

Annual Report 2022



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from our past



Conserve
in the present



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for the future

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The Heritage Council





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Message from our Chairperson

“Perhaps your hunger to belong is always active and intense because you belonged so totally before you came here. This hunger to belong is the echo and reverberation of your invisible heritage.”

When reflecting on the year just passed, these words from the great Irish philosopher and guardian of our heritage, John O’Donohue, repeatedly came to mind.

We don’t always think of heritage as being invisible. After all, we can see very clearly the natural beauty of our landscapes, hear very clearly the stories that educate us about our past and can reach out and touch the built heritage constructed by our ancestors. What is invisible, though, is how these experiences make us feel, the sense of belonging they give us. In the Heritage Council, our job is not to give people that feeling. Our job is to facilitate the people who can, and I am proud to say that this is a job we did particularly well last year.

In 2022, the Heritage Council received its largest budget since 2009 of €13.8M. With this increased level of funding, we supported more heritage practitioners, local authorities, community groups and heritage organisations than ever before in our 28-year history. The funding we issued through grants increased 13% to €6.6M, support for heritage infrastructure increased 15% to €2.6M, and funding for our strategic programmes increased by 35% to €1.6M.

We could not be delivering for our sector in this way were it not for the continued support of Minister Darragh O’Brien TD, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage; Minister of State Malcolm Noonan TD, Minister of State for Heritage and

Electoral Reform; and other colleagues in the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them and I look forward to collaborating with them again in 2023.

As the organisation continues to mature, so too will its vision, and 2022 was in many ways a time of transition for that vision. It signalled the end of our previous strategic plan, 'Heritage at the Heart', where one of the high-level goals was *'to nurture in our people a sense of belonging by enhancing their sense of identity and place'*.

When attempting to measure if we had been successful in achieving this goal, I began to reflect on the people and the groups I met in 2022. I thought of the wonderful Irish Community Archives Network (iCAN), a community heritage initiative coordinated by the National Museum of Ireland in collaboration with the Heritage Council and local authorities, encouraging and supporting communities to collect and share their local history and heritage online.

In July last year, iCAN hosted the Community Archives and Heritage Group conference in Galway and as Chairperson of the Heritage Council, I was honoured to address attendees. More importantly, I had the opportunity to meet the volunteers and local historians who often at great expense, safeguard precious information with enormous academic, historical and emotional value. Thanks to our increased funding, the Heritage Council was able to commit in 2022 to funding the expansion of the iCAN initiative and team, facilitating

those who help reveal our invisible heritage to us.

It was also a year when we began to look towards the future. Our new five-year plan, [Our Place in Time](#) which was drafted in 2022 under the expert stewardship of my fellow Council member Sheila Pratschke, was [officially launched in February 2023](#). It's a strategy that looks to broaden the scope of our sphere of influence and identifies groups for whom uncovering the mysteries of their invisible heritage might not be so straightforward.

An ethnographic study of young Travellers conducted by Sindy Joyce in 2018 spoke about the tragic phenomenon of Travellers 'hiding in plain sight'. In other words, hiding or cloaking their identity for fear of discrimination or stigmatisation. That any individual would feel compelled to repress his or her heritage in this way is deeply troubling and something our new strategy seeks to rectify. We are committed to the development of a Traveller Heritage Strategy in partnership with the community. I am pleased to say that work began on this already in 2022 through a series of discussions with Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre and The Irish Traveller Movement about how we can work together to support the protection of our Traveller heritage.

Agus muid ag caint ar uileghabhálacht agus grúpaí mionlacha, bhí áthas orainn béim i bhfad níos láidre a chur ar an nGaeilge anuraidh. Glactar leis nach féidir i ndáiríre caint ar oidhreacht na tíre seo gan trácht a

dhéanamh ar an nGaeilge agus b'shin an fáth go raibh líofacht sa teanga mar chuid de na riachtainais is tábhachtaí agus muid ag earcú i 2022, an fáth go ndearna muid don chéad uair, aistriúcháin go Gaeilge ar ár suíomhanna gréasáin ar fad, an fáth go ndearna muid iarracht ar leith grúpaí Gaeltachta a chur ar an eolas faoi na scéim deontais atá againn, agus an fáth go bhfuil tagairt ar leith ar ár tiomantas don Ghaeilge sa stráitéis.

When we talk of the search for belonging, there is no festival which grounds me more each year than our flagship programme, National Heritage Week. Every year, the thousands of National Heritage Week events in August enable a nationwide celebration of our heritage, and we committed over €510,000 in 2022 to ensure the success of one of Ireland's largest cultural festivals.

