

County Cork Heritage Plan 2005-2010

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Allihies
Above: The 'Finger Stones',
Stone Row, Gurrane

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Photos this page

- Street Sign, Mitchelstown
- James Fort, Kinsale
- Common Spider

Opposite page

- Aerial view of Cork Harbour

Message from *Chairman of Co. Heritage Forum*

It is a great honour for me as Chairman of the County Cork Heritage Forum to be associated with the first Heritage Plan for the County. The plan is the product of a process that has brought together those groups and organisations with an interest in and with a responsibility for the care of Corks Heritage. It represents a new approach that I hope will help us all to better understand and appreciate our heritage and how best we can protect it.



The development of this plan marks the culmination of a lot of hard work and co-operation by many individuals and groups. I wish to take this opportunity to sincerely thank those who have assisted in bringing the plan to this stage, in particular the members of the County Cork Heritage Forum as well as members of the various Working Groups who gave so generously of their time and expertise. Special thanks also goes to Dr. Harriet Emerson who facilitated many of the meetings during the development of the plan. I'd also like to thank the groups and individuals who contributed during the consultation phase of the process.

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Finally, I would like to thank the Heritage Council for their continued support in developing this plan and to pay tribute to our own Heritage Officer, Sharon Casey who guided the work of everyone involved. We on the Forum look forward to working with the Heritage Council during the implementation phase of the plan.

The implementation of the Heritage Plan will only be achieved if it is fully supported by the Heritage Forum and other partners. I look forward to continued involvement with the Forum to see to fruition the thought and effort that was put into the plans development.

Kevin Murphy
Councillor Kevin Murphy

Introduction

Preamble

Co. Cork has a rich and diverse heritage that includes our countryside, rivers, lakes, woodlands, seas and offshore islands, our ancient sites, our villages and townscapes and the buildings that make up these. It is our history, language, folklore, customs and traditions. It is those special elements of our landscape that make us feel connected to our home place, townlands, parishes, villages, towns and county. It includes every hump and hollow, tree and stone to which a story is connected. Our heritage is constantly evolving and being created. Trees planted, houses built, stories told about matches lost and won today will become a part of the heritage of the next generation. Protection of our heritage not only has environmental benefits and benefits for the quality of life of the people of Cork, but it also brings economic benefits to the county by providing attractive towns, villages and countryside for visitors to enjoy.

*Right: Glanworth Village
Below: McCarthy's Bar,
Castletownbere*

As the pace of change is accelerating, there is greater pressure on our heritage than ever there was before. Features of our natural and cultural heritage are often used by those who are against change to block it and seen by those who are making change as a costly inconvenience. There exists a real challenge to find ways to balance the need for change with the desire for protection. The development and implementation of a County Heritage Plan is a key part of this process.

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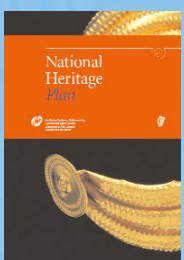
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architectural heritage
ruined structures
geology
flora
fauna
heritage gardens and parks
inland waterways
- HERITAGE ACT 1995



The National Heritage Plan

The development of the County Heritage Plan had its origins in the National Heritage Plan published in 2002. The aim of this plan is to 'ensure the protection of our heritage and to promote its enjoyment by all'. This is underpinned by the core principle that heritage is communal and we all share a responsibility to protect it. One of the key actions identified in the National Heritage Plan is to prepare local Heritage Plans. The National Plan directs that Local Heritage Fora should prepare these.

How the Co. Cork Heritage Plan was Prepared

The County Cork Heritage Forum, in accordance with guidelines set out by the Heritage Council, has formulated this plan. The Heritage Forum was established by Cork Co. Council and includes representatives from local government, government departments and agencies, local development, farming organisations, the community and voluntary sector and representatives from heritage groups active in the county (see Appendix 1). Five Working Groups were also established to advise the Forum on particular aspects of heritage. These are Archaeological Heritage, Biodiversity and Natural Heritage, Built Heritage, Museums and Archives and Cultural Heritage (see Appendix 2). Each Working Group was made up of representatives from the Forum as well as specialists in particular areas of heritage.

Preparation of the plan commenced with a consultative period during which organisations and interested individuals were invited to make comment on what they felt were the important issues for heritage in the county and what they would like to see in the plan. This generated 50 submissions relating to the concerns

of individuals and groups around the county. The Working Groups identified common themes and issues arising for groups or individuals in the submissions, and used these to develop actions to be implemented over the next five years. Regard was had to the National Heritage Plan and the National Biodiversity Plan, as well as other relevant national policy and legislation, the County Development Plan, 2003 and the Integrated Strategy for the Economic, Social and Cultural Development of County Cork, 2002-2011.

