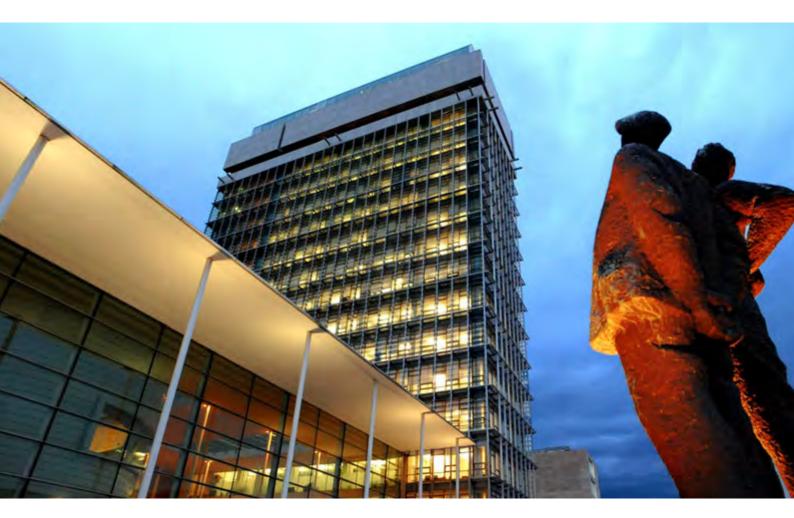


# Comhairle Contae Chorcaí Cork County Council



Municipal District Operations and Rural Development

May 2022

ACTIVITIES REPORT 2021

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## Foreword from Chief Executive

The Municipal District Operations & Rural Development directorate is a key service delivery provider within the Council. Its brief is broad and far reaching and the services that it delivers benefit us all – from young to old, from parks to playgrounds, town centre rural regeneration to beaches and sporting infrastructure, the contribution that our Municipal Districts make enriches all of our lives. The Library Services and Arts Office have had a particularly eventful year, adapting their services to meet ever increasing demands. The arts and creative industries sector contributes in a big way to the quality of life in Cork County – socially, culturally and economically. Cork County Council dug deep to ensure that the sector was nurtured and supported to the greatest possible extent during the pandemic. The Council was pleased to facilitate a range of initiatives and supports and it was heartening to see these being embraced by artists and public alike.

The Municipal Districts are a key enabler and facilitator of community and economic wellbeing across our towns, villages and rural areas. The ambitious Project ACT (Activating County Towns) initiative was further developed in 2021 and was instrumental in rebuilding confidence across our county. A strong emphasis was placed on embracing outdoor dining and recreation and, to this end, the Council – through its Municipal Districts – worked hand in hand with the business, hospitality and retail communities. The Council invested significantly in the enhancement of outdoor facilities including benches, canopies, lighting, seating etc, reinforcing the message that Cork County is a safe place to visit and to do business.

The range of projects and initiatives that are set out in this report demonstrates the level of activity and investment by Cork County Council across the county, and I am confident that the coming years will generate many more exciting projects for us all to enjoy.

#### Tim Lucey, Chief Executive, Cork County Council



## Foreword from the Mayor of the County of Cork

There is no doubt that 2021 was a challenging year. It was the year when the COVID-19 pandemic really took hold and changed how we live our lives. But it was also an exciting year, a year where a wide range of projects were devised and implemented. The Council placed a strong focus on providing supports to business and the arts. This work - driven politically and locally through the Municipal Districts - placed Cork County Council to the fore as a key enabler of local community and economic development. As Mayor of the County of Cork, I am proud of how our people remained resilient and focussed, helping each other and the communities around us. The Library, Arts and Age Friendly services made a really positive impact on people's lives. The Municipal Districts across the county met the challenges head-on, and delivered for the people of our county.

#### Cllr. Gillian Coughlan, Mayor of the County of Cork

## Introduction

The Municipal District Operations and Rural Development Directorate, was established in 2014 in order to reinforce the role that Municipal Districts would play in serving the citizens of Cork County.

The Municipal Districts provide a wide variety of services which include the provision of School Wardens, operation of Town parking, litter control, street cleaning, burial ground and playground maintenance. The Municipal Districts are also responsible for the delivery of projects funded through national funding schemes which include the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme and Clár.

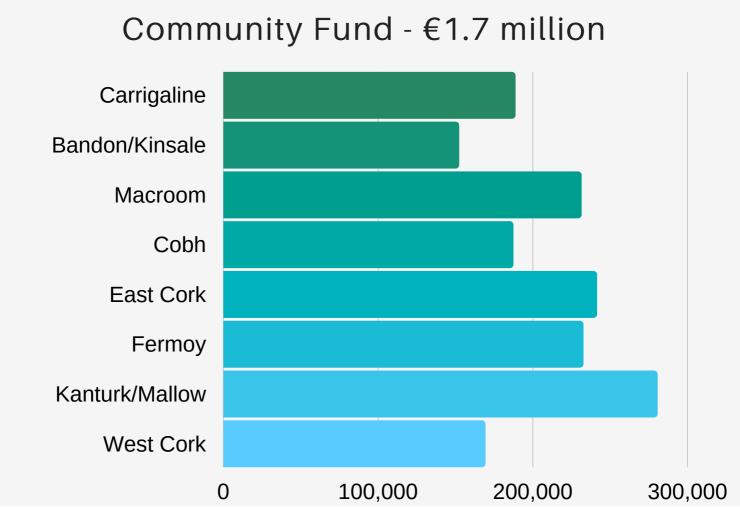
The directorate is also made up of the Architects Department, Library Service and Arts Service. This report provides a summary of activities in 2021.



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In 2021 the General Municipal Allocation (GMA) fund allowed the continued support of circa 600 groups which saw the many projects supported, categorised under Amenity Grants, Capital Grants and Community Contract Schemes.

In 2021 €1.8 million was the GMA, with circa €1.7 million allocated to the Community Fund.



## Capital Fund Scheme

- 53 Organisations involved
- €609,000 spent

Projects included development of playgrounds and development of community facilities.

### Amenity Fund Scheme

- 374 Groups across all 8 Municipal Districts
- €645,445 spent

Projects included the purchase of equipment for clubs/groups and upgrade of community facilities.

## Community Contracts

- 135 groups
- €415,182 spent

These contracts allowed Tidy Towns and community groups to undertake works and small scale projects which enhanced many areas.



Each group is required to agree with Municipal District Officers and Local Engineers. This collaboration ensures that all stakeholders are continuously working towards agreed goals specific to their area.

The majority of Cork County's Tidy Towns groups continually put themselves forward for assessment under the National Tidy Towns Competition. Applicants for this competition are assessed over the course of a number of months under a number of headings which include Community, Nature, Biodiversity and Sustainability.





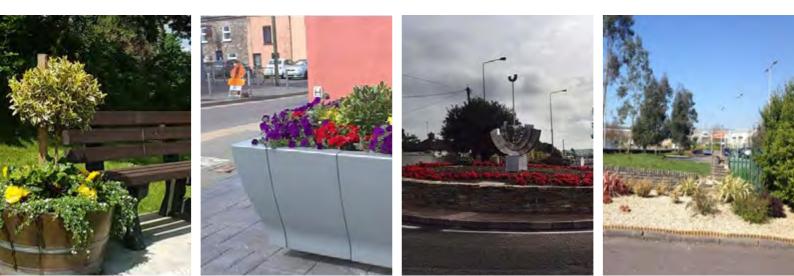


## Tidy Towns Awards

Gold Medal	Rosscarbery
	Clonakilty
	Bantry
	Youghal
	Cobh
Silver Medal	Kinsale
	Skibbereen
	Coolagown
	Carrigaline
	Rathbarry
Bronze Medal	Kilbrittain
	Eyeries
	Ballydehob
	Castletownroche
	Timoleague
	Macroom
	Millstreet
	Bandon

Special Awards - COVID-19 COMMUNITY AWARD Regional Award Winner: Cobh Tidy Towns Overall award Winner: Cobh Tidy Towns

Island Awards: Highly Commended: Sherkin Island National Award Winner: Bere Island



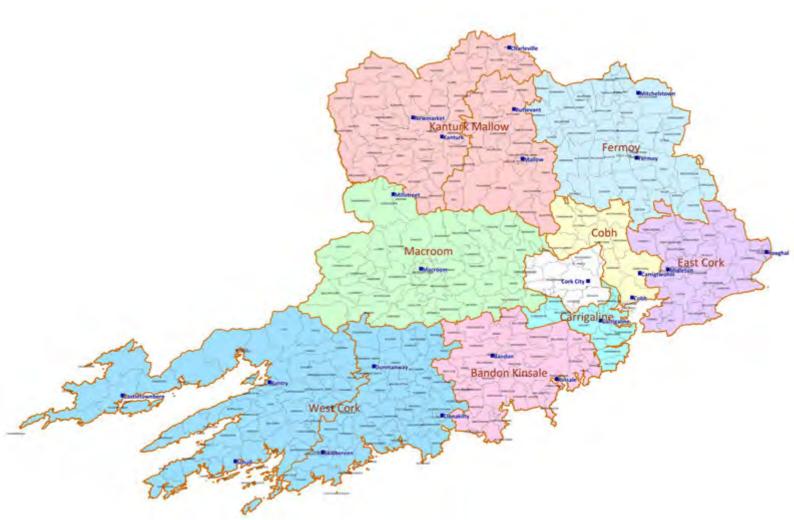
## Cork County Council Local Electoral Area Boundaries

The post boundary review population of Cork County Council, as recorded under the 2016 Census, has been determined by the Central Statistics Office to be 332,015. The Minister, on the recommendation of the Local Electoral Area Boundary Committee, divided the County into 10 local electoral areas.

The 10 local electoral areas comprise 8 Municipal Districts as follows:

#### **Municipal Districts**

- 1. Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District comprising Bandon-Kinsale local electoral area
- 2. Carrigaline Municipal District comprising Carrigaline local electoral area
- 3. Cobh Municipal District comprising Cobh local electoral area
- 4. Fermoy Municipal District comprising Fermoy local electoral area
- 5. East Cork Municipal District comprising East Cork local electoral area / Midleton local electoral area
- 6. Kanturk-Mallow Municipal District comprising Kanturk local electoral area and Mallow local electoral area
- 7. Macroom Municipal District comprising Macroom local electoral area
- 8. West Cork Municipal District comprising Clonakilty-Skibbereen local electoral area and Bantry local electoral area.



Local Electoral Area	Number of members	Population 2016	Population per member
Bandon-Kinsale	6	37,269	6,212
Bantry	4	22,424	5,606
Carrigaline	6	35,141	5,857
Cobh	6	34,117	5,686
Fermoy	6	36,406	6,068
Kanturk	4	24,935	6,234
Macroom	6	36,844	6,141
Mallow	5	29,157	5,831
Midleton	7	45,441	6,492
Clonakilty-Skibereen	5	30,281	6,056



# **MACROOM MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**



#### TOWNS

Macroom, Millstreet

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Ballingeary – Béal Átha an Ghaorthaidh, Ballymakeera / Ballyvourney, Baile Mhíc íre / Baile Bhuirne, Coachford, Kilumney / Ovens

#### VILLAGES

Aherla, Aghabullogue, Cloughduv, Clondrohid, Crookstown, Crossbarry, Dripsey, Inchigeelagh, Kilnamartyra – Cill na Martra, Kilmurry, Model Village (Dripsey), Rylane/Seiscne, Stuake/Donoughmore, Farnanes, Kilmichael, Coppeen, Tarelton

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

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Cllr. Michael Looney

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## Macroom Municipal District

### **Boundary Alteration**

Following the local elections in June 2019 the boundary for Macroom Municipal District changed with Blarney being removed and the area being expanded to now include Millstreet. Areas such as Kilmichael, Tarelton, Inchigeelagh and Ballinora now come under Macroom MD.

#### Councillors

The following Councillors represent Macroom Municipal District:



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### Activities by Macroom MD during 2021

2021 was a very busy year for Macroom Municipal District with a number of exciting and much anticipated projects being progressed through planning, seeking funding and with one major project commencing before the year closed out.

While the Covid-19 restrictions delayed some projects in the Municipal District, overall huge progress was achieved over the year.

We anticipate an equally busy year for 2022 with capital projects and activities returning in earnest following the Covid-19 restrictions.



**River Sullane Macroom** 

#### 2021 Community Fund

The 2021 Community Fund was maintained at the 2020 rate of  $\in$  197,253. There was also some lapsed fund allocations that were re-allocated as part of the 2021 Community Fund allocations. These lapsed allocations totalled  $\in$  34,050, thus giving a total of  $\in$  231,303 allocated to applicants of the 2021 Community Fund.

The Members allocated this funding to various local groups and organizations. This Fund assists local voluntary groups in providing or improving facilities they offer. Local sporting groups gain assistance through this Fund which enables them to provide additional, new and improved facilities. Significant funding is also provided to the Tidy Towns groups in the Municipal District to enable them to carry out enhancements to their locality for entry in the national Tidy Towns Competitions. The Capital Fund assists some of the bigger projects going on in the communities with for example assistance provided in 2021 towards the completion of walkways in local GAA grounds etc.

Overall, it resulted in 72 eligible applications being awards funds under either the Capital, Amenity or Community Contracts. This Fund is growing in popularity each year. The Members also agreed to retain their Discretionary Fund in the Amenity Fund.

2021 COMMUNITY FUND ALLOCATIONS TOTAL ALLOCATION €231,303		
	No. of Applications	Total Allocation
Amenity Fund	54	€94,103
Members Discretionary Fund		€5,000
Capital Fund	10	€104,000
Community Contract	8	€28,200
TOTAL	72	€231,303

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Village Enhancements by Berrings Tidy Towns Group



Village Enhancements by Baile Mhuirne Tidy Towns Group



Dripsey Ambush Site After

New instruments & uniforms for Buíon Phíobairí Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh

#### 2021 Village Enhancement Scheme

The Members agreed to divide the 2021 Scheme into 2 separate projects, as follows:

- Installation of Speed Safety Measures at a number of locations
- Village Enhancement Works to Clondrohid Village

The installation of the speed safety measures have been completed and installed in the following locations:

- Kilmichael one sign on each approach along the R-587 total of 2 signs
- Kilumney one sign on western approach total of 1 sign
- Crookstown one sign on the R-585 approach from Béal na Bláth towards the village and one sign on the R-585 when travelling west between the Bandon junction and the grotto – total of 2 signs
- Ballydaly one sign on each approach along the R-582 total of 2 signs
- Stuake one sign on each approach along L-2579 total of 2 signs
- Dripsey one sign on R-618 on the eastern approach to the village total 1 sign

A total of 10 speed activated signs were installed funded from this Scheme.



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Completed speed safety signage at Ballydaly



Works to set down area in Clondrohid

2021 Town Development Fund

It was agreed that the 2021 Town Development Fund would go towards the following projects for both Macroom & Millstreet. The allocation was divided as follows:

TOTAL TDF FOR 2021 - ALLO	CATION OF €	98,000
	Macroom	Millstreet
Christmas Lights Funding	€9,000	€5,000
General Festival Provision - Macroom	€4,000	
Floral Displays Macroom	€5,000	
Macroom Playground Renovations	€20,000	
Macroom Town Framework Plan	€20,000	
Change to original allocation to this project: Refurbishment of Picnic Area at Drishane Millstreet		€35,000
Overall Total	€58,000	€40,000

#### 2021 Paint Scheme

The Paint Scheme for 2021 was again provided and open to applications from the following Villages:

- Crookstown Village
- Berrings Village
- Baile Mhuirne Village
- Cúl Aodha Village
- Kilmurry Village
- Clondrohid Village
- Rylane

Meetings were held locally in Clondrohid with the voluntary groups to see their priorities for their village and how best to allocate this funding to their priority projects.

It was agreed to carry out the following projects for the village:

- Improvement works to setdown area adjacent to community creche / GAA pitches. This area requires drainage, tarmac and lining
- Planting and seating throughout the village

Works to the setdown area is almost complete with the lining of the area to be done over the coming weeks. The remainder of the project (i.e. seating & planting) will be completed during springtime in Q1 2022.

A Shopfront Improvement Scheme was also introduced
in 2021 and was offered for the following commercial
areas:

- Macroom
- Millstreet
- Baile n' Ghaorthaidh
- Baile Mhuirne
- Coachford
- Rylane

- Crookstown
- Cúl Aodha
- Kilmurry
- Killumney / Ovens
- Donoughmore

A total of 25 applications were approved for the 2021 Paint Scheme and a total of 18 applications were approved under the 2021 Shopfronts Improvements Scheme. The locations of the applications are further broken down below.

2021 Paint Sche	eme
Area	No. of Application
Baile Mhuirne	11
Berrings	2
Clondrohid	6
Cúl Aodha	6
Total	25

2021 Shopfront Improvements Scheme	
Area	No. Of Applications
Baile Mhuirne	2
Coachford	4
Crookstown	1
Kilmurry	1
Macroom	9
Millstreet	1
Total	18

#### Macroom Playground Refurbishment Project

The playground and its refurbishment was a key priority area for the Member to upgrade with funding allocated under the 2021 TDF towards this project. The original playground was almost 25 years old with some of the original features being of such high standard and specification, we were able to keep these features. repaint and renovate them. A new spacenet, junior multiplay unit and senior mega multiplay unit were among the new items installed. The seating areas were also renovated and repainted. The surface matting of the entire facility was also replaced. Overgrown vegetation near the playground was also cleared away so as to fully open up this facility. New signage was also added.

Cork County Council carried out the removal of the old playground, the design and construction of the new facility with an allocation of  $\notin 20,000$  through its Macroom Municipal District, together with funding of  $\notin 16,131$  secured from the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth (DCEDIY) under the Capital Grants Scheme 2021. The remaining costs of the project was funded through Cork County Council's Municipal District Operations and Rural Development.

Local company based in Carrigadrohid, Browne Brothers Site Services Ltd were the main contractors for this playground with design of the playground being carried out by one of their employees who is a Macroom resident and very familiar with the playground.

The renovations to the playground were completed in mid November 2021 and the newly refurbished playground has been open to the public since this date.

Mayor of the County of Cork Cllr Gillian Coughlan will officially open this newly refurbished Macroom Playground on 8th February 2022 which is a significant upgrade and replacement of the old playground facility.



Newly refurbished playground in Macroom

2020

Ballinagree Community Development Committee (BCDC) were successful under Clár 2020 Measure 2 and received a grant of €22,540 for Ballinagree Park & Playground towards the following:

- Supply & installation of kerbing
- Tarmacadam to car park
- Tree planting
- Creation of memorial area with seating
- Installation of bike rack & shelter

This project has now been fully completed. Below are some images of the completed project.



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Works to entrance and car park at Ballinagree Community Park
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2021

New seating area

New bike stand

An application submitted by Cork County Council, together with Millstreet Tidy Towns for the enhancement and refurbishment of Millstreet Pollinator Park was successful under Clár 2021 Measure 2 Projects. This project to redevelop the Pollinator Park into a public space with covered seating was successful in receiving a grant of €48,375. A meeting has been held at the location to progress this project which will be completed during 2022.



Millstreet Pollinator Park

### **Outdoor Dining in Macroom MD during 2021**

#### **Dedicated Outdoor Dining Location at Middle Square Macroom**







On Saturday 12th June, Cllr Joe Carroll, deputising for Mayor Linehan Foley officially launched Macroom's new outdoor dining facility at Middle Square. Red FM added to the atmosphere with a great crowd gathered for the event. Complimentary ice creams & beverages added to the feelgood atmosphere and relaxed afternoon event.

Cllr Coughlan added how this new facility will be a great addition to Macroom town & will no doubt attract many visitors to the town now having a place to safely socialise & also to enjoy the wonderful food & beverages that Macroom has to offer.

The following additional measures were undertaken at this location:

#### Public Toilets

- 7-day cleaning regime (Mon to Sun).
- Cleaning twice a day early morning (6.30am) + afternoon (3.30pm)
- Opening hours to be extended to 10pm nightly.

Street Canopies at Town Hall, South Sq + Outdoor Dining Facility at Middle Sq

- 7-day cleaning regime as above
- Cleaning twice a day, same times as outlined above

#### Litter Bins in Square + Canopies

- 7-day emptying regime of litter bins (Mon to Sun)
- Bins to be emptied twice daily in all locations
- Bins to be emptied each morning before 9am

Following the successful launch, this dedicated outdoor dining location was widely used throughout the summer months in Macroom and proved a great asset during the Covid-19 restrictions on indoor dining.

This location was then removed on 31st August and street returned to its former car parking location. The restrictions on dining had also been removed nationally at this point.

When this area was dismantled and returned to car parking spaces it was decided to gift the purchased picnic benches to some community facilities within Macroom Municipal District. The 11no benches were distributed to the following:

- Courtbrack CommunityCentre 3no picnic benches
- Ballyvourney Sensory Garden 2no picnic benches
- Inchigeelagh Island Park 2no picnic benches
- Macroom Fairy Garden 2no picnic benches
- Ballinagree Playground & Park 2no picnic benches



Castle Hotel Macroom

#### Measures to Assist Facilities to Convert to Outdoor Dining in Macroom

Adaptation to the streets facilitate outdoor dining locations for the Castle Hotel, TP Cotter and Fitzgerald's Café were completed.

Additional picnic benches were installed at Fitzgerald's Square to facilitate outdoor dining in this part of town.