I try to attend as many events as I possibly can each year and am always left wanting more. I am consistently amazed by the inventive ways people manage to tell stories from the past that mean something for people today. One event which did this particularly well in 2022 was the [Irish Wheelchair Charity Shop in Letterkenny](#) which collected old items from Donegal. Separately, they collected old stories from Letterkenny and then paired up each item with a story. The stories were tagged to the items and visitors to the shop were invited to browse through them to learn about their county's past inhabitants.

We are determined to grow National Heritage Week within the lifetime of the new strategy and to bring these events to as wide a range of people as possible. Towards the end of 2022, the Heritage Council appointed Ronan Healy, our first in-house National

Heritage Week Programme Manager. This is a hugely positive development which is sure to assist in the achievement of this goal.

I want to finish up by thanking my colleagues on the board of the Heritage Council for their assistance and the contribution they make in a voluntary capacity to protecting Ireland's heritage. I also want to acknowledge the excellent work of the Chief Executive and staff of the Heritage Council who work hard to deliver on the Council's mandate and look forward to working with the Heritage Council's expanded team in the years ahead.

Martina Moloney

Chairperson of the Heritage Council





Message from our CEO

Our day-to-day work in the Heritage Council involves a constant shifting of attention between the three pillars of heritage; natural, built and cultural. Or perhaps it might be more accurate to say that there is a great deal of multitasking at play. But in any given year, for whatever reason, one of these pillars may require more focus than the others.

Reviewing 2022 from this vantage point, what stands out for me are the achievements made in terms of our natural heritage and biodiversity in a year where so much of our work was defined by the looming challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss.

The tone was set at the beginning of the year when Minister of State for Heritage Malcolm Noonan launched *Heritage Ireland 2030*, describing climate change and biodiversity as “a key focus” of the plan, and remarking that “the actions in the strategy reflect the huge challenges facing Ireland’s heritage, particularly for nature and biodiversity loss.”

Meanwhile, biodiversity and sustainable heritage were announced as the primary themes for National Heritage Week in 2022,

paving the way for some beautiful and innovative events on these subjects.

Against that backdrop, it was hugely gratifying to be able to formally announce our new biodiversity officer programme in 2022, which will see a dedicated biodiversity officer appointed to every local authority in the country by the end of 2024. The announcement last year coincided with the appointment of the Heritage Council’s first Head of Heritage and Climate Change, Catherine Casey, who joins us following almost 20 years of exemplary work as Laois Heritage Officer and who will oversee the programme, amongst many other functions.

As I write this introduction in early summer 2023, [twelve biodiversity officers](#) have already begun this important work which for the first time, will enable county councils to benefit from the expertise of a biodiversity officer in its decision-making.

Although it is never glamorous to discuss the necessity of good governance structures, it is nonetheless often very important. In December 2022, we saw the conclusion of a long and complex process resulting in the

restructuring of the National Biodiversity Data Centre (NBDC) as a company limited by guarantee (CLG); a move with potentially profound effects on how we collect and manage biodiversity. This new structure will ensure the long-term protection of this important service, providing a renewed confidence for NBDC staff and the public.

The NBDC had been operating as a contract for service. What this means in layman's terms is that the organisation could not engage in long-term planning, could not be certain of multi-annual resourcing, was restricted in its ability to bid for funding from other sources and did not have a board in place to provide expert oversight. Its transition to a CLG in 2022 removes those obstacles and is a major victory for biodiversity in Ireland.

Bringing projects like this from conception to closure is of course incredibly gratifying, and like any project worth achieving, takes time, resources and patience. But amidst the daily strain of deadlines, targets, meetings and obligations, I do think it's very important to make time for dialogue, for reflection and for exchanging ideas.

That's why one of the highlights last year for me was the National Biodiversity Conference in Dublin Castle in June, and as I write, I'm reminded now of the wonderful people I met and the inspiring messages they delivered.

The Heritage Council hosted a session during the conference where Dr Aoibhinn Ní Shúilleabháin, then at the very beginning of her journey as Chair of the Citizens' Assembly on Biodiversity Loss, (to which the

Heritage Council also made a submission in 2022) provided a wonderful overview of the mechanics of how the citizens' assembly works, offering an uplifting insight into the power and transparency of our democracy.

