

# **South Tipperary Social Inclusion Audit**

## **Appendices Report 3: Areas & Target Groups**



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## **APPENDICES**

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## I List of Areas with EDs Included

### Tipperary Area

Ballykisteen	155	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Solloghobeg	174	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Kilmucklin	169	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Rathlynin	171	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Cullen	160	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Tipp West Urban	88	Tipperary Town
Tipp East Urban	87	Tipperary Town
Kilfeackle	167	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Thomastown	176	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Rodus	172	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Shronell	173	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Emly	164	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Lattin	170	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Bruis	157	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Bansha	156	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Clonbeg	159	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Templeneiry	175	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Killadriffe	168	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Tipp Rural	177	Tipp No 1 Rural Area

### Clogheen Area

Coolagarranroe	123	Clogheen Rural Area
Burncourt	120	Clogheen Rural Area
Kilcoran	126	Clogheen Rural Area
Ballyporeen	119	Clogheen Rural Area
Clogheen	122	Clogheen Rural Area
Tullaghorton	131	Clogheen Rural Area

### Cahir Area

Kilcommon	125	Clogheen Rural Area
Mortlestown	127	Clogheen Rural Area
Tubrid	129	Clogheen Rural Area
Caher	121	Clogheen Rural Area
Derrygrath	124	Clogheen Rural Area
Ardfinnin	117	Clogheen Rural Area
Tullagmelon	130	Clogheen Rural Area
Ballybacon	118	Clogheen Rural Area
Newcastle	128	Clogheen Rural Area
Knockgraffon	111	Cashel Rural Area
Ballyclerahon	132	Clonmel No. 1 Rural Area

**Clonmel Area**

Peppardstown	115	Cashel Rural Area
Anner	98	Cashel Rural Area
Fethard	104	Cashel Rural Area
Graigie	106	Cashel Rural Area
Colman	101	Cashel Rural Area
Kiltinan	138	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area
Lisronagh	139	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area
Ininshlounaght	134	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area
Clonmel Rural	133	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area
Clonmel West	86	Clonmel Borough
Clonmel East	85	Clonmel Borough
Killsheelan/Killaloe	701	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area

**Carrick-on-Suir Area**

Garrangibbon	90	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 rural area
Kilcash	135	Clonmel No 1 Rural Area
Kilmurry	91	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 Rural Area
Carrick-on-Suir Rural	89	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 Rural Area
Carrick-on-Suir Urban	83	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 Rural Area
Newtown	92	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 Rural Area
Carrickbeg Urban	82	Carrick-on-Suir No 1 rural area

**Killenaule Area**

Fennor	146	Slievardagh Rural Area
Kilcooly	147	Slievardagh Rural Area
Buolick	143	Slievardagh Rural Area
Ponystown	152	Slievardagh Rural Area
New Birmingham	151	Slievardagh Rural Area
Ballyphilip	142	Slievardagh Rural Area
Farranrory	145	Slievardagh Rural Area
Killenaule	109	Cashel Rural Area
Crohane	144	Slievardagh Rural Area
Ballingarry	141	Slievardagh Rural Area
Modeshil	149	Slievardagh Rural Area
Cooleagh	102	Cashel Rural Area
Drangan	103	Cashel Rural Area
Mullinahone	150	Slievardagh Rural Area
Kilvemnon	148	Slievardagh Rural Area

**Cashel Area**

Clonoulty East	99	Cashel Rural Area
Gaile	105	Cashel Rural Area
Ardmayle	93	Cashel Rural Area
Nodstown	113	Cashel Rural Area

Ballysheehan	95	Cashel Rural Area
Greystown	107	Cashel Rural Area
Ballygriffin	154	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Cashel Urban	84	Cashel Town
Cashel Rural	96	Cashel Rural Area
Magorban	112	Cashel Rural Area
Ardsallagh	94	Cashel Rural Area
Kileenasteena	108	Cashel Rural Area
Tullamain	116	Cashel Rural Area
Golden	166	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Ballycarron	153	Tipp No 1 Rural Area

**Hollyford/Dundrum Area**

Kilpatrick	110	Cashel Rural Area
Oughterleague	114	Cashel Rural Area
Drumwood	163	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Cappagh	158	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Donohil	162	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Clonoulty West	100	Cashel Rural Area
Clogher	97	Cashel Rural Area
Currahene	161	Tipp No 1 Rural Area
Glengar	165	Tipp No 1 Rural Area

## Appendix II

### Community & Voluntary Groups in South Tipperary

CORI Justice (2007) criticises the government's failure to deliver new funding for the Community and Voluntary sector in *NAP inclusion*. CORI raise serious questions concerning Government's commitment to *Towards 2016* which sees the Community & Voluntary sector playing a major role in delivering that agreement's social policy commitments.

An additional €200m had been sought by the C&V pillar of social partners as part replacement for the money taken out of the sector with the reduction in the number of places on the Community Employment scheme (following the fall in unemployment) in recent years. CORI calls on the government to commit to additional funding on this scale to legitimate bona fides in this area.

