**Library Association of Ireland**

**Public Libraries Section Conference 2017**

**Tinakilly House Hotel, Co. Wicklow 7th – 9th November**

**Draft Programme**

**Tuesday 7th November**  
5pm – 7pm Registration  
8pm Official Opening of Conference and dinner followed by Table Quiz

**Wednesday 8th November**9am Opening of Exhibition

9.15am UX and Public Libraries: Experience and Possibility

Andy Priestner, Trainer and Consultant

10am 3x15 mins Shortlisted Project Prize Presentations  
  
10.45 3xExhibitor Lightning Talks, Princh A/S; WF Howes; Surfbox  
   
Tea/Coffee break

11.20am 2xExhibitor Lightning Talks, Bolinda; Interleaf Technology  
   
11.30am Liz McGettigan, CILIP Scotland  
  
12.15pm Shining a Light – The Future of Public Libraries Across Ireland and the UK, Douglas White, Head of Advocacy, Carneige Trust UK

1pm Lunch

2pm Visit to Arklow Library  
3pm Presentation of 2016 Project Prize Winner, Breda Hassett, Cork City Libraries

7.30pm Pre-dinner Drinks Reception

8pm Gala Dinner  
After Dinner Speaker, Dr Tom Clonan, Journalist and Writer

**Thursday 9th November**9.30am Mary Lavelle, Healthy Ireland and Greg Straton, Dept of Health.

10.30am 3 x 15 mins Quickfire Sessions; Services to Families with Autism, Cork City Libraries; Snuggle Stories, WWETB; A Guide to Age Friendly Communication, Monaghan County Council

11.15am Tea/Coffee Break

11.30am Niall Murray, Irish Autism Action

12.15pm My Life in Books Panel

Rick O’ Shea, TBC, TBC