieve it.

Together, we will build a republic of equality, fairness, and justice. A republic of prosperity and opportunity for all.

A United Ireland that finally takes its rightful place amongst the nations of the world. That remains the goal.



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I mo thuairim féin

Cuirfidh Unity News spás ar fáil san iris gach mí d'ailt tuairimíochta ar Aontacht na hÉireann as Gaeilge.

Is í Róisín Nic Liam an chéad aoi a chuir peann le pár. Seo chugaibh alt léi ar chaifé nua Gaeilge a osclaíodh i mBéal Feirste le déanaí:

“Comrádaíocht, caife agus comhrá”: Fiontar sóisialta Gaelach nua ar

Is le fosc agus le fonn a osclaíodh Anam - Caifé na Carraige dé hAoine seo caite. Togra ceannródaíoch eile de chuid Ghlór na Móna is ea an fiontar úd, eagrais cosmhuintire a bhfuil athghabháil na Gaeilge, an díchoilíniú agus an fhorbairt phobail mar phríomhchúram aige.

Ní nach ionadh, mar sin, go dtagann an caifé nua seo le mórspriocanna Ghlór. Chuir lucht an chaifé rompu nead shóisialta Ghaelach eile a bhunú in Iarthar Bhéal Feirste, iarracht atá fréamhaithe sa spiorad féinchabhrach réabhlóideach a shamhlaítear go minic le Gaeil agus Poblachtánaigh na cathrach. Is cuí gur fé scáth an tSléibhe Dhuibh atá an caifé nua seo mar sin, mar a mbíodh tionscadail chomhoibritheacha Bhaile Uí Mhurchú tráth. Maireann fealsúnachtaí agus rian cheannródaíche an phobail úd - leithéidí Sheáin Mhic Ghoill, Shéamuis de Napier agus mhuintir Mhic Sheáin - i gcónaí más ea, agus iarrachtaí ar bun ag Glór na Móna agus Caifé Anam infreastruchtúr pobail agus gluaiseacht teanga a thógáil ón mbonn aníos.

Ní togra teanga amháin atá ann, áfach. Togra athghiniúna agus forbartha pobail atá ann freisin sa mhéid is gur claoclaíodh talamh a tréigeadh le 17 bliain anuas go caifé oidhreachta agus ionad foghlama a dhéanann athghabháil ar stair an cheantair. Tá pictiúirí agus ealaín ghalánta ar crochadh fud fad an chaifé a nochtann scéal agus stair an phobail, maisiúcháin a spreagfaidh ualach comhráite spreagúla sna míonna atá amach romhainn gan dabht. Seasann leabharlann radacach ag cúl an chaifé chomh maith, ag fáiltiú roimh idir óg agus aosta tumadh isteach go domhan na léitheoireachta agus téacsanna réabhlóideacha. Tá bratach na Palaistíne le feiscint go mórálach i lár an aonaigh chomh maith agus focail cháiliúla an fhile Refaat Alareer ag seasamh go maorga os a cionn. Meabhraíonn na focail úd - “más éigean dom an bás” - dúinn gur gá dúinne in Éirinn seasamh go daingean lenár gcairde Palaistíneacha agus le The Wretched of the Earth fud fad an domhain.

Tá cumasú an phobail ag crollár an togra más ea, agus tógfár air seo leis na deiseanna oiliúna agus fostaíochta a bhaineann leis an bhfiontar. Ionad a bheidh ann do dhaoine óga a d'fhág an scoil go luath agus Gaeilgeoirí óga seal a chaitheamh ag foghlaim cheird an fháilteachais agus obair phobail trí chéile, ag tógáil ar scileanna na n-óg i gceantar den lucht oibre atá thíos leis an éagothroime eacnamaíoch. Ag freastal ar an gceantar máguaird agus ar phobal na Gaeilge a bheidh siad agus amhlaidh á dhéanamh, dar ndóigh, rud a chuirfidh le neart an phobail agus le caidreamh na ndaoine.