There are over 70 groups registered with the South Tipperary Community Forum and a list of all current members of the Community Forum is given in Appendix IV.

A large number of these community and voluntary groups are issue based e.g. Residents Associations, Meal on Wheels, Local Area Development Councils, Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and so forth.

In addition, key community groups involved to a larger/lesser extent with social inclusion work are operating in each of the 8 areas outlined for this audit. These organisations are listed by location in the area profile of this report and are profiled in the context of their remit for carrying out direct Social Inclusion work i.e. Community Development Projects and/or Family Resource Centres.

#### I. Suir Valley Community Development Project (SCDP)

Suir Valley CDP was established in 1998 and is a company limited by guarantee.

It employs 1 full time Project Co-ordinator and 4 part time staff comprising an Outreach/Development Worker, Administrator and 2 Childcare Workers.

The organisation is structured under a Voluntary Board of Management and a range of sub-committees as required.

It operates to a bi-annual Work Plan and its main funding bodies are the Department of Community Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs and HSE Section 39 Funding. In addition to these sources of funding the CDP actively seeks small funding from a variety of sources such as VEC.

Mission Statement:

To follow

Overview of supports and Services

Target Group	Location	Duration of Work	Resources allocated (personnel and funding)	Funded by
Playschool Age, Playschool Service	Ballylynch	5 Day Sessional - Ongoing	2 Part-time Childcare Workers	HSE Section 39
7-10 year olds Afterschool Service	Ballylynch	2 Days Weekly during school term	CDP staff	
Men's Development Skills Development Social Interaction	Carrick-on- Suir	Ongoing Weekly meeting	CDP staff	Small Grants VEC Community Education
Women - Personal Development Skills development Social Interaction	Carrick-on- Suir	Ongoing Weekly meeting	CDP staff	Small Grants VEC Community Education
Families	Treacy Park St. John's Terrace Ballylynch	Family fun days During the Summer	CDP staff	Various
Area based work - Community Development Resident's Group Support	Treacy Park St. John's Terrace Ballylynch	Ongoing	CDP staff	Various

Key areas of work identified in the project's 2008 Work Plan are detailed under 4 main headings:

1. **Development of a Whole Town Identity** – focuses on supporting the Community Based Drugs Initiative in the delivery of its objectives, facilitating and supporting participation in sports, hosting a range of summer and seasonal activities, encouraging and supporting the inclusion of volunteers together with target based work in the 3 main estates in the town.
2. **Increasing Development Opportunities available in Carrick-on-Suir** – main focus being the development and delivery of after-schools childcare training and the continued support to residents associations.
3. **Inclusion of Communities in Decision Making Structures at Local, Regional and National Level** – key pieces of work including the development and delivery of active citizenship courses which aim to increase voter participation and link to volunteers and the development of the Carrick Network.
4. **Development of the CDP** – emphasis on development and review of policies and procedures.

The Suir Valley CDP liaises and participates on a number of committees and networks including: SIM, CDB, CDP/FRC Network, CDP Regional Forum, Development Workers Network (SE Region), Community Based Drugs Initiative, GYDP, Interagency Traveller Group, RAPID Strategic Themes, Community Network, Residents Groups and the Education Network.

In addition it works in partnership with a range of groups and organisations including:

- VEC Community Education
- Neighbourhood Youth Project
- Community Based Drugs Initiative
- RAPID
- Nano Nagle Community Resource Centre
- Jobs Club (FÁS)
- Local Employment Service (FÁS)
- Edge Project – Garda Youth Diversion Project

Issues Arising:

- Development of range of targeted employment initiatives across target groups
- Increase in public transport services to support participation in education/training/employment opportunities and facilitate access to services and social/leisure facilities
- Increase in community based, affordable and accessible childcare provision
- Strategies to support youth work and development of appropriate youth facilities and supports
- Increased access and provision of mental health and health services

- Targeted area-based work, particularly in Carrick-on-Suir, Tipperary Town and Fethard
- Priority to be given to most needy target groups including lone parents, Asylum Seekers, Migrant Workers and Travellers with focussed strategies for disadvantaged men and women
- Supports to community groups and organisations to deliver or fund childcare provision to increase participation in range of supports
- Funding streams and sustainable funding supports to promote and facilitate delivery of longer term strategies and increase capacity of community organisations to deliver same
- Increase in resources, both human and financial

## 2. Nano Nagle Community Resource Centre (NNCRC)

The Nano Nagle Community Resource Centre is based in Carrick-on-Suir. It is a Voluntary, Community Resource Centre, limited by guarantee, with charitable status. Whilst not a core funded group it has a Social Inclusion focus and is included in this section as a significant resource in the town of Carrick-on-Suir.

Through the Jobs Initiative Scheme it employs 4 people, a Community worker and 3 Caretaking/Maintenance staff. It operates under a Voluntary Board of Management, (many of whom provide a full and part time voluntary service to the Centre) numbering 12 people and 4 Sub-groups comprising Finance, IT, User and Planning.

