



GIY (Grow it Yourself) Abbeyleix

GIY (Grow it Yourself) Abbeyleix was established in May 2010. The group is now well established with an active membership.

Our Objective is to develop the capability and capacity within the community to Grow your own Food

- Development of the local GIY (Grow it Yourself) organisation in providing support, knowledge and expertise to people interested in growing their own food.
- Working with the County Council to provide land for allotments for those with limited space .
- Exploring the feasibility of community garden for those who wish to grow as a group.
- Development of the meitheal concept with cooperation and mentoring being developed between many small groups of like minded people in the community helping one another to grow their own food.
- Working with the Tidy Towns and Local Authority to plant native fruit and nut trees on available community land and open spaces. Eg native apple , damson , plum , raspberries and hazel nuts growing around the town for the enjoyment of the whole community.
- Encourage the establishment of small herb garden plots or raised beds in open green areas in the housing estates in the town for the shared benefit of those living in those estates.
- Working with Tidy Towns and other groups to establish community composting units at the site of the allotments / community garden – taking organic waste and producing compost..

Our activities to date have included

- Monthly meetings with guest speakers
- Garden visits
- Hands on demonstrations by local experts

Membership is open to all and is FREE

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