TP Cotter Macroom



#### Measures to Assist Facilities to Convert to Outdoor Dining in Millstreet

The street canopies at the Square & Church have been fitted with seating benches and planters. The canopy at the Square contains 2 disability accessible picnic benches.

4no picnic benches have also been installed in the Pollinator Park to facilitate safe outdoor dining and socialising.



#### **Project ACT - Millstreet**

Under this Project Act which commenced in 2020 and rolled into 2021 the following measures were completed in 2021 in Millstreet:

• New bike stand installed at the Boing picnic area

Enhancements to Carnegie Hall Millstreet

- Painting of exterior of building
- Painting of the public toilets
- New signage installed





Before

Refurbishment and Enhancment of Drishane Picnic Area in Millstreet

- Replace existing wooden picnic benches with Hartecast benches
- Replace existing wooden seating to matching Hartecast seats
- Remove and replace existing fencing
- Creation of new car parking spaces

Work on this area to be completed in 2022.



New awning at Pickled

#### Streetscape Enhancement Scheme under T&V Renewal 2021

Macroom was one of six towns in Cork County designated under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2021 Streetscape Enhancement Scheme and was open to commercial, residential, or unoccupied buildings in town centre location.

This scheme was aimed at improving the visual appearance of our urban streetscapes, increasing pride and confidence in our hometowns and villages, making them more attractive places to live, work and do business.

A total of 33 applications were deemed successful under this Scheme with a fund of €69,359.69 being allocated to the projects.



works completed at Haven Pharmacy

#### **Town Framework Plan for Macroom**

Significant work was undertaken during 2021 to prepare and finalise a Town Framework Plan for Macroom town. We engaged specialists Future Analytics / KPMG to compile this plan. A lot of engagement on the objectives of the plan took place during its preparation. This plan sets out the areas for the future development and projects for Macroom town but it is not a statutory document. The draft plan was presented to the Members of Macroom Municipal District in advance of it being finalized. This plan will greatly assist in any future funding applications for projects in the town. The Members commitment to this plan is evident from the allocation under the 2021 TDF that was made.

## The following were carried out by the Macroom MD in conjunction with the Architects Department

>	Macroom Library & Briery Gap Project		Part VIII St. Colman's former Church of Ireland building Macroom
	Part VIII South Square Macroom		
>	RRDF Category 2 Funding for Mill Dam Masseytown & Church of Ireland Project	>	Part VIII Mill Dam Maseeytown Macroom

Further information regarding those projects in the Architect section of this report.

#### Béal na mBláth Project

The Michael Collins Centenary Commemoration will be held in August 2022. To mark this significant national occasion and to enhance the everyday visitor experience a working group was established in Cork Council to look at the site, together with the historical background and to see what can be done to enhance the area. This working group includes members from Architects, Heritage, Archaeology and Municipal District staff.

Extensive public consultation has also taken place with the local Michael Collins Commemoration Committee as this project progresses. Consultation has also taken place with representatives from Department of Defence, Department of An Taoiseach, OPW and Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media on any potential project to be progressed.

The project is being governed by a design code and Dr. Finola Kane, UCD, together with Damien Shiels, UCD assisted in the development of this design code. This project will be progressed under Section 38 under the Roads Acts and will involve the introduction of traffic calming measures on the L2211-0 adjacent to the Michael Collins Memorial at Béal na Bláth, County Cork.

This project is supported by the Department of the Taoiseach, Department of Defence and Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media as part of the centenary programme of commemorations.

A Section 38 Application under the Roads Traffic Act 1994 to introduce traffic calming measures adjacent to the Michael Collins Memorial by the reduction of the carriageway width, renewal of surfacing and road markings, the addition of car parking spaces and associated works was published and available for public inspection from 13th December 2021 and closed for submissions on 14th January 2022.

A report on this Section 38 is in the process of being prepared for approval.

#### Age Friendly - Millstreet

Millstreet has been designated an Age Friendly Town with funding of €10,000 being provided towards age friendly projects for the town.

A local Age Friendly Group has been established with representatives from Millstreet Active Retired group, Millstreet Community Council, Millstreet Day Centre, Millstreet Community Hospital & CCC.

The first item installed in the town is an Age Friendly car parking space installed outside Reen's Pharmacy in Millstreet.

The group intend to carry out a mobility survey of the town during 2022 with the results of this survey informing the projects to be carried out under this programme.



Heritage Maps for Macroom and Millstreet Considerable work was undertaken to progress theses maps during 2021. The key locations to be included in each map was agreed following a number of meetings with the County Archaeologist and Tidy Towns groups. The required text for each identified location was kindly done up by local volunteers with a deep knowledge of the subject matter and much appreciation for this significant body of work.

The final draft of each map is now complete with an official launch of these maps planned for early in 2022.

#### 2021 NeighbourWoods Scheme

A joint application made by Macroom Tidy Towns & Macroom Municipal District was submitted to the Dept of Agriculture, Food & the Marine for funding under this Scheme for the Fairy Garden in Masseytown & environs towards signage, display boards, native planting & pollinator items.

The application has been successful under the Scheme. Funding is based on a per hectare basis with 85% funded. A meeting on site is hoped to take place in the coming weeks if restrictions ease. The completion date for the project is 4th January 2024. Updates on this project will issue at future meetings.

#### Cork Interagency LGBT+ Week

The LGBT flag was raised in Town Hall Macroom & Carnegie Hall Millstreet during the Cork Interagency LGBT+ Week and Macroom Town Hall building was also lit up with the rainbow colours for the duration of this initiative.



Top left: Macroom Town Hall. Top right: Carnegie Hall Millstreet. Bottom: Macroom Town Hall.

# **CARRIGALINE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**



#### TOWNS

Carrigaline, Crosshaven, Passage West/Glenbrook/Monkstown, Ringaskiddy

#### VILLAGES

Ballynora, Minane Bridge, Ballinhassig, Ballygarvan, Halfway, Shanbally

#### **OTHER LOCATIONS**

Myrtleville, Roberts Cove, Goggins Hill, Curraghbinny, Farmers Cross, Raffeen, Waterfall, Nohoval

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

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#### CHAIRPERSON

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## **Carrigaline Municipal District**

### **Boundary Alteration**

Following the local elections in June 2019 the boundary for Carrigaline Municipal District changed with Ballincollig being removed and the area being expanded to now include Crosshaven. Areas such as Ballinhassig, Ballygarvan and Minane Bridge now come under Carrigaline MD.

#### Councillors

The following Councillors represent Carrigaline Municipal District:



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#### **Community Fund 2021**

Community Groups across the MD continued to be supported in 2021 by the Community Fund, consisting of the Amenity Fund, Community Contract, and Capital Fund. In 2021:

- 23 projects were supported under the Amenity Fund, totalling €45,698
- 10 Tidy Towns Groups and Community Associations received funding under the Community Contracts, totalling €42,900
- 10 groups received funding under the Capital Fund, totalling €100,000



Refurbished gym at Crosshaven RFC, completed with the support of 2021 Capital Fund allocation (left). Upgrade of existing floodlights to LED lighting at Crosshaven Tennis Club, completed with the support of 2021 Amenity Grant (right).

#### **Members Discretionary Fund**

At the February 2021 meeting, Carrigaline Municipal District Members agreed to commit €3,600 towards establishing a Member's Discretionary Fund to support community groups, individuals and local organisations in the Carrigaline Municipal District who wish to undertake a specific project, endeavour or initiative which does not fall within the scope of the Community Group.

#### 2021 Village Enhancement Scheme

Members agreed early in the year that the Village Enhancement Scheme for 2021 would be focused on Ballinhassig. In addition, works continued in Ringaskiddy and Crosshaven in accordance with decisions made in previous years by the Elected Members to allocate resources to those areas.





Public Lighting Gleann Orga, Ballinhassig



Sculpture on approach to Crosshaven Village (left). New path at Loughbeg (Luck) Beach, Ringaskiddy (right).

#### **Crosshaven**

The value of the VES for Crosshaven in 2020 was €68,750. Details of the projects within Crosshaven to benefit from this funding were agreed through a process of consultation between Cork County Council, local community stakeholders and elected members.

Specifically, the funding was used support the provision of a new Tourist Information Kiosk for Crosshaven, the installation of a Sculpture at the village approach, and significant Public Realm Improvement works to existing amenity space at "The Point Garden".

#### **Ringaskiddy**

It was agreed with the community that historic VES funding would be used for footpath improvements and improvement works to Gobby Beach and Loughbeg Beach. These works were carried out in the summer of 2021.

#### **Ballinhassig**

The value of the VES for Ballinhassig was €68,750. A meeting was held early in 2021 between Cork County Council staff, Elected Members, and local community stakeholders to agree on projects that will benefit from this funding. It was agreed that this funding would support footpath and pedrestrian crossing works, public lighting at Gleann Orga and gateway signs.

A project involving significant upgrade and refurbishment works to Ringaskiddy Community Hall was approved for funding under the 2019 Town and Village Renewal Scheme (coordinated by the Department of Rural and Community Development).

Ringaskiddy Enhancement of Public Realm	In 2021 Cork County Council, in collaboration with the community, agreed on a design for a public realm project at Ringaskiddy. These works will be funded by €1m Community Gain arising out of the Port of Cork Planning Permission. The Part 8 planning application received Full Council approval on 27th September 2021, and is now at detailed design stage with AECOM Consultants. Works to commence in 2022.
Ringaskiddy Community Centre	Ringaskiddy Community Centre received €100,000 under Town and Village Renewal 2019 for its redevelopment. The works will improve energy efficiency, improve accessibility, and upgrade the flooring/kitchen in the centre. As a result of Covid-19 construction restrictions these works did not commence until 2021. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in 2022.

#### Town and Village Renewal - 2020 Accelerated Measure in Response to Covid-19

In 2020, the format for the Town and Village Renewal Scheme reflected the situation with Covid-19, and offered three rounds of accelerated measure funding to support works in the public realm that would support the response of communities and businesses to Covid-19. Three projects were successfully awarded funding. Due to COVID-19 restrictions works on these projects commenced in 2021 and are all now completed.

#### CROSSHAVEN

The proposal involved targeted measures to improve connectivity and accessibility in the village, to increase footfall and facilitate greater economic activity. These measures included remediation of parts of the railway wall on approach to Crosshaven, purchase of "pop up" festival marquees, purchase of benches for the Community Garden, and purchase of bicycle stands.

#### **PASSAGE WEST - CENTRE BLOCK**

This project focuses on the rejuvenation and repurposing of the Centre Block to include provision for a covered, outdoor community space. This space will help to facilitate outdoor trading, animate the town centre, and increase the 'dwell time' of visitors to the town by providing a sheltered area and additional seating. The retractable awning is now in place, with planters and seating to follow.

#### **CARRIGALINE - COMMUNITY PARK**

This project focused on the installation of a weatherproof covering for the 'Bandstand' area of the park and was originally suggested at meetings of the Carrigaline Project ACT Committee. The canopy was officially launched by the Chair of Carrigaline MD, Cllr. Marcia D'Alton, on the 29th August 2021. It has become a focal point in Carrigaline, and provides scope for outdoor events, community meetings, small scale concerts etc. into the future.

The installation of a hybrid running track in September brought a finish to the pathway/track project in the Community Park. The running track is proving to be very popular, giving runners and joggers a safe place to exercise.



Retractable Awning at Centre Block, Passage West



Official Launch Day of the new canopy at Carrigaline



Picture of Running Track in Carrigaline Community Park





#### **COMMUNICATION BOARD**

A communication board was installed in Carrigaline Community Park in June 2021. Communication boards help make playgrounds more "ASD friendly". They help to overcome language barriers for children of all abilities, as well as encouraging imaginative play.

#### CARRIGALINE POLLINATOR PLAN

Cork County Council Ecology Office obtained €16,000 through the National Biodiversity Action Plan to develop a Pollinator Plan for the Municipal District. The Carrigaline Pollinator Plan was launched by the (then) Chair of Carrigaline MD, Cllr. Liam O'Connor, on the 13th of May 2021, with a community workshop hosted by ecologist Tony Nagle on the day.

The Area Roads Office, along with Carrigaline Tidy Towns, are ensuring pollinator/biodiversity friendly management of areas in the MD that are under County Council and community management, in accordance with the plan.

Picture of Communications Board in Carrigaline Community Park (top) Launch of Carrigaline Pollinator Plan (bottom)

#### **Election of Carrigaline Municipal District Chair 2021/2022**

In May 2021, following the resignation of Cllr. Aidan Lombard from Cork County Council, Cllr. Audrey Buckley (FF) was elected as temporary Chair of Carrigaline Municipal District Chair. Cllr. Audrey Buckley's term as Chair ran until the Annual General Meeting in July.

In July 2021, following the Annual General Meeting of Carrigaline Municipal District, Cllr. Marcia D'Alton (Independent) was elected Chair (Cathaoirleach) of the Municipal District. Cllr. Ben Dalton O'Sullivan (Independent) was elected Vice-Chair (Leas-Cathaoirleach) of the MD.



Cllr. Paul Murtagh (FG) was co-opted as a county councillor in June 2021 replacing Cllr. Aidan Lombard, and Cllr. Jack White (FG) joined Cork County Council in November 2021 when he was co-opted to replace Cllr. Liam O'Connor.

Carrigaline Municipal District AGM (left) Cllr. Marcia D'Alton, Chair of Carrigaline MD (right)

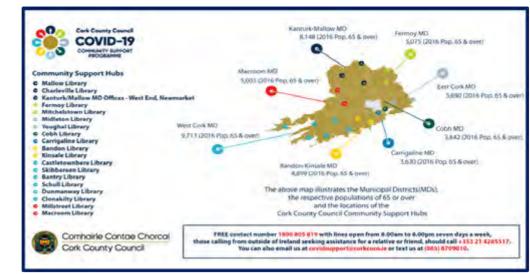
#### Covid-19

Cork County Council continued to work hard in 2021 to respond to the impact of the pandemic and to deliver on key improvements to support social and economic recovery.

#### Community Support Hubs

At operational level, 19 Community Support Hubs were established in 2020 throughout the County. The Carrigaline Community Support Hub covers the entirety of the Carrigaline Municipal District and its membership comprises the Carrigaline MDO, the District Supervisor, Carrigaline library staff and representatives of key stakeholder agencies including An Garda, the HSE, Local Development Companies, An Post, Local Link, and the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection. The Community & Voluntary Sector in the Carrigaline MD play a huge role in supporting communities and individuals throughout the crisis. Calls received via the Council's Community Support Programme Helpline are actioned by the Community Support Hub team in conjunction with other stakeholders where necessary.

In 2021, the Community Support Hub continued to meet regularly, though calls to the Council's Community Support Programme Helpline have continued to decrease as restrictions have been lifted.



#### **Project ACT - Activating County Towns**

Cork County Council's Project ACT initiative included Carrigaline and Passage West, Glenbrook & Monkstown as part of the Council's primary focus on 23 towns across County Cork to benefit from a series of measures designed to give confidence to the business, retail, and Community sectors through prioritised and targeted funding. The Carrigaline Project ACT team comprises of Council staff from Municipal Districts Operations, Roads, Tourism and the Local Enterprise Office alongside elected members, and representatives from An Garda Síochána, Carrigaline Tidy Towns, Carrigaline Business Association, Carrigaline Community Association, Carrigaline 'My Town My Plan' group and older people's representatives The Passage West, Glenbrook and Monkstown Project ACT team comprises Council staff from Municipal Districts Operations, Roads, Tourism and the Local Enterprise Office alongside elected members, and representatives from An Garda Síochána, Passage West Tidy Towns, Local business representatives, Monkstown Tidy Towns, and the Older People's Council.

#### **Project ACT - Carrigaline Parklet**

In 2021 the Parklet was extended and has grown in popularity with Carrigaline residents and visitors as a place to meet up safely with friends and relatives outdoors. Most recently, it has been transformed into a Winter Wonderland and is bringing an amazing Christmas atmosphere to the area.

Extended Parklet in the Owenabue Car Park, Carrigaline

#### **Project ACT - Outdoor Street Furniture**

Cork County Council facilitated several businesses availing of outdoor seating licenses to allow them to trade in a safe, Covid compliant manner, as businesses were encouraged to consider takeaway and outdoor dining options.



Outdoor dining in Carrigaline

#### Project ACT - Monkstown Mural Project

The Carrigaline MD and the Council's Arts Office engaged 'The Walls Project' https://thewallsproject.ie/ to create an iconic artwork at the Monkstown "Cut and Cover" Tunnel. The artwork commenced on 7th June and was officially launched by the Mayor of Cork County Council, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan, on the 5th of October. Established artists Deirdre Breen, Garreth Joyce and Shane O' Driscoll mentored two local artists on the project. In addition, pupils from the local primary school, Scoil Barra Naofa, held an art competition to tie in with the mural.



Launch of Mural at Monkstown Cut and Cover









Project ACT - Bicycle Stands A number of addition bicycle stands were provided during the year in Carrigaline MD - new bicycle stands were installed outside the library in Passage West, and adjacent to the Centre store in Crosshaven.

2021 Residential Painting Scheme & Shop Front Improvement Scheme The 2021 Shop Front Improvement Scheme and Residential Painting Scheme included commercial areas and thoroughfares within Carrigaline, Passage West, Glenbrook & Monkstown, Ringaskiddy and Crosshaven.

This year saw a large take up of the schemes, thanks in no small part to on the ground promotional work by MD staff and Members. A total of 30 premises were approved for this years' scheme.

#### Town and Village Streetscape Enhancement Scheme 2021/2022





In August 2021, the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, announced a new €7m fund to support the enhancement of streetscapes and shopfronts in over 50 rural towns and villages. Cork County Council was allocated €320,000 to provide grant funding for such enhancement works in 6 county towns: Bandon, Castletownbere, Charleville, Fermoy, Macroom and Passage West.

Streetscape Enhancement Scheme 2021/2022 Passage West 14 applications for grant funding have been approved by Carrigaline MD. Approved works include painting, murals, signage replacement, shopfront improvement, materials, lighting, and planting.



#### **Operation ARCC - A Real Cork Christmas**

This year, 6 No. 6ft real trees were provided and erected by Cork County Council at Carrigaline, Shanbally, Ballygarvan, Fivemile Bridge, Minane, and Halfway, Ballinhassig. These trees were in addition to the lit artificial trees in Monkstown and Passage. Tree decorations were also added to the Carrigaline Parklet. Financial support was given to Tidy Towns to decorate and light the Tidy Towns hut.

Festive lighting was installed at the main street, Carrigaline and this year some extra lighting was provided for the bridge. Lighting was also erected on adjacent trees to the parklet to enhance the Christmassy scheme created there by Carrigaline Tidy Towns.

Festive lighting was also installed at various points in Passage West, along with the lit Christmas trees and festive motif at the Centre Block.











Awning at Centre Block, Passage West (top left); Launch of Enhancement of Public Realm Project in Crosshaven on 21st December 2021 (top right)

Launch of new Tourist Kiosk and launch of Sculpture in Crosshaven on 21st December 2021 (Sculptor: Mike Wilkins)

# KANTURK-MALLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT



#### TOWNS

Buttevant, Charleville, Kanturk, Mallow, Newmarket

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Ballydesmond, Banteer, Boherbue, Dromina, Knocknagree, Milford, Newtownshandrum

#### VILLAGES

Ballydaly, Ballyclogh, Ballyhea, Bweeng, Burnfort, Castlemagner, Churchtown, Cecilstown, Cullen, Dromahane, Derrinagree, Freemount, Glantane, Grenagh, Kilcorney, Kiskeam, Kilbrin, Liscarroll, Lismire, Lombardstown, Lyre, Meelin, New Twopothouse, Rathcoole, Rockchapel, Tullylease

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

Matthew Farrell

#### **CHAIRPERSON**

Cllr. Bernard Moynihan

#### SENIOR EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

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#### Kanturk Mallow Municipal District 2021

2021 will be remembered in history books, along with 2020, as a time of great social challenges and upheaval. Cork County Council and KMMD will be seen as having risen to the challenge and to have applied the resources at its disposal, both human and material, to best meet those challenges. Level 5 restrictions continued for much of the year and relaxation of measure was limited and by design temporary. This operating environment brought greater focus on outdoor enjoyment of municipal spaces and KMMDs unique outdoor cultural and heritage spaces.



Culture Night at Mallow Castle 2021

Kanturk Mallow Municipal District General Municipal Allocation 2021



#### **Community Fund Scheme 2021**

A total of 116 Community Groups, from a wide and diverse range of the MD communities, were supported through the Community Fund Schemes in 2021. A vital source of funding, essential in maintaining and sustain voluntary groups across the municipal district including:

- 87 Amenity Funded projects to a total value of €177,500
- 4 Capital Fund projects totalling €30,000
- 27 Community Associations and Tidy Towns groups supported by allocations to the value of €72,000.



Photo 1: Charleville Tidy Towns; Photos 2 & 3: New Kitchen for Hall - Liscarroll Community Council; Photos 4 & 5: Charleville Tidy Towns.





#### **Town Development Fund 2021**

Following consultation with key Community Development Committees and Municipal District Elected Members, a number of key projects were funded through the KMMD Town Development Fund. As part of a technical assessment and design consultation process a significant need for investment was identified for the Mallow streetscape Christmas Lights infrastructure. The KMMD TDF contributed to a project that saw an overall investment of €100,000 in the Mallow town lights infrastructure and new Christmas Lights themselves, resulting in a new look festive lights display in Mallow town which will last into the future.



Charleville Town Park also benefited from the KMMD 2021 Town Development Fund with allocations made available for additional planting and park public pathway lighting, all part of a significant enhancement project of this key public space.