I was also particularly struck by the words of Dr Brendan Dunford, co-founder of Burrenbeo Trust (a Charity often in receipt of Heritage Council Funding) who said:

“When the pocket, the head and the heart are working in tandem, that's when magical things happen and we begin to see communities truly become stewards and guardians of the heritage of their own place.”

It was a simple yet powerful message, and one which resonated deeply with me and with the work of the Heritage Council. Along with my colleagues, we do our best to ensure that this trinity of financial resources, knowledge, and desire are always present.

When I was appointed CEO in 2019, the Heritage Council's annual expenditure was €8M; in 2022 it has reached a high of €13.8M, and it is important to acknowledge how this increase in funding has allowed the Heritage Council to bolster and support our sector.

Our 11 strategically-funded programmes received over €4M in 2022 while hundreds of community and voluntary heritage groups were awarded €1.5Mm to complete heritage projects. In addition, the €510,000 that went towards National Heritage Week facilitated almost 2,000 events by 920 organisers allowing thousands of people to enjoy the best of what Irish heritage has to offer.

Our Heritage Capacity Fund supported 28 heritage-focused organisations, such as the Irish Peatlands Conservation Council and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings covering their operational costs, and nearly €1.4M awarded to county councils through our Historic Towns Initiative Scheme

With greater funding available in 2022, the Heritage Council was also able to address some other pressing issues within the sector. A new funding scheme, the Heritage Stewardship Fund, was established to support staff in public bodies and third-level educational institutes working on the physical preservation of heritage objects whose core remit may not be fully focused on heritage, but whose work can nonetheless have an impact on the protection of unique heritage assets.

Of course, and as Brendan put it, we know that without specialist knowledge, funding is only one-third of the picture. One of the most satisfying achievements of my tenure to date has been the 66% increase in staff numbers since 2019 with 7 new positions created at the Heritage Council in 2022 alone. This additional capacity allows us to explore new territories, helps to generate new ideas and injects expertise into our work which will have far reaching benefits for the sector. In short, the impact of this development is immense.

Knowledge, of course, is attained through education. And I am happy to report that 2022 saw a deepening integration of our work with educational institutes and initiatives. In July, we welcomed the first [talented craftspeople](#) into the inaugural All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme, a course aiming to preserve heritage building skills at risk of being lost, and which we developed in partnership with the Prince's Foundation and

the Historic Environment Division in Northern Ireland.

As I write, we are at an advanced stage of the recruitment process for the second year of this programme.

Meanwhile, our Conservation Internship Scheme supported the appointment of [three interns](#) in 2022; we partnered with the Technological University of the Shannon to deliver the Certificate in Energy Renovation for Traditional Buildings, a course introducing participants to the fundamental principles of energy renovation; and our Heritage in Schools programme for primary schools continued to flourish, bringing the wonder of heritage to children all over the country with 2,535 visits recorded to 998 schools reaching 55,000 children.

In 2023, we want to build on this scheme, and begin the process of introducing heritage to the curriculum at the post-primary level. As I write, we are recruiting a Heritage in Education Policy Development Officer to help deliver this objective.

The third ingredient, heart, comes very easily to our sector and I am fortunate enough to bear witness on a daily basis the energy and resilience of Ireland's heritage professionals and volunteers.

Few people epitomise this drive more than the great [Teddy Fennelly](#), our 2022 Heritage Hero who I had the pleasure of meeting on multiple occasions throughout the year. His life's work is a rich tapestry of heritage preservation with his commitment to the story of Colonel James Fitzmaurice and the first East-West transatlantic flight arguably his greatest contribution to Irish heritage.

I mentioned our new staff members who

will, of course, need time to fully settle in, as we all adapt to a changed world of hybrid working. This has coincided with the departure on a career break of a very experienced colleague in Head of Finance Paula Drohan and I would like to pay tribute to the magnificent service that Paula has given the Heritage Council over many years.

2022 also signals the end of our previous Strategic Plan, and the beginning of our new five-year plan, [‘Our Place in Time’](#), which was written in 2022. It is an ambitious programme of work which sets the direction we need to bring heritage over the next five years.

Finally, I want to thank the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH), including Minister Darragh O’Brien TD, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and Minister of State Malcolm Noonan TD, Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform. Both ministers were

generous with their time, participating in various events and supporting our work. I am grateful, too, to the officials at the Heritage Division, DHLGH, whose ongoing support and counsel I appreciate.

I would also like to thank our partners in local government, especially the local authority heritage officers. The cooperation of our colleagues across a range of public service agencies and businesses continues to be invaluable support in all aspects of our work, as does the co-operation of civil society groups and the not-for-profit sector. I am very proud of their loyalty, commitment, energy and innovation on behalf of the heritage sector.