*Right: Drombeg Stone Circle
Below: Nesting Gannet
Lesser Stitchwort
Fastnet Lighthouse*

This draft went through a second consultation phase in March 2005. It gave all interested parties an opportunity to consider the work of the Forum. A further 25 submissions were received following this round of consultation. The Forum considered these in the final drafting of the plan in April 2005. The plan was submitted to Cork Co. Council on May 30th for adoption.



Local Links to National Plan Policy

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COUNTY CORK HERITAGE PLAN 2005-2010

Co. Plan Objectives

- To raise awareness and to promote appreciation and enjoyment of the heritage of Co. Cork;
- To develop and encourage best practice in relation to the management and care of heritage in Co. Cork and to deliver practical actions to achieve this;
- To gather and disseminate information about heritage in Co. Cork.

National Plan Objectives

- Place the protection and enjoyment of heritage at the heart of public life;
- Promote awareness and enjoyment of our heritage;
- Promote the measures required for the protection of our heritage;
- Place the protection and enjoyment of heritage at the heart of public life;
- Encourage the accumulation of the knowledge necessary to protect our heritage.

What the Plan Contains

This is a five-year plan covering the administrative area of Cork Co. Council. The aim of the plan is to secure benefits for local heritage and to increase awareness, appreciation and enjoyment of this heritage by all of the people of Co. Cork. Three themes were identified by the Forum, under which actions are proposed which will help to achieve this aim. These broadly reflect National Plan objectives (see table above). Many of the actions will help to achieve more than one of the objectives and it is hoped that all will contribute to the sustainable management of our local heritage.

The plan does not contain actions relating to every aspect of heritage as it would not be possible to 'do it all' in five years. The Working Groups and Forum worked to keep to a realistic number of actions, and in so doing had to prioritise.

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Ongoing Work In the County That Benefits Heritage

The Heritage Forum acknowledge the appreciation and value vested by local communities in their heritage, and in particular, the huge voluntary efforts that are made to protect this around the county. The Forum aim to encourage and support this sense of shared responsibility for our heritage in the whole community, through many of the actions in the plan. In all of the actions that are detailed here, the Heritage Forum has sought to add value, that is, to build on and compliment work that is being carried out by agencies and organisations in the county. Some of this work is listed in Appendix 3 of this plan. The Heritage Forum also acknowledge the contribution of educational institutes of Co. Cork to the better understanding of our heritage and the support of local communities through educational initiatives.

The Forum will continue to promote National Heritage Week, National Tree Week and National Biodiversity Day. The Heritage Forum also supports initiatives and grants schemes that have a benefit for Corks Heritage. These include the Conservation Grants Scheme for protected structures, the Heritage Council Grants Scheme, the NeighbourWoods Scheme, the Native Woodland Scheme, the Heritage in Schools Scheme and existing awards schemes for best practice in conservation of built heritage. The Forum also supports the principle of good practice and will, where possible, encourage and support an interdisciplinary approach to heritage management.

Liaison With the City and Other Counties

The Heritage Forum has identified the link between Cork County and adjacent Counties, and perhaps more particularly the close link between Cork City and County and will endeavour to work with Heritage Fora in these areas where a common approach to particular issues is appropriate.



How The Plan Will Be Delivered

The Co. Cork Heritage Plan is a countywide plan with many partners sharing responsibility for its implementation. The Heritage Officer will act as co-ordinator for many of the projects identified in the plan. While Cork Co. Council is a lead partner, the Heritage Forum will seek the participation of key partners in many of the actions that it carries out.

Left: Graveyard at
Ballinacurra

Above: Toll Board, Kinsale,
dating from the early 1700's
Below: St. Berichter's Stone,
Tullylease

The plan sets out actions for a five year period, 2005-2010. Each year a detailed work programme will be drawn up from the plan, setting out proposed actions for the year, identifying a timeframe and proposed partners. The Heritage Forum will propose the annual work programme in agreement with all partners. As this is the first plan for Cork, it will be important to allow for flexibility when it comes to implementing actions as the new structure evolves.

Finance

While some actions in the plan require little or no direct funding, most will require financial support, and all will require administrative and professional support. A budget of approximately €500,000 is estimated for the delivery of the actions over the lifetime of the plan. This does not include the cost of salaries of people involved in delivering the plan.