While Island Wood in Newmarket was supported in delivering a redesigned and remodelled entrance path for walkers to access this excellent amenity. Also, all five of the KMMD Key Towns availed of the 2022 Painting Scheme. Giving KMMD businesses a much-needed freshening up as restrictions around shopping eased.



#### Project ACT 2021

Project ACT 2021 focused on the enhancement and access to outdoor spaces for leisure, wellbeing and outdoor dining as part of Cork County Councils response to the Covid 19 emergency. Street Canopies with seating providing shelter, outdoor dining facilities such as parklets along with amenity enhancement works all supported the 'Summer Outdoors' incentives across the municipal district.



KMMD in consultation with Mallow Chamber of Commerce and other town stakeholders implemented a pilot pedestrianisation project in Mallow town, 'Feet On The Street', which saw the opening up of Lower Thomas Davis Street to pedestrians and visitors. This project involved extensive consultation with stakeholders, elected members and businesses in the town, which was vital in getting the support for this project. Over 6 weekends the street was given over to buskers, food stalls, music stages, face painters and other performers increasing occupancy in the town centre while in operation.



The Municipal District also supported artist and performers in securing suitable outdoor performance areas, including providing the necessary public facilities to allow for the safe and restriction compliant enjoyment of music while Covid 19 restrictions were in place:

	Performers	Performances	Attendance
Mallow - Songs from the Blackwater	7 groups of performers + support (245 people)	7	200 + c. 300 live streaming
Mallow - Emma Langford	1 groups - 6 people	1	200
Mallow - Aine Duffy	1 person	1	30
Kanturk - Long Way Home Duo	1 group - 2 people	1	50
Charleville - Scealta	1 group - 4 people	2	85

Top left: Emma Langford; Top right: Mallow Castle; Bottom left: Charleville Scealta; Bottom right: Culture Night walk at Mallow Castle 2021



#### **Significant Projects**



August 2021 saw the conclusion of a number of important municipal projects such as the Mallow Castle Playground, completed to a very high standard and a new amenity that was warmly welcomed by the community. This project has greatly enhanced the offering in Mallow town to residents and visitors alike and is another important step forward in the development of Mallow Castle as a landmark amenity and destination.



The new €1.95m Kanturk link road was opened by the Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Michael McGrath TD and Chief Executive of Cork County Council, Tim Lucey in November 2021. The new road is providing new connectivity and access to the town and will be vital in linking up with the new national school being constructed at Mill Road.





The new Mallow Bridge Boardwalk is now open to pedestrians and cyclists and will allow for the additional traffic lanes to greatly reduce journey times and traffic flow about the town. Importantly pedestrian and cyclist safety has been significantly enhanced, while providing better links between the residential southern part of the town and the town centre.





The village of Ballydesmond benefited from the first elements of the successful RRDF application with the completion of the Newmarket Road footpath walkway. While Town and Village project centred around Bridewell Lane saw a significant facelift to the streetscape. Kanturk town park walkways improvements were also completed.





Charleville town was successfully selected for the Streetscape Enhancement Scheme channelling €64,000 towards streetscapes in need of an upgrade. Liscarroll village saw an enhancement of approaches, signage to heritage attractions, planting and footpath repairs to enhance safety.









The district also secures successful planning approvals for redevelopment projects at Mallow Town hall, Mallow swimming pool, Liscarroll public realm works, Mallow Town Park Part 10 and for additional cemeteries at Kilbrin and Dromina. Significant successful applications for funding included RRDF funding for Ballydesmond and URDF funding for Mallow town were secured. Kanturk Mallow Municipal District also managed 46 cemeteries, 27 playgrounds, maintained open spaces and parks in our main towns and villages, managed Parking Regulations and bye laws and operated Mallow Public Swimming Pool.

# WEST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT



#### TOWNS

Bantry, Castletownbere, Clonakilty, Dunmanway, Schull and Skibbereen

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Baltimore, Ballineen/ Enniskeane, Ballydehob, Drimoleague, Durrus, Glengarriff, Leap, Rosscarbery, Union Hall

#### WEST CORK ISLAND COMMUNITIES

Bere Island, Dursey Island, Heir Island, Long Island, Oilean Chleire, Sherkin Island, Whiddy Island

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

Jacqueline Mansfield

#### **CHAIRPERSON**

Cllr. Patrick Gerard Murphy

#### SENIOR EXECUTIVE ENGINEERS

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#### West Cork Municipal District 2021

The Covid-19 pandemic once again dominated 2021, with the year beginning with Level 5 restrictions some of which continued until early summer. Behind the scenes however, the team in the West Cork Municipal District were preparing for the restrictions to ease, knowing that the focus on an Outdoor Summer would result in an increase in visitors, both local and from further afield, to our beautiful towns, villages and amenities. With the MD's extensive coastline, which includes six Blue Flag and eight Green Coast beaches, as well as our many parks, playgrounds, islands and scenic drives, West Cork was the place to visit for just a day or to staycation for longer. Our natural resources, enhanced with a variety of Municipal District provided services, proved to be a huge draw for people to come to glorious West Cork once the restrictions eased – West Cork was the place to be for Summer 2021!



#### **GENERAL MUNICIPAL ALLOCATION - €314,000**

#### Community Fund 2021

Community Groups across the Municipal District continued to be supported in 2021 by the Community Fund, consisting of Community Contract, Amenity Fund and the Capital Fund. 17 Projects were supported under the Amenity Fund, totalling €27,100

4 groups received funding under the Capital Fund, totalling €50,000

21 Tidy Towns and Community Associations received funding under the Community Contracts, totalling €92,100



Rosscarbery Tidy Towns, the Forge Garden, New Town, Rosscarbery

New picnic benches at Glenbeg Lake, Ardgroom, Ardgroom Development Association.



Drimoleague Heritage Walkways Committee, new walkway from Pitch & Putt course to provide safe walking off road



Clonakilty Friends of Asylum Seekers project was to establish a communal cooking and eating area next to the community garden.

#### Community Hedgecutting Scheme 2021

37 Community Groups assisted in the cutting back of hedgerows and grass verges over a roadway length of 540kms.

Other MD funded projects in 2021 included:

- Skibbereen Resurfacing Car Park behind Fields
- Climate Action Pilot Scheme -Glengarriff Woodland
- Bantry Screens for outdoor seating



Schull - Replacement of Outdoor Gym Equipment

#### Town Development Fund 2021

- Castletownbere St Peter's Church - Outdoor Venue / Space
- VEC Site Dunmanway
- Skibbereen Tennis Courts & Outdoor table tennis



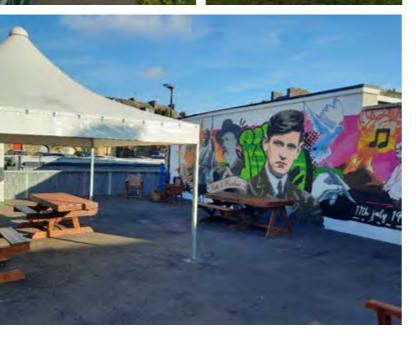
Bantry - Pocket Park for Harbour View Upper Car Park

#### Village Enhancement Scheme 2021

- Union Hall Playground & Paved Plaza Area
- Ardgroom Public Realm Works







#### Project Act 2021

The creation of parklets and covered open spaces for socialising and outdoor dining was a key part of West Cork MD's response to our Outdoor Summer in 2021. Street canopies with seating were a popular addition to our towns and villages in Clonakilty, Schull, Castletownbere, Ballineen and Ballydehob.

#### OTHER MD FUNDED PROJECTS TO SUPPORT OUR OUTDOOR SUMMER:

• Enhancement works at Snamh Beach, Ballylickey, to facilitate access to the beach  Additional seating, Schull Harbour Walk







West Cork MD added a special touch to our parklet in Kent Street, Clonakilty in July - the already very popular space was provided with the addition of a repurposed phone box for our 'Take a book, Leave a book' initiative - so people can come and sit under our street canopy, grab a take away coffee from any of our local cafes and have the added bonus of a selection of books to enjoy all year round.

#### West Cork Islands

• The West Cork Islands Interagency, chaired by Cork County Council, met on 4 occasions during 2021. Grants of €43,000 were awarded under the West Cork Island Community Funding Scheme to 9 projects on the inhabited islands.



West Cork MD Capital Grant to assist with furniture and fittings







#### <u>Significant Events in West Cork in</u> 2021

The West Cork MD was delighted to have Minister Heather Humphreys visit on the 26th July to open a series of new rural development projects as part of a nationwide tour to promote Our Rural Future.

During a very busy schedule, the Minister visited projects which included Michael Collins House in Clonakilty, the museum established by Cork County Council in 2016 to celebrate the history and heritage associated with Michael Collins, the Amenity Walkway at Warren Beach, Rosscarbery, as well as the Leap Amenity Park, which includes a viewing platform, landscaping, wild flower garden, walkways & raised seating area.

The Minister also visited Skibbereen to launch our Mobile Festival Marquee, along with Durrus Village to see the Public Realm improvements being undertaken, as well as visits to projects in Bantry, Glengarriff and Bere Island.

#### Official Opening of the Ballineen & Enniskeane Heritage Trail by Mayor Linehan Foley

On the 9th June, West Cork MD was very pleased to have Mayor Linehan Foley visit to officially open the Ballineen & Enniskeane Heritage Trail, which was funded under the West Cork MD's Village Enhancement Scheme.

During her visit to Ballineen and Enniskeane, Mayor Linehan Foley also took the opportunity to visit Ballineen River Garden project, and to meet with members of Ballineen & Enniskeane Development Association.







#### Bantry, Skibbereen and Dunmanway Pollinator Plans

The Cork County Council Ecology Office have been successful in obtaining a grant under the National Biodiversity Action Plan funding scheme, which provides funding to assist local authority biodiversity officers with the development of Pollinator Plans.

First announced in 2018 and extended to projects from 2019 to 2020, West Cork MD were pleased to have been advised of additional funding for the scheme which allowed for projects into 2021 to be supported. Plans have been development or are nearly completed for Bantry, Dunmanway and Skibbereen towns.

# Pesticide-free Zone Managed for Wildlife





Launch of Pollinator Plan in Bantry; Cork County Council's ecologist Tony Nagle is working with Bantry Area Office and Bantry Tidy Towns in implementing best practices in line with the newly launched Pollinator Plan for the town.

Another special visitor to the West Cork MD in December, Santa was spotted taking a break in Schull and was said to be delighted with the bench provided by Schull Tidy Towns, with the assistance of a West Cork MD Community Contract grant.

## FERMOY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT



#### TOWNS

Fermoy, Mitchelstown

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Doneraile, Kilworth, Glanworth, Rathcormack, Castlelyons/Bridebridge, Castletownroche, Ballyhooly, Conna, Kildorrery, Glenville

#### VILLAGES

Killavullen, Bartlemy, Ballynoe, Clondulane, Ballindangan, Glennahulla, Shanballymore, Coolagown, Curraglass

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

**Pauline Moriarty** 

#### **CHAIRPERSON**

Cllr. Kay Dawson

#### **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**

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### Fermoy Municipal District

#### **Boundary Alteration**

Following the local elections in June 2019 the boundary for Fermoy Municipal District changed with Charleville, Watergrasshill, Ballyhea & Newtownshandrum being transferred to the Kanturk/Mallow Municipal District and the new Fermoy Municipal District area being expanded to now include Glenville.

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#### **Community Fund 2021**

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY FUND SCHEME CONTRIBUTES FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MANY COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS WITHIN THE FERMOY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT.

Applicants applied for financial assistance under three distinctive fund types; Capital Fund, Community Contract and Amenity Fund. In recent years, the fund has supported a diverse range of projects and community initiatives, including infrastructure, sports and leisure facilities and tidy towns.

In 2021:

- 31 Projects were supported under the Amenity Fund, totaling €59,300
- 18 Community Groups (including Tidy Towns and Resident Associations) received funding under the Community Contracts, totaling €32,200
- 14 groups received funding under the Capital Fund, totaling €140,000
- Mitchelstown and Fermoy Christmas Lights Association received funding under the General Municipal Allocation totaling €10,000.



(Residents of Captain Keanes Grove, Mitchelstown pictured with Cllr. Deirdre O'Brien - recipients of Community Contract Grant)

#### 2021 Village Enhancement Scheme

Fermoy Municipal District was successful in securing funding for three public realm enhancement schemes for Rathcormac, Coolagown & Doneraile. These projects were progressed in 2021. Contractor is currently on site in Rathcormac completing the cycle lane and footpaths and new junction radius. New public lighting has been installed. Works will continue on the village public realm in 2022. Coolagown and Doneraile Town and Village schemes were part funded by the Village Enhancement Scheme.

#### 2021 Town & Village Scheme

#### Coolagown

Funding was received in 2020 under the Town & Village Scheme in the amount of €165,000 for public realm enhancements to approaches and village core including dual purpose pedestrian/parking areas, signage, information boards. Contractor was appointed in 2021 and public lighting works have commenced.

Public lighting and boundary fencing have been installed. Approach lining from N72 has been completed.

Installation of all the remaining traffic calming, footpaths and road resurfacing will be completed in 2022.

#### Doneraile

Funding was received in 2019 under the Town & Village Scheme in the amount of €145,000 for Public Realm activities including new planters, bespoke seating, tree refurbishment & upgrade, new street furniture, minor road improvements, painting scheme.

The project went through a Part VIII Planning Process in 2021, including community engagement and public realm works commenced in December 2020. Remaining public realm works at Cornahinch Cross, Turnpike Cross and Main Street/Convent Road Junction will continue into 2022.

#### **2020 RRDF (Rural Regeneration Development Fund) Mitchelstown.**

Works progressed in 2021 on the Mitchelstown RRDF Scheme.

The scope of the project includes the following areas: King's Square, George's St., King's St., the woods behind Kingston College and New Market Square.

Works will continue in 2022.



Kings Square, Mitchelstown

#### 2021 Rural Regeneration Development Fund - Fermoy

In Fermoy, Cork County Council will lead the delivery of a **Town Centre Renewal Project for Fermoy** targeting the adaptive and sustainable reuse of historic and vacant town centre buildings and key public realm and amenity enhancements which will support the economic, social, cultural and physical renewal of Fermoy.



This project will deliver large-scale regeneration in Fermoy through targeted interventions to revitalise the town centre and drive it forward as a vibrant, liveable, diverse, and competitive centre of scale. The global Covid 19 pandemic has presented rural areas with a significant social and economic fallout. The project proposals that form part of this application are responsive to these issues and build upon changed social and economic behaviours arising from these issues.

The delivery of the project will be led by Cork County Council in partnership with Avondhu Blackwater Partnership CLG. The Council has worked very closely with Avondhu Blackwater Partnership CLG in the submission of the funded application and acknowledges the overall collaborative working relationship which has led to the successful Rural Regeneration Development Fund grant funding in the amount of €1,540,000,000.

#### **Covid - 19**

#### **Project Act - Activating County Towns**

Project "ACT" initiative includes Fermoy and Mitchelstown with the support of Elected Members. The Project has seen creation of multi-sectoral teams with a targeted focus on rebuilding the economy and community life in each area. Works continued in 2021 to promote Project ACT. Outdoor Dining was the main focus with the installation of awnings and benches in both Fermoy and Mitchelstown. 22 no of outdoor dining licences were issued.

Widening of footpaths took place to accommodate outdoor furniture for local businesses. Members of the public enjoyed the facilities throughout the Summer months.



#### **Parking:**

The Mart, Library and Mill Island car parks where charges normally apply remained free in 2021.

#### **Town Development Fund**

Funding of €110,000 under the Town Development Fund was made available for the following projects:

- Planting in Fermoy,
- Works in Waterloo Lane, Fermoy
- Rewiring of Christmas lights on Main St. Mitchelstown
- Road Opening in Mitchelstown for duct for electricity power
- Update of website Mitchelstown Community Forum
- Knockananig Reservoir Masterplan.

#### **PAY PARKING DIVIDEND**

Funding contribution towards assisting to secure a new main street premises in Fermoy town.

Contributions were also made in 2021 to Fermoy Tourist Office for it's maintenance, to Fermoy Forum to promote Fermoy's economic recovery by assisting with Culture Night, Green Fermoy & Christmas Markets.



Financial assistance from the Pay Parking Dividend was also given towards the maintenance and erection of Christmas lights in Fermoy.

#### **2021 PAINTING SCHEME**

2021 saw a positive take up of the Painting Scheme for both Mitchelstown and Fermoy. A total of 32 businesses were approved for the 2021 scheme



(O'Callaghans Deli, Mitchelstown- Painting Scheme 2021)

#### Fermoy Weir Remediation & Fish Bypass Channel



This project was advanced and planning application prepared for submission to An Bord Pleanala.

The River Blackwater at Fermoy, Co Cork.

#### In July, Cllr Deirdre O'Brien was elected Cathaoirleach of the Fermoy Municipal District.



Cllr Frank Roche was elected as Leas Cathaoirleach at the same meeting.

Cllr Kay Dawson, Cathaoirleach of Fermoy Muncipal District pictured with outgoing Cathaoirleach Cllr Kay Dawson

#### Fermoy Pool Refurbishment

Part VIII Planning to install Solar PV Panels on a new cladded membrane on the roof of Fermoy Swimming Pool . Submissions were commenced in December 2021. This will be progressed in 2022.

#### Fermoy Motor Caravan Parking

An area in the Upper Kevin Barry Hill was trialled for camper van parking during the summer of 2021. This area provided approximately 7/8 camper van spaces, with a loss of 11 car parking spaces. The area for camper van parking was allocated in one block with appropriate signage.

The trial was generally well accepted and the feedback received was positive.

#### Doneraile Playground Refurbishment

Tenders were sought for to undertake minor upgrade works on the Playground in Doneraile Park in December 2021. Works will be carried out in 2022.



#### Pride of Place 2021

Kilworth village has been nominated by Fermoy Municipal District to partake in the Pride of Place Competition the results of which will take place later in 2022.

From being the first voluntary water scheme in the country, to provision of the Village Arts Centre, Kilworth is a hub for community activism and development, with Market House used by the Craft Council of Ireland as a training centre, to development of an exceptional Sports Centre encompassing tennis, squash and handball courts. Its people have developed a well resourced and vibrant village.



Kilworth Village

#### **Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2021**

Two applications were successful in Fermoy MD under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme 2021. The first was to enhance and resurface the entrance and outer car park at Glensheskin Woods. This will create accessible infrastructure which will allow for universal accessible access for all visitors. The second was for the upgrade and improvements to Barnane Walk. Works are envisaged to be undertaken in Q2 and Q3 of 2022, subject to favourable weather and ground conditions.

#### **Cemetery Works**

Fermoy Municipal District managed 44 no. Cemeteries. Works in 2021 included an archaeological test excavation at Kilgullane Church Cemetery. Tree pruning, wall repairs and footpath improvements were carried out in 2021 in other cemeteries in the Municipal District.

Fermoy MD has 13 playgrounds, worked on 18 no. Derelict sites, maintained open spaces and parks in our main towns and villages, managed Parking Regulations and bye laws and operated Fermoy Swimming Pool. We worked with numerous communities to help deliver common goals in 2020 in conjunction with our Elected Members and will continue to do so in 2022 in the Local Electoral Area of Fermoy.

# **COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**



#### MAIN SETTLEMENTS

Cobh, Carrigtwohill, Little Island and the proposed new town of Monard

#### VILLAGES

Carrignavar, Whitechurch, Knockraha

#### **VILLAGES NUCLEI**

Ballymore/Walterstown, Caherlag, Rathduff, Templemichael, Marino Point, Belvelly, Carrigaloe, Fota Island, Haulbowline Island, Spike Island

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

Paraig Lynch

#### CHAIRPERSON

Cllr. Anthony Barry

**EXECUTIVE ENGINEER** 

Robert O'Sullivan

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### **Cobh Municipal District**

#### **Boundary Alteration**

The boundary of the Cobh Municipal District changed following the local election in June 2019, areas such as the Cork City North Environs (i.e. Barnavarra and the New Line), Glanmire, Kerry Pike, Clogheen, Whites Cross, Rathcooney and Killard became part of Cork City. Glenville was moved into the Fermoy Municipal District; however Watergrasshill was moved into the Cobh Municipal District.

#### Councillors

The following Councillors represent Cobh Municipal District:



Cllr Anthony Barry Party: Fine Gael - Cathoirleach Anthony.Barry@cllr.corkcoco.ie 086 0740394



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Cllr Sean O'Connor Party: Independent Sean.OConnor@cllr.corkcoco.ie 086 3924687



Cllr Sheila O'Callaghan Party: Fianna Fáil 086 1940762

#### **Community Fund**

The Cobh Municipal District continued to support Community Groups across the MD through the Community Fund Scheme, which consisted of the Amenity Fund, Community Contract, and Capital Fund.



#### **Town Development Fund**

A number of projects in Cobh and Carrigtwohill received grants from this fund, with a total allocation of €120,000 across the two towns.

Among the groups supported by this fund were Carrigtwohill Community Council who received an allocation of €5,000 towards the cost of installing canopies outside the Community Centre to facilitate outdoor dining in Carrigtwohill.

Cobh Municipal District also gave an allocation of €28,000 from this fund to Cove Sailing Club as a contribution towards the cost of installing a marina in Whitepoint.

Funding was also allocated towards a paint scheme in Cobh with 11 premises benefiting from the scheme.