I look forward with optimism to Council continuing its work of increasing public participation in heritage in all its expressions.

Virginia Teehan
CEO of the Heritage Council

Heritage and Virginia Teehan's work recognised by the Royal Irish Academy

On the 20th May 2022, 29 new members were elected to the Royal Irish Academy (RIA) for their exceptional contributions to the sciences, humanities, and social sciences, as well as to public service. Each year the Council of the Academy nominates two individuals from Irish public life for membership. Virginia Teehan was one of the Council's nominees in 2022.

The Council noted that her work as a cultural leader, archivist, curator, museum director, producer of film and television documentaries, as board member of the National Museum of Ireland, Irish String Quartet Foundation and especially her work with the Heritage Council, merited the nomination.

Admittance to the RIA confirms the importance of the discipline of heritage practice on a national level and is particularly significant recognition for the Heritage Council.

A short video we made to mark this important occasion can be viewed [here](#).



Virginia Teehan at the admittance ceremony in May 2022.

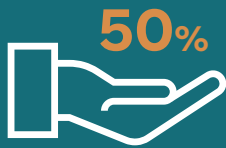
2022: Continuing to grow and to build



Total Budget 2022: €13,536,818
17% increase on 2021



Grant funding 2022: €6,608,179
13% increase on 2021



For the first time in 2022
over 50% of budget
is allocated for grants



Strategic Programmes Funding 2022:
€1,565,7329
35% increase on 2021

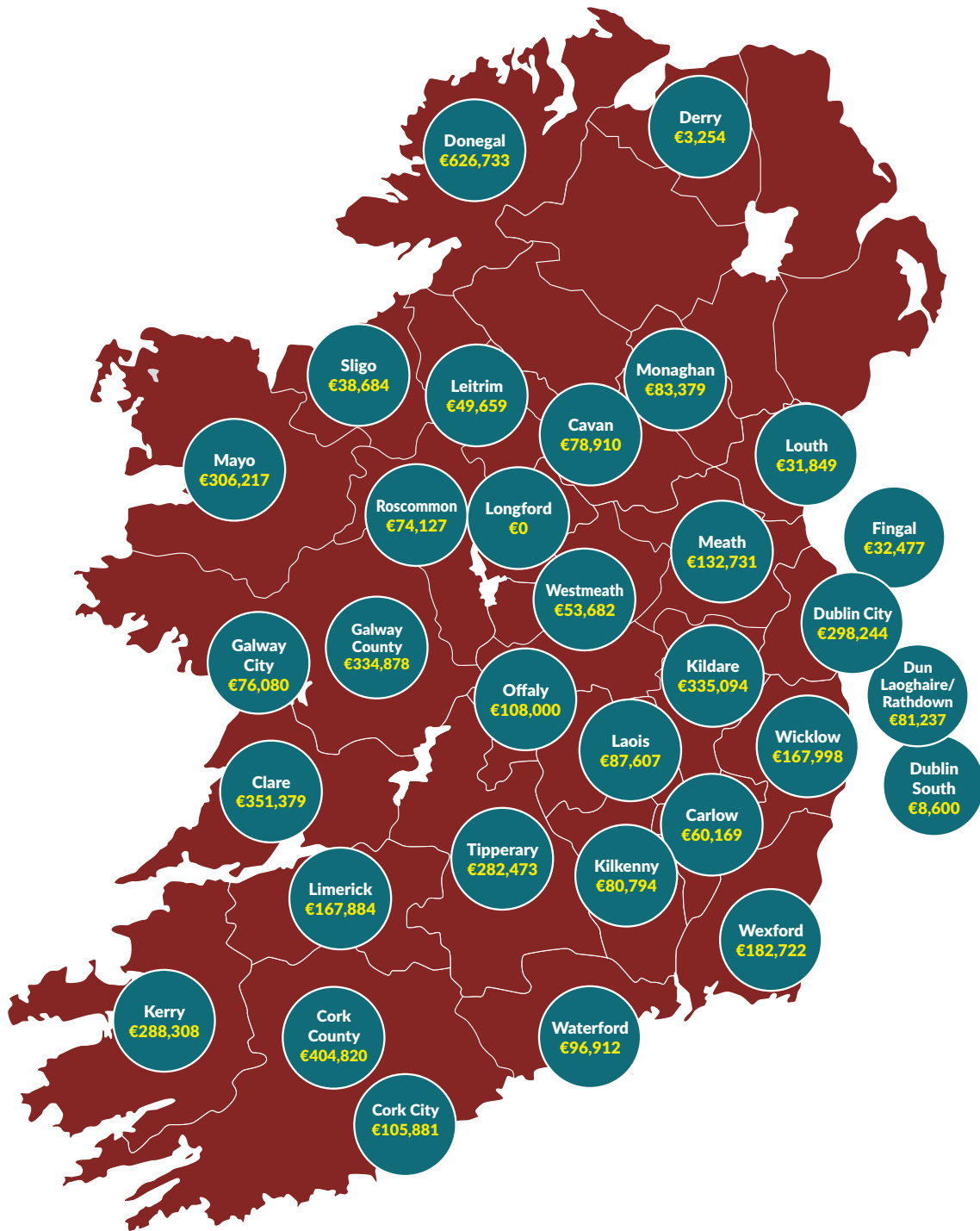


Support for heritage infrastructure 2022:
€2,575,076
15% increase on 2021



Staff numbers at the Heritage Council
increased by 25% in 2022

Where our grant money went in 2022





About the Heritage Council

Who we are

The Heritage Council is a public body whose role is to propose policies for the identification, protection, preservation and enhancement of our national heritage.



identify



protect



preserve



enhance

As far as our work is concerned, heritage includes the following:

- monuments
- archaeological objects
- heritage objects such as art and industrial works
- documents and genealogical records
- architectural heritage
- flora
- fauna
- wildlife habitats
- landscapes
- seascapes
- wrecks
- geology
- heritage gardens
- parks
- inland waterways

We work in partnership with local communities, local authorities, voluntary groups, government departments and national cultural institutions to support projects that will have a positive and enduring social and economic impact.



What we do