Cork Co. Council has agreed to support the delivery of the plan in partnership with others over the next five years as resources permit. The Council will also support the delivery of the plan through the work of its Heritage Officer and other staff.

The Heritage Council has agreed in principle to consider the plan as a five-year strategic funding application. The Heritage Council will consider funding actions in the plan that are compatible with the objectives of the Heritage Council.

The commitment of other key partners to funding actions in the plan, will largely be dependant on their funding allocations and remits, and will be decided when work programmes are being drawn up. In addition, corporate sponsorship will be sought for certain actions where appropriate.

The National Heritage Plan, published in 2002 indicated that €12.7 m was to be made available over a five year period for the implementation of Local Heritage Plans. To date there has been no indication from the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government, that funding allocations will be made available to support the delivery of Heritage Plans.



Aim Of The Plan

To secure benefits for local heritage and to increase awareness, appreciation and enjoyment of this heritage by all of the people of Co. Cork.



The Partnership Approach

Organisations and groups that have already agreed to be involved with particular projects are listed under the appropriate actions. It is proposed that as the annual work programme is agreed, participation will be sought from other relevant partners on a project by project basis. Where necessary, small steering groups made up of the relevant partners will be established to decide working briefs and to oversee the implementation of individual actions.

*Above: Water Lobelia,
Coole Abbey Gravestone
Opposite page: Bridge at
Ballydehob*

Monitoring and Review

The Co. Cork Heritage Plan sets out a series of actions to be achieved over a five year period. The annual work programme will detail the projects to be undertaken, and the partners responsible for their delivery. The County Cork Heritage Forum will monitor the annual work programme, and will meet on a regular basis to review and evaluate progress. Progress reports will also be prepared for the Co. Council and the Heritage Council and an independent mid-term review of the plan will be carried out. The Forum also plan to hold an annual open review day in order to report on progress of the plan to members of the Working Groups and other interested groups and individuals around the county.



Objectives And Actions

Objective 1 *To Raise Awareness and to Promote Appreciation And Enjoyment Of The Heritage Of Co. Cork.*

We would like to capture the hearts and minds of the people of Cork by raising awareness of our local heritage. The following actions focus on ways to promote appreciation and enjoyment of our heritage.

| No. | Actions | Partners |
|-----|---|---|
| 1.1 | Develop a county heritage awards scheme targeting schools, community groups and heritage professionals. | Heritage Forum |
| 1.2 | Produce a heritage guide to Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Cork/Kerry Tourism, Leader Companies |
| 1.3 | Work with the local media to promote heritage awareness and heritage plan projects and actions. | Heritage Forum |
| 1.4 | Work with schools to identify needs and develop actions for primary and post primary students. | Heritage Forum |
| 1.5 | Set up an annual heritage photographic exhibition to showcase themed aspects of heritage in the county. This will include an exhibition on changing landscapes. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Cork Archives Institute |
| 1.6 | Conduct a county survey of local residents and visitors attitudes towards all aspects of heritage. Collect information on visitors and their heritage resource use. Review the results of this to evaluate the success of the Heritage Plan and to inform future Heritage Plan actions. | Heritage Forum, Cork Kerry Tourism |

| No. | Actions | Partners |
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| 1.7 | Invite academic and public participation in a licensed excavation of an archaeological site in Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Heritage Unit Cork Co. Council, National Monuments Division of the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government, International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) |
| 1.8 | Hold an annual open review day to report on progress to date in implementing the Heritage Plan, to present the upcoming work plan, and to discuss current issues in relation to heritage in Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Heritage Plan Working Groups |
| 1.9 | Identify and highlight habitats and species for which Co. Cork has a special significance using the Co. Heritage Website and through the production of a high quality poster map and screensaver. | Heritage Forum, Biodiversity Working Group, Co. Nature Trust |
| 1.10 | Highlight the nationally unique county-specific resource of the Cork Local Studies Collection held in the Co. Library via exhibitions in local branch libraries to coincide with Heritage Week. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library |
| 1.11 | Identify and promote customs associated with sites and religious festivals. | Heritage Forum, Co. Heritage Network |





Consolidation of a Romanesque window at Mourne Abbey by Cork County Council's Stone Conservation Team

Objective 2 *To Develop And Encourage Best Practice In Relation To The Management And Care Of Heritage In Co. Cork And To Deliver Practical Actions To Achieve This.*

There is a need to encourage the use of the highest possible standards in the protection and management of our heritage. Actions under this objective address this issue.

