

CLUB OFFICER FOUNDATION AWARD

WHAT IS IT?

The Club Officer Foundation Certificate aims to provide a certified learning path for new Club Officers. It is the GAA National Officer Development Committee's first attempt to collate primary modules for new Club Officers to assist them in progressing their learning over time. It will be piloted with Chairpersons, Secretaries, Treasurers and PROs in GAA, LGFA and Camogie Clubs in four participating counties in 2020.

WHAT'S INVOLVED?

The Foundation Certificate involves 8 hours' worth of learning which must be completed by December 1st, 2020. For new Club Officers, it involves four sections –

- The online Club Officer Foundations module.
- The workshop covering their specific role & responsibilities e.g. Getting Started as a Club Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, PRO.
- The Club AGM workshop in the autumn.
- A choice between one additional workshop or two online modules – this will be decided by each participating County Development Officer.

THE BENEFITS

- Clear guidance on finding the right knowledge and skills to fulfil their roles.
- Setting learning goals that will progress their administrative credentials in the GAA, LGFA or Camogie Association
- Tracking of course progress over time.
- The availability of learning badges for each module completed, an Official GAA, LGFA and Camogie Association certificate upon completion and a gift – which is still TBC

PILOT COUNTIES

The Gaelic Games organisations are currently seeking four counties to pilot the provision of the Foundation Certificate. These will be confirmed ASAP and the award communicated to clubs. Once participation in the pilot is confirmed, **Development Officers must ensure that new Club Officers are enrolled on the Foundation Certificate course via the Learning Portal. At this point, participants can select the modules they wish to take in 2020.**