Propose policy to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage on heritage issues including sustainability, landscape management, climate change and more.



Promote interest in heritage in schools and support a wide range of professional development programmes dealing with landscape, planning, museums, traditional skills and more.



Raise awareness of heritage through National Heritage Week and our work with partners, particularly at the local authority level.



Work with local communities to support jobs, education and heritage tourism in our local areas.



Help to support and maintain a network of highly-skilled heritage professionals such as conservators, thatchers, builders, ecologists, architects, archaeologists, curators, archivists, and others.



Provide core funding to heritage groups and civil society organisations in supporting the needs of the sector and helping to achieve shared aims.

Our Board



Front row, L to R: Sammy Leslie, John Patrick Greene, John Pierce, Malcolm Noonan TD (Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform), Fionnuala May, Michael Farrell

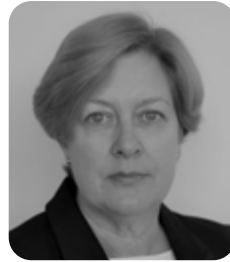
Middle row, L to R: Sheila Pratschke, Martina Moloney (Chairperson), Patricia O'Hare, Mary Tubridy, Deirdre McDermott, Virginia Teehan (CEO of the Heritage Council)

Back row, L to R: Steven Matthews TD (Chairperson of the Oireachtas Committee on Housing, Local Government and Heritage), John Creedon (Broadcaster)



Dr Martina Moloney

Board member of the Heritage Council (2005 - 2010), former Chief Executive, Louth and Galway County councils, member of the Arts Council (2016 - 2021), member of the National Oversight and Audit Commission for Local Government (2014 - 2021)



Fionnuala May

County Architect of Fingal County Council (2011 - present), member of the Heritage Council's Standing Committee on Architecture (2000 - 2010), member of Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland (RIAI) council (2016 - present), board member of the Irish Architectural Archive



Michael Farrell

Former Corporate Secretary and Director of Human Resources at UCC, Chief Executive at Clinical Research Ireland (2020 - 2022), Interim Chief Executive of the Royal College of Physicians (2018 -2019)



Dr John Patrick Greene

Chief Executive and Museum Director of EPIC, the Irish Emigration Museum (2019 - present), Consultant/Owner of Greene Associates (2017 - 2019), Chief Executive of Museums Victoria in Melbourne (2002 - 2017)



Sammy Leslie

Custodian, Castle Leslie Estate (brand) (1991 - present), trustee of Castle Leslie Preservation Trust (2005 - present), trustee of Birr Castle (1990s - 2023), trustee at Irish Heritage Trust (2004-2016)