### Vision Statement:

***“A vibrant centralised accessible community Resource Centre for the people of Carrick-on-Suir and its environs”***

### Mission Statement:

***“To provide a centre that will enable and support the development of new personal and social services by the community and encourage and sustain the development of an inclusive and caring community in Carrick-on-Suir”***

### Aims and Objectives:

- To provide a range of services to the communities of Carrick-on-Suir and its environs
- To build the capacities of the local communities through providing access to education and information
- To tackle social exclusion through accessible and targeted resources (services and programmes)
- Facilitate service providers and agencies through the provision of good quality secure meeting rooms and offices
- Support the development of new, personal and social services locally
- To provide a setting conducive to social, economic and cultural development in Carrick-on-Suir
- Promote volunteerism locally

- To liaise with various statutory and voluntary local agencies in the provision of services to the community
- To secure funding and technical support from the relevant local and national statutory bodies to assist in achieving a self-sufficient, viable Resource Centre for Carrick-on-Suir.

Groups and Organisations using the building/Services provided:

- MABS
- Adult Learning – VEC
- Jobs Club
- BTEd Initiative
- TIME/DOVE Projects
- Local Employment Service
- Civil Defence
- Citizens Information
- Waterford Leader Partnership Ltd
- Rape Crisis Service
- Carers Support Group
- English Classes – Asylum Seekers
- Mental Health Services and Counselling supports
- Range of community and voluntary groups including GROW, fitness classes, training programmes (IT, First Aid etc), Active Retirement groups, sports bodies, Irish Cancer society, Focus Ireland etc
- Range of agencies including RAPID, Education Network, BNS, ad hoc training providers, Community Network

Main sources of funding include Rent, FAS, Dept. of Community Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs (small grants) Donations and Fundraising. The Centre develops an annual work plan to inform its service provision and liaises/works with a range of groups and agencies including the Community and Voluntary Forum, Community Business Centre, All Groups in the Centre, RAPID, Senior Health Development Worker, Carrick Community Network, Community & Enterprise in the County, Steering Committee of WIT/ Delivery of Higher Certificate in Community Development & Education.

Issues arising:

- Carrick has high levels of unemployment and services need to be tailored to support employment progression routes as well as developing strategies to promote local employment opportunities.

- Targeted social inclusion strategies are required for key priority areas in the county including Carrick-on-Suir, Tipperary Town and the Slieveardagh area
- In Carrick there are high levels of people below the poverty line and can't access/afford existing services.
- Carrick has the highest level of Asylum Seekers in the county – this target group suffers from multi-disadvantage and requires targeted strategies and supports at local level
- Services/courses are not being marketed fully to inform the public of services being delivered.
- An overall co-ordination/or of services in Carrick-on-Suir.

### 3. Millennium Family Resource Centre (MFRC), Slieveardagh Area

Established in 2000 the Millennium Family Resource Centre (MFRC) employs 15 staff across a range of full, part time and job share positions. A core voluntary team comprising of 10 people are also involved in the project which covers the Slieveardagh area (population 5,777).

The project is core funded by the national Family Support Agency and draws specific funding from a range of agencies such as Equal Opportunities Childcare programme (EOCP), DSFA, FAS etc.

The area covers a geographical spread of 35 miles and includes the villages of Killenaule, Ballynonty Glengoole, Gortnahoe, Ballysloe, Moyglass, Ballinure Laffinsbridge, The Commons, Coalbrook Ballingarry, Grange and hinterlands. The project is currently engaging also with target groups in Mullinahone, Dangan and Cloneen.

#### Mission Statement:

***“The Millennium Family Resource Centre is committed to enhancing the well being and the quality of life for all members of our community. We will do this in an inclusive way by encouraging and facilitating participation in education, training and development programmes and by providing information and support for families, individuals and groups.”***

The Voluntary Management Committee is drawn from the 4 parishes within the Slieveardagh area and is representative of service users and target groups. There is a full time project Coordinator and part time administrator who report directly to the management Committee.

Sub committees are also in place comprising:

- Staff Liaison sub-committee

- Financial sub-committee
- Childcare sub-committee
- Legal sub-committee
- Educational Initiative sub-committee
- Building sub-committee
- Youth sub-committee

Membership of these sub-committees is drawn from the main Management Committee together with local/special interest representations. Ad-hoc/Task groups are formed where required.

Key areas of work identified for the period 2006-2008:

- Provision of development opportunities for older people
- Develop, consolidate and support existing services and programmes
- Engagement with other projects and agencies to promote the project and community development approaches
- Develop the management and other voluntary structures to ensure the sustainability of the project
- Ensure the accessibility of all services within the project for people with special needs, explore how the project can support families of those with special needs and raise awareness of services available to families and people with special needs.