Ach “cén bhaint atá aige seo le hÉirinn Aontaithe?”, fiafraíonn tú. Bhuel, a chairde, is treoirphlean nó blueprint an togra is déanaí seo ó Ghlór na Móna don athghabháil teanga, don díchoilíniú agus d'athnuachan an phobail trí chéile, treoirphlean ar chóir do phobail fud fad na hÉireann a ghlacadh chucu féin agus Éire nua, Éire Aontaithe á tógáil againn. Tá an caifé ina scáthán ar cheannródaíocht an eagrais chéanna, eagrais a dhéanann máistreacht ar cheist an praxis. Tá cos amháin sa phobal aige, agus an chos eile san idé-eolaíocht réabhlóideach. Tá sé fréamhaithe i bhfealsúnachtaí forásacha an Phoblachtánachais, tá leas na ndaoine agus leas an phobail mar phríomhchúram aige, agus tá spiorad féinchabhrach go smior ann a spreagann gníomh radacach ón mbonn aníos. Féachaimis ar fad i dtreo Ghlór na Móna mar ábhar inspioráide, mar sin, a chairde, agus Poblacht nua á tógáil againn. Ach ólaimis cupán caife le chéile ar dtús!

Bíonn Anam - Caifé na Carraige ar oscailt gach Aoine (idir 9.00 r.n. - 3.00 i.n.) agus gach Satharn (idir 8.00 r.n. - 3.00 i.n.). Buail isteach chucu ag 4 Clós na Carraige Báine | 4 Whiterock Close, BT12 7RG, do chomrádaíocht, caife agus comhrá!



HAVE YOU READ THE NEW EDITION OF ÉIRE NUA?

The latest edition of the Sinn Féin online magazine Éire Nua is out now.

The magazine is a rich mix of analysis, commentary, academic reviews and history on the broad theme of Irish Unity.

In this edition:

- Change Starts Here
- Making History – A First Minister for All
- A New Ireland for All: Ending Sectarian Segregation
- Irish Unity Summit in New York

Want to read more? Click here: https://www.sinnfein.ie/files/2024/ISSUE_7web-2.pdf



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UNITING IRELAND ROUND UP

GAELS LE CHÉILE

Representatives from Gaels le chéile this month took part in a discussion at Gort na Mona CLG speaking about the role Gaels can play in shaping a new Ireland. Gaels across Ireland are continuing to support the Gaels le Chéile campaign.

You can support their too campaign by clicking here: www.gaelstettertoiseach.ie



SDLP NEW IRELAND COMMISSION

The SDLP New Ireland Commission held an event in Belfast's Linnen hall Library this month entitled 'A New Ireland on the World Stage' with Former Irish Ambassador to the United States, Daniel Mulhal. Speaking at the event Daniel said, 'If we do aspire to an Ireland which takes into account and includes the views of half a million people... we have to create a sense of a new Irish identity which can incorporate who they are.'



ALL IRELAND COLLABORATION ON HEALTH

Members of the Oireachtas Health Committee were in Belfast this month for a joint meeting with the Assembly Health Committee. Liz Kimmins MLA and Health Spokesperson in the north said there was huge potential for enhanced collaboration to achieve better health outcomes for patients across Ireland, particularly in cancer and cardiac care.



IRELAND'S FUTURE

Following their successful event in the SSE arena this month, Ireland's Future board members came together to plan ahead for the next 3 years. They have said they are determined to continue to facilitate conversations & create a safe space for people from all backgrounds to have their say.



LESSONS FOR IRISH REUNIFICATION FROM GERMANY

The IIEA will host an event next week with Prof. Tobias Lock of Maynooth University discussing Lessons for Irish Reunification from Germany. You can register to attend the event in person or on zoom by clicking here: [Lessons for Irish Reunification from Germany | IIEA](#)

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CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY ON IRISH UNITY NEEDS TO BE ESTABLISHED

While the party is very busy on lots of very important issues, it also needs to be active in the campaign to get the Irish government to establish an all-island Citizens' Assembly on Irish Unity.

What can I do to support the Citizens' Assembly campaign?

- Inform yourself on the Unity debate. Many articles, podcasts and other material can be found at www.sinnfein.ie/irish-unity
- Produce a leaflet for local distribution
- Contact your local TD, MP, MLA and Councillor to encourage them to support the campaign
- Write to the leaders of the political parties asking them to support the proposition
- Write to the Irish government; to An Taoiseach and Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs; to other government Ministers
- Share material from the Citizens' Assembly campaign on social media
- Put up posters in your area
- Encourage community groups, trade unions, sports organisations, women's groups and others to hold public discussions on Irish Unity and the Citizens' Assembly

Cad é is féidir liom a dhéanamh chun tacú le feachtas Thionól na Saoránach?