To mark St. Patrick's Day, funding was allocated towards the greening of public buildings in Cobh.



Launch of Cobh MD Paint Scheme



Left: Carrigtwohill canopy. Right: Greening of Carrig House, Cobh.

#### Village Enhancement Scheme

In 2020, the members had agreed to allocate the Village Enhancement Scheme funding of €68,750 to a project identified by Watergrasshill Community Council, namely the upgrading of lands on the southern entrance to the village from the M8 by the installation of a plaza to serve as a focal point for the community in future years. Due to Covid restrictions in 2020 and ealy 2021, work on this project did not commence until the second half of 2021 and works were completed in early 2022.

For 2021, members agreed to allocate the Village Enhancement Scheme funding to the Harper's Island Wetlands Project in Glounthaune. The funding here is being used to upgrade the entrance to the Wetlands and provide additional parking spaces due to the growing popularity of the site.

#### **Pay Parking Dividend**

A grant of €25,000 which was funded by the Pay Parking Dividend was allocated to Cobh Football4All as a contribution towards the costs associated with the Stephen Ireland Astro Turf project which opened in 2021.



#### **Public Realm**

The proposed Cobh Public Realm Enhancement Plan went out to public consultation under Part 8 in 2021. In October 2021, the elected members of cork county council, having considered all submissions received, approved the proposals. Work has now started on preparing a funding request for detailed design and tender under the government's URDF Programme in 2022.

#### Election of Cobh Municipal District Chair 2021/2022

In June 2021, following the Annual General Meeting of Cobh Municipal District, Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen (LAB) was elected chair (Cathaoirleach) of the Municipal District, taking over from Cllr. Sinead Sheppard (FG). Cllr. Anthony Barry (FG)was elected vice-chair (leas-Cathaoirleach) of the MD,

# EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT



#### TOWNS

Midleton and Youghal

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Castlemartyr, Cloyne, Killeagh, Whitegate and Aghada

#### VILLAGES

Ballycotton, Ballymacoda, Churchtown South, Dungourney, Ladysbridge, Mogeely, Saleen, Shanagarry/Garryvoe



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#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

Joe McCarthy

#### CHAIRPERSON

Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley

**EXECUTIVE ENGINEER** 

Dave Clarke

### East Cork Municipal District

Councillors

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Cllr Ann Marie Ahern Party: Fianna Fáil ahernannmarie@yahoo.ie 087 2425650



**Cllr Danielle Twomey** Party: Sinn Féin Danielle.Twomey@cllr.corkcoco.ie 083 1654606



#### Overview of the Town Development Fund 2021

Painting Scheme Youghal & Midleton	€20,000 was allocated to the painting scheme in 2021. 18 applications were approved and the fund was fully expended.
Yew Wood Venues	€3,000 was allocated to Yew Wood Venues for marketing and administration costs.
Youghal Clock Gate Tower	€10,000 was allocated to Youghal Clock Gate Tower for marketing and promotion. Although closed for varying periods of time through Covid guided tours still operated where possible and marketing and website development continued behind the scenes. This allocation has been fully expended.
Jail Steps Repair	The lower section of the Jail Steps suffered a significant collapse on the 13th November 2020 and have remained closed since. The cost of the repair is $\leq 100,000$ with $\leq 67,000$ of this coming from the Heritage Council. The remaining costs must be carried by Cork County Council - $\leq 10,000$ of which was allocated from the Town Development Fund. Work is now underway to repair the collapse and reopen the pathway.
Youghal Chamber of Tourism and Development	€8,000 was allocated to Youghal Chamber. Following a difficult 2020 the offices remained largely open for 2021 and continued to provide services. The allocation of €8,000 has been paid to the Chamber.
Upgrade Market House	€6,000 to upgrade Market House, Youghal.
Midleton Chamber	€3,500 was allocated to Midleton Chamber. Following a difficult 2020 the offices remained largely open for 2021 and continued to provide services.

Millennium Pond Reinstatement	€13,000 was allocated to the project to refurbish, replant and re-instate these ponds which are a beautiful feature of the park. A contractor has been appointed and work is due to commence shortly.
Rejuvenation of Roxboro Park	€22,000 was allocated to this project. The project is currently at the design stage.
Public Realm Works at the Gooses Acres	€14,000 was allocated to this project. The project is currently at the design stage.
Public Realm Works at the Courthouse/Oliver Plunkett Place	€8,000 was allocated to this project. The project is currently at the design stage.

**Overview of Project Act 2021** 

- The installation of two wheelchair accessible picnic benches, one in the Baby's Walk Park and one in Midleton Lodge Park. This initiative was proposed by the local Older Persons Council representative who is a key advocate for people with disabilities. The picnic benches were manufactured locally and have been installed in the parks and are proving to be very popular.
- The installation of seating and planters located throughout Midleton town in Baby's Walk Park, Midleton Lodge Park, Riverside Way and Bailick Car Park.
- Introduction of one way pedestrian system on the North Main Street and access to Dolphin Square Car Park in Youghal
- High visibility bollards at areas around Youghal where illegal parking created difficulties for social distancing.
- Road lining improvements throughout Youghal.
- New pedestrian crossings and speed ramps at Grattan St & Kent Street, Youghal.
- New picnic area in Greenpark, Youghal.
- New picnic benches at the Front Strand, Youghal.
- 17 outdoor dining applications granted.



Baby's Walk Opening and Pedestrian Bridge.

#### **CIVIC/CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Location	Project Type	Stage 2021	Stage 2022	
Middleton	Enhancement of streetscape	Consultants appointed Part 8 Completed	Advertise for tenders	
Youghal Lighthouse (Phase II)	Conservation & Refurbishment	Consultants appointed Part 8 Completed	Secure funding, Tender Stage & Commencement Construction	
Youghal Courthouse	Conservation & Refurbishment	Consultants appointed Feasibility Study	Submit for Part VIII	

#### **Other Projects**

#### Youghal Boardwalk Phase II.

An additional 1.2km of boardwalk stretching from Claycastle to Redbarn was completed and opened in 2021. Its completion has created a continuous seaside walkway stretching 5 kilometres from Youghal Town Centre to Redbarn.



Youghal Eco Boardwalk Phase II



Midleton Lodge Pollinator Pathway.

#### NTA funded project, Midleton.

The NTA funded the upgrading and enhancement of the amenity walkway from Bailick car park to Gaelscoil Mhainister na Corann. This is Phase 1 of the Ballinacurra to Midleton Pedestrian Walkway and Cycleway which will strongly integrate Ballinacurra and Midleton and will facilitate access to the MY (Midleton-Youghal) Greenway for pedestrians and cyclists.

## Midleton Pollinator Plan :

Promotion of Midleton Pollinator Plan and extension of pollinator and biodiversity supporting community projects throughout the Municipal District, including Youghal, Ballinacurra and Saleen.

## Town And Village Renewal Scheme 2019

Glenbower Wood: An application for funding to facilitate the replacement of 3 no. footbridges in Glenbower Wood, Killeagh, was successful and the Department allocated €36,000 to this Project. The detailed design has been completed. A further grant of €10,000 from the Village Enhancement Scheme 2021 operated by the Council was approved at the December Municipal District Meeting.

## Town And Village Renewal Scheme 2020 - Accelerated Measures In Response To Covid-19



New guided tours at St. Marys Collegiate Church, Youghal

#### Old Bridewell Gaol, Youghal

The Council was successful and received a grant of €38,000 for a joint Cork County Council, Youghal Tidy Towns and Tesco Youghal proposal to develop a community garden at the Old Bridewell Gaol, Mill Road, Youghal. The project will consist of a gated community garden including an urban orchard, raised beds, seating and courtyard.

#### St. Marys Collegiate Church, Youghal:

The Voice of St Mary's is an immersive visitor experience at St Mary's Collegiate Church which was launched in 2021. Using a variety of interpretative media, you can engage with the 'Voices of St Mary's' and explore the meaning and significance of the site.

#### **T&V Castlemartyr**

A grant of €25,000 was approved under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme 2020 Accelerated Measures to part fund the development of a linear walkway from Castlemartyr village along the Ladysbridge road to the entrance to Castlemartyr Resort/ Forestry entrance. A further €68,500 was allocated to this project from the 2019 Village Enhancement Scheme.

## Conservation and Cleaning of Public Sculptures and Monuments.

In 2021, a year of commemorations and anniversaries, the Municipal District arranged for the conservation and cleaning of public sculptures and monuments including:-

- The Clonmult Monument, Midleton.
- Nellie Cashman Angel of the Cassiars sculpture, Midleton.
- Gyrators sculpture, Midleton.
- Sheep and Posts Sculptures, Fair Green, Midleton.

Kindred Spirits Choctaw Monument, acknowledging the Choctaw gift during the Famine, Bailick Park, Midleton.



#### **Overview of Village Enhancement Scheme 2021**

At the December 2021Municipal District Meeting on the proposal of the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Susan McCarthy and seconded by Cllr. Danielle Twomey, supported by Cllr. Ann Marie Ahern and resolved that the fund of €68,500 was approved to support a number of projects as follows:

Replacement of three footbridges in Glenbower Wood, Killeagh

A grant of €36,000 had been secured under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme, 2020 from the Department as advised at the September Municipal District meeting and it was agreed that €10,000 from the Village Enhancement Scheme, 2021, operated by the Council, would be approved for this project.

#### Whitegate Rowing Club

On the suggestion of the Cathaoirleach it was agreed and approved that the balance of €5,500 from the fund would be made as a contribution towards a project by Whitegate Rowing Club.

#### Churchtown South Community Hall

It was noted that a major project for the repair, enhancement and refurbishment of the Community Hall in Churchtown South had been undertaken by the community and that they had raised a significant local contribution and had been successful in being approved for a significant grant from Leader funding. During the course of the development additional works not originally foreseen arose and needed to be carried out. A request for a contribution from the Council was made to the Municipal District and it was agreed and approved that €30,000 from the Village Enhancement Scheme, 2021, be granted to enable completion of this project.

#### Car Park, Ladysbridge

It was agreed that €23,000 from the Village Enhancement Scheme, 2021, would be approved to have part of the car park near the Church in Ladysbridge resurfaced in tarmac and lined appropriately.

The Members of the East Cork Municipal District expressed their satisfaction at the spread and diversity of the projects being supported in the Municipal District and commended the community groups involved.

# BANDON-KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT



#### TOWNS

Bandon, Kinsale

#### **KEY VILLAGES**

Ballinspittle, Belgooly, Courtmacsherry, Inishannon, Riverstick, Timoleague

## VILLAGES

Ballinadee, Kilbrittain, Old Chapel

## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OFFICER

Enda O'Halloran

#### **CHAIRPERSON**

Cllr. Alan Coleman

#### SENIOR EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

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## Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District

## **Boundary Alteration**

Following the local elections in June 2019 the boundary of the Bandon Kinsale Municipal District changed with Crosshaven, Ballinhassig and Ballygarvan moving to the Carrigaline Municipal District. Areas of both Blarney Macroom Municipal and West Cork Municipal Districts now come under Bandon Kinsale Municipal District. Villages such as Courtmacsherry, Timoleague, Barryroe, Newcestown and Crossbarry are new to the Municipal District.

#### Councillors

The following Councillors represent Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District:



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Municipal Hall, Kinsale

#### **Community Grant Scheme**

In 2021 Bandon Kinsale Municipal District supported a broad range of community groups and other local bodies in enhancing their communities under the 3 strands of the Community Grant Scheme:

- €31,400 was allocated to 14 groups through Amenity Grants
- €75,000 was allocated to 6 groups for Capital Grants
- €45,782 was allocated to 13 Tidy Town and Development Associations for the improvement of their towns and villages



MuAhiohill Tidy Town group - mural art on the local school



Molaga (Timoleague) Tidy Towns group installed a number of information boards at the site of the old railway station.



## **Project ACT**

The project commenced in 2020 and continued into 2021

#### Bandon

- Removal of street furniture in points that could cause congestion of people
  - Continued temporary suspension of Pay Parking in town
  - Temporary closure of Bridge Lane to create safe town centre pedestrian plaza

o Installing of demountable bollards around plaza to stop vehicular access

o Installing age friendly seating and benches

o Plaza surrounded by planters



Bandon Project ACT Bridge Lane Pedestrian Zone

#### Kinsale

- Removal of street furniture in locations around the town to facilitate a free flow of pedestrians in a safer socially distanced manner on footpaths/public areas.
- Continued temporary suspension of Pay Parking in town
- Removal of parking spaces to facilitate outdoor dining on Pearse Street, The Glen, Main Street and Market Street
- Temporary Pedestrianisation of Short Quay
- Continuation of Farmers Market in Pier Road Car Park to facilitate safer social distancing

#### **Town and Village Renewal Accelerated Measures - Crossbarry**

Bandon Kinsale Municipal District was awarded €36,000 for overlay works of Crossbarry Ambush Memorial Park. The works were completed in August.



## Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme - Harbour View Eco Trail, Arigideen Valley Trail & Belgooly Walkway

Bandon Kinsale Municipal District was successful in being grant aided through the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme for walkways for Harbour View and Arigideen. The works on the projects were delayed due to Covid-19 lockdowns but they were all completed during the year.



#### **Argideen Valley Trail**

The Arigideen Valley Trail is an on-road walk from Ballinascarty Village to Timoleague along the Arigideen River Valley.The walk brings hikers along tree lined lesser travelled roads visiting castles, Wild Atlantic Way waypoints and historic bridges along the valley, culminating at Abbeymacmahon Abbey outside the historic Timoleague Village.

#### Harbour View Eco Trail

The Harbour View Eco Trail is along an existing trail at Harbour View Beach which encompasses the rich flora and fauna of the area of outstanding natural beauty, whilst being sensitive to its delicate ecosystem.





#### **Belgooly Walkway**

The Belgooly Walkway is an off-road walk which is 1.8klm long. The project was carried out by Cork County Council with the support of the Belgooly Tidy Towns. The works involved resurfacing the walkway in tarmacadam and the walkway is now fully accessible to all, with a smooth surface finish.

#### **Kinsale Pollinator Plan**

Kinsale was chosen as one of the pilot towns in the county for the development of a pollinator plan. This plan was developed by an ecologist working closely with Cork County Council Environment, Roads and Municipal District Directorates. Suitable green spaces within Kinsale town are being developed as biodiversity areas. Kinsale Tidy Towns has, in recent years, won awards for its wildflower meadows, and is working closely with the plan.

#### **Paint Scheme**

In 2021 Bandon Kinsale Municipal District again ran the Streetscape Paint Scheme, a very successful and popular grant where the public can claim a grant to paint their property in town centre locations. The scheme has helped fight dereliction in both towns in the MD. In 2021 the Municipal District Members allocated €15,000 towards the scheme. 17 buildings were successful in gaining the grant.



Launch of the Bandon Kinsale MD Paint Scheme in Bandon town



Building in Bandon painted through the Streetscape Enhancement Scheme

Business in Bandon painted through the Streetscape Enhancement Scheme

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1: Building in Kinsale painted; 2 & 3 : Buildings in Bandon painted; 4: Building in Belgooly painted

#### **Streetscape Enhancement Scheme**

Bandon town was chosen as one of the six Cork County recipient towns for funding under the 2021 Streetscape Enhancement Scheme. The scheme is part of the Government's five-year strategy to revitalise rural Ireland and is aimed at improving the visual appearance of our urban streetscapes, increasing pride and confidence in our hometowns and villages, making them more attractive places to live, work and do business. Eligible premises were commercial, residential, and unoccupied buildings in a town centre location.



Building in Bandon painted through the Streetscape Enhancement Scheme



#### **Painting of the Stoney Steps**

The Stoney Steps are located very close to the main thoroughfare in Kinsale and the Kinsale Chamber of Tourism and Business approached the Kinsale Council Office with the idea of painting the steps. The Bandon Kinsale Municipal District Councillors were very much in favour of the idea and signed off on the funding for the project. Splattervan were the chosen artists and they picked Anne Bonny as a local historical figure and went to public consultation for stories and ideas on her life. The works were carried out in June 2021 and have proven to be a popular attraction with locals and tourists and have a created a statement piece of artwork in the town.

#### **Village Enhancement Scheme**

Bandon Kinsale Municipal District members agreed to support Belgooly village for the 2021 Village Enhancement Scheme. This fund totals €68,750 and while Covid 19 delayed the scheme, works are planned to take place in 2022.

#### **Port of Kinsale**

2021 for the Port of Kinsale saw a relative return to normal when compared with 2020, a marked increase in international yacht arrivals, CCC staff remained involved with the HSE and AGS as well as the IRCG in controlling vessel arrival in relation to Covid Restrictions. Although the Port had no Cruise ships again in 2021 due to Covid restrictions, we did see a major Increase in commercial shipping, (See table below). The routine work of the harbour went as normal, Fishing vessels kept fishing and landing their catch, ship arrivals and departures came and went, keeping up the vital supply of food into the country. Leisure activities were most affected due to restrictions, however there were periods of intense activity while restrictions were lifted, throughout which CCC port staff continued with the upkeep and management of all services and facilities within the port, including some smaller capital/improvement works.

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Row	Name of Vessel	Entered Port	HomePort	Flag State	FromPort	Heading To	Cargo Outturn	Gross Tonnage	Cargo
1	Von Adler	18/01/2021	Panama	Panama	Ghent	TBD	3278	2469	Rapeseed Meal
2	Arklow Rogue	25/01/2021	Anklow	Ireland	Portbury UK	Avonmouth	4031.82	2999	Barley
3	Heinz G	04/02/2021	St Johns	Antigua & Barbuda	Rostock	tbd	3188.76	2545	Rapeseed Meal
- 4	Von Adler	22/02/2021	Panama	Panama	Ghent	TBD	3182.06	2469	Rapeseed Meal
5	Hav Marlin	25/02/2021	St Johns	Antigua & Barbuda	Gdansk	Gijon	2613.36	1960	Wheatfeed
6	Arklow Rogue	05/03/2021	Anklow	Ireland	Tilbury	cork	4195.68	2999	Barley
7	Sea Harmony	16/03/2021	Bridgetown	Barbados	Rouen	tbc	2938.16	2481	Rapeseed Meal
8	Arklow Cadet	27/08/2021	Anklow	Ireland	Portbury UK	Avonmouth	4160.42	2999	Barley
9	Antje K	30/03/2021	DELFZUL	netherlands	Rostock	tbd	3331.08	3087	Rapeseed Mea
<b>Q1</b>							30919.34	23958	
10	Anton	11/04/2021	St Johns	Antigua & Barbuda	Ghent	тbd	3302.56	2997	Rapeseed Mea
11	Nataly	10/05/2021	Lymissol	Cyprus	Rouen	Gijon	3149.6	2545	Rapeseed Meal
12	Ventu ra	21/06/2021	Fave rsh am	UK	Liverpool	TBD	3249.8	2545	Rapeseed Mea
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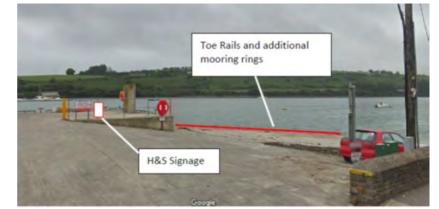
Early indication for 2022 is for a similar volume of shipping to the Port.

## Operation AKinsale Slips Improvement works - DAFM Improvement Project Completed Oct 2021

The works were located on the following Kinsale Slips:

- Main Slip
- Middle Slip
- Top Slip
- Lobster Quay

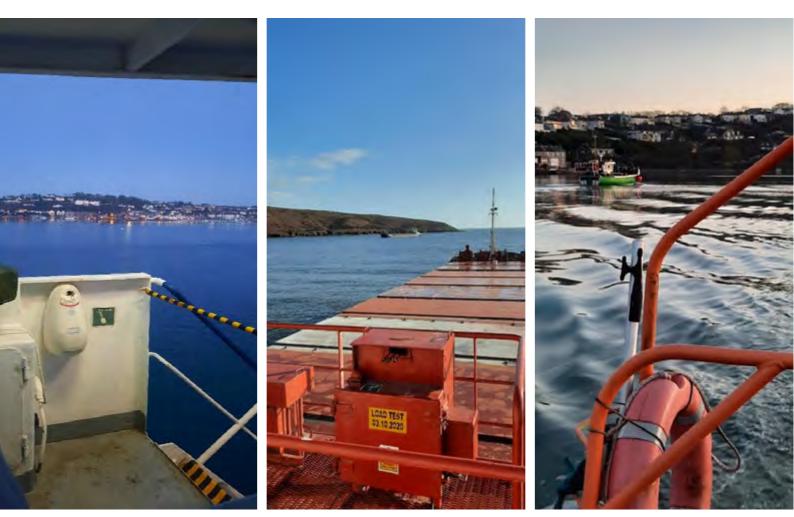
Improvement works on the various slips which include concrete repairs to slip deck, installation of toe-rails, mooring rings, removable bollards, re-lining with thermo setting paint, and standardised health and safety signage



## **Other Major Works Completed:**

- Maintenance & Replacement of Ferry Slip Marina mooring chains.
- Major maintenance of Visitor Moorings

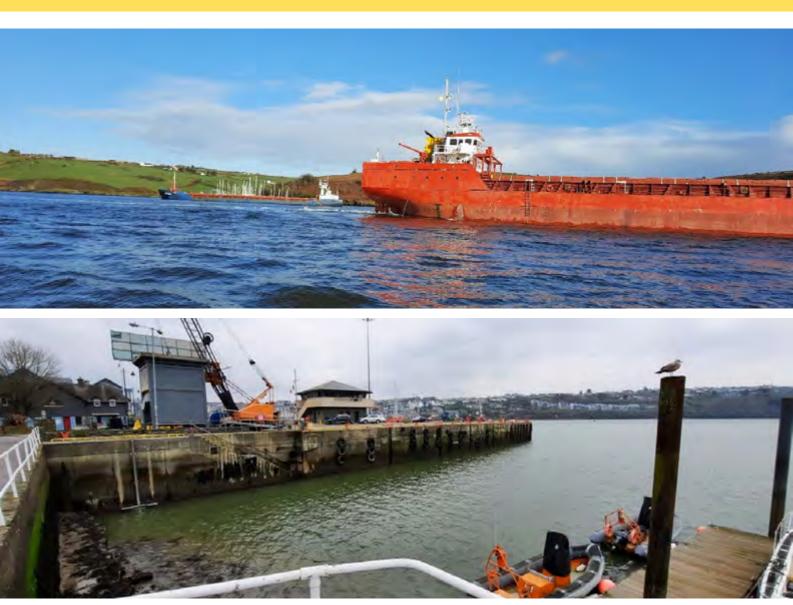
- Replacement and major maintenance of Navigation
  Buoys
- Investment into additional port security measures



1: Kinsale Sleeps at 5am while a ship slips silently out of the harbour. 2: Kinsale Outer Roads (A busy channel). 3: Inshore fishing vessel departing main pier, inshore vessels comprise 70% of the Kinsale Fleet.