Deirdre McDermott

Architect, planner, urbanist and principal at Deirdre McDermott and Associates (2002 - present), former President of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) Ireland and current Advisory Committee Officer of ICOMOS International



Dr Patricia O'Hare

Assessor with the Heritage Council Museum Standards Programme for Ireland (2016 – present), Research and Education Officer for Trustees of Muckross House, Killarney (1995 – present)



John Pierce

Director, Irish Peatland Preservation Council (2021 – present), trustee with the Charitable Infirmary Charitable Trust (2018 – present), Chair of An Taisce (2017 – 2019), Director of Global Marketing Group Fujitsu (2016 – 2017)



Sheila Pratschke

Chair of the Arts Council (2014 – 2019), Director at Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris (2007 – 2013), Director of the Tyrone Guthrie Centre, Annaghmakerrig (2001 – 2006)



Dr Mary Tubridy

Director and Head of Research at the Irish Uplands Forum (2008 – present), Chairperson of the Irish Uplands Forum (2003 - 2008), Principal of Mary Tubridy and Associates (1995 - present), Post-doctoral researcher UCD (1980 - 1982) and TCD (1982 - 1995)

Our Staff



L to R (back row): Lesley-Ann Hayden, Anne Barcoe, Martina Malone, Valerie Kelly, Anna Meenan, Lorcan Scott, Alison Harvey, Ian Doyle, Maria Dempsey, Richard Brennan, Tara Fitzgerald, Ger Croke, Cathy Connelly, Ronan Healy, Susan Garrett, Christena Ryan

L to R (front row): Pearse Ó Caoimh, Michael O'Brien, Virginia Teehan, Catherine Casey

Not present: Aalia Kamal, Amanda Ryan, Maria Walsh, Colm Murray, Beatrice Kelly

Organisational Structure

VIRGINIA TEEHAN
Chief Executive Officer

HEADS OF SERVICE

IAN DOYLE
Head of Conservation

BEATRICE KELLY
Head of Research & Policy

MICHAEL O'BRIEN
Head of Business Services

PEARSE Ó CAOIMH
Head of Communications & Public Affairs

PAULA DROHAN
Head of Finance
(January to September)

RICHARD BRENNAN
Head of Finance
(from December)

CATHERINE CASEY
Head of Climate Change

PROFESSIONAL OFFICERS

ALISON HARVEY
Planning Officer

COLM MURRAY
Architecture Officer

ANNA MEENAN
GLAS Traditional Farm Buildings
Grant Scheme Project Manager

LORCAN SCOTT
Wildlife Officer

MARIA WALSH
Heritage in Schools Programme
Manager

LESLEY-ANN HAYDEN
Museum Standards Programme for
Ireland Programme Manager

AALIA KAMAL
Cultural and Inclusive Heritage
Officer

VALERIE KELLY
Community and Public Engagement
Officer

CATHY CONNELLY
Corporate Services Officer

AMANDA RYAN
Grants Manager

RONAN HEALY
National Heritage Week Programme
Manager

MARIA DEMPSEY
Finance Manager

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PA to Chief Executive &
Chairman

MARTINA MALONE
Executive Officer,
Communications

GERARD CROKE
Administrator

CHRISTENA RYAN
Administrator

SUSAN GARRETT
Clerical Officer

TARA FITZGERALD
Clerical Officer

CONSULTANCY SERVICES

COMPASS INFORMATICS
National Biodiversity Data
Centre

DHR COMMUNICATIONS
National Heritage Week Project
Managers

ABARTA HERITAGE
Adopt a Monument Project
Managers

PAT REID
Heritagemaps.ie Project
Manager

EIMEAR O'CONNELL
Irish Walled Towns Network
Project Manager

New Appointments in 2022



Catherine Casey was appointed as Head of Heritage and Climate Change in December.



Amanda Ryan was appointed as Grants Manager in October.



Richard Brennan was appointed as Head of Finance in December.



Susan Garrett was appointed as Clerical Officer in December.



Pearse Ó Caoimh was appointed as Head of Communications and Public Affairs in April.



Tara Fitzgerald was appointed as Clerical Officer in December.



Ronan Healy was appointed as National Heritage Week Programme Manager in December.



Strategic Programmes

National Biodiversity Data Centre

Established in 2006, the National Biodiversity Data Centre (NBDC) is a Heritage Council programme which collects and manages data to document Ireland's wildlife resources and to track how our biodiversity is changing.

Budget 2022: €1.677M. Increased from €1.246M in 2021.

Progress: In December 2022, [we announced](#) that the National Biodiversity Data Centre was incorporated as a Company Limited by Guarantee. John McCarthy, former Secretary General, was appointed as Chairperson of the board of the NBDC. The establishment of this new company will ensure that information on Ireland's biodiversity will be collected, managed and made available in line with modern demands.

2022 highlights: The engagement by the Citizen Science network continued to grow in 2022, with 175,000 new records submitted to Ireland's Citizens Science Portal during the year. Since the portal was launched, records have been submitted by more than 30,000 different citizen scientists. The citizen science network also delivers an extensive network of monitoring stations for the suite of monitoring programmes operated by the Centre. In 2022, the monitoring network delivered counts from 222 separate transects, 162 sampling sites, and 1,297 insect monitoring counts.



The first meeting of the new NBDC board at the Heritage Council in December 2022.

From left to right: James Moran, Colette Byrne, Ted Massey, Ciara Carbery, Liam Lysaght, Virginia Teehan, Micheál Lehane, Máire Ní Bhraonáin, John McCarthy

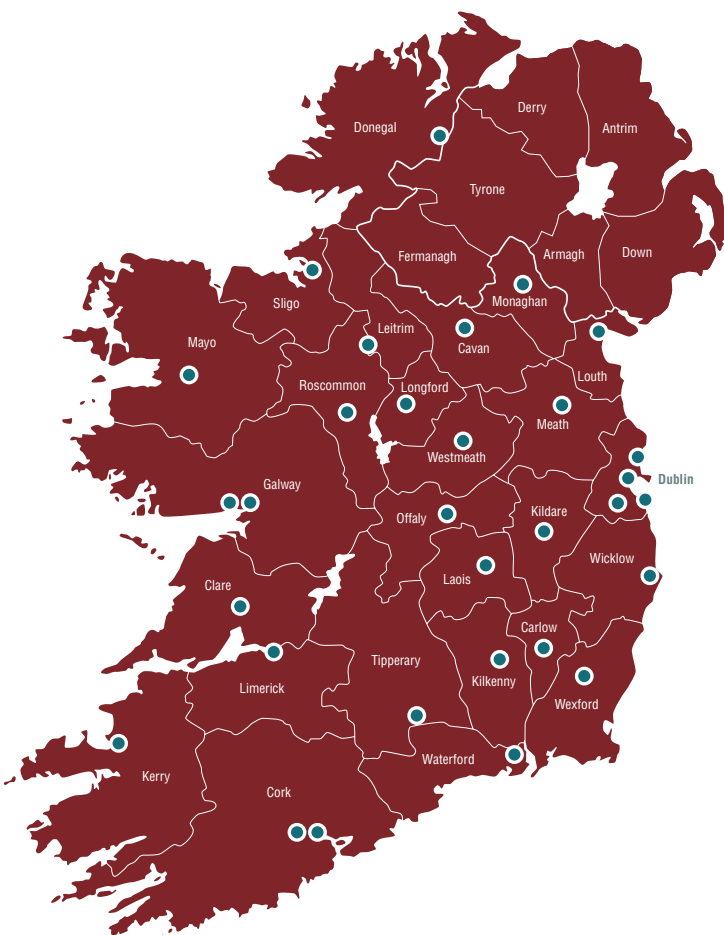
Local Authority Heritage Officer Programme

The Heritage Officer Programme is a key strategic partnership between the Heritage Council and local authorities. It was established in 1999 to raise levels of heritage expertise within local authorities.

Budget 2022: €657,890. Increased from €626,657 in 2021.

Progress: Kilkenny County Council welcomed Regina Fitzpatrick as its new Heritage Officer in December following the departure of Dearbhala Ledwidge from the role to a new position in Kilkenny County Council.

2022 highlights: The Heritage Officer Network Training and Development Programme made a welcome return to in-person events. The Network visited Carlow, Clare, Monaghan, and Kilkenny. These sessions are a great opportunity for the network to learn from guest speakers, and each other, as well as getting out and about to see some of the great work being done by the Heritage Officer Programme in action.



Local Authority Heritage Officer Network

- Carlow
- Cavan
- Clare
- Cork City
- Cork County
- Donegal
- Dublin City
- Dún Laoghaire/
Rathdown
- Fingal
- Galway City
- Galway County
- Kerry
- Kildare
- Kilkenny
- Laois
- Leitrim
- Limerick
- Longford
- Louth
- Mayo
- Meath
- Monaghan
- Offaly
- Roscommon
- Sligo
- South Dublin
- Tipperary
- Waterford
- Westmeath
- Wexford
- Wicklow



Heritage Officers in Carlow in April 2022 for the Heritage Officer Network Training and Development Programme.

Scope of Heritage Officer work:



Advice and information



Raise awareness



Collect data and conduct research



Inform policy at local and national



Promote best practice

Local Authority Biodiversity Officer Programme

The Biodiversity Officer Programme is a new strategic partnership between the Heritage Council and local authorities, established in 2022. The programme aims to ensure a Biodiversity Officer is employed by every local authority by the end of 2024.

Local Authority Biodiversity Officers will work at the city and county level collecting data on biodiversity, carrying out conservation projects, developing policy, providing advice and information and raising awareness.

The programme is being led by the Heritage Council, who provide funding for the salary costs of each officer.

Progress: The effective collaboration during the year between the Heritage Council, the County and City Management Association and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in steering the programme to implementation phase demonstrates the power and effectiveness of these partnerships.

2022 highlights: In 2022, twenty-one local authorities responded to a call for applications, and ten were approved to start recruitment of a Biodiversity Officer under phase one of the new programme.



The first biodiversity officers were appointed in early 2023. Ricky Whelan (Offaly), Laura Kehoe (Wicklow) and Usna Keating (Cork City) are pictured here with Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform, Malcolm Noonan TD. (Photo taken in early 2023)

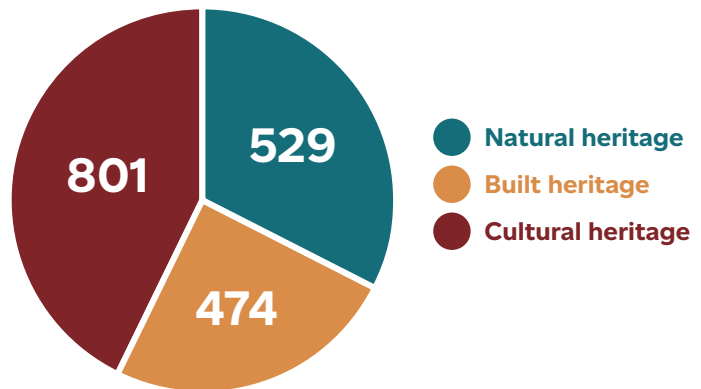


Top: Children learn about the wonders of the forest during National Heritage Week 2022.

Above: Blacksmithing classes during National Heritage Week 2022.

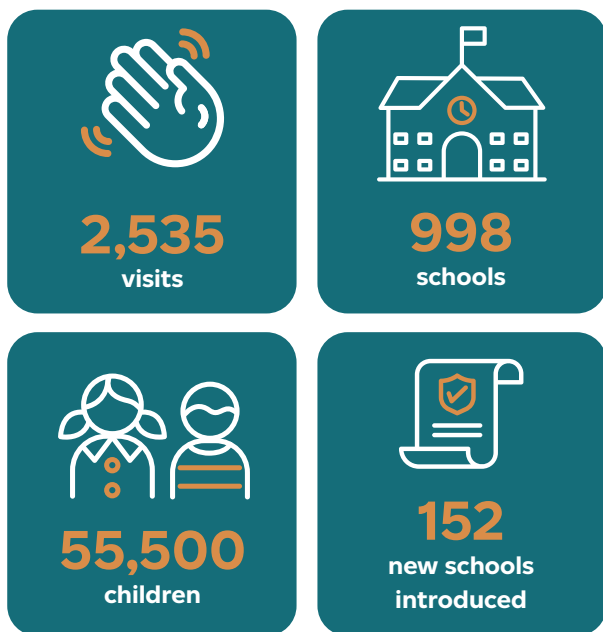
Below: Basket weaving at Nano Nagle Place in Cork for the launch of National Heritage Week 2022.

National Heritage Week Projects by focus area



Heritage in Schools

The Heritage in Schools scheme is an initiative which facilitates visits to primary schools by a range of specialists on Ireland's natural, cultural, and built heritage.



Budget 2022: €507,148. Increased from €420,515 in 2021.

Progress: 'Heritage Keepers' is a free programme for schools and communities which had a very successful year in 2022. The programme enables these groups to work together to explore the built, natural, and cultural heritage of their local place and then plan action or actions to enhance their place.

It is a Heritage Council partnership with Burrenbeo Trust with the programmes delivered to 53 communities, schools and teachers around Ireland throughout the year.

2022 highlights:

Heritage Keepers participