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RIGHTS IN A NEW IRELAND

FRIDAY 3RD MAY 2024 - 11AM-1PM

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'RIGHTS IN A NEW IRELAND'

Sinn Féin's Commission on the Future of Ireland will host a conference on Rights in a New Ireland in St Comgall's – Ionad Eileen Howell, Belfast, on Friday 3rd May 11am – 1pm.

Chairperson of the Commission on the Future of Ireland, Declan Kearney MLA said:

"I am delighted to present this important conference entitled 'Rights in a New Ireland'.

"It will be chaired by veteran social justice campaigner Ailbhe Smyth and the other panel members are Professor Colin Harvey, Daniel Holder and Dr Shannonbrooke Murphy.

"Each of the participants, along with the event attendees, will bring their own expertise and experiences of human rights, economic rights and working to build a socially just future.

"I am extending an invitation to policy makers, activists, researchers, experts, scholars, academics, public commentators and all those

interested to attend this event which will take place in St Comgall's on 3rd May.

"With this significant event the Commission seeks to discuss the subject of people's rights and how they could best be guaranteed in the new united Ireland.

"We want people to have their say so everyone is welcome to attend and those interested can register on Eventbrite at the following link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rights-in-a-new-ireland-tickets-881813747657?aff=oddtcreator>

"The united Ireland Sinn Féin seeks to build must be underpinned by rights guarantees and the development of a more equitable, fairer society for all."

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RURAL COMMUNITIES IN A NEW IRELAND

BALMORAL SHOW

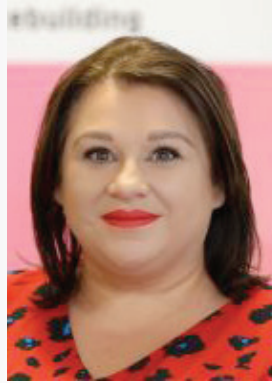
EVENT SPACE AT THE REAR OF THE SUSTAINABILITY VILLAGE

THURSDAY 16TH MAY 2PM



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'RURAL COMMUNITIES IN A NEW IRELAND'

Sinn Féin's Commission on the Future of Ireland will host a discussion on 'Rural Communities in a New Ireland' at this year's Balmoral show. The event will take place in the Event Space which is located in the Sustainability Village on Thursday 16th May at 2pm.

This is following on from a successful discussion on the future of Rural Communities in a New Ireland at last year's Ploughing Championships.

The discussion on the day will be chaired by Michelle Gildernew MP. The panel includes former MLA John McCallister (YFCU/UFU), Louise Coyle (Rural Women's Network) and Elaine Houlihan (Macra na Feirme).

Sinn Féin agriculture spokesperson Declan McAleer MLA said it's extremely important that rural voices are heard in the discussion on our future.

"Since the imposition of Partition our island has been forced to operate with one hand tied behind our backs and rural communities have especially suffered.

"Investment in the road network, better broadband, access to housing, healthcare, childcare and support for small businesses, including agriculture, are needed across Ireland to enable rural areas to prosper.

"In many rural areas across Ireland, Brexit threatens our excellent national standards of farm produce, it damages our reputation as a lead supplier of agri-produce across the world and it cuts farmers in the north out of the EU's Common Agricultural Policy.

"Decisions which affect our agri industries should be made on the island of Ireland, and not by Tory governments in Westminster.

"In the event of a successful unity referendum the entire island would be a member of the European Union and our full economic potential could be unlocked.

"Conversations are happening across the country – on our farms, at the mart and at our local GAA clubs. This is an exciting time for us all; filled with opportunity and hope for a better future.

"It is absolutely crucial for farming families and rural communities to engage in the conversation around Irish unity to ensure they maximise the benefits that reunification could have for their communities."

Registration for the Balmoral event is now open. Click here to register: *Rural Communities in a New Ireland Tickets, Thu, May 16, 2024 at 2:00 PM* | Eventbrite



SAVE THE DATE - SABHAIL AN DÁTA **LURGAN PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY**

Sinn Féin's Commission on the Future of Ireland will host the Lurgan People's Assembly on Tuesday 11th June at 7pm in the Ashburn Hotel.

More details to follow soon.....