1: CCC Port Staff Responding to an Oil Spill Incident in the Harbour. 2: Inner and Outer Harbour Shown. 3: Some sailing boats enjoying the harbour.



Top: Ships crossing in Kinsale's Busy Main Channel. 1 in 1 out. Bottom: The Main Pier.

#### **Election of Municipal District Chair**

In July 2021, following the Annual General Meeting of the Bandon Kinsale Municipal District, Cllr. John O'Sullivan (FG) was elected chair of the Municipal District, taking over from Cllr. Kevin Murphy (FG). Cllr. Sean O'Donovan (FF) was re-elected as the vice-chair.

#### **Blue Flag Beaches**

Bandon Kinsale Municipal District was awarded two Blue Flags for its impressive beaches at Garrylucas and Garretstown. In 2021, as a result of Covid-19, the beaches were very busy, and it is a credit to Cork County Council to be able to deliver a very effective lifeguard service at both beaches for the summer months.



Garryculas Blue Flag Beach with colourful chairs and picnic benches.

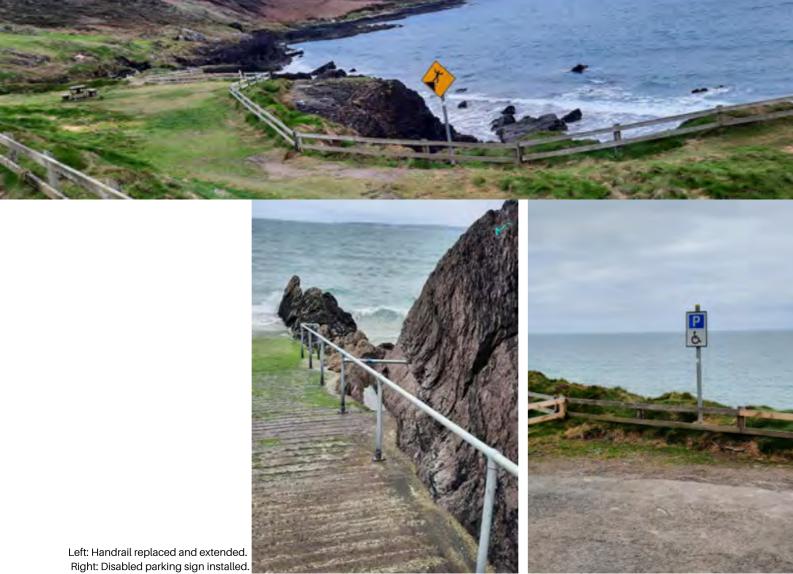


## Improvement Works at Dunworley Beach

A number of works took place at Dunworley Beach as follows:

- Replaced and extended handrail at the bottom of the slipway
- Installed a picnic bench with disabled access
- Installed a concrete path to the new picnic bench
- Installed a new car barrier
- Installed a new information board
- Installed a dangerous cliff sign
- Installed disabled parking signs
- Replaced parts of old fencing
- Painted a yellow no parking zone at the top of the slipway

Left: Car barrier and information sign installed. Bottom: Dangerous cliff sign and some of the wooden fencing.



Left: Disabled access picnic bench and concrete path installed. Right: Yellow no parking zone at the top of the slipway with car barrier and information sign in the background.





#### **Kinsale Museum**

Kinsale Museum is a seasonal volunteer run museum which is owned by Cork County Council. Because of Covid, the decision was taken to close the museum from a safety point of view for both volunteers and visitors. A business plan is currently being prepared in order to get the museum open again.

In recent years the Council has repaired windows, installed a new audio visual Battle of Kinsale display and has updated and rearranged the ground floor exhibit of the museum as part of a Town and Village Renewal grant. The office and welfare facilities in the building have also been updated since then.

#### **Outdoor Street Furniture**

Cork County Council facilitated a number of businesses in availing of outdoor seating licences to allow them to trade in a safe, Covid compliant manner, as businesses were encouraged to consider takeaway and outdoor dining options.



Kinsale Museum

# LIBRARY SERVICES



#### **BRANCHES**

Ballyvourney, Bandon, Bantry, Carrigaline, Castletownbere, Charleville, Clonakilty, Cobh, Dunmanway, Fermoy, Kanturk, Kinsale, Lending HQ, Macroom, Mallow, Midleton, Millstreet, Mitchelstown, Newmarket, Cape Clear, Passage West, Schull, Sherking Island, Skibbereen, Youghal

#### **MOBILE LIBRARIES**

Fermoy, Kanturk, Mobile South, West Cork Mobile

DIRECTOR OF SERVICES Niall Healy

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COUNTY LIBRARIAN Emer O'Brien

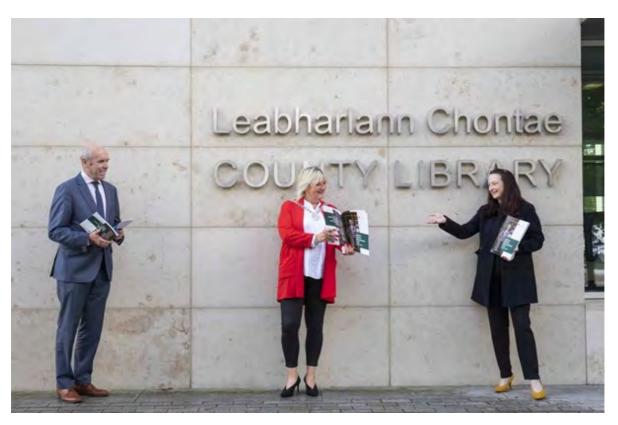
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## **Library Services**

In January 2021, the Library Service remained in level 5 service restrictions, Housebound and Online Services Only were permitted during Q1 2021. All Libraries opened (except Fermoy due to significant building upgrade works) on 2nd June 2021. Mobile West returned to service on 31st May. The remaining mobile services resumed in Q4 when the New Mobiles arrived. Extended Service resumed from 20th September – browsing, seating, PC access, printing, study spaces – within public health guidelines including social distancing and mask wearing. Services to Schools, Nursing Homes and other residential centres fully resumed. Almost 1 million items were issued by Cork County Council Library Service in 2021. The people of Cork County visited their local library 379,696 times during the 7 months we were open (Fermoy library and 3 mobiles did not resume business until December). 2878 housebound boxes of books were delivered in 2021. 35,828 new books were added to the collection - Fiction = 16,113, Non-Fiction = 3,220, Juvenile = 15,584, DVDs = 911

#### LAUNCH OF THE LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN



Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley – Mayor of the County of Cork launched Cork County Council's Library and Arts Service Library Service Development Plan 2020-2025.

#### LIBRARY INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN 2021

New MOBILE LIBRARY fleet. Cork County Council's Library and Arts Service has added three new mobile libraries to its fleet serving book lovers across the county. The state-of-the-art trucks are replacing older vehicles in North, East and South Cork thanks to a €592,000 investment from the Council and will follow the replacement of the Mobile Library truck serving West Cork in 2017.

Mobile libraries have long been an integral part of Cork County Library and Arts Service, with trucks operating a fortnightly route of around 340 service points, including schools, nursing homes, day-care centres, direct provision centres and creches as well as towns, villages and homes in every corner of the county.



These three new vehicles were purpose-built by Offaly-based company Primo Coach Builders. They are packed with fantastic features such as on-board WiFi, sensory lighting and 43-inch digital display screens to highlight local events and services available. The trucks are fully wheelchair accessible and have two-metre awnings on their exterior to provide shelter for customers as they enter and leave the library.

KANTURK LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT	The New Kanturk Library building was handed over to the Library Service in November 2021. Fit Out and Stocking commenced immediately in preparation for a February 2022 opening.
FERMOY LIBRARY UPGRADE AND REFURBISHMENT	Fermoy Library reopened early December 2021 after significant upgrade and refurbishment works as part of the installation of the 'My Open Library' function. DRCD funded amounted to €189,000.
MIDLETON LIBRARY	Emergency works were carried out on the Cupola on Midleton Library in the summer of 2021 to protect it from further storm damage.



#### BANDON LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

The New Library in Bandon was completed in late December 2021, ready for opening on the 12th January 2022. DRCD provided €140,000 funded for the 'My Open Library' system and other digital equipment.

#### KINSALE LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

The refurbishment and conversion of the Mill Building commenced in July 2021 and the new library is expected to be complete for fitout in late 2022/early 2023.





Mayor of the County of Cork Cllr Gillian Coughlan and Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys jointly marked the official commencement of works on Kinsale's new state of the art library facility.

#### YOUGHAL LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

 $\in$ 4 million Rural Regeneration Funding was announced in April 2021 for the development of a new Library in Youghal.



Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley, Mayor of the County of Cork in Youghal

#### LIBRARY ONLINE AND DIGITAL SERVICES

**EDUROAM** refers to education roaming and is where a student from a university around the country can log in to their university account via the WIFI in the library and access any of their college materials etc. We worked with CCC IT to upgrade our service to enable this to be offered at a local level.

**The Library App** was updated and provides a range of information, including library details, details about the different library e-resources, and search the catalogue as well as access to a borrower's account. From here, a borrower can check what they have checked out and they can also reserve items.

We were successful in receiving funding under the **Our Rural Future: Digital Innovation Programme 2021**. With this we expanded our remote printing solution to all locations ensuring users of our service will not be digitally disadvantaged by their rural location. During 2021, we installed printers/copiers and also software to enable printing from a device which can then be collected at a later point in a Branch or on a mobile.

#### AGE FRIENDLY LIBRARIES

**Age Friendly Libraries recognition** - Mitchelstown, Youghal, Cobh, Castletownbere and Bantry submitted their Age Friendly goals, whereupon they will receive their Age Friendly charter, another step on the way to achieving Age Friendly status.

The Age Friendly Libraries Digital Ambassadors Programme, which was launched by Minister of State, Department of Health with responsibility for Mental Health and Older People, Mary Butler T.D. began roll-out in February. The scheme which was developed in partnership between Age Friendly Ireland and Libraries Ireland aims to support older people in accessing online library resources as well as avail of online library events such as ciorcal cainte and bookclubs.



#### AGE FRIENDLY LIBRARIES DIGITAL AMBASSADORS

at Cork County Council Library and Arts Service

Would you like to be able to access your local Library Services on the Internet, download your books or listen to audio books but you're not sure how? Let our Library Digital Ambassadors show you how to get online. You don't even have to be a member of your local library already, will help you to you?

for more information contact Cork County Council Library and Arts Service E: corkcounty/library@corkcoco.ie T: (021) 4546499

www.corkcoco.ie/library-services

In March Cork County Council Library staff from the Age Friendly Libraries were trained to support older people in accessing the many library online resources such as Borrowbox as well as enabling them to take part in online workshops and bookclub meetings. Remote tutoring sessions could be delivered remotely online and over the phone. These digital ambassadors then trained other interested staff with the result that we have a pool of 18 ambassadors available to provide digital training remotely. In 2021, 22 people have requested Digital Ambassador assistance and training for many of these participants is ongoing.

We held a creative writing competition during the summer. These stories were to be short, soothing, uplifting and suitable to be read to or by someone with dementia or similar needs. We had winners from Bantry, Castletownbere and H.Q. lending libraries.

The winning stories and runners up have been included in our upcoming book of dementia-friendly book of readings 'Come sit awhile', will be available shortly in libraries, nursing homes via our mobiles and all interested groups. The title comes from a poem Alice Taylor kindly provided for this purpose.

#### CHILDRENS, YOUNG PEOPLE AND SCHOOLS LIBRARY SERVICE:

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- Spring into Storytime ran from April 1st May 31st 2021 with a total of 49 online events in this time period. 47 of these were video recordings of story-times and craft videos presented by library staff. There were also two workshops by Catherine Gilliland called Developing Your Child's Love of Reading and Rhyme and Sign with Claire Glynn.
- The **First Five Little Library Initiative** was launched in May. 400 Little Library Book bags were presented to Tusla registered Early Learning Centres and Childminders in Cork County through the branch and mobile library network. They were invited to collect the bag from their local library and also encouraged to join the library and use the block loan library card facility available to schools. These free book bags contained Irish and English language storybooks, social story-cards, an early years literacy booklet and information on Cork County Council Library services and membership. The strengthening of connections between local libraries, early learning and care services and the families and communities they serve aims to encourage a new generation on a life-long love of reading.



- Summer Stars reading launched in mid-June with registration packs containing a pencil, bookmark, Cork County Heritage colouring book and puzzle sheets available to very child who signs up to read at least one book during the summer holidays from school. Online art, craft and writing workshops are being provided by Cork County Arts Office in conjunction with Summer Stars reading and there will also be video recordings with craft workshops and book recommendations made by library staff throughout July and August. Summer Stars was launched with a bookmark design competition for primary school children with the winning designs being announced on Cruinniú na nÓg celebration day on June 12th and will continue until August 31st.
- Summer Stars registration is being offered to children from 3- 12 year olds from the Syrian communities in Mallow, Midleton, Cobh, Passage West and Carrigaline libraries. Denis Justice from Le Chéile Family Resource Centre in Mallow will organise an interpreter to meet the families in the libraries and help with this registration. Summer Stars and NEWSTART early years literacy packs along with Cork county heritage colouring books will be given to the children when they are registering. As of the 14th July, 2178 children registered for Summer Stars!
- **NEWSTART** early years literacy programme was offered to schools and parents who are participating in the Summer Education programme. An email was sent to all primary schools in Cork County promoting the fact that NEWSTART merchandise (canvas bags with notebook and pen) as well as Touch-Type, Read, Spell (TTRS) online licences are available free of charge to all students participating in the Summer Education Programme in 2021. Three schools and two individual teachers responded to the email and received the merchandise and teacher login details for TTRS online licences.
- In June, Cork County Library was awarded the 'Right To Read' Award in recognition of the implementation of the core programme of literacy support services in Cork County Council in 2020, as coordinated by the library service.

#### **Literacy Awareness Training**

Literacy Awareness Training for library staff was provided in mid-September. This training was provided by Cork ETB to raise awareness among library staff regarding literacy issues which their members may experience.

#### **One County, One Book**

The One County, One Book Teen Reading programme was officially launched by press release on Friday, August 13th. 800 copies of All Our Hidden Gifts by Caroline O'Donoghue were sent to 4 schools in September. These schools are Hamilton High School Bandon, Midleton College, Davis College Mallow, Carrigaline Community School and Kinsale Community School.TY students in these schools read the book and discussed it with the author in November.

#### **Teen Literature Festival**

Teen authors Ciara Smyth, Adiba Jaigirdar and William Hussey and Louise O'Neill met TY students from five schools across Cork County in November as part of a new Teen Literature Festival introduced in 2021. Themes such as inclusion, diversity and acceptance were discussed with TY students from Colaiste na Toirbhirte in Bandon, Hamilton High School Bandon, Midleton College, Davis College Mallow, Carrigaline Community School and Kinsale Community School. All books were distributed to schools in early September with the students met the authors in virtual sessions in November. This was funded by Creative Ireland and Words Will Change Worlds, Cork County Library's LGBTQI+ literature programme.



The Mayor of Cork County Council with students and teachers from Hamilton High School in Bandon to promote these competitions

#### WORK MATTERS @ THE LIBRARY

As part of the Work Matters at the Library programme, over the summer months a series of recordings on careers and job seeking went live on Cork County Council's YouTube channel.

There is a series of seven recordings from specialists in their field covering a range of careers topics. Recordings include finding career clarity, career breaks, online interviews and CVs and LinkedIn. One recording covers the topic of midlife women in the workplace and having the courage and confidence to return to education and to make changes in midlife. There was also a video covering careers and re-training options in the field of cultural heritage and tourism. These will be delivered by Shane Lehane from Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa.



#### **SOCIAL INCLUSION**



Two staff training days took place and were very well received by staff. These were an overview LGBTQIA+ awarenesss from The Gay Project in February and Transgender awareness on March 10th from Gender Rebels.

This in turn led to our focus on 31st March Transgender Day Of Visibility which we marked by having dedicated phonelines for people wishing to change their details on their library registration while awaiting or having received their official certification, as the first step on the road to empowerment for a person transitioning. The lines were staffed by Inclusion team volunteers. BorrowBox created a tiled poster of transgender based titles. The initiative received hugely positive response in mainstream and social media and from the various LGBTQIA+ support services. Work commenced on the Words will Change Worlds programme funded by Dept of Children to set up online LGBTQIA reading groups for adults and school based reading groups for Children. Pride Month was a great success and there were some fantastic window displays and book displays in the branches. Celebration of Cork and National Pride was marked with branch and window displays, a webinar for parents and families, raising awareness of transgender issues. It's No Big Deal: A Talk on Gender Identity and Sexuality by Jack Fitzgerald of **Gender Rebels Cork** which aired on the Council's YouTube channel from Sat 24th July.



YOUTUBE.COM Cork County Council Library and Arts service celebrate Africa Day with stories from Nandi Jolie

#### NEW COMMUNITIES

Branches celebrated Africa Day with a focus on displaying the Collection of Africa based books and other materials. This created a splash of colour across the County and was closely followed in June by a big effort in branches to raise awareness of World Refugee Day and Join with the UNHCR other libraries and bookshops in highlighting through literature how it feels for a child to be forced to flee their homes. Library Staff created displays based on the recommended reading list from the UNHCR.

We were delighted to welcomeDenis Justice of LeCheile Mallow FRC to speak to the Inclusion Team about his work with the Syrian Refugee Families across the County and how Libraries can strengthen their Service offering to these families. The Children's Services have joined with the inclusion team to create special Summer Stars packs and arrangements will be made for the families to visit their local libraries in Mallow , Carrigaline , Cobh and Midleton with an interpreter to join in the Summer Stars Reading Programme.



**Dorman Account Funding 2021.** Cork County Library were successful in obtaining Dormant Account funding for 2 programmes: The development of the **Newstart** Literacy programme so that Literacy bags would be made available to marginalised families and the children in the Direct Provision Centres will in addition receive two high quality books.

**Techsteps**: Funding for 14 new ACORN Age Friendly Smart Tablets. These Android devices are specifically developed to be Age-Friendly, with a streamlined interface that promotes easy navigation and accessibility. this course. A pilot programme will be available in our Age Friendly Branches (Fermoy Mitchelstown Cobh, Youghal, Castletownbere, Bantry and Mobile library from Oct 20th 2021 and will be accompanied by weekly one to one tuition by library staff.

#### 'JAM' Cards

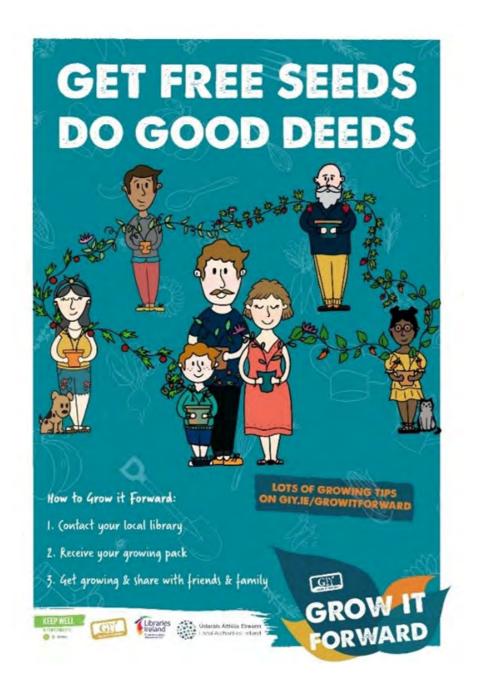
Cork County Council's Library and Arts Service is now associated with the JAM Card initiative, a system that allows people with learning difficulties and communication barriers to ask for a minute of patience when they need it. Developed by the NOW Group, which supports people with learning disabilities, it is a discreet way of allowing people with any type of communication difficulty to ask for 'Just A Minute' of patience as they go about their daily lives. Following staff training, Cork County Council's Library Service has recently received a Certificate of Accreditation from the NOW Group.



