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**Powerhouse Women in Business launches exciting new programme for 2024**

Carlow County Council’s Local Enterprise office is thrilled to announce the launch of the highly anticipated programme for women in business, set to kick off this year with a mission to empower and inspire female entrepreneurs and professionals. The first event of 2024 kicks off on Tuesday, 30th January 2024 in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow with Powerhouse Female Entrepreneur of the Year 2023, Ciara Stanley sharing her story and insights to success in business.

Powerhouse Women in Business Network is a valuable resource for women entrepreneurs and professionals looking to grow their businesses and careers while connecting with a supportive community of peers.

Councillor, Andrea Dalton, Cathaoirleach of Carlow County Council expressed her excitement about the 2024 programme, "The aim of the Powerhouse Women in Business Programme is not just about empowering women in their professional journeys; it is a commitment to unlocking the full potential of our collective talent. We believe in the power of diversity and inclusion. The Powerhouse Women in Business Network is a testament to our commitment to providing women with the tools, resources, and support they need to succeed in their professional endeavours. We are dedicated to fostering an environment where women can thrive and make a lasting impact."

Melissa Doyle, Business Advisor with the Carlow County Council’s Local Enterprise Office said, “As the coordinator of Powerhouse Women in Business Network, I am proud and excited to launch this programme for 2024, dedicated to equipping women with the skills, support, and network they need to not just succeed, but to thrive in their entrepreneurial journeys. As part of this event we will be launching our 2024 programme and I’m delighted to share our exciting plans for Powerhouse into 2024.”

Ciara Stanley, Powerhouse Female Entrepreneur of the Year 2023, stated “Powerhouse has been one of the most valuable business aids for me, it has thought me so much in terms of how to grow my business but most importantly, it has given me the confidence to grow and push myself as a businesswoman. Networking has played a huge role in where my business and myself are today and the power of network cannot be underestimated.”

Powerhouse launch event kicks off on Tuesday, 30th January 2024 in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Athy Road, Carlow from 12noon – 1:30pm including lunch.

Places are limited. To book your place, please register your details: <https://www.localenterprise.ie/Carlow/Training-Events/Online-Bookings/>

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