'A NEW IRELAND FOR ALL'

Sinn Féin Leas-Uachtarán Michelle O'Neill has said there must be a real step change in confronting and tackling sectarianism and to build a better future for all.

Speaking at the launch of Sinn Féin's new policy document 'A New Ireland for All – Ending Sectarian Segregation', Michelle O'Neill said:

"Sinn Féin recognises the need to build a genuinely shared future. Our housing and education systems should be an opportunity to create shared communities.

"We need to realise our potential and ensure prosperity now and for the generations to come. Diversity and difference enrich our society as we see from the many new communities who have brought with them culture and experiences that we all benefit from and enjoy.

"We need to see now, a real step change in confronting and tackling sectarian attitudes and structures. People need to meet each other halfway. We need to accept that there are different perspectives and try to understand each other.

"We need to acknowledge each other's concerns and we need to remove the physical barriers in our communities, and also importantly the barriers in our heads and in our hearts. I have great hope and optimism for the future. Together we can build a reconciled, accommodating, inclusive society that we all call home."

The guest speaker at the launch of the new policy was Denzil McDaniel, former editor of the Impartial Reporter. Denzil said, "I commend your policy of "ending sectarian segregation" and you've rightly identified inclusion and reconciliation as key to building a better Ireland.

"When your document refers to all citizens being cherished, respected and protected, it's the sort of language we've heard before but reconciliation hasn't been achieved in the past, and with the continued divided living arrangements, achieving it now won't be easy.

"As someone from a Protestant background, I welcome your aim of having a deeper engagement with those from Protestant, Unionist and British backgrounds. It's appropriate to say backgrounds because sometimes those are conflated into one identity.

"But to know what makes people from these communities tick, it's important to recognise that this is not a homogenous group and there is a wide disparity of views.

I'm Protestant, Irish and in favour of a new Ireland and more of us are finding our voice in the north.

"In a sense it may be easier for you to accommodate me. But listening to the views of others may be uncomfortable in hearing things that may challenge you.



"I hear and read the views of Unionists that I disagree with personally, but their voice should be heard. Some will talk about still feeling raw about the hurt they experienced in the past and feel that hurt isn't recognised by Republicans partaking in commemorations.

"Everyone should remember their dead, but how do we on both sides balance in holding firm to your own beliefs while recognised the impact it had on the other community?"

"I've also heard people cast doubt on the sincerity of Republicans' commitment to reconciliation, saying it's only verbal. They'll

cite the fact that many Protestants in the south were forced to move north; ignoring the fact that it was in the last century and the modern socially-changed south of today has seen many Protestants take their place in society. It's already a new Ireland in some respects.

"Again, though, more work is needed."

The document can be accessed here: [A_New_Ireland_for_All_Ending_Sectarian_Segregation.pdf](https://www.sinnfein.ie/A_New_Ireland_for_All_Ending_Sectarian_Segregation.pdf) (sinnfein.ie)





L-R: Caoimhe Archibald MLA, Gerry Carlisle, John Fitzgerald, Leo Varadkar, Seamus McGuinness

The **cost** of a United Ireland

A report was published this month by the Institute of International and European Affairs (IIEA) which says uniting Ireland will cost at least €8bn annually and could potentially increase to €20bn a year. The report looks at how much the north would need to be subsidised in the event of Irish unity.

Professor John Fitzgerald, one of the report's two authors, said the cost of absorbing the north into a new Ireland state would put pressure on public finances and likely lead to an "immediate, major reduction" in living standards.

Dismissing the findings of the report, Economics expert Dr Séamus McGuinness, research professor at ESRI Dublin, said that the analysis ignored fundamental facts that subvention exists because the northern economy has very low productivity but that "low productivity is not set in stone and can be changed with proper policy and investment".

"This mini-industry of estimating subvention, which seems to assume it is a constant that will apply immediately following a border poll, really makes no sense in terms of the reality of how a transition around constitutional change has to happen and has to be managed and planned for."

Sinn Féin MLA Caoimhe Archibald said other research had indicated that Irish unity could boost the all-island economy and that the current priority should be "planning and preparation".

"The debate on constitutional change is live and growing, accelerated by the negative impacts of Brexit and Tory austerity.

"Economic performance in the north has suffered enormously as a result of partition. Multiple studies have shown that reunification would best serve Ireland's economic interests and would deliver net benefits for the whole island.