Pictured at the launch of the JAM Card initiative by Cork County Council's Library and Arts Service, were l-r: Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan, Emer O'Brien (County Librarian) and Chief Executive of Cork County Council, Tim Lucey.

#### **GROW IT FORWARD**

"Grow It Forward is a national programme to help half a million people #KeepWell by growing their own food. A partnership with Healthy Ireland and Libraries Ireland through the Government of Ireland's Keep Well initiative, the aim is to support half a million people across Ireland to enjoy the wide range of benefits that come from growing food at home." The Library Service appointed a GIF Ambassador and support team to liaise with LGMA/Grow It Yourself in time for the Launch on the 23rd March. They then organised the delivery of seed packs to HQ and distribution to branch network and the promotion of the initiative through social media, local media, and branch network, including collaboration with Ballymaloe House and Darina Allen. There was 100% take up on the programme.



## **Arts Service**

Cork County Council's Arts services had an exceptionally busy year in 2021. Work progressed to redesign certain services and programmes to meet the challenges around Covid 19 public safety measures. From January the Arts Office took responsibility for the administration of the Council's Creative Ireland Programme and in June took on the management and administration of the Dept of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media's Local Live Performance Programming Scheme(LLPPS).

The Arts Grant Scheme is Cork County Council's primary mechanism for providing support to the county's arts sector. Arts Grant Scheme funding supports the work of numerous voluntary arts groups, theatre groups, choirs, writers' groups, festivals, youth organisations, disability and equality organisations, individual artists and arts venues.

#### 2021 Direct funding





The Arts Grant Scheme included allocations for the general applications, Artists Bursaries and Artist in Schools. 72 Arts Organisations and 9 individual artists received support.

#### Pandemic Online Arts Activity programme

#### **Online writing courses**

Online courses which were first introduced by the Arts Office in 2020 in response to the first lockdown. They proved to be a popular alternative to in-person workshops and were continued and expanded in the first half of 2021 to include the following authors: Billy O'Callaghan -The Art and Craft of the Short Story, Matthew Geden - One World -our environment (Poetry) Alex Barclay- CSI Crime Writing; Jack O'Rourke- Three Chords and the Truth (Song Writing); Colin O'Mahony-Prose in a time of pandemic (Teen Writing); Maeve Higgins, Home Truths (Writing the Diaspora)

#### An artist by my side: Arts and Crafts online

This programme provided an opportunity for members of the public to register for a four to five week arts / crafts creative skills development workshop facilitated by a practicing artist/maker. (funded by Community Resilience fund) the programme included **Ann Burns**; Environmental & natural artwork:, **Anja Reinhold**; Paper folding & Printing **Sylwia Migdal**: Sound Mapping , **Belinda Walsh**, Art & Creative Wellbeing; **Stephanie Tenier**; Wet felting

**Online Author Readings** Featured; Emer McLysaght, Donal Ryan. Joseph O'Connor, John Boyne.

## Cork County Council Creative Ireland Programme 2021

Creative Ireland is an all-of-government, culture-based initiative that emphasises the importance of human creativity for individual, community and national wellbeing. Cork County Council is tasked with the management and delivery of the County Cork Creative Ireland Programme.

The 2021 programme successfully delivered over 80 creative projects, workshops, publications, performances, and exhibitions across County Cork. These projects occurred both in-person and online reaching an audience of 32,657.

Highlights included:

- Creative Ireland funding enabled the County Library and Arts Service deliver a new Teen Literature Festival where author events, writing and other creativeand wellbeing opportunities were offered to secondary and youth reach students in Cork County. Young Adult Authors Caroline O'Donoghue Louise O'Neill, Adiba Jaigirdar, Ciara Smyth and William Hussey were featured.
- the Cork Dresser Project facilitated by folklore specialist Michael fortune which invited members of the public to share images and talk about the place played by the dresser in their homes and lives. A calendar with images from the Cork dresser project was produced and was made available to participants and members of the public.
- On the Wireless a five-part audio documentary series produced by Tadhg Ó Meachair and Joanna Hyde highlighting various components of Cork County Council's Creativity in Older Age programme. COVID Care Concerts musicians, Jimmy Crowley and Eve Telford's provided a programme of music and story to older residents of in care settings around the county.
- Cruinniu na nÓg is also a Creative Ireland initiative and is now the designated national day celebrating young people's creativity. This took place in June as part of the annual Creative Ireland Programme. In 2021 in compliance with lockdown measures 15 new online workshops and performances were commissioned and made available to children and young people.

#### Local live Performing Programming Scheme LLPPS

In May the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media introduced a new scheme to support live performance in local areas. The "Local Live Performance Programming Scheme", (LLPPS) part of the €50m package of COVID-19 measures to support the commercial live performance sector across Ireland) The Scheme was split into two programmes LLPPS1 events taking place between May and October and LLPPS 2 for events taking place up to December 31st Funding of nearly €290,000 was made available by the Dept. which over 180 performances that animated public spaces in our main county towns and rural locations, reaching an audience of over 15,000, supporting the income of some 650 professional performing artists, event producers and ancillary production personnel.



Culture Night in Clonakilty

#### **Culture Night**

Cork County Council provides a coordinating and management role for Culture Night, the national celebration of the Arts. In 2021 Culture Night took place on Friday September 17th. A new approach was adopted towards programming concentrating effort on 8 designated towns presented an opportunity to take a more developmental approach in terms of bringing various voluntary organisations together to work for a common purpose. The locations chosen were; Carrigaline, Cobh, Midleton, Mallow, Bandon, Fermoy, Clonakilty and Macroom

Outputs included 91 events in the eight designated towns and in a further six locations. An estimated audience of 4,500 attended physical events and some 3,000 attended online. The event provided a showcase for 640 artists and performers and involved 118 volunteers providing over 3,000 hours of their time

#### **Public Art**

#### **Civic Mural projects**

- Arts Office assisted Bandon Kinsale MD commission a new mural project for the Stony Steps. Mural artists Splattervan secured the commission depicting the pirate queen Anne Bonney. The project was shortlisted for the Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local government awards
- Arts Office assisted Carrigaline MD with a mural commission for the "Cut and Cover" at Monkstown delivered by the Waterford Walls Mural team
- Mural Artist Gareth Joyce worked on a large-scale mural project for Boherbue Comprehensive School supported by the Mallow Kanturk MD Arts Development Fund

#### Mayor's Covid Commission unveiled

• Commissioned during Cllr. Ian Doyle's term as Mayor, the completed artwork by Liam Lavery and Eithne Ring was unveiled in Charleville.

#### Per Cent for Art Programme progress

Significant progress was made in developing the Housing Directorate's Public Art Programme

- Key achievements in 2021 were. Establishing the Housing Public Art Steering group
- Development of a commission framework and the formation of an artist panel
- Progressing the first tranche of commissions beginning with Beechgrove estate in Clonakilty
- Work began on the N22 Per Cent for Art programme



Cut and Cover mural Monkstown

## **Arts in Libraries**

#### Creative Writing publications launched in 2021

- From the Well. Evening Walk and other Short Stories was published as the 17th edition of the Council's annual anthology of short story writing
- **Poems from my 5k** an anthology of poems written about the 5k lockdown limit was publishedAdjudicators were Bernard O'Donoghue, Mary Noonan and Matthew Geeden.

**Children's Book Festival** took place during October and November

• 67 author & illustrator events were organised in Primary Schools. 50 virtual events streamed to schools and 17 in-person events.

## **Public and Social Engagement in the Arts**

Macroom Visual is an annual summertimevisual arts programme operated in association with Macroom MD

- Cultivating an empty Field group exhibition of Macroom MD based professional artists curated by Dermot Browne
  Macroom Town Hall, August
- Miriam O'Connor solo show Tomorrow is Sunday in Macroom Town Hall, September



Artist Miriam O'Connor at her exhibition, Tomorrow is Sunday, in Macroom Town Hall

#### Summer Arts Programme

• Due to Covid restrictions the Library Summer Arts programme was delivered online . Highlights included specially commissioned workshops Zine-making, Foldover Comics for Kids, and Creative Writing for Teens, Manga Drawing, An Intro to Autodesk, and Mixed Media Self Portraits; Who? What? Why? Where?: a series of four short films mixing contemporary circus, created by Will Flanagan

#### Social Circus:

- Belfast based Tumble Circus gave performances in Riverside Direct Provision centre in Macroom & Drishane Castle Direct Provision Centre in September.
- Circus Factory from Cork carried out workshops with emigrant children in Macroom, Millstreet, Clonakilty & Mallow

#### West Cork Fit- up theatre Festival

• Due to the ongoing Covid public safety measures in place the annual West Cork Fit up Theatre Festival developed an alternative performance model using an open tent structure in a single location in Ballydehob 9 plays were featured and a total of 28 performances were delivered between July 20th and August 1st

#### Poetry Town

 Bandon was the location for Poetry Town 2021 a national initiative developed by Poetry Ireland to support and coordinate a concentrated programme of events in Bandon over an eight- day period in September. A local steering group was formed comprising staff from Bandon library, Arts Office and Creative Bandon. The Council's writer in Residence Matthew Geden was closely involved and a poem celebrating the town was commissioned by Poetry Ireland

#### **Education**

#### **BEAG Early Years Arts**

An early years arts research project is a partnership project developed in association with Cork City Council, Graffiti theatre and HSE South. In the absence of the possibility for in-person delivery, the artists are developing new child centred projects and methods of delivery A representative of the Cork County Chldcare committee has been added to the steering group. Recent developments include the recruitment of additional artists for training on the progrmame

#### **Dearcán Bursary**

This is an annual bursary to support professional development of craft makers in wood in county Cork. Dearcán provides an opportunity for the successful candidate to take a significant step forward in their creative career, whether recent graduate, new creative start-up or seasoned professional. The recipient of the 2021 Bursary was Sara Leslie a maker from West Cork

#### **Youth Arts**

Cork Young Filmmakers continued to deliver a youth film training programme As a medium involving many disciplines, from script to production, it provides arguably to most open access to engagment of young people in the arts. Cork Young Filmmakers delivered successful projects in Mallow, Ballincollig, Macroom, Mitchelstown, and Midleton. These wer e a blended programme of online and in-person activities. In 2021 the Arts Office appointed Elena Horgan as its first Film maker in residence with special responsibility for supporting youth access to film.

## Arts Culture and Languages SPC Policy Development

Policy	Description	Policy Partners
Public Art Policy (Approved)	<ul> <li>Set out Cork County Council's objectives for its public art programme</li> <li>Guide Cork County Council's work commissioning art for the public ream.</li> <li>Establish a framework which will formalise internal procedures for the development, financing, procurement and management of public real commissions.</li> <li>Provide a best practice guide to external agencies, community groups seeking to engage with the local authority when planning to commission and place artworks in public areas in the county.</li> </ul>	MDOPS Roads Directorate Planning Directorate TII
Guidelines on Artistic and Commemorative Installations in the Public Realm (Approved)	<ul> <li>To provide information and guidance to applicants/ organisations intending to install artworks, civic or commemorative memorials, plaques, heritage signage, murals or other physical installations in the public realm.</li> <li>To provide practical information to assist organisations developing an arts commission or commemorative installation or planning requirements, working with artists, as well as advice on good practice.</li> </ul>	Council Management Planning Directorate MDOPS
Art Collections Policy (Approved)	<ul> <li>Policy and general principles for the management and promotion of the Council's Art Collection.</li> </ul>	Corporate Services Library
County Arts Strategy (In preparation)	<ul> <li>Policy and general principle for the development and delivery of arts and cultural services to 2025.</li> </ul>	Council Management Elected Members MDOPS





Top: Actor Alice Barry performs her one woman show in Fruitcakes in Midleton. Bottom: Circus artist Dee Tierney in Carrigaline.



Left: A young member of the Fermoy concert band. Right: National Play Day activity.



Top: Eve Telford and Jimmy Crowley Covid Care concert. Bottom: Pupils of Cere Island NS captivated by author Michael Smith's tales of Tom Crean's exploits.

# **ARCHITECTS DEPARTMENT**



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### **Architects Department**

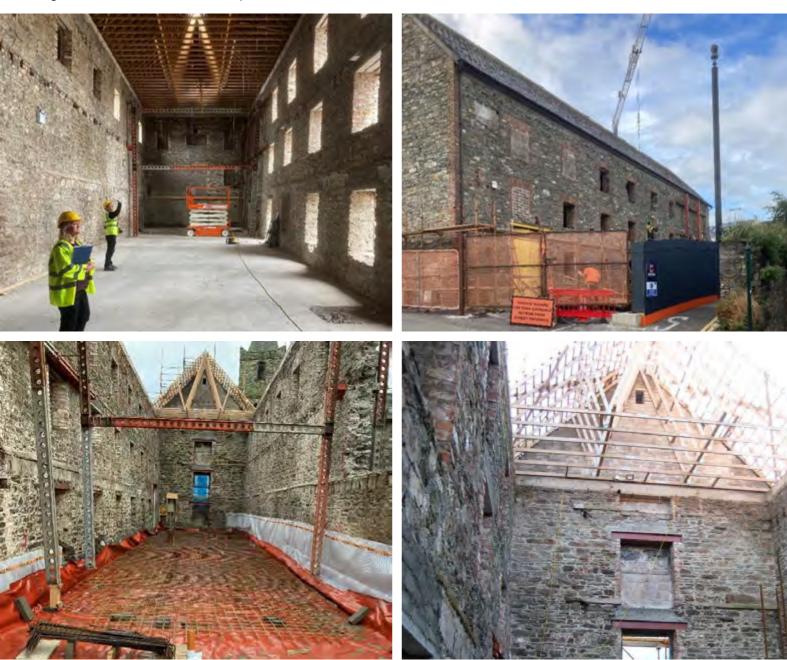
The Architects' Department play a pivotal role in the promotion of good design and architectural awareness within Cork County. They continued to provide invaluable input into the design of many projects in 2021.

- Consultation/Brief Preparation
- Building, Interior Design & Urban Design, from initial concept, through the various stages of planning, tendering and administrating the building contract until the project's completion
- Libraries & Other Civic Buildings

The following is an outline of some of the key projects that the County Architect's Department were involved in:

#### **Kinsale Library**

The Kinsale library project involves the partial demolition, renovation and extension of the 3-storey, 8-bay, 19th century Old Mill building at Church Square, Kinsale. It is a former granary store which is a protected structure. Designed and led by Cork County Council's Architects' Department, the project commenced works on the 9th of August 2021 with works to be completed in Q3 2022.



### Youghal Courthouse & Soup Kitchen

In Q2 2021 the Architects' Department completed the procurement of a team of sub-consultants to assist with the re-development of the former courthouse and soup kitchen at Market Square in Youghal. Among other functions, the buildings will house the famous Pat Lynch collection. By Q4 2021 the team had procured extensive opening up works in the two buildings and had finalized outline proposals for the project ahead of the publication of a part VIII proposal.







#### **Mallow Town Hall Theatre**

The Mallow Town Hall project involves the complete remaking of an assembly of protected structures located on Main Street in the heart of Mallow. The brief includes a 200 seater auditorium, tourist office, café / bar, function room, community meeting space. The Architects' Department are leading a multidisciplinary design team and project managing the delivery of what will entail a significant investment in the cultural infrastructure of the North Cork region and surrounds. In September of 2021, the project received Part VIII planning approval. Since then the Design Team have progressed to Detailed Design with the project scheduled to go to tender in 2022.

#### Youghal Lighthouse (Phase II)

In collaboration with Joseph Mackey Architects, Phase II of the Youghal Lighthouse project received Part VIII planning approval in Q3 2021. This provides for a new cantilevered viewing platform anchored to the base of the existing historic lighthouse, extending the improvement works already complete and repurposing this impressive structure as a destination in its own right.

#### **SpikeIsland Pathways**



The Architects' Department have designed maintenance and upgrade works to the pathways, trails and road surfaces on Spike Island. Completed in December 2021, the works were carried out with funding support from the current Department of Rural and Community Development and Fáilte Ireland's collaborative Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme. The works have improved the quality of the existing access, orientation, and movement across the Island, in support of the increase in visitor numbers.



### **Macroom Theatre and Library**

Formerly known as the Briery Gap Cultural Centre, locatedin Macroom's town centre, the Architects' Department have been developing the Macroom Theatreand Library Refurbishment project since 2016. This unique, high class mixed use amenity building will boast a new fully accessible municipallibrary and 217 seat theatre together with break- out bar space and ancillary support spaces. Detailed design stage was completed in 2020 and issued for tender in Q4 2020. Cumnor Construction were appointed main contractors in Q4 2021, and Construction will commence in Q1 2022, with demolition works progressing first. Completion is expected Q3 of 2023.





#### **Midleton Library**



Purchased by CCC in the 1980's and originally the town's Market House, this 17th century building is comprised of a two storey, five bay structure with courtyard to the rear and stone wall and serves as the Midleton Library.

A Feasibility Study was carried out and submittedfor funding approvalin Q4 2020. Emergency works were carried out in Q2 of 2021 to stabilize and protect the Cupola. A Conservation works package is in development which will see the historic fabric of the main building protected.

Refurbishment of the ground floor Library and flat roof is proposed in conjunction with the conservation works on the historic fabric. Town and Village Renewal Scheme Funding has been applied for a new Staircore and Lift to allow public access to the first floor area (award not yet announced). Works are to be designed and led by Cork County Council's Architects' Department. The full scope of the works are to be confirmed prior to appointment of consultants design team.



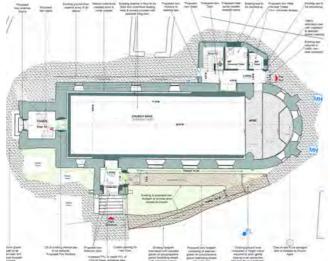


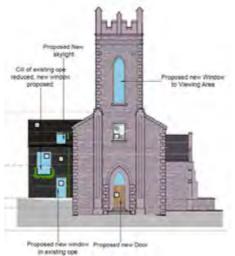
#### **Church of Ireland, Macroom**

Freestanding double-height Gothic-Revival Church of Ireland church, built 1825. Disused for some time, the building fabric is deteriorating. A proposal for redevelopment of the building has been created by the Architects' Department which will see it transformed into a flexible community space which could stage a range of exhibitions, performances and meetings. This would ensure the protection of the building into the future and provide a much-needed space to support the arts and cultural potential of the town. Part VIII Planning was published in December 2021, and is currently in the Public Consultation Stage.

Historic Towns Initiative Funding is being sought for an emergency works package to safeguard the building on a temporary basis until a full programme of works can be funded and delivered.









### Mill Dam/Massey Town Public Realm, Macroom

The existing public realm infrastructure in the Mill Dam/Masseytown area have suffered due to traffic congestion, neglect and lack of accessibility and do not take advantage of its potential as an area of natural beauty and key node within the town. The proposed works aim to improve the overall area in a number of ways by creating a public amenity within the millrace by way of pedestrian walkway, improved reconfiguration of existing car park to provide 5no. additional spaces, a new and improved outdoor public space, installation of a new riverbank walkway, accessible fishing jetting and outdoor picnic area. Part VIII Planning Approval was granted in Q4 2021.



After Action



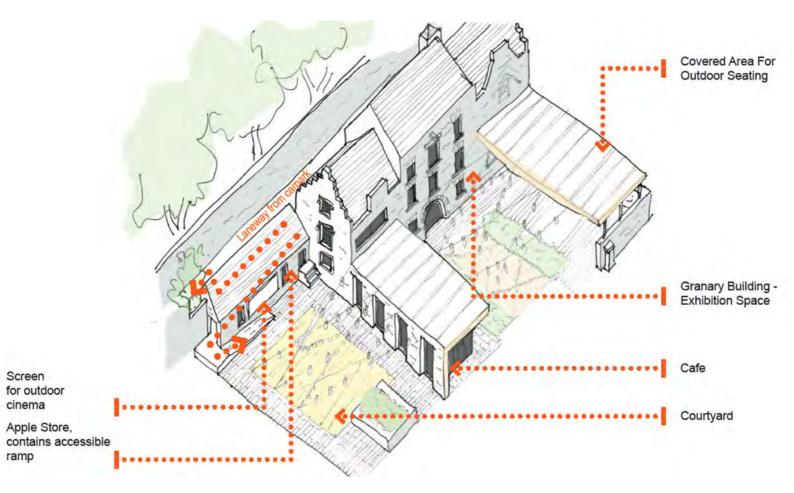


#### South Square Public Realm, Macroom

This proposal seeks to capitalize on the redeveloped Briery Gap Theatre and Library adjacent and to prepare Macroom for the "post bypass environment" by creating opportunities to bring life back to the core area. It includes the provision of a single raised plaza consisting of the two delineated squares – one providing a traffic table, and one serving the entrance to the Briery Gap, the reduction of road carriageway width, the widening of footpaths and the reconfiguration of existing car spaces. The works will also include high quality paving, seating, landscaping, and lighting. Part VIII Planning was successfully granted for the scheme in Q4 2021.



#### **Mallow Castle Granary Buildings**



Mallow Castle Granary Buildings are a group of disused farm buildings, adjacent to Mallow Castle. Originally, they would have been used in the process of food production for the family owning Mallow Castle. Mallow Castle Granary Buildings are listed buildings, of historic value, included on the National Inventory of Historic Structures. Cork County Council's Architects' Department have developed a feasibility study and will shortly be submitting a submission for Part VIII planning.

The objectives of the project are: to conserve and restore the historic farm buildings, to provide areas of the farm buildings for tourism and commercial use, to increase pedestrian permeability from Mallow to Mallow Castle Grounds, to provide accessible public toilets and changing facilities, to provide facilities for CCC staff and to provide facilities to support the work of outdoor CCC staff in Mallow Castle Grounds.

The renovation of Mallow Granary Buildings will create an exciting new complex of buildings to facilitate outdoor activities and festivals in Mallow. New business opportunities will be created, including a café with outdoor seating. Heritage will be highlighted by an exhibition space.

#### **Mitchelstown Public Realm**

The proposed public realm enhancement, at the core of Mitchelstown presents an invaluable opportunity to build on the rich urban heritage and highlight the historic character of Mitchelstown.

Given the significance of the town's heritage, strategic location and local importance, it has been proposed to redevelop and enhance public realm to further activate the area, deliver an attractive pedestrian orientated town centre and increase the comfort of its residents.

The proposed public realm development will produce social, economic, and environmental / physical benefits with the potential to attract visitors, create a strong sense of place and facilitate enhanced pedestrian permeability, making Mitchelstown a more attractive place to work, live, visit and invest.

It is intended that these public realm works will catalyse further investment in the Town Centre. The urban design plan will be strategic in attracting further investment into the town's amenities and services. The public realm enhancement will strengthen Mitchelstown's potential for tourism, which has a strong potential for economic growth and potential to link in with other North Cork tourist attractions such as Doneraile Court.

The scope of Mitchelstown Georgian Quarter Public Realm consists of the following areas: King's St., George's St., New Market Square, and Kingston College Woods. A formal tender for a Multi-Disciplinary Design Team for Mitchelstown Georgian Quarter Public Realm Improvement will be appointed in 2022. The Design Teams are multi-disciplinary and are led by an Urban Designer/ Landscape Architect. Key members of the teams include: Civil Engineers, Heritage and Conservation Consultants and a Tourism Consultant.







#### **Kanturk Fire Station**

Construction of a new Fire Station located on Percival St, Kanturk, Co. Cork was completed in Q4 2021. Using a collaborative and cross departmental holistic approach, working closely with the Fire Service and other stakeholders, the project has been designed by Cork County Council's Architects' Department in collaboration with OCSC engineers and constructed by HG Construction.

The new fire station It is a state-of-the-art building, tied into a national communications strategy for emergency communications, the new building is universally accessible, meaning that people of all physical abilities can access and work in the building. The building succeeds in providing an open and transparent interface with the public while maintaining necessary security provisions.

The materials utilised are a direct response to the local context and the nature and typology of the building. The dark coloured smooth rendered walls are directly contrasted by a series of red composite panels which are carefully positioned between windows and doors to add a touch of excitement to the building's facade. The boundary stone wall and gates which date from the 19th Century have been carefully refurbished, to preserve Kanturk's historic fabric. The plants and trees selected for the landscaping, provide food for pollinators, and align with the Kanturk Pollinator Plan and the National Pollinator Plan.

Internally, the buildings plan layout has been carefully considered to ensure rapid connections and flow for the fire crew arriving at the building through to the Muster Bay and finally in turn to the appliance bay. Sightlines are critical throughout the plan layout with the watchroom positioned to fully observe and control the movements through and in and out of the building.

Sustainability was a key driver for this project. Rainwater is harvested and stored in a large attenuation tank in the drill yard for training purposes. We have also integrated renewable energies into the design with PV panels, to provide sustainable energy and to offset carbon emissions. An air source heat pump was specified for both hot water and space heating, further reducing energy requirements, and making the building cost efficient to operate and heat.

#### **Macroom Fire Station**



Construction of a new Fire Station located on Gurteen Road, Macroom, Co. Cork is due for completion in May 2022. Cork County Council have designed and are building an essential piece of infa-structure to support Cork's Fire Service. This fire station is modern and designed to enable Cork's Fire Fighters to carry out their essential work. The new building will have a total floor area of approximately 340 m<sup>2</sup> over one floor and will be composed of two main formal elements, an appliance bay where the fire engines will be parked and a domestic bay to house the watch room, muster bay, kitchenette, lecture/training room and ancillary spaces.

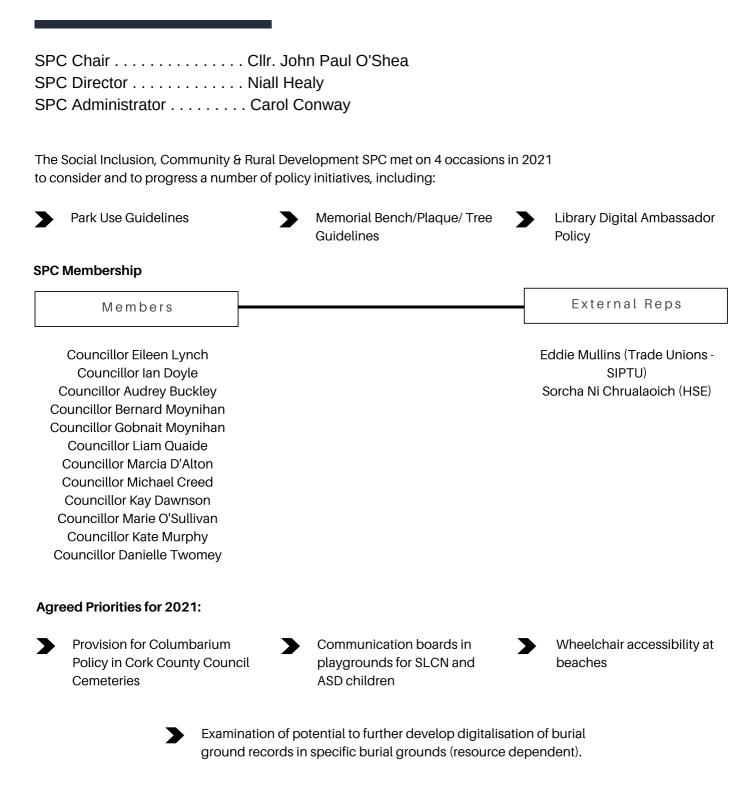
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Macroom Fire Station is certified as EXEED, (Excellence in Energy Efficient Design) Designed and EXEED Verified. The EXEED Certified program aims to influence and deliver new best practices in energy efficient design management. EXEED designs, verifies, and manages optimum energy performance and management at the earliest stages of the lifecycle. EXEED enabled Cork County Council to establish a systematic approach to the design, construction, and commissioning of the new fire station. The building complies with the Part L Nearly Zero Energy Building (NZEB) and a has achieved a BER of A2.

Macroom Fire Station will be connected to the Munster Regional Communications Centre. The Centre provides emergency call-taking and mobilisation services for seven local authority fire services in the Munster region. The Munster Regional Communications Centre is part of a national network of fire service mobilisation and communications centres and reflects current best practice in all aspects of its activities, including its operational response, technology, and management.

# SOCIAL INCLUSION, COMMUNITY & RURAL DEVELOPMENT SPC - 2021 OVERVIEW

## Municipal District Operations and Rural Development Directorate



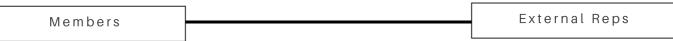
# ARTS, CULTURE AND LANGUAGES SPC - 2021 OVERVIEW

## Municipal District Operations and Rural Development Directorate

SPC Chair	. Cllr. Patrick Gerard Murphy
Subcommittees	Arts/ Culture (Chair Cllr. I. Doyle) Irish languages (Chair Cllr. G. Moynihan)
SPC Director	. Niall Healy
SPC Administrator	Ian McDonagh

Four online meetings of the Arts Culture and Languages SPC took place in 2020.

#### **SPC Membership**



Councillor Karen Coakley Councillor Jack White Councillor Katie Murphy Councillor Sinead Sheppard Councillor Patrick Gerard Murphy Councillor Ian Doyle Councillor William O'Leary Councillor Gobnait Moynihan Councillor Ross O'Connell Councillor Martin Coughlan Councillor Gearóid Murphy Councillor Sheila O'Callaghan Councillor Alan O'Connor

#### Work Programme and Achievements in 2021

- Library Development Plan: 2020 2025
- Public Art policy
   development
- COVID Impact on the Arts
   Survey
- Creative Ireland operations
- Heritage &
   Commemorations
- Irish Language

#### **Agreed Future Priorities**

- Development of new Council Arts Strategy
- Irish Language promotion and development

Ken Buckley

Colum Cronin

Michael de Buitleir

Judith Gilbert

Mary Hegarty

Geoff Gould

Eamon Lankford

Ann Davoren

- Cultural Heritage Policy
   Development
- Inclusion and Diversity in Cultural Policy

# CORK AGE FRIENDLY COUNTY PROGRAMME



### 2000 Senior Play Packs were distributed via Age Friendly Towns Network in May, 2021

Age Friendly Unit teamed with Healthy Ireland and the Health & Wellbeing Unit of CCC who led the project. Age Friendly volunteered to arrange distribution channels through our eight Age Friendly Town Committees.

All eight AF Town Committees embraced the task of distributing the boxes which contained a bird feeder, bird seed, a quiz and mindful colouring book with coloured pencils and a pack of playing cards.





#### National Age Friendly Parking Space Guide.

Cork County led the design model for National Age Friendly Parking Spaces. This was launched in 2021 and is the national model design for Age Friendly Towns all over Ireland.



**Positive Ageing Week** took place from September 27th to October 1st. The theme this year was 'Reconnecting Communities by Reframing Ageing.' There are eight Age Friendly Towns across the county, Bandon, Bantry, Charleville, Cobh, Kinsale, Passage West Monkstown, Millstreet and Mitchelstown with this year's campaign especially timely as plans are made for the phased return of much missed activities.

As part of Positive Ageing Week, Cork County's Age Friendly Towns were offered funding through the Council's Age Friendly Programme to roll out '**Singing for the Brain**'. 'Singing for the Brain' is an initiative run by Cork Kerry Community Healthcare which sees trained tutors run weekly singing sessions which aims to recall and improve memory through vocal exercises and music engagement.



#### Voices of Experience Podcast launch Positive Ageing Week

As part of Positive Ageing Week, Cork County Council also released a special podcast, 'Voices of Experience 'featuring climate stories from older people telling their everyday, personal experiences of a changing climate over the decades. These personal stories provide a very clear context to the complex issue that is climate change.

### Older Peoples Day Friday October 1st, 2021



Mayor Gillian Coughlan was joined by Niall Healy, Chair of Cork County Age Friendly Alliance and Liz Maddox, Chair of Cork County Older Peoples Council to welcome Older Peoples Day on Friday 1st of October, 2021.

### Cork County Council Healthy Age Friendly Homes Programme.

# Launch of Cork County Healthy Age Friendly Homes Programme.

Cork County Council is one of nine local authorities in Ireland to participate in a new initiative aimed at supporting older adults to remain living in their own homes and communities. The Healthy Age Friendly Homes Programme is a two-year project funded by Sláintecare and Age Friendly Ireland. It aims to reach up to 4,500 homes across Ireland during that time.



The programme can also provide older adults and their families with access to a range of housing, health and social care supports. Referrals can be made by anyone once consent of the participants has been received or participants can self-refer to the programme if they wish.

Referrals can be made to the programme by phoning the Healthy Age Friendly Homes National Office on 046 909 7417.

### **Photos from Age Friendly Towns**

#### <u>Mitchelstown</u>



### Cork County Council's Older People's Council meet up again!

Liz Downes a member of Cork County Council's OPC told us about meeting up with her OPC to celebrate Positive Ageing Week, she included some lovely photos too.



'We had a beautiful evening with all our Age Friendly OPC members who celebrated Positive Ageing Week. We had afternoon tea in our local Firgrove hotel. 50 members attended. It was lovely to see the older people having a chat and a giggle and singing along with Kathleen who does "singing for the brain" with this group'.



L to R May Collins, Hazel Vickery & Ray O'Callaghan Launched the Information Guide.



#### Bantry Age Friendly Town Committee

Bantry Age Friendly Town Committee produced a Town Information Guide and compiled a directory which included , among others, Local numbers for:

Churches, Taxi and Transport Services, Social Groups, Opticians, Local/National Helplines, Pharmacies, Doctors, Health Care Centres, Veterinary Services and location of defibrillators in the town.

Winnie O'Sullivan of Bantry Age Friendly Town Committee said "It is highly important to have a compilation of local numbers /Services at hand. This Information Leaflet is important to everyone but especially to older people now that Telephone Books are no longer automatically distributed to landline owners"

# Conclusion

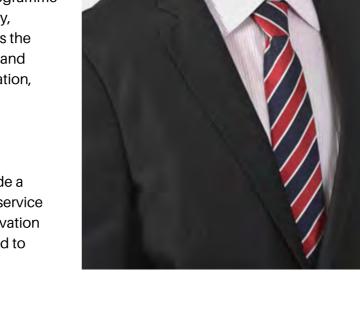
The Municipal District Operations and Rural Development Directorate experienced a very busy and productive year. The directorate continued to adapt and transform how it delivers essential services to the public.

A good example is the manner in which the council responded to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Council's Community Support Programme – which includes the Community Call helpline initiative– handled in excess of 8,700 requests for support during 2020 and 2021. These calls supported those people who needed help the most, i.e. the most isolated and vulnerable citizens living amongst us in our communities. The programme – which involved collaboration across statutory, community and voluntary organisations across the county – responded to requests for collection and delivery of groceries, prescriptions, social isolation, provision of meals, essential transport etc.

In 2021, the library service continued to provide a highly innovative housebound book delivery service which has been widely recognised for its innovation and the positive manner in which it contributed to people's lives during the pandemic.

At an operational level, the directorate was successful in securing funding across a range of funding programmes, including:

- Rural Regeneration Development Fund
- Urban Regeneration Development Fund
- Town & Village Renewal
- CLAR (rural development)
- Outdoor Recreation Investment Scheme
- Greenways & Blueways initiatives
- Local Live Performance Programming Scheme



This funding will be used to develop projects and initiatives which will support our communities as well as physically enhance our towns and villages, and improve quality of life for all. Securing this funding requires hard work and effort on the part of our expert and committed staff and, once secured, the challenge being to secure value for money and delivering the best possible outcomes for our citizens.

• Outdoor Performance Spaces Scheme

The Municipal Districts work closely with Elected Members. This collaborative approach has added to the success of Cork County Council self-funded schemes such as the Village Enhancement Scheme and the Streetscape, Painting, Signage and Improvement Scheme. The Community Fund Scheme is vital in sustaining the activities and vibrancy of our town and village communities.

The efforts of the many Tidy Towns groups across Cork County must also be acknowledged. Groups from across the county continue to set high standards in the presentation of our towns and villages. This is the culmination of hard work and effort by these voluntary groups. The Municipal Districts will continue to assist these groups to ensure that our towns and villages are maintained to the highest standard.

The continuation of Project ACT (Activating County Towns) greatly added to the vibrancy of our towns, and positioned Cork County to the fore in terms of response to the pandemic. It signalled a clear commitment by the council to supporting our business and retail communities, particularly the hospitality sector as it came to terms with the new reality of outdoor dining and recreation.

The Library Service continues to raise the bar. The Council is proud of the fact that it is such an inherent part of our community. It makes a massive contribution to people's lives. As a statement of it's continued commitment, Cork County Council invested in the purchase of 3 no. state of the art mobile library vehicles, all of which are fully accessible, WiFi enabled, and were funded from Cork County Council's own resources. These vehicles will serve people, children, schools, residential institutions etc in our rural communities.

The Arts sector suffered a devastating impact arising from the pandemic. The council recognises that the depth and breadth of cultural talent and creativity is a key part of the quality of life in our county. The council prioritised supports for the creative and entertainment sectors, with live events, performances and entertainment all returning safely to our streets and outdoor public spaces in the second half of the year.

The Cork County Age Friendly Alliance and Older People's Council were as active as ever during the year. The 4 no. new age friendly towns - Bantry, Charleville, Millstreet and Passage West - were supported by the Age Friendly Office in developing new ideas and initiatives. It is reassuring to see new ideas coming to fruition, especially when it comes to making our towns more attractive for older people to live in and visit.

The Architects Department played a key role in the delivery of many transformational projects. This Department plays a wider role in the promotion and ideation of design and architectural awareness, and in project managing many innovative and complex initiatives.

So, while 2021 was a challenging year for many, it was also a year of change, and the progress made lays the foundation for another exciting year ahead.

# **APPENDIX**

### **AMENITY FUND SCHEME 2021**

#### **BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Ballinascarthy GAA Biodiversity & Sustainability Sub Comm	€2,000.00
Ballinspittle Comhaltas	€700.00
Bandon Business Association (Christmas Lights)	€6,000.00
Bandon Business Association (Santa's Outpost)	€2,000.00
Bandon Historical Society	€1,000.00
Barryroe GAA Club	€1,200.00
Butlerstown Community Hall	€1,000.00
Courtmacsherry Development Association	€500.00
Development Comm c/o Timoleague Comm Association	€1,000.00
Kilmacsimon Community Centre	€619.00
Kilpadder Famine Graveyard	€500.00
Kinsale Christmas/Kinsale Traders	€6,000.00
Kinsale History Society	€457.00
KRD Community Association t/a Saile	€1,000.00
Seven Heads Peninsula Tourism	€4,000.00
To be Decided	€3,424.00

#### **CARRIGALINE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Avondale United FC	€600.00
Ballinhassig AFC	€2,200.00
Ballinora and District Community Association	€2,000.00
Ballygarvan Community Association	€2,898.00
Ballygarvan GAA Club	€3,200.00
Carrigaline AC	€900.00
Carrigaline Badminton Club	€5,000.00
Carrigaline Ladies Football Club	€1,900.00
Carrigaline Men s Shed	€3,600.00
Carrigaline Tidy Towns	€500.00
Carrigaline Twinning Association	€1,300.00
Carrigdhoun Ladybirds	€300.00
Crosshaven Community Association Ltd	€7,600.00
Crosshaven Tennis Club	€3,900.00
Dun Eoin Residents	€700.00
HeronsWood Residents Association	€800.00
Hibernian AFC	€2,500.00
Irish Search Dogs	€1,000.00
Mountrivers Estate Residents Association	€1,600.00
One Green Village in association with County Nature Trust	€1,500.00
Owenabue Special Olympics Sports Club	€400.00
Passage West Tidy Towns	€500.00
Tracton Athletic Club	€800.00

#### COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT (CONT.)

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
St. Colman's Residents Assoc Residents Association	€250.00
St.Lappan's Place & Ballyverry Resident Association	€400.00
Summer Hill Residents	€150.00
The Crescent Residents Association	€150.00
The Park Residents Association	€150.00
Watergrasshill Communications Board	€800.00
WATERGRASSHILL COMMUNITY CARE	€250.00
Watergrasshill GAA Club	€575.00
Watergrasshill Grotto Committee	€200.00
Watergrasshill Lades Football & Camogie Club	€1,975.00
Watergrasshill United	€400.00
Whitechurch & Waterloo Community Association	€2,000.00
Whitechurch & Waterloo Community Association CLG	€925.00
Whitechurch & Waterloo Tennis Club	€2,700.00
Whitepoint Drive Residents Association	€150.00
Willow Park Residents association	€250.00
Woodlawn Estate Residents Association	€250.00
Woodside residence committee	€400.00

#### COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

25th Cork (Cobh) Scout Group	€1,375.00
80th Cork Scout Group Little Island	€825.00
Ard Aoibhinn Residents Association (2 grants)	€575.00 €400.00
Assumption place/Ringmeen Res Association Ballynaroon residents association	€400.00
Ballynoe Farm Residents Association	€400.00
Ballynoe Residents Association	€850.00
Ballytrasna Residents Association	€400.00
Ban na Greine Residents Carrigtwohill	€400.00
Barleyfield Residents Committee	€150.00
Belvelly Community Association Carraig Eoin Residents Association	€400.00 €250.00
Carraig na bhFear Juvenile GAA Club	€875.00
Carrig Court, Carraig na Bhfear Residents	€250.00
Carrigaloe Community Association	€400.00
Carrignavar Community Council	€4,075.00
Carrignavar Community Council	€2,750.00
Carrigtwohill Community Council CLG Carrigtwohill Family Resource Centre CLG	€4,694.00 €5,025.00
Carrigtwohill Juvenile GAA Club	€750.00
Carrigwell Residents Association	€400.00
Castle Manor Residents Association	€250.00
Castleview Residents Association	€600.00
Cedar Crescent Residents Association	€250.00
Chapel field Residents Association Cluain Ard Residents Association	€150.00 €600.00
Cobh Camogie Club	€500.00
Cobh Gaa	€1,925.00
Cobh ladies football	€1,050.00
Cobh Lions Club	€500.00
Cobh Pirates RFC	€900.00
Cobh Sea Scouts Cobh Youth Service Ltd	€2,425.00 €2,175.00
Cobh Youth Service Ltd	€775.00
College Drive, Residents, Carrignafoy Entrance	€250.00
College Green/Lawn Residents Association	€250.00
Coolamber Residents Group	€250.00
Corryfield Residents Association	€150.00
Cove boxing club Cul Ard Residents Association	€625.00 €1,000.00
Dawn View Residents Association	€150.00
Elton Pitch & Putt	€1,075.00
Fota Rock Residents Association Carrigtwohill	€1,000.00
Friends of Cuskinny Beach	€1,750.00
Glanmire & District Salmon & Trout Anglers Association	€2,800.00
Glitz Dance & Cabaret (Cobh) Glounthaune Community Association	€2,000.00 €1,500.00
Glounthaune Community Association	€2,100.00
Glounthaune United	€675.00
Hillcrest Estate Residents Association	€250.00
Hilltop Park Residents	€250.00
Inis Alainn Residents Association	€400.00 €400.00
Inishmore Park Residents Association Irish Heritage Trust / Fota House Arboretum & Gardens	€400.00 €1,700.00
Irish Red Cross Cobh Branch	€1,375.00
Irish Sudden Infant Death Association t/a FirstLight	€275.00
Island Cross Residents Association	€250.00
Knockraha Area Community Association CLG	€2,875.00
Lavallin Residents Association	€250.00 €250.00
Leeview Court Residents Association Little Island Community Association	€250.00 €1,925.00
Meadow lawn Residents	€150.00
Mount Eaton Residents Association	€150.00
Norwood Court Residents Association	€250.00
Norwood Park Residents Assocation	€600.00
O Neill's Place Residents Association	€400.00 €150.00
O'Sullivan Place Residents Association Priory Court Residents Association.	€150.00 €600.00
Rockmount AFC	€2,175.00
Royal Naval Assoc Cork & County Branch	€1,600.00
Rushbrooke Manor Resident Ass	€850.00
Russell Heights Residents Association	€600.00
Springfield AFC	€1,625.00 €3,850.00
St Colmans Cemetery Restoration	€250.00