Overview of project services/supports and programmes:

Supports/Services	Location	Duration	Funded by	Resources
Supports for families at risk of educational disadvantage	Resource Centre	On-going work delivering 6-10 week blocks of activities	FÁS, DSFA, Presentation and Mercy Schools.	FÁS (staff)
Training opportunities for under-skilled and long-term unemployed (FETAC level)	Community facilities in Gortnahoe and Ballingarry	On-going - up to 40 week programmes	FÁS under the Local Training Initiative programme	3 workers + training and Tutor budget

Mentor-supported work placements for early school leavers and participants accessing the labour market	Administered in MFRC with placements across South Tipperary	6 month placements and exit supports	FÁS	1 worker and training budget
Social and practical supports for older people – leisure and hot meals	MFRC	On-going	HSE Section 39 funding and CE Scheme worker	1 part time coordinator and catering staff
Childcare supports – pre-school/after school and summer activities	MFRC	On-going	EOCP, NCIP and RSS	4 part time workers (= 2.5 full time posts)

MFRC works to a 3 year Strategic Plan which is a locally focussed plan (currently 2006-2008). It participates in a number of networks and forums including the FRC Regional and National Forums, South Tipperary Local network and Slieveardagh Childcare Network. Its partners include South Tipperary VEC, FÁS, DSFA, South Tipperary County Council, County Development Board, SIM and the Community and Voluntary Forum.

Issues Arising:

- Poor/inadequate public transport infrastructure
- Need for locally delivered and targeted training and educational programmes which are accessible and supported by appropriate structures e.g. childcare and travel supports
- Expansion of positive supports from County Community and Enterprise Board and County Council
- Specific target groups requiring priority supports include: Lone parents, Early School Leavers, Elderly, Disabled and Older Single men, especially those who live outside the larger towns.
- Need for strategic planning to provide adequate human and financial resources for delivery of responses
- Integrated planning and coordination – engagement with other agencies and groups to voice/acknowledge the needs of target groups and areas and facilitate “joined up thinking”

#### 4. Cahir Development Association (CDA), Cahir

The Cahir Development Association is the only core funded community and social development group in the Cahir area and provides advice and support to 40 community groups within the town.

Projects administered by the CDA include:

- Tidy Towns – Environment Committee working on variety of projects such as the building of a Sensory and Mobility Garden in the centre of town
- Farmers Market – local producers working together to sell produce at weekly market
- Enterprise Centre – hosts small business start-ups, FÁS outreach office, MABS and CDA administration
- Duneske Leisure Centre - operates 7 days per week with a range of sporting and leisure activities
- FÁS Community Employment Scheme – 22 participants involved mainly in projects administered by the Association
- Cahir Childcare Centre – capacity for 84 children including Crèche facilities, after-school and pre-school services
- Business and Training Centre – Community Services programme
- Tourism – focussed on promotion of Cahir as a place to visit for tourists and neighbouring communities.

There are 45 people employed across the projects of which 16 are full time (including Managers, Administrators, Child-care workers) and 29 part time (CE Scheme participants, Receptionists/ Payroll/Accounts staff, Day Care Assistants, Cleaning and Caretaking Staff etc).

Established in 1991 initially to combat the perceived negative impacts of the Dublin/Cork bypass the Association identified other community and social needs within the town that were not being met and these formed the basis of the work to date. It became a company Limited by Guarantee in 1996.

The Organisation comprises a Voluntary Board of Management. There are 3 Managers (General Manager/Administration Manager, Business and Training Manager, Childcare Manager) who share responsibility for the various projects administered by the Association.

Funding for most of the projects is generated by FÁS (Community Employment) or Pobal (Community Services Programme and EOCP) as well as ad hoc applications to other Government Departments as required. To date most of the work has been directed on the provision of community facilities and services e.g. the Training Centre, childcare service etc. The Association works to an annual rolling Strategic plan which focuses on local needs and activities.

The Association engages with a wide range of organisations and groups via its myriad projects. These include:

- CE Scheme - Meals on wheels, Cahir Day Care Centre and Cahir Golf Club,
- Cahir Enterprise Centre – Small/medium Businesses, South Tipperary Enterprise Board, Tipperary Leader Partnership
- Cahir Tourism – South East Regional Tourism Board
- Business and Training Centre – FÁS, Pobal, South Tipperary County Council
- Sports and leisure Centre – Cahir GAA, Colaiste Dun Iscaigh
- Childcare Centre – Pobal, HSE, DJELR, County Childcare Committee

In many instances these networks and linkages overlap and are interwoven between the projects.

Issues arising:

- Urgent need for Youth Centre dedicated to 13-18 year olds
- Interventions to combat increasing drug and alcohol usage amongst young people
- Development and staffing supports for the building in order to maximise its services and potential impacts.
- Focussed strategies for integrated planning for Social Inclusion responses
- Discussions and deliberation around Social Inclusion issues with reference to existing community facilities and services built up by the Association over the last 17 years

### **I. Spafield Family Resource Centre (SFRC)**

Established in 1996 as Spafield Residents' Association the Spafield Family Resource Centre became a Company Limited by Guarantee in 1999 and is funded under the Family Support Agency, Department of social and Family Affairs and Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform.