| No. | Actions | Partners |
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| 2.1 | Publish a series of high quality guidance booklets relating to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintaining your Home - The Care of Archaeological Sites - Researching Local History in Cork - Wildlife and New Development | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Northside Folklore Project |
| 2.2 | Support training for professionals and practitioners as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold seminars for professional bodies/groups on best practice with regard to archaeology and built heritage - Provide targeted training for local museum curators, collectors, etc. - Support the provision of adult education classes on researching local history - Provide training for Local Authority staff on evaluating impacts of development on wildlife | Heritage Forum, Heritage Unit Cork Co. Council, Co. Library, Leader Companies, Heritage Council |
| 2.3 | Work with Dept. of Agriculture to send the 'Good Farming Practice and Archaeology' booklet to all farmers in the County. | Heritage Forum, National Monuments Division of Department of Environment Heritage and Local Government, Teagasc |
| 2.4 | Instigate a process to develop and resource a County Biodiversity Plan to build on and compliment the actions outlined in the County Heritage Plan. | Heritage Forum, Biodiversity Working Group, Co. Nature Trust |
| 2.5 | Run a seminar to showcase nature conservation potential of industrial sites. | Heritage Forum, Heritage Unit, Cork Co. Council, Co. Nature Trust |

| No. | Actions | Partners |
|------|---|---|
| 2.6 | Develop hedgerow management policy and training programmes for Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council, Teagasc, National Parks and Wildlife Service |
| 2.7 | Identify and highlight examples of good practice in relation to habitat management in Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Biodiversity Working Group |
| 2.8 | Produce a guide to the recording and inventorying of features of architectural interest for use by local communities. Test the guide in a pilot project. This project will include training and supervision. | Heritage Forum, Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government. |
| 2.9 | Produce information required for planning applications relating to protected structures and building exteriors in Architectural Conservation Areas. This will be included in planning application packs and posted on the County Council Website, which will be linked to the County Heritage Website (see Action 3.1). | Heritage Unit Cork Co. Council |
| 2.10 | Hold a seminar to bring together educators in building conservation to increase co-operation and networking and to explore potential for new training and educational initiatives. | Heritage Unit Cork Co. Council |
| 2.11 | Develop a methodology for demesne landscape appraisal and conservation requirements in development control. | Heritage Forum, Heritage Council |
| 2.12 | Produce guidance on the control and management of settings around important historical sites and monuments in the county, and set out these requirements in the County Development Plan and Local Area Plans. | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council |
| 2.13 | Work with the Cork Archives Institute to assist with the identification of the location and ownership of significant private collections of local archives (including photographs, paper records and oral histories), and encourage the individuals involved to make these "safe" by, at least, allowing a recording of the information held. | Cork Archives Institute, Co. Library, Heritage Forum |
| 2.14 | Involve Co. Cork schools in identifying and cataloguing historical school records in a standardised way using guidelines developed by the Heritage Forum. | Heritage Forum, Cork Archives Institute |
| 2.15 | Seek funding for the appointment of a County Museums Officer to be responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishing a County Museum Network to facilitate co-operation, information sharing, joint projects - Provision of training/best practice guidance for museum curators and collectors - Establishing a 'County Museum Trail' and seeking sponsorship for this - Producing a 'Virtual Museum' and seeking sponsorship for this - Providing information on the County's Museums - Co-ordinating provision of a 'roving curator' - Liaison with the County Library - Liaison with Schools - Rescue of collections at risk | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council, Co. Library, Heritage Office University College Cork, Leader Companies, Heritage Council |
| 2.16 | Produce guidelines for developers and County Council planners on the naming of new developments. | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council Planning Department, Logainmneacha Chorcaí, Gael Taca, The Arts, Library and Cultural Policy Strategic Policy Committee (Committee 4). |







Objective 3 *To Gather And Disseminate Information About Heritage In Co. Cork.*

Certain baseline information is needed within the county to record and understand our heritage and to provide information for decision making in the future. Where possible and appropriate, information will be hosted on the new County Heritage Website (see Action 3.1), or on the Co. Council website and will be made as easily available to the public as possible through other means.

