About the Course
The purpose of the award is to equip the learner with the knowledge, skill and competence to supervise public amenities such as parks and gardens. This course will lead to a minor award at NFQ Level 6 in Leadership (6N3609).

Who should Apply?
This course is suited to people who are currently pursuing a careers in the horticultural sectors or for those who feel that they would like to explore this particular area of horticulture. This module offers participants a chance to study at the Teagasc College of Horticulture.

This subject is worth 30 credits which can be counted towards further studies at Level 6. By taking other Level 6 modules, students may be able to build towards a full major award of QQI Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Horticulture.
Module Content
On completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Evaluate the issues involved in establishing and managing plants in amenity areas of high usage
- Explain planning and other relevant legislation to enable effective participation within Local Government jurisdictions
- Examine the management and development of public amenities within the planning framework to maximise opportunities and ensure a sustainable approach to the provision of facilities
- Identify a broad range of introduced and native plants, based on horticultural merit suitable for amenity areas within Irish climatic conditions
- Apply the necessary skills in the management of gardens and urban and rural landscapes including codes of good practice
- Evaluate a range of potential planting sites including the selection of suitable plants for site conditions
- Appraise tree stocks for potential hazards including suggesting appropriate remedial action
- Ensure implementation of procedures to create and maintain a safe working environment

Course Structure
The course will be offered in one 3 hour session per week over a 16 week period commencing in early November and running through to mid-March. Students will be required to undertake class work and group activities surrounding leadership events and learner records. Assessment will be by the completion of a learner record and skills assessment.

Application for this course is through our website at www.teagasc.ie/education/going-to-college/apply-online/

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