St Patrick's Square Association

ALLOCATION

€250.00

#### EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

ALLOCATION

#### APPLICANT NAME

Youghal Community Transport Group Ltd.	5,000.00
Cloyne First Responders	1,000.00
Conradh na Gaeilge, Eochaill	300.00
Midleton Rugby Football Club	5,000.00
Fr. O Neills Camogie Club	1,000.00
Youghal Communications	5,000.00
Youghal Community Centre	1,000.00
Comhaltas Craobh Eochaille	2,000.00
Cumann Luthchleas Gael Mainistir na Corann	5,000.00
Cork Craft and Design	1,000.00
ChurchvillA FC	2,000.00
Cumann na Daoine, Community Development Project, Youghal	3,000.00
Shanagarry ica	1,500.00
Active Connections CLG	3,000.00
Aghada Community Playgroup	2,000.00
youghal pipe band	1,000.00
Cloyne Ladies Football Association	1,000.00
Castlemartyr GAA Club	5,000.00
Castlemartyr Family Carers and Disability Support	700.00
Youghal Racing Pigeon Club	300.00
Peter Landers and Kevin Melly	300.00
Lower Aghada Tennis and Sailing club	2,000.00
Ballymacoda/Ladysbridge Community Council Defibrillator	1,000.00
Group	
Knockadoon Enhancement Project (KEP)	3,000.00
Cork Young Filmmakers - Cork Film Centre	500.00
Youghal Rugby Football Club	5,000.00
Youghal Active Retirement Association	3,500.00
Midleton AC	3,000.00
May Sunday Festival	1,000.00
Youghal Lawn Tennis Club Ltd.	1,500.00
Midleton Men s Shed	5,000.00
First Cut Youth Film Festival 2021	500.00
Clean Coasts Ballynamona	800.00
FON Community Sports Complex	5,000.00
LISGOOLD GAA CLUB	5,000.00
The East Cork Biodiversity Networking Programme	1,000.00
St. Colman s Boxing Club	700.00
St. Ita s G.A.A.Club	2,000.00
Midleton Football Club	5,000.00
Youghal Indoor Bowls	500.00
EAST CORK HOT ROD CLUB LIMITED	1,000.00
Lower Aghada Pier Development Group	2,000.00
Midleton Renshukan Katate Club	1,000.00
Aghada District Community Council CLG.	5,000.00
Cloyne Diocesan Youth Service	4,000.00
Cork Nature Network	1,000.00
Castlemartyr Camogie Club	6,000.00
Whitegate Rowing Club	1,000.00
Dungourney Clonmult Community Council	1,000.00
Gaelscoil Biodiversity	1,500.00
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#### FERMOY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
	ALLOOMION
Glenville Community Centre	€5,500.00
Ballynoe Community Council	€1,000.00
Castleyons Pitch and Putt	€800.00
Castleyons Community Council	€2,000.00
Castlelyons Community Centre	€4,000.00
Conna Community Council	€1,500.00
Conna Community Council Sportsfield	€500.00
Coolagown Community Council	€1,000.00
Presentation Patoral Centre Doneraile	€4,000.00
Fermoy International Garden	€800.00
Fermoy Active Retired	€2,000.00
Fermoy Rowing Club	€3,000.00
Glanworth GAA	€3,000.00
Glanworth GAA	€800.00
Glenville GAA Club	€3,000.00
Kildorrery Community Defib Group	€1,000.00
Kilworth Community Council	€2,000.00
Kilworth Celtic Soccer Club	€2,000.00
Kilworth Ladies Football Club	€800.00
St Fanahans Well Committee	€800.00
Mitchelstown/ Ballygiblin Juvenilge GAA	€1,000.00
Cloyne Diocesan Youth Services	€1,500.00
Mitchelstown Community Council	€800.00
TO Community Park	€1,000.00
St Georges Arts & Heritage	€5,000.00
Curraghagalla Community Group	€1,000.00
Mitchelstown Heritage Society	€2,000.00
Mitchelstown Tennis Club	€3,000.00
Rathcormac Community Allotments Assoc	€2,000.00
Rathcormac Game and Wildlife Club	€1,000.00
Rathcormac Scout Group	€1,000.00
Fermoy Pitch n Putt	€1,500.00
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#### KANTURK MALLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Annabella park Res association	€500.00
Avondale Park Res association	€900.00
Bearforest Res Association	€300.00
Beechwood Park Res Association	€300.00
The Elms Res Association	€600.00
Lime Kiln Res Association	€300.00
Manor Park Res Association	€900.00
Meadowvale Res Association	€300.00
The Orchard Res Assoc, Mallow	€800.00
River Valley Residents Assosiation	€600.00
Springwood Res Assoc	€800.00
Tinley Park Res Assoc	€400.00
Townview Rockbrook Lawn Res Assoc	€700.00
White oaks estate, Summerhill, mallow,	€800.00
Willowbank Res Assoc, mallow	€300.00
Brindle Hill Res Association	€300.00
Broomscourt Res Association	€400.00
Deerpark Heights residents	€300.00
Glen Haven Res Assocation	€300.00
Joanna mews residents	€400.00
Lios na Ri , Res Association	€300.00
Love Lane Public Areas Ctte, c'ville	€300.00
Orchard Heights Res Ass, Charleville	€500.00
The Orchard, Clancy Tce, Charleville	€300.00
Pastures Res Association	€300.00
Rathgoggin Heights Res Association	€300.00
Curragh Court Res Association	€500.00
St. Theresas Place Res Association	€600.00
Beechwood drive res Assoc, Ballyhea	€300.00
Ard an Bhaile Res Association	€300.00
Banteer Community Sportfield	€6,000.00
An Bruach Ballydesmond	€4,200.00
Araglen Desmonds Bui	€300.00
Ballydesmond Handball Club	€1,500.00
Ballydesmond GAA	€6,000.00
Ballyhea Parish	€1,000.00
Ballyhea Community council	€300.00
Boherbue GAA	€1,000.00
Boherbue and Dist Comm Dev Assoc	€10,000.00
Buttevant Muintir Comm Council	€9,500.00
Bweeng Community Hall & Grounds	€3,000.00
Bweeng Trail Blazers AC	€2,500.00

#### KANTURK MALLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT (CONT.)

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Castlemagner Community Centre	€1,500.00
Charleville Pitch and Putt	€500.00
Charleville & District R F C	€3,000.00
Charleville AFC	€300.00
Charleville GAA Club	€3,000.00
Clyda Rovers GAA	€3,000.00
Cork Young Filmmakers CFC	€200.00
Dromina Comm. Council	€9,500.00
Dromina Gaa Club	€3,000.00
Freemount Comm Dev Assoc	€1,500.00
Freemount GAA	€1,000.00
Foilogohig Dev Asso	€1,000.00
Glash Community ltd	€5,000.00
Grenagh Parish Field	€1,500.00
Grenagh GAA Club	€5,000.00
Kanturk mens shed	€500.00
Kanturk GAA Club	€3,000.00
Kilbrin Community Council	€9,500.00
Kiskeam Dev Assoc	€10,000.00
Araglen Dev Assoc, Kiskeam	€4,000.00
Kiskeam GAA	€3,000.00
Knocknagree LGFA	€300.00
Laharn Community Action CLG	€1,500.00
Liscarroll Churchtown Gaels GAA	€3,000.00
Lyre Comm. Culture Sports & Leisure	€4,000.00
Mourneabbey Heritage Assoc	€2,000.00
Mallow Charleville Irish Red Cross	€500.00
The Gilbert Centre, Mallow	€300.00
Mallow Sheltered Care Clg	€300.00
Mallow Wheelchair Support Group	€200.00
Mallow Blackwater Photographic Soc	€200.00
Meelin Community Hall	€9,500.00
Mallow Town Football club	€600.00
Newtownshandrum Juvenile GAA	€300.00
Rockchapel GAA	€1,000.00
Sliabh Luachra Gaels GAA	€300.00
St. Marys Ladies Football Club	€300.00
Mallow Camogie Club	€300.00
Mallow Ladies Football Club	€300.00
Mallow United AFC CLG	€5,000.00
Newmarket G.A.A. Club	€6,000.00
Newtownshandrum GAA Club	€6,000.00
Newmarket comm dev assoc	€4,000.00
North Cork Drama Festival Charleville	€3,000.00
Eglantine Crescent Resident's Ass	€400.00

#### MACROOM MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
109th Cork Ballinora Scout Group	€2,000.00
ACR Heritage	€500.00
Ballinora and District Community Association	€500.00
Ballyvourney/Ballymakeera Tidy Towns	€3,000.00
Bellmount Place Residents Association	€300.00
Berrings Community Association	€500.00
Buíon Phíobairí Beal Atha n Ghaorthaidh	€1,000.00
Carrigadrohid Community Association	€400.00
Carriganima Community Development Group	€500.00
Clondrohid Community Recreational Facilities Limited	€1,500.00
Coachford Community Association	€500.00
Coiste Forbartha Beal Atha n Ghaorthaidh	€3,000.00
Comhaltas Cosanta Gaelteachta Chuil Aodha Teo	€2,000.00
Comhlacht Tithe Soisialta & Forbairt an tSulán Teo.	€1,103.00
Cork Film Centre- Cork Young Filmmakers	€1,000.00
Cork Road & Lyons Tce Residents Association	€1,500.00
Croi Na Laoi Development Society and Tidy Towns Inchigeela	€3,000.00
Cumann Camogaioghta Inis Cartha Inniscarra Camogie Club	€3,000.00
Donoughmore Community Centre CLG	€750.00
Donoughmore Ladies Football Club	€1,200.00
Dripsey Ambush Memorial Committee	€3,000.00
Glen Park Residents Association	€200.00
Grange Manor Residents	€500.00
Inniscarra Historical Society	€3,000.00
Inniscarra Hurling & Football Club	€1,000.00
Inniscarra Lake Tourism Development Limited	€5,000.00
Iveleary GAA Club	€2,500.00
Kilmichael Community Development	€400.00
Kilmichael Pitch & Putt Club	€1,500.00
Kilmichael Rovers FC	€1,500.00
Kilmurry Christmas Lights Committee	€500.00
Kilmurry Community (AED) Defibrillator Group	€750.00
Kilmurry GAA	€2,000.00
Kilmurry Historical and Archaeological Assoc.	€2,000.00
Lakewood Tennis Club Limited	€1,500.00
Macroom Castle Demesne	€4,000.00
Macroom Community Leisure Centre	€1,500.00
Macroom F.C.	€5,000.00
Macroom Foróige	€1,000.00
Macroom G.A.A. Club	€2,500.00
Macroom Golf Club	€500.00
Macroom Ladies L.G.F.A.	€2,000.00 €2,000.00
Macroom Men s Shed	€4,000.00
Macroom Senior Citizens	
Macroom Town Park Trustees	€2,100.00 €400.00
Masseytown Community Group	€4,000.00
Millstreet Town Park Committee	€2,000.00
Mullach na Reidh Teo	€1,500.00
Muskerry Rugby Football Club	€1,000.00 €1,000.00
Rylane Amateur Boxing Club Rylane Celtic	€2,000.00
Rylane Cettic St Johns GAA Club	€3,000.00
St Johns GAA Club St Vals Ladies Football Club	€1,000.00
St Vals Ladies Football Club West Muskerry A.C.	€2,000.00
Members Discretionary Fund	€5,000.00
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#### WEST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Bantry Development & Tourism	€2,000.00
Bantry Development & Tourism Skibbereen & District Chamber of Commerce aka Skibbereen Partnership Ardgroom Development Association Ardfield Rathbarry Playground Ardfield Rathbarry Parish Community Hall Wild Atlantic Pool and Fitness Centre Drimoleague Community Development Association The Caha Family Resource Centre Goleen & District Community Council Fastnet Walk Trails Group Clonakilty Chamber of Commerce Comharchumann Chleire Teoranta West Cork Schoolboys League Whiddy Island Development Association	€2,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €3,000.00 €3,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00 €1,000.00
Glengarriff Sports Field Association Anne Galvin Skibbereen Tidy Towns - Friends of the Rock	€800.00

### **CAPITAL FUND SCHEME 2021**

€5,000

#### **BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

#### APPLICANT NAME ALLOCATION €20,000 Bandon AC €10,000 Bandon GAA Hurling & Football Club €10,000 Castlelack Community Hall €20,000 Kinsale Community Health & Wellbeing Resource Centre €10,000 Kinsale Temperance Hall

#### KANTURK MALLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

MACROOM MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Kanturk Community Astroturf Ltd
Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Charleville

#### ALLOCATION

€20,000,00 €10,000.00

#### **CARRIGALINE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

St Catherine's Cultural Centre Kinsale CLG

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION	APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Ballinhassig GAA Club Carrigaline Community Association Ltd Carrigaline GAA Club Carrigaline United AFC Crosshaven GAA Club Crosshaven Rugby Football Club Monkstown Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club Passage AFC Passage West GAA Club Tracton GAA club		Aghabullogue GAA Club Ballyvourney District Community Council (Comhairle Pobail agus Cheantair Bhaile Mhuirne Canovee GAA Cloughduv Hurling Club Courtbrack Community Association CLG Donoughmore GAA Club Eire Óg Hurling and Football Club Inniscarra Community Centre Laochra Óg Hurling & Camogie Club Rylane Community Park Association	

#### **COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION	WEST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTR	ICT
Carrigtwohill GAA Club	10,000.00	WEST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTR	
Erins Own GAA	10,000.00		
Leeside A.F.C.	10,000.00	APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCA
Sirius Arts Centre	10,000.00		ALLOCA
Cove Sailing Club	10,000.00	Whiddy Island Development Association	€10,000.00
		Kilmeen & Kilbree GAA Cub	€10,000.00
		Skibbereen Rowing Club	€20,000.00
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#### EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

Midleton Marketing & Xmas Lighting Youghal Christmas Lights

ALLOCATION

30,000.00 30,000.00

#### FERMOY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

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#### ALLOCATION

Durrus & District Community Council

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#### BANDON KINSALE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Ahiohill Tidy Towns	€1,500
Ballinadee Tidy Towns	€1,500
Bandon Tidy Towns	€12,000
Belgooly Tidy Villages Assoc	€3,000
Courtmacsherry Tidy Towns	€3,000
Innishannon Tidy Towns	€2,100
Kilbrittain Tidy Towns	€3,000
Kinsale Tidy Towns	€12,000
Lislevane Community Assoc	€1,000
Molaga Tidy Towns (Timoleague)	€3,000
Newcestown Tidy Towns	€1,500
Oysterhaven & Nohoval Res Assoc	€682
Ring Tidy Villages	€1,500

#### **CARRIGALINE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT**

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Ballinhassig Village Association	€2,500.00
Ballinora Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Ballygarvan Community Association	€3,000.00
Carrigaline Tidy Towns	€17,000.00
Crosshaven Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Fountainstown Community Association	€1,900.00
Halfway Tidy Village Association	€2,000.00
Monkstown Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Passage West Tidy Towns	€9,000.00
Ringaskiddy Tidy Towns	€1,500.00

ALLOCATION

#### EAST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

Youghal Tidy Towns Committee	€10,000.00
Dysart Grove Residents Association, Youghal	€500.00
Shanagarry Community Association	€2,000.00
Sweetfield Estate Residents Youghal	€500.00
Quain s Terrace Residents Association	€500.00
Ballinacurra Tidy Towns	€3,000.00
Woodview Court Residents Association	€500.00
McCurtainstown Residents Association	€500.00
Gleann Bui Residence	€500.00
Raheen Park Residents Association	€500.00
Summerdale Lawn Residents Association	€500.00
Ballintotis Area Community Council	€2,000.00
Castlemanor Residents group Castlemartyr	€500.00
Cois Abhainn Residents Committee	€500.00
Whitegate Community Residents Association	€1,500.00
KILLEAGH TIDY TOWNS	€1,000.00
Residents committees	€500.00
Ballymacoda Tidy Towns Committee	€3,000.00
Ballymacoda Ladysbridge Community Council	€500.00
Lisgoold Tidy Village Group	€1,000.00
Bayview Grove	€1,500.00
Pauper s Graveyard	€400.00
Sea View Residents	€500.00
Rostellan Development Association	€2,500.00
Castlemartyr Community Council	€3,000.00
Ballycotton Development Company & Tidy Towns Limited	€2,500.00
Saleen & District Residents Association	€4,500.00
Ballycotton Development Co. Ltd & Tidy Towns Group	€2,500.00
Saleen & District Residents Association	€2,000.00
Elsinore Residents Association	€500.00
Bayview Grove	€3,200.00

#### FERMOY MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

Carraigroe Residents Association	€300.00
Beechwood Grove Residents Association	€300.00
Captain Keanes Grove	€300.00
Captain Keanes Grove	€600.00
Castletownroche Tidy Towns	€3,000.00
Cois Coillte Res Assoc	€800.00
Coolagown Dev Group	€2,000.00
Fermoy Tidy Towns	€8,000.00
Hillcrest Resident Association	€300.00
Kildorrery Community Dev	€5,000.00
Lui Na Greine Resident Assoc	€400.00
Old Kilcrumper Graveyard Assoc	€1,000.00
Pairc Na Gcapall	€800.00
Rathealy Heights Resident Association	€500.00
Sliabh Alainn	€500.00
Thornbury Meadows & Woodland Park	€400.00
Aroma Mitchelstown	€7,000.00
Clondulane Community Association	€1,000.00

#### KANTURK MALLOW MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
Banteer Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Boherbue & District Comm Dev Assoc	€3,500.00
Burnfort Amenity Tidy Village Group	€500.00
Buttevant Muintir Comm. Council	€3,000.00
Castlemagner Comm Development Ass	€1,500.00
Castlemagner Tidy Towns Assoc	€1,500.00
Charleville Tidy Towns	€6,000.00
Cullen Tidy Towns	€2,500.00
Dromina Comm. Council	€2,000.00
Freemount Tidy Towns	€1,000.00
Grenagh tidy towns	€2,000.00
Kanturk Tidy Towns	€5,000.00
Kanturk Tidy Towns	€1,000.00
Kilshannig Community Hub	€14,500.00
Kiskeam Dev Assoc	€2,500.00
Araglen Dev Assoc, Kiskeam	€500.00
Knocknagree Fairfield	€500.00
Lombardstown Comm Council	€1,500.00
Millenium Sacred Heart Grotto Ctte, Mallow	€700.00
Mallow Tidy Towns	€6,000.00
Mourneabbey Comm. Council	€3,000.00
Milford Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Mt Hillary AC	€2,200.00
Meelin Comm Council	€2,000.00
Newtownshandrum Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Newmarket comm dev Assoc	€2,000.00
Twopothouse Dev Assoc	€2,000.00

#### COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

#### Carrigtwohill Tidy Towns Cobh Tidy Towns Glounthaune Tidy Towns (GTT) Knockraha Area Community Association Tidy Towns Group Little Island Tidy Towns

ALLOCATION

#### 10,000.00 20,000.00 10,000.00 3,500.00 5,000.00

ALLOCATION

#### MACROOM MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

#### APPLICANT NAME

#### ALLOCATION

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€7,000.00

#### WEST CORK MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

APPLICANT NAME	ALLOCATION
UNION HALL TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE	€1,000.00
Baltimore Tidy Towns Group	€4,000.00
Diarmaid Anthony Cregan	€9,500.00
Denise Everard	€4,000.00
Glengarriff Tidy Towns Committee	€4,000.00
Dunmanway Community Council	€7,000.00
Dunmanway Projects Group	€2,500.00
Adrigole Projects Group	€2,000.00
Rosscarbery Tidy Towns Association Ltd	€4,000.00
Goleen & District Community Council Ltd	€1,500.00
Bantry Tidy Towns	€9,500.00
Skibbereen Tidy Towns	€9,500.00
Glandore Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Kealkill Tidy Towns	€1,000.00
Schull Tidy Towns	€9,500.00
Durrus Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Castletownbere	€9,500.00
Ardgroom Tidy Village	€1,600.00
Kilmeen * Castleventry Community Development Association	€2,000.00
Rathbarry Tidy Towns	€2,000.00
Urhan Community Council	€2,000.00
Rosscarbery Tidy Towns Association Ltd	€2,000.00