| No. | Actions | Partners |
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| 3.1 | Develop and manage a County Heritage Website. | Heritage Forum |
| 3.2 | Identify existing published information relating to natural, archaeological, built and cultural heritage of Co. Cork. Make a catalogue of this available on the County Heritage Website, identifying where it is available to public access. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, City Library |
| 3.3 | Initiate the establishment of a Heritage Network in Cork. | Heritage Forum |
| 3.4 | Make core heritage information including the Record of Monuments and Places available in branch libraries. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library |
| 3.5 | Make a photographic baseline record of the county in order to build a record of significant change over time. | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council, Cork Archives Institute |
| 3.6 | Begin work to establish a County Photographic Archive by establishing a database of publicly available photographs. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Cork Archives Institute |
| 3.7 | Conduct a local study of farmland archaeology. This will include fieldwork to gather information on site loss and liaison with landowners to gather undocumented local information and to provide information and advice. It will also be used to assess attitudes towards archaeology and to investigate the potential of using placenames for the identification of archaeological sites. | Heritage Forum, Department of Agriculture, Department of Environment Heritage and Local Government |

| No. | Actions | Partners |
|------|---|---|
| 3.8 | Identify and map areas at risk of archaeological site loss in the county, and establish a task force to develop ameliorative actions in response to this. | Heritage Forum, National Monuments Division of Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government |
| 3.9 | Identify and survey children's burial grounds. | Heritage Forum, National Monuments Division of Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government |
| 3.10 | Complete a feasibility study for a natural heritage education centre to provide a place for people to experience and learn about nature. Begin work on establishing the centre. | Heritage Forum, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Cork Co. Council, Co. Nature Trust |
| 3.11 | Develop and pilot a methodology to identify locally important areas for biodiversity in the county. This will include the identification of important trees and groups of trees as well as other habitats or places where rare or protected species have been recorded. | Heritage Forum, Cork Co. Council, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Co. Nature Trust |
| 3.12 | Ensure that copies of all Environmental Impact Assessments conducted in the county are lodged in the County Library. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library |
| 3.13 | Put the Record of Protected Structures and Architectural Conservation Areas on the County Council Website, and link this to the County Heritage Website. | Heritage Unit Cork Co. Council |
| 3.14 | Highlight Cork County Council's work on built heritage through the Council's website and link this to the County Heritage Website. | Cork Co. Council Architects Department |
| 3.15 | Conduct a survey identifying the tourism gains from the conservation of built heritage. | Heritage Forum |
| 3.16 | Ensure that a condition is applied for a full record to be made of historic structures where permission is given to demolish these, and provide a copy of the record to a central deposit. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Cork Archives Institute |
| 3.17 | Pilot the collection of photographs at two local library locations (including the scanning and storage of material) in conjunction with historical societies. | Heritage Forum, Co. Library, Historical Societies |
| 3.18 | Initiate the indexing of church registers in West Cork (Diocese of Ross and part of Diocese of Cork). | Heritage Forum, Co. Library |
| 3.19 | Produce the Ordnance Survey Names Book for Cork, and make this available in the County Library. | Heritage Forum, County Library, Logainmneacha Chorcaí |
| 3.20 | Carry out a hedgerow survey of Co. Cork. | Heritage Forum, Teagasc, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Networks for Nature |





Timetable For Preparation Of The Plan

2002

Meetings with Planning Team and Co. Council to agree process for preparing the plan.

2003

Establishment of Heritage Forum.

2004

- Feb - April: Establishment of Working Groups.
- April: Heritage Forum meeting 1 - introduction.
- June: Heritage Forum meeting 2 - agree aim and objectives, phase 1 public consultation, ads in paper, press release, poster and letters to consultees.
- July: First round of Working Group meetings (5 meetings) - introduction.
- September: Second and third rounds of Working Group meetings - review submissions, develop, review and agree actions for plan (10 meetings).
- October: Heritage Forum meeting 3 - review Working Group papers, agree actions, review objectives.
- November: Heritage Forum meeting 4 - review draft plan.

2004/2005

- December/Jan: Finalisation of draft plan, presentation of draft plan to Planning Team, Planning SPC and Co. Council.

2005

- Feb - March: Phase 2 Public Consultation - ads in paper, press release, plan on display around the county, letter and draft plan to consultees.
- April: Heritage Forum Meeting 5 - review submissions, agree changes.
- May: Heritage Forum Meeting 6 - agree final plan
Plan adopted by Co. Council.