- Cuir tú féin ar an eolas faoin phlé ar Aontacht. Tá go leor alt, podchraoltaí agus ábhar eile le fáil ag www.sinnfein.ie/irish-unity
- Bíleog a dhéanamh le dáileadh ar bhonn áitiúil
- Déan teagmháil le do TD, MP, MLA agus Comhairleoir áitiúil chun iad a spreagadh chun tacú leis an fheachtas
- Scríobh chuig ceannairí na bpáirtithe polaitíochta ag iarraidh orthu tacú leis an moladh
- Scríobh chuig rialtas na hÉireann; chuig an Taoiseach agus chuig an Tánaiste agus chuig Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha; chuig Airí rialtais eile
- Roinn ábhar ó fheachtas Thionól Saoránach ar na meáin shóisialta
- Cuir póstaer in airde i do cheantar
- Spreag grúpaí pobail, ceardchumann, eagraíochtaí spóirt, grúpaí ban agus eile chun plé poiblí a reáchtáil ar Aontacht na hÉireann agus ar Thionól Saoránach



READ THE GUIDE TO A CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY HERE: <https://www.sinnfein.ie/contents/64682>



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Ádh mór to all the Sinn Féin candidates who are standing in the upcoming Westminster election which will be held on July 4th.

British rule in Ireland and the denial of our right to self-government remains at the core of our divisions and difficulties. The human, economic and social costs of British rule and the disastrous decision to partition Ireland have been immense. It is self-evident that London will not look after Irish interests. We need to do that ourselves.

We have all been failed by the partition of this island more and more people are realising this. This needs to be highlighted on the doors when canvassing for our local candidates. Sinn Féin recently launched their manifesto.

You can read the section on planning for Constitutional Change below:



PLANNING FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

The discussion on constitutional change is everywhere. Partition has failed us all. The Good Friday Agreement provides a peaceful and democratic pathway through a referendum process to achieve a new Ireland within the EU.

Constitutional change requires an Irish government to prepare for the future in a strategic and responsible fashion.

This includes establishing a Citizen's Assembly which creates an opportunity for people to engage in a dialogue addressing all the practical and positive possibilities that constitutional change can bring.

We need a process that facilitates generous engagement with those from all our communities on this island. There is now a real opportunity to shape a more prosperous future in a stronger, better and fairer country.

An opportunity to create an efficient all-Ireland national health service, a sustainable housing system, affordable childcare, and a fair and just transition to a carbon neutral economy. Resumption of full EU membership as a consequence of unity would hugely benefit the all-island economy.

Unity is central to building a modern, inclusive, accountable and fairer society and a country which can play its full part in the world. The Irish and British governments must set a date for a referendum on Irish unity. Now is the time to plan for the future.

Pleanáil d'Athrú Bunreachtúil

Tá an plé ar athrú bunreachtúil i ngach áit. Ligeadh síos muid go léir mar gheall ar an chríochdheighilt.

Cuireann Comhaontú Aoine an Chéasta bealach síochánta agus daonlathach ar fáil trí phróiseas reifrinn le hÉirinn nua a bhaint amach san AE.

Éilíonn athrú bunreachtúil ar rialtas na hÉireann ullmhú don todhchaí ar bhealach straitéiseach agus freagrach.

Áirítear leis sin Tionól Saoránach a bhunú a chruthaíonn deis do dhaoine dul i mbun idirphlé a thugann aghaidh ar na féidearthachtaí praiticiúla agus dearfacha go léir a d'fhéadfadh athrú bunreachtúil a chruthú.

Tá próiseas de dhíth orainn a éascaíonn teagmháil fhial leo siúd ónár bpobail go léir ar an oileán seo. Tá deis cheart ann anois todhchaí níos rathúla a mhúnlú i dtír níos láidre, níos fearr agus níos cothroime.

Deis le seirbhís sláinte náisiúnta uile-Éireann éifeachtúil, córas tithíochta inbhuanaithe, cúram leanaí inacmhainne, agus aistriú cothrom agus cóir chuig geilleagar atá neodrach ó thaobh carbóin de a chruthú.

Rachadh sé go mór chun tairbhe don gheilleagar uile-oileáin dá mbeadh ballraíocht iomlán san Aontas mar thoradh ar aontacht.

Tá an aontacht lárnach le sochaí nua-aimseartha, chuimsitheach, chuntasach agus níos cothroime a thógáil agus tír a bheith againn atá mar chuid lárnach den domhan.

Caithfidh rialtais na hÉireann agus na Breataine dáta a shocrú do reifreann ar aontacht na hÉireann. Anois an t-am le pleanáil don todhchaí.



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