"Professor Kurt Huebner, for example, concluded that Irish Unity could boost the all-island economy by 35 billion euros over 8 years.

"The key is planning and preparation. The Irish government should immediately establish a Citizens' Assembly to plan for Irish Unity." Ireland's Future CEO Gerry Carlisle said the report was a "another contribution to the intensifying discussions on a united Ireland. However, the content of the report resides within a stagnant worst-case scenario when the picture is far more dynamic."

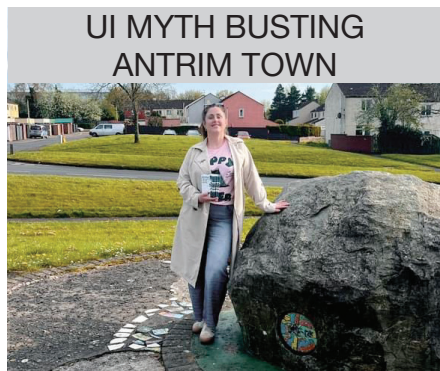
Former Taoiseach Leo Varadkar said a united Ireland "should never be about money" as he compared any future constitutional change to the fall of the Berlin Wall. In his last interview as Taoiseach with RTÉ News, he said that "three or four percent GDP is a small price to pay" for a united Ireland.

An economic case can be made that would cost less and that we could grow our economy, and economic growth is the best way to generate wealth, but it shouldn't be about that.

#Time4Unity **Am d'Aontacht**

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.



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 stalláí 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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LÁ NÁISIÚNTA STRÁITÉISE ÓGRA SHINN FÉIN

Tháinig poblachtánaigh óga le chéile Dé Sathairn an 20ú Bealtaine i mBaile Átha Cliath - poblachtánaigh óga ó gach cearn den tír, tiomanta do shaoire na hÉireann, agus d'fhíorú na Poblachta lenár linn. D'eagraigh ceannaireacht nua Ógra Shinn Féin an Lá Náisiúnta Stráitéise chun fuinneamh a chur insan eagraíocht agus sinn ag atógáil an eagrais ar fud na hÉireann.

Chualamar ó Jim Gibney ó Choiste Éireann Aontaithe an pháirtí. Tá Jim ina bhall gníomhach de ghluaiseacht na Poblachta le breis is caoga bliain, agus labhair sé maidir le héabhlóid na streachaithe le linn na tréimhse sin. Mar Ghaeil óga, tuigimid an dualgas ollmhór atá orainn tógáil ar an dul chun cinn a rinne glúin Jim, agus an streachailt seo a bhuachan sna blianta beaga amach romhainn. Tuigean Ógra Shinn Féin lár-spríoc ár ngluaiseachta - reifreann a bhaint amach ar Éirinn Aontaithe, é a bhuachan, agus an Phoblacht a thógáil bunaithe ar aisling Fhorógra na Cásca. Aithníodh insa chomhrá seo ar Éirinn Aontaithe gur gá go mbeadh an Ghaeilge ag croílár na físe seo - i bhfocail an Phiarsaigh, “ní hamháin saor, ach Gaelach. Ní hamháin Gaelach, ach saor.”

Léirigh an lá rathúil seo go bhfuil óga Shinn Féin fuinniúil agus chun ár seacht ndícheall a son na gluaiseachta in 2024. áitiúla

agus Eorpacha ag tarlú i Mí agus tá gach seans go dtarlóidh ó dheas agus toghchán

chomh maith i mblíana. Deis ollmhór is ea na toghcháin do chur chun cinn an phoblachtánachais - le Michelle O'Neill ina Céad-Aire sna 6 chontae, agus leis an seans go mbeidh Mary Lou McDonald ina Taoiseach ó dheas, cruthaíonn sé sin an comthéacs ina mbeidh éileamh na haontachta dosháraithe. Iarrimid, mar Choiste Eagraíochta Ógra Shinn Féin, ar bhail óga an pháirtí fud fad na tíre seo, a gcuid a dhéanamh agus páirt a ghlacadh in Ógra.

Is soiléir, ársa agus cóir ár n-éileamh - níl uainn ach an Domhan.

gníomhaithe bríomhar, ullamh dhéanamh ar Tá na toghcháin

an Mheithimh, olltoghchán Westminster



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EASTER UPDATE

On Easter weekend thousands of republicans gathered all across Ireland, to remember those who have struggled for Irish freedom and to honour those who struck for freedom in Easter Week 1916 and in every generation since. Easter is an important time where republicans recommit ourselves to the cause of the independence, sovereignty and unity of Ireland and to a 32-County republic based on equality and social justice.

Speaking at a commemoration to mark the 108th anniversary of the Easter Rising in Belfast Conor Murphy MLA said:

“Seismic change is happening across the entire island, and Sinn Féin is leading that change.

“This is the decade of opportunity. Referendums on Irish unity can take place before the end of this decade, and the time to prepare is now.

“The Irish Government should immediately establish a Citizens’ Assembly to plan for Irish unity; one where everyone is welcome, everyone is included, and one where people can openly share their ideas, their hopes, and their ambitions.

“This Easter, as we remember all those who have struggled for Irish freedom, we recommit ourselves to achieving a sovereign, independent, all-Ireland republic based on equality and social justice.

“A stronger and fairer Ireland. An Ireland that delivers for all.”

Addressing a commemoration in West Tyrone Cllr Paul Boggs said,

“The prospect of Irish Unity is no longer a noble aspiration but now a realistic proposition for more and more people including those from a Protestant background.

“The interest in and success of the People’s Assembly hosted by the Commission on the Future of Ireland in Strabane recently, combined with other events being held throughout Ireland and abroad, show that the issue of Irish Unity is now mainstream and that the debate is gathering strength. To make this proposition of Irish Unity a reality we need to secure and win a border poll.

“I am now 24 years old, the same age as proud Tyrone man, Martin Hurson when he died after 46 days on Hunger Strike. My generation is able to carry out our Republican activism free from fear because of the sacrifices of people like Martin Hurson and all of our patriot dead. We have the opportunity to peacefully and democratically reunite Ireland

“Our task now seems so little in comparison to what republicans endured throughout the struggle through the years. Our patriot dead all lived for and died striving to realise the same vision as the heroes of Easter week. The only fitting tribute we can pay to them is to go out and help secure and build the Republic for which they gave their all.”



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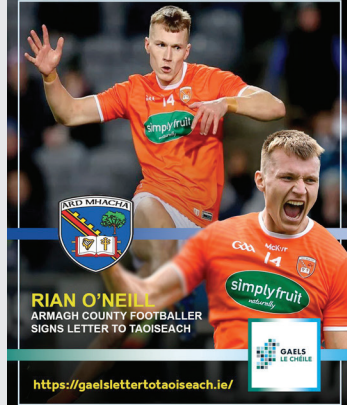


STRABANE

UNITING IRELAND ROUND UP

GAELS LE CHÉILE

Gaels across Ireland are continuing to support the campaign for a Citizens' Assembly to be established on Irish Unity. This month Gaels le Chéile reps wrote to the new Taoiseach Simon Harris requesting a meeting to discuss their campaign. Notable high profile Gaels who have signed the letter to Simon Harris include Armagh's Rían O'Neill. You can support their campaign by signing the letter at [www.gaellettertotaoiseach.ie](https://gaellettertotaoiseach.ie)



WOMEN & CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

Claire Mitchell and other women took part in a discussion at this month's Joint Committee on the Implementation of the Good Friday Agreement in the Oireachtas. The topic of discussion was Women and Constitutional Change. The footage of the committee can be accessed here:

Oireachtas committees video archive – Houses of the Oireachtas



IRELAND'S FUTURE 'PATHWAY TO CHANGE' - GET YOUR TICKETS NOW

Ireland's Future will host their 'Pathway To Change' event on Saturday 15th June at 12pm in the SSE arena, Belfast. Tickets are available online and can be purchased now. Be part of this important discussion. **Tickets Ireland's Future Presents Pathway To Change, Belfast | Sat, 15 Jun 2024, 12:00 | Ticketmaster | Ireland Referendum in 2030 (irishecho.com)**



YOUNG FINE GAEL CALL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A CITIZENS'S ASSEMBLY ON UNITY

A motion was passed at the recent Fine Gael Ard Fheis asking for the establishment of a New Ireland Forum to set out a vision for the constitutional future of the island. Young Fine Gael have been very vocal over recent months on the Citizens' Assembly campaign and continue to hold Fine Gael to account on this issue.



UNITED IRELAND IS AN "EXCITING IDEA" - NANCY PELOSI

Nanci Pelosi, Speaker Emerita of the US House of Representatives, described the prospect of a united Ireland as an "exciting idea" but said it is up to the island of Ireland to decide.

When asked if she would like to see a united Ireland during her lifetime she said, "That's a question for Ireland. As a schoolgirl in America, I would have thought that that was a great idea and why not do that? What would be important about that path is how you arrive at it and I think it's an exciting idea, but it's up to the Irish to decide that."



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AN TAOISEACH SHOULD PLAN FOR **CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE**

Michelle O'Neill has warned Simon Harris that he cannot hide his head in the sand on Irish reunification. This was in response to the new Taoiseach's assertion that pressing for unity was not currently a priority for him.

The new Taoiseach said: "It's a legitimate political aspiration for people in our country to want to see a united Ireland. The Good Friday Agreement provides that framework. You can recognise different political aspirations and a clear pathway for those to be achieved.

"That's not where my focus and priority is right now and quite frankly, it's not where I believe our focus and priority should be. We have a peace process that is enduring on this island and is in many ways, one of the most successful peace processes in the world.

"But it's also a frosty peace. I don't believe we've had an opportunity to see the full potential of prosperity embedded right across the island of Ireland through the framework of

the Good Friday Agreement."

Leas Uachtarán Shin Féin Michelle O'Neill said:

"There's no escaping the fact that the debate around constitutional change is a very live one, and more and more people are entering into that conversation, which is a healthy thing.

"Let's have the maturity in which to deliver good public services, do what we have to do in government, but also have the maturity to alongside that have a very pragmatic conversation about constitutional change – what that might look like and Fine Gael shouldn't put their head in the sand on that.

"They need to be engaged in the conversation and I would encourage the Taoiseach now that he is in post now to bring about the work in terms of planning for constitutional change. Let's have the citizens' assembly on unity. Let's have the debate around education, health, what does the future look like for our economy across the island?"

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ÉIRE NUA - CAD É A BHEAS I gCEIST?

Rosa Nic Lochlainn



Creidim i dtodhchaí a chruthaíonn Éire nua ina mbíonn cothrom na Féinne do chách - is cuma cad iad a ngnéas, a gcreideamh, a n-oidhreacht, a aois, a n-ioncam, nó cen cuid den tír ina gcónaíonn siad

Tá súil agam go mbeidh córas oideachais agus córas sláinte san Éire Nua atá fíor-shaor in aisce do chách.

Tá súil agam go mbunóidh an Eire Nua seo rath eacnamaíochta do chách, go háirithe iad siúd atá ar gcúl faoi láthair - an Tuaisceart agus an Iarthuisceart, an tIarthar, lár na tíre agus Éireann Tuaithe.

Ba mhaith liom infreastruchtúr níos láidre a chinntíonn go bhfuil an Iarthar agus an Tuaisceart ceangailte leis an cuid eile den tír.

Ach, an rud is tábhachtaí dom ná tír a chruthú atá aontaithe ó thaobh na polaítochta agus go sóisialta. Go mbeidh fíor teacht le chéile ar dhaoine - nach mbeimid ag caint níos mó faoin '2 phobail' agus go ndéanfimid dul chun cinn le chéile mar aon náisiún agus go ndéanfaidh ár gceannairí polaitiúla cinnte go seasann siad ar son gach duine agus a gcuid riachtanas.

Sin an fáth go bhfuil an próiseas agus an bealach ina mbímid ag caint faoi agus ag ullmhú don aontú an chuid is tábhachtaí den phróiseas seo dom. Caithfidh daoine a bheith in ann a gcuid tuairimí a chur chun tosaigh agus caithfidh daoine a thuigmheail cad é atá siad ag vótáil ar son.

Caithfidh na ceachtanna a fhoghlaim ó reifrinn Breátimeacht agus Neamhspleáchas na hAlban agus a chinntiú nach ligtar leis na cumhachtaí atá ag obair in éadan aontaithe, daoine a scanrú le staitisticí agus ráitis uafásacha agus bréagacha.

Tá daoine ó thuaidh agus ó dheas a bhfuil inní orthu faoi aontú nó atá in éadan. Tá cuid mhór de phobal na hAontachtach atá in éadan aontú ar bith. Mothaíonn siad gur chuid na Breataine iad agus an bhfuil fhios agaibh, sin ceart go leor. Tá cead acu bheith agus tá cead acu mothú mar chuid na Breataine iad. caithfidh muid éisteacht leo le meas ach ag an am céanna, caithfidh gach duine meas a léiriú do thorthaí reifrinn. Ní chreidim go mbeidh gach duine sásta má votáláíonn formhór na ndaoine ar an oileán ar son aontaithe. Ach mar a atá sé maith go leor a bheith ina Briotanach, tá sé ceart go leor don chuid is mó de mhuintir an oileáin seo le bheith ina n-Éireannach agus maireachtáil in Éire Nua aontaithe.

Sin an fáth go bhfuil an obair ullmhúcháin agus na comhráidí roimhe sin thábhachtach má bhíonn muid ag iarraidh daoine a thabhairt linn. Má éiríonn linn na deiseanna agus buntaistí ata ann le h-aontú a chur chun tosaigh agus, níos tábhachtaí, a dhéanamh go measúil, eolach, go cuimsitheach agus go forleathan, ansin tá deis réadúil againn saol nua, comhionannach agus cuimsitheach a chruthú do gach duine in Éirinn.

THIS IS THE DECADE OF OPPORTUNITY - CHRIS MACMANUS MEP

The conversation around a new and united Ireland has left the station. As Uachtarán Shinn Féin, Mary Lou McDonald has described it, this as the decade of opportunity. That is why believe it is long past time Brussels and Dublin get involved in the conversation.

The European Union will play a crucial role in a reunited Ireland. Therefore, it is only right they let the public know what exactly the EU can and will do in order to facilitate the transition from partition to reunification. We can of course engage in educated speculation on such supports, but we cannot afford to have a debate dominated by misinformation and old partitionist trip that seeks to stifle any form of progress.

It is quite clear that Dublin alone will not put any pressure on Brussels to engage in the planning or preparing for reunification. That is why need to elect a strong team of Sinn

Féin MEPs who are committed to preparing the European Union for a Unity Referendum.

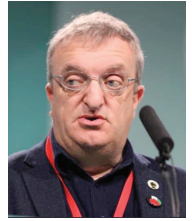
A strong Sinn Féin representation in the European Parliament holds the potential to yield positive effects on both EU-Irish relations and the broader regional stability.

Sinn Féin's proactive approach can stimulate constructive dialogues within the EU institutions regarding the reunification of Ireland. By engaging with fellow MEPs and EU officials, Sinn Féin can contribute to shaping discussions that prioritise peaceful and democratic solutions to partition.

When the unity referendum is called, Dublin and Brussels must do everything in their power to avoid a chaotic campaign dominated by disinformation. Returning a strong Sinn Féin team to the European Parliament will be the best way to ensure this.

'CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY ON UNITY NEEDED NOW' - CLLR MÍCHEÁL MAC DONNCHA

The Shared Island Unit based in the Taoiseach's Department this month addressed the April monthly meeting of Dublin City Council. The engagement follows the adoption by the Council of a Sinn Féin motion calling for a Citizen's Assembly on Irish Unity and for the Shared Island Unit to meet the Council. Councillor Mícheál Mac Donncha said: "The engagement of the Shared Island Unit with the largest local authority in Ireland, Dublin City Council, is very welcome and timely. The debate on Irish Unity is ongoing across the country and beyond and everyone needs to be part of it. "Dublin City Council has called for the establishment of a Citizens Assembly on Irish Unity and this must be the government's next step. Preparation needs to be put in place for the unity referendum that will take place. The constitutional, political, social, economic and cultural aspects need to be explored. "The citizens of Dublin should be central to all this. We need to work for a successful outcome, a reunified island with Dublin as the capital of a truly equal and inclusive Ireland."



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RESOURCE FOR ACTIVISTS

All of the recent articles and significant contributions on the United Ireland theme are available on the Sinn Féin website. Log in to www.sinnfein.ie/irish-unity for all of the news on uniting Ireland.



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