Above: Cappeen Ringfort
Left: The Imperial Measures, Kinsale Town 1824



Appendix 1 Heritage Forum Members

Name

Cllr. Liam Burke
Ms. Sharon Casey
Mr. Anthony Cohu
Mr. Seamas Crowley
Mr. Eugene Curran
Mr. Ian Dempsey
Ms. Catherine Desmond
Mr. Jerry Donovan
Ms. Ruth Flanagan
Ms. Louise Harrington
Ms. Margaret Lantry
Mr. Brian McGee
Mr. Michael McPartland
Ms. Dymrna Murphy
Cllr. John Murphy
Cllr. Kevin Murphy
Mr. Michael Manning
Mr. Declan O'Donnell
Mr. Bernard O'Donovan
Mr. Joe O' Leary
Ms. Catryn Power

Organisation

Youghal Town Council
Heritage Officer, Cork Co. Council
Cork Environmental Forum
Historic Monuments Advisory Committee, Cork Co. Council
Forest Service, Department of Agriculture and Food
West Cork Leader
Archaeologist, National Monuments, DoEHLG
Teagasc
Co. Librarian, Cork Co. Council
Conservation Officer, Cork Co. Council
Cork Historical and Archaeological Society
Cork Archives Institute
South Western Regional Fisheries Board
Cork County Development Board
Fermoy Town Council
Cork Co. Council, Chairman of Forum
Cork Kerry Tourism
National Parks & Wildlife Service, DoEHLG
Irish Farmers Association
Community and Voluntary Forum
Archaeological Officer, Cork Co. Council

Appendix 2 Working Groups Members

Archaeology

Member Name

Cllr. Liam Burke
Ms. Catherine Desmond
Mr. Ken Hanley
Mr. Connie Murphy
Mr. Bernard O'Donovan
Mr. Joe O' Leary
Ms. Catryn Power

Organisation

Youghal Town Council
National Monuments, DoEHLG
National Roads Authority
Archaeologist
Irish Farmers Association
Community and Voluntary Forum
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Biodiversity and Natural Heritage

Member Name

Ms. Sharon Casey
Ms. Valerie Cummins
Mr. Eugene Curran
Mr. Jerry Donovan
Dr. Tom Gittings
Mr. Declan O'Donnell
Professor John O'Halloran
Mr. Terry O'Regan
Mr. Michael McPartland
Mr. Pat Roche
Mr. Jim Wilson

Organisation

Heritage Officer, Cork Co. Council
Coastal Marine Resources Centre, UCC
Forest Service
Teagasc
Ecologist
National Parks & Wildlife
University College Cork
Landscape Alliance Ireland
South Western Regional Fisheries Board
Coillte
Ecologist

Left: Oileain Chléire
 Below: Excerpt from Taylor and
 Skinners Maps of the Roads of
 Ireland, showing the Butter Road,
 surveyed 1777
 Traditional Shopfront, Rosscarbery



Built Heritage

Member Name

Mr. David Bird
 Mr. Anthony Cohu
 Mr. Ian Dempsey
 Ms. Anna Marie Hajba
 Ms. Louise Harrington
 Mr. John Ludlow
 Mr. Michael Manning
 Cllr. John Murphy
 Mr. Paul Murphy
 Ms. Nora O'Donnell

Organisation

Fota Trust
 Cork Environmental Forum
 West Cork Leader
 Architectural Historian
 Conservation Officer, Cork Co. Council
 Architect, Cork Co. Council
 Cork Kerry Tourism
 Fermoy Town Council
 Planning Policy Unit, Cork Co. Council
 Cork Co. Council

Cultural Heritage

Member Name

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 Mr. Seamas Crowley

 Mr. Douglas Gunn
 Mr. Dermot Lucey
 Mr. Ian Mc Donagh
 Mr. Christy Roche

Organisation

County Development Board
 Historic Monuments Advisory Committee,
 Cork Co. Council
 Music Historian
 Local Historian
 Cork Co. Council
 Local Historian

Museums and Archives

Member Name

Ms. Ruth Flanagan
 Mr. Brendan Kelleher
 Ms. Terry Kearney
 Mr. Éamon Lankford
 Ms. Margaret Lantry
 Mr. Brian McGee
 Cllr. Kevin Murphy
 Mr. Sean Radley

Organisation

Cork Co. Council
 Cork Co. Council
 Skibbereen Heritage Centre
 Logainmeacha Chorcaí
 Cork Historical and Archaeological Society
 Cork Archives Institute
 Cork Co. Council
 Millstreet Museum



Appendix 3 National Issues

The following issues have been identified during Working Group Meetings. However, it was agreed that these were beyond the remit of the Co. Heritage Plan or the County Cork Heritage Forum to resolve. This list is not exhaustive, but reflects some of the concerns of the Working Group Members. The County Cork Heritage Forum will review progress with regard to these issues during this five-year planning period.