The Centre employs 6 full-time, 6 part-time and a number of Community Employment and Local Training Initiative workers and Tutors.

The Resource Centre works in the Cashel area and encompasses those villages and areas within the hinterland of Cashel, including Bansha, Golden, Holycross, Donasskeogh, Clonoulty, Rosegreen, Knockavilla, Dundrum, Dualla, Bohelahan and New Inn.

Mission Statement

**“Spafield Family Resource Centre, through consultation with the community will develop and implement a three year programme of work, to address the identified needs of the community.**

**Spafield Family Resource Centre will work with families and individuals in an inclusive and developmental way.**

**Full participation of all the community will ensure that all opinions and ideas are taken into consideration.”**

The Voluntary Management Committee is representative of local residents and groups and there are 4 sub committees:

- Childcare
- Finance
- SLG (check – is this staffing sub-committee?)
- Building

Key Areas of Work identified for the period 2007-2009:

- Increase range and breadth of programme and service delivery via the use of newly completed building extension
- Sustainability of the Centre in terms of human and financial resources – the Centre to become debt free
- Consolidation of existing services and Child Care Centre to be running at full capacity
- Capacity of the Centre to react to needs as they develop in the community
- Management and Committee to be operating in a stress-free environment.

Overview of project Services and Supports

Supports/Services	Location	Duration	Funded By	Resources
Childcare – pre-school, after- school, wide range of age groups, Crèche	SFRC	On-going	EOCP	5 workers – 1 manager and 4 full time worker
Skills Training LTI, BTEI, etc	SFRC and outreach up to 10 miles	On-going	VEC, DSFA, FRC, NCIP	Tutors and SFRC staff
Youth mentoring, counselling and supports	SFRC	On-going		
Family Supports, including working with non-national families	SFRC	On-going		
Drug Awareness programmes and supports				

SFRC operates to a 3-year Strategic Plan which is locally focussed. The work is primarily needs led and geographically targeted which encompasses target groups of need as identified within the community.

In addition to local, regional and national FRC forums, the Centre engages and works with a variety of organisations and groups including SIM, FRC/CDP network, South Tipperary Community and Voluntary Forum, County Enterprise Board, Cashel Neighbourhood Youth Project, Disconnected Youth, PC-IA (?). Its partners include the above organisations as well as Failte Ireland, Mid Tipperary Drugs Initiative, MABS, HSE, Tipperary Youth Services, FÁS and DSFA.

Issues Arising:

- Poor rural transport infrastructure
- Childcare needs across the area
- Facilities and supports for young people – (welcomes the arrival of Pathways project in Cashel)
- Facilities to service the rural areas surrounding Cashel both in terms of provision of services in rural hinterland and transport/accessibility to services within the town and larger urban areas.
- Need for more space to deliver responses within the current building
- Socio-economic strategies for the area to generate employment opportunities

## 2. Knockanrawley Community Development project (KCDP)

Knockanrawley Community Development Project was established in 1991 and is a Company Limited by Guarantee. It employs 49 staff, 12 full time and 37 part time. Core funded under the Department of Community, rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, the Centre also sources funding from a range of government departments including FÁS, DSFA, and HSE etc. The Centre is primarily focussed on the urban centre of Tipperary Town and its hinterland.

Mission Statement:

***“To enable & empower individuals and groups, through the process of self-development and working together, to identify and make changes that enhance their lives and the community, in general.”***

The organisation is run by a Voluntary Management Committee, representative of local community and agency organisations. Under the Director are Section leaders, core staff and Community Employment and Link Scheme participants as well as a range of volunteers.

The work of the overall Centre can be split into 5 distinct but overlapping areas:

- Community Development
- Organic Garden
- Childcare
- Family Therapy and Counselling
- Training and Education

Key/Priority areas of work identified for the period 2008.

- Men who experience social exclusion
- Women who experience social exclusion
- Unemployed and Low-skilled workers
- Parents – particular emphasis on young parents and parents who are parenting alone.

Overview of project services and support programmes

Supports/Services	Location	Duration	Funded by	Resources
Women's support groups, education and training programmes, family therapy/counselling, Organic Garden	Tipperary Town and hinterland	Ongoing	DCRGA, FAS, VEC, CBERT	Centre Coordinators and programme facilitators
Men's support group, education and training programmes, family therapy/counselling, Organic Garden	As above	Ongoing	As above	As above
Integrated Parent Support programme, individual supports, parent and child learning activities,	As above	Ongoing	Dormant Accounts, HSE, Tipperary UDC, South Tipperary VEC	Parent Support worker and CDP staff

children's activities				
Childcare Centre – Daisy Chain – provision of childcare for babies and after-school	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	FAS and HSE	Childcare Coordinator, Childcare staff and trainees
Family supports, Therapy, Art Therapy, Bereavement Counselling, Rainbows programme	Tipperary Town and hinterland	Ongoing	FAS and HSE	Facilitators
Group supports to residents and community groups, community development supports, IT supports, room usage, administration facilities etc	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	DCRGA	All staff
Education programmes including Return to Work, ECDL, Community Art, Construction and Craft training, Nutrition and health	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	FAS, VEC, DES (BTEI), CBERT	Training and Education Coordinator, Administrator and programme tutors
Probation and Welfare Community Service programme	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	Facilities	
Domestic Violence – Outreach from Cuan Saor	Tipperary Town and hinterland	Ongoing	Facilities	

Outreach supports for people experiencing addiction	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	Facilities	
Targeted interventions including IT training for people with disabilities, Carers, those recovering from depression and older people	Tipperary Town	Ongoing	Administration and Tutors	ASC Dept. of An Taoiseach

The organisation works to a 3 year Strategic Plan which covers the period 2006-2008. It participates in a wide range of forums and networks including SIM, RAPID AIT, Regional and County CDP/FRC Network, SCP, Mid Tipperary Drugs Initiative, County Childcare Committee, Community and Voluntary Forum, Barnardos, National Women’s council of Ireland and the National Collective of Community-based women’s networks, Aontas, Local Agenda 21 and the Ad Hoc Adult Education Board of VEC. It has linkages with other community groups in the area and its partners include HSE, FÁS, DSFA, VEC, CBERT, and DCRGA. Its work is primarily focussed around the needs of people in Tipperary town and surrounding areas.

Issues Arising:

- Need for integrated planning and delivery of supports across agencies and groups
- Participation of people experiencing disadvantage in decision making arenas – support programmes to be in place
- Gender and poverty proofing in decision making arenas and structures
- Flexible employment opportunities
- Development of quality infrastructural requirements
- Development of locally delivered health services
- Development of supports and services across hinterland – particular reference to areas not covered by RAPID or CLÁR programmes
- Resources needed which are targeted at pre-development and outreach programmes – funding for outreach rural workers to enable active targeting of rural areas

- Security of multi-annual funding which would assist in long-term planning and delivery of supports
- Need for up-to-date information regarding socio-economic indicators etc to assist strategic planning and delivery
- Increased networking across agencies e.g. family referrals

### 3. Three Drives Family Resource Centre (TDFRC)

The area in which the Three Drives Family Resource Centre is located was previously known as the Carronreddy Estate which is comprised of three distinctive estates, St Ailbe's Drive, Dundrum Drive and Greenane Drive in which the FRC is located, hence the name "Three Drives"

In the immediate vicinity of the Three drives FRC unemployment figures are not reflective of the area's well being as the majority of the residents are in receipt of social welfare payments and do not feature in the unemployment statistics.

#### Mission Statement

***"The mission of the Three Drives Family Resource Centre is to be a resource for the community and to act as a stepping stone for people to develop. It aims to provide a safe, friendly, open and confidential environment, where all people are accepted equally and facilitated to reach their full potential."***

The project strives to create a level playing pitch for people from the community by producing a positive image of the community that results in respect from both inside and outside of the area.

The Project will at all times operate from the principles of Community Development and will work in partnership with other voluntary, community and statutory agencies"

#### Vision Statement

***"Our vision is to be a resource for our community."***

***A safe, supportive, friendly open and confidential environment, where we are accepted and facilitated to reach our full potential"***

#### Key Areas of Work identified for the period 2006-2008:

- Community participation and ownership

- Community voice and pride
- Education valued
- Project recognised
- Project development

The Centre operates under a Voluntary Management Committee which is representative of the local area. Currently there are 5 members of staff employed, one full time Project Co-ordinator, a part time administrator (position shared by two people) and two part time FÁS workers. In addition the Centre is supported by 6 volunteers.

Main sources of funding for the Centre include:

- The FSA (Family Support Agency) is the main source of funding, providing core funding for staff and overheads as well as ad hoc requirements such as equipment etc.
- Town Council
- Dormant Accounts (through RAPID)
- FÁS
- VEC

Overview of Supports/Services

Target Group	Location	Duration of Work	Resources allocated (personnel and funding)	Funded by
Young mothers group – needs led and group centred, health, family and personal development	Tipperary town, those currently attending are from the vicinity of the FRC	On going – delivered in 6 week cycles	1 co-ordinator for the programme with 2 part time childcare workers & members of the staff of the FRC	VEC and the DSFA
Women’s group As above,	Tipperary town and	Ongoing.	FRC staff and volunteers	VEC, Town Council and the centre’s own

focussing on personal development, nutrition and crafts	outlying areas			resources
Work with New Communities – including English classes, awareness raising supports, assistance with entry into primary schools, parents supports	The Foreign national community living in Tipperary Town and surrounding areas	Ongoing	Sessional tutors	Self financing English classes, Mid Tipperary Drugs Services
Disability – including working with young adults to facilitate independent living	Tipperary town.	Ongoing and delivered during term times	FRC staff and an external tutor	Self financing via local contributions and local school donations
Children with behavioural problems/ADHD Art Therapy	Tipperary town and surrounding areas. The majority of the target group come from the direct vicinity	10 week programmes with continuing art therapy supports on a needs basis	Art therapist Administration and additional human resources are provided by the FRC	Town Council Amenity funds RAPID. Current application to the Family Support Agency under their counselling grant

	of the FRC			
Youth – Art and Drama projects, Seasonal activities, IT classes and IT facilities	From the local vicinity and surrounding areas	Ongoing	Tipperary Regional Youth Service provides staff to help run individual projects such as the Summer Camps.	Town Council, VEC Nominal fees to cover materials
Educational Disadvantage – Reading Recovery programme for children at local schools	The group comes from the vicinity of the FRC and surrounding areas	On-going during term and holiday times	Reading Recovery Tutor and FRC staff	Funding accessed through the Town Council Amenity funds

The Centre works to a 3 year strategic plan and links/participates with a number of networks and groups including the FRC/CDP Network, RAPID Area Implementation Team (AIT), Educational Stakeholders Network, Interagency Network of Residents, FRC South East Regional Forum, FRC National Forum and the South Tipperary Community & Voluntary Forum, Tipperary Regional Youth Service, Mid Tipperary Drugs Initiative, Knockanrawley CDP, Town Council and the Rural Travellers CDP.

Issues Arising:

- Employment opportunities
- Childcare provision
- Training opportunities
- Centre / services for victims of domestic violence
- Psychiatric outreach services
- Social workers to deal with childhood neglect/abuse
- Out of hours service provision for substance misuse and social worker access

- Early intervention strategy for those at risk of suicide
- Good transport provision
- Targeted supports for specific marginalised groups including Lone parents, Elderly people and Elderly men living on their own, the Travelling community and Foreign nationals

#### 4. Rural Travellers Community Development Project (RTCDP)

The Rural Travellers Community Development Project was first established in 1997 under funding sourced through the EU INTEGRA/Employment programme within the European Social Fund and operated until 2000. Funding applications to have the project mainstreamed were unsuccessful and a lack of on-going funding saw the departure of core staff.

The voluntary management committee continued with its efforts and the project was earmarked for core funding via the then Department of social, Community and Family Affairs and worked with Framework to undertake a needs analysis in 2002 with the support of a pre-development worker and 5 Traveller women.

In 2004 a full time Coordinator and part time Administrator were in post and the project also benefits from the services of a Community Employment worker.

##### Mission Statement:

***“Tipperary Rural Travellers project promotes the empowerment of Travellers at every level to negotiate and create their own solutions to the issues of accommodation, education and discrimination”***

##### Key Areas of work include:

- Outreach work
- Advocacy
- Networking – local, regional and national level
- Information and support services – open door policy
- Supporting access for travellers to services

The project operates to a Voluntary Management committee and there are 2 core sub-groups (Finance and Staffing) as well as a range of ad-hoc working groups where required.

It works to a 3-year strategic plan and its main source of funding is via the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs.

It operates a Traveller Primary health Care project in Cashel which is jointly funded by FÁS, HSE and DSFA.

The main catchment area for the project includes the urban areas of Cahir, Cashel and Tipperary Town. Rural areas include Ballynonty, Dundrum, Killenaule, Lanes Park, Golden and Holycross.

#### Overview of Supports/Services

Target Group	Location	Duration of Work	Resources allocated (personnel and funding)	Funded by
Traveller Women – Primary Health Care project. Education/Training programme towards community health care employment	Cashel	On going	2 full time personnel	FÁS, HSE and DSFA
Travellers – Advocacy, education, accommodation, inclusion of Traveller men and supporting access to services	Cahir, Cashel, Tipperary Town and rural areas as listed above	Ongoing.	1 full time personnel	DCRGA, HSE

The project sits on a wide range of committees and networks (at local, regional and national level) and has links with a variety of organisations and groups. These include the Traveller Only Forum, Minceir Whidden, Irish Traveller Movement, Pavee Point, National Traveller Women’s Forum, Local and National Traveller Accommodation Committee, PHC/HSE Committees, Tipperary Town Council, RAPID, SIM, Clonmel Community Partnership, STAN, Regional CDP/FRC Network, FÁS, Regional Traveller Health Network.

Issues Arising:

- Rural isolation for Travellers
- Accommodation
- Access to services
- Discrimination - strategies and interventions to tackle and challenge discrimination and racism
- Health issues for Travellers – information and access re services
- Encouraging inclusion of Traveller men with services and project
- Sustainable long term funding to secure additional staff, develop long-term strategies and implement aspects of strategic plan.

**5. South Tipperary Lone Parents Initiative (STLPI)**

South Tipperary Lone parents Initiative was established in 1993 as a company Limited by Guarantee and provides information and supports to Lone parents living in Clonmel and the surrounding areas. It also operates an Out Reach Centre in Carrick-on-Suir.

Main sources of funding for the Centre include

- DCRGA
- HSE – Section 39 Lottery funding
- DSFA
- VEC
- Community Foundation of Ireland

The work of the Centre is directed by a Voluntary Board of Management which includes lone parents, representatives from the VEC and the Clonmel Parent Support Programme. The Committee and issue based sub committees meet regularly and the meetings are attended by the Development worker and the Service Coordinator.

The project employs 3 staff – these include a part time Service Coordinator, part time Out Reach worker (Carrick-on-Suir) and part time Administrator. In addition to these staff the project hosts 3 Community Employment participants.

Other services and groups operating within the Centre include:

- Community Mother's Programme
- Breast Feeding

- Childcare and After School Services
- Cuan Saor Women’s Refuge

Mission Statement:

**“The objects for which the company is established are to provide a service for the relief of poverty and disadvantage through the making of provision for the needs of lone parents in the South Tipperary region and in particular without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing through the provision of information services, childminding facilities, training and counselling services to lone parents”**

Key Areas of Work for the period 2005-2008:

- Establishment of Out Reach Service in Carrick-on-Suir
- Provision of information services and supports to lone parents
- Development of Jobs Club service
- Training and Progression Supports

Overview of supports/Services

Target Group Lone Parents	Location	Duration of Work	Resources allocated (personnel and funding)	Funded by
Personal Development, One-to-One Supports	Clonmel, Out Reach in Carrick-on-Suir	On going		
IT Training	Clonmel	On-going – block programmes	Sessional tutors,	VEC, DSFA
Relaxation/Stress Management	Clonmel	10 week programmes	Sessional Facilitator	VEC, DSFA
Parenting classes	Clonmel	6 week block programmes		
Information Services – leaflets, seminars, one-	Clonmel and Carrick-on-Suir	Ongoing		

to-one sessions				
Jobs Club	Clonmel	3 week block programmes		

STLPI works to a 5 year Strategic Plan which is currently under review and participates and engages with a number of networks and groups including One Parent Exchange network, Local Area network, Clonmel Community Network, Community Mothers programme, South Tipperary Family Support, CCP Community Development Committee, CCP Services to the Unemployed Committee, One Parent Exchange Programme. Some of its partners include the Clonmel Community Parent Support Group, Cuan Saor, Clonmel Community Partnership, VEC, Community Youth Training and Enterprise, HSE (Public Health Nurses and Community Welfare Officers) and DSFA.

Issues Arising:

- Access to funding – particularly sustainable, regular funding to facilitate planning and programming of services

**6. South Tipperary Community and Voluntary Forum (STCVF)**

Whilst not a core funded project the Community and Voluntary Forum performs an important role by facilitating groups around the county to network and by providing a channel for the bringing of collective issues to various decision making areas such as the CDB.

The South Tipperary Community and Voluntary Forum is an amalgamation of approx. 70 groups, coming from a variety of backgrounds and involved in a variety of activities, ranging from Care of the Elderly, groups working with the Disadvantaged Sector, the Disabled, Youth Clubs, Community Development, Enterprise, Tidy Towns, Tourism, Sports Groups, Arts and Crafts and so forth.

Mission Statement:

***'To co-ordinate the resources of the member groups to improve the quality of life for all'.***

The Community and Voluntary Forum holds two seats on the County Development Board.

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### ACRONYMS

ARA	Active Retirement Association
BTEI	Back to Education Initiative
CCP	Clonmel Community Partnership
CDP	Community Development Project
CORI	Congress of Religious Superiors in Ireland
CDB	County Development Board
DCR&GA	Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs
DJELR	Department of Justice, Equality & Law Reform
DS&FA	Department of Social & Family Affairs
EOCP	Equal Opportunities Childcare Programme
EWM	Equality for Women Measure
FÁS	Foras Áiseanna Naisunta
FRC	Family Resource Centre
FSA	Family Support Agency
HSE	Health Service Executive
ISC	Irish Sports Council
LDSIP	Local Development Social Inclusion Programme
LES	Local Employment Service
NCIP	National Childcare Investment Programme
MABS	Money, Advice & Budgeting Service
MFRC	Millennium Family Resource Centre
NCCRI	National Consultative Committee on Racism and Interculturalism
NCIP	National Childcare Investment Programme
NDP	National Development Plan
NESF	National Economic & Social Forum
RAPID	Revitalising Areas Through Planning Investment & Development
RDP	Rural Development Programme
RTP	Rural Transport Programme
SCP (I)	Schools Completion Programme (Initiative)
SIF	Social Inclusion Forum
SIM	Social Inclusion Measures
STCCC	South Tipperary County Childcare Committee
SIF	Social Inclusion Forum
STCVF	South Tipperary Community and Voluntary Forum
STSP	South Tipperary Sports Partnership
STLPI	South Tipperary Lone Parents Initiative
TIME	Project under the Equality for Women Measure (DJELR)
TRYS	Tipperary Regional Youth Services
VEC	Vocational Education Committee
WRYS	Waterford Regional Youth Services