- 1 The need for continuous updating of Co. Sites and Monuments Survey.
- 2 Regionalise DoEHLG Archaeology functions.
- 3 Provide financial incentives for both personal and corporate expenditure on heritage works.
- 4 Include heritage in schools curricula.
- 5 Develop an accreditation system for training courses in building conservation.
- 6 Encourage FÁS to hold traditional building skills training.
- 7 Provide financial incentives for expenditure on access and insurance to heritage sites.
- 8 Establish the National Heritage Forum to progress some of these issues and seek to link this to Co. Heritage Fora.
- 9 Importance of retaining townland names and boundaries.
- 10 Identify conflicts in regulations relating to Heritage and seek to address these.
- 11 Return Cork Archaeology Inventory to Cork.
- 12 Provide national funding for the provision of genealogical information.
- 13 Central financial funding needed to support Regional Network of Museums.
- 14 Need for additional financial and staffing resources to exploit library and archive holdings.
- 15 Need to improve local access to information held in national cultural institutions.
- 16 Need to improve access to Church records and other genealogical information such as school records.

Golden Plover, Rosscarbery



Appendix 4 Ongoing Work

In the development of actions for the Heritage Plan, the Heritage Forum have sought to add value, that is, to build on and compliment work that is being carried out by agencies and organisations in the county. Some of this work is listed below. This is not an exhaustive list, but gives some idea of the kind of work that is ongoing in the county.

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| All stakeholders | Implementation of River Basin Management Project for the South Western River Basin District in accordance with the Water Framework Directive. |
| Co. Library | The preservation of the Cork Local Studies Collection. |
| Coillte | Implementation of the Biodiversity Programme as part of the Sustainable Forest Management Initiative. |
| Cork Archives Institute | Cataloguing and conservation of important archival material. |
| Cork Walking and Cycling Trails Network | The promotion of sustainable development and management of walking and cycling routes in the County. |
| County Development Board | Implementation of the Cultural Strand of the Integrated Strategy for the Economic, Social and Cultural Development of County Cork. |
| Department of Agriculture Food and Teagasc | The promotion of Good Farming Practise and the Rural Environment Protection and Scheme. |
| Forest Service | Implementation of Guidelines on Best Practise in Forest Management Management of Native Woodlands and NeighbourWood Schemes. |
| Heritage Unit, Cork Co. Council | Management of the Record of Protected Structures, Architectural Conservation Areas and Conservation Grants Scheme, development of heritage policy for County Development Plan and Local Area Plans, provision of advice re archaeology, architectural heritage and natural heritage to Co. Council and to general public, implementation of Co. Heritage Plan, production of Landscape Character Assessment, assistance with community based projects. |
| Historic Monuments Advisory Committee and Cork Co. Council | The conservation and restoration of national monuments and the provision of guidance to best practice with regard to the protection of old graveyards. |
| Local Development Organisations | Support of rural communities in cultural heritage initiatives. |
| Logainmneacha Chorcaí | The identification and recording of placenames of Co. Cork. |
| National Parks and Wildlife Service Of Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government | National habitats and species survey work and ongoing work relating to the designation and conservation of nationally and internationally important natural heritage sites. |
| National Monuments and Historic Properties Division Of Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government | Input into planning process, enforcement of the National Monuments Acts. |
| The Forest Service and Cork Co. Council | The preparation of an Indicative Forest Strategy for Cork. |



Appendix 5 Relevant Legislation and Policy



Legislation

Archaeological Heritage

National Monuments Acts, 1930-2004
National Cultural Institutions Act, 1997

Built Heritage

Local Government Planning and Development Acts, 1963 - 2000
Architectural Heritage (National Inventory) and Historic Monuments (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1999

Natural Heritage

Wildlife Act 1976
Wildlife (Amendment) Act, 2000
European Communities (Natural Habitats) Regulations, 1997
Birds Directive (Council Directive 79/409/EEC), 1979 (ratified 1985)
Habitats Directive (Council Directive 92/43/EEC), 1992 (ratified 1999)
Water Framework Directive (Council Directive 2000/60/EC), 2000
Whale Fisheries Act, 1937

Museums and Archives

National Cultural Institutions Act, 1997
Local Government Acts, 1994 and 2001
National Archives Act, 1986
Civil Registration Act, 2004

Heritage Planning

Planning and Development Act, 2000
Heritage Act, 1995
Environmental Impact Assessment (Council Directive 85/337/EEC, as amended)
Strategic Environmental Assessment (Council Directive 2001/42/EC)

Miscellaneous

Data Protection Act, 1988
Freedom of Information Act, 1997
Civil Registration Act, 2004
Continental Shelf Act, 1968

International Conventions and Agreements which Ireland has signed and ratified

General

UNESCO Convention concerning the protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (ratified 1992)

Built Heritage

Convention for the Protection of the Architectural Heritage of Europe (Granada Convention), 1997
European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (Valetta Convention), 1997

Natural Heritage

Convention on Biological Diversity, 1992 (ratified 1996)
Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats (Bern Convention), 1979
Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (Bonn Convention), 1999
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Convention), 1971
European Landscape Convention, 2000 (ratified 2002)
Agreement on the Conservation of Bats in Europe (Bonn Convention), 1993
Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA) Bonn Convention), 1996
Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), 1994

Appendix 6 Consultation Submissions

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack & Margaret Nichol, Ballincollig
Mr. Brian Magee, Cork Archives Institute
Mr. Charlie Mc McCarthy, Sheeps Head Tourism, Bantry
Mr. Daithí Burke, Newmarket
Mr. Daniel Doolan, St. Anne's Heritage and Historical Society, Mallow
Mr. Daniel Noonan, Kilworth
Mr. Dónal Dalton, Passage West
Mr. Donal Doolan, Snr Ex Fire Officer, Cork Co. Council
Mr. Éamonn Lankford, Cape Clear Museum and Island Archive
Mr. Éamonn Lankford, Logainmneacha Chorcaí
Mr. Edward Forde, Mitchelstown
Mr. Eugene O' Riordan, Macroom & District Historical and Archaeological Society, Macroom
Mr. Garry Walsh, Timoleague
Mr. Gerard Mc McCarthy, Kinsale Local History Society
Mr. JJ Hayes, Courseys Integrated Rural Development, Ballinspittle
Mr. Joe Creedon, Inchigeelagh
Mr. John Caplice, Mallow Field Club, Mallow
Mr. John X Miller, Cork Civic Trust, Cork
Mr. Joseph Snow, Passage West Area Development & Environment Association, Passage West
Mr. Maurice Colling, Crosshaven Development Committee
Mr. Michael F. Kelly Youghal Heritage Society
Mr. Michael O' Callaghan, Comharchumann Chléire Teo, Oilean Cleire
Mr. Michael O' Connell, Clonakilty Museum
Mr. Michael O' Keeffe, County Nature Trust, Listowel, Co. Kerry
Mr. Paddy Leahy, Senior Engineer Cork Co. Council
Mr. Paddy O' Donovan, Rosscarbery & District Historical Society
Mr. Padraig O' Cuanacháin, Gael-Taca, Corcaigh
Mr. Pat Crowley, Cork County Development Board
Mr. Pat Roche, Coillte
Mr. Paul Flanagan, Rostellan Development Association, Rostellan
Mr. Paul Kelly, Ballintotis Community Council, Castlemartyr
Mr. Roger Garland, Keep Ireland Open, Dublin
Mr. Ryan Howard, East Cork Area Development Ltd.
Mr. Seán O' Sullivan, Beara Environmental Forum, Castletownbere
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Mrs. Margaret Sisk, Crosshaven
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Ms. Anne Byrne, Blarney and District Society
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Ms. Helen Duggan, Cloyne Literary & Historical Society
Ms. Jennifer Webb, Cloghroe
Ms. Joanne Crossland, Architect, Mallow Town Council
Ms. Josephine Earley, Little Island Community Association, Little Island
Ms. Maisie Culbert, Dunmanway Historical Society
Ms. Martina Ahearne, Mallow Heritage Centre
Ms. Mary Crowley, Glanmire Heritage Society, Riverstown
Ms. Mary O' Driscoll, The Northside Folklore Project, Cork
Ms. Noreen Kelleher, Aubane Historical Society, Millstreet
Ms. Norma Buckley, Glenville Community Council, Glenville
Ms. Olive Coleman, Cork Genealogical Society, Cork
Ms. Paula Ní Riogáin, Ionad Foghlama Chléire, Oilean Chleire
Ms. Rita Kearney, Bere Island Conservation Plan, Bere Island
Ms. Shirley Kingston, Blackwater Resource Development, Fermoy
Ms. Stephanie Bolton, Dunmanway
Ms. Terri Kearney, Skibbereen Heritage Centre, Skibbereen
Ms. Gilles Dargnies, Rennes, France



Above left: Ballinadee Post Office
Left: Window at Kingston College, Mitchelstown
Right: View of Cork Harbour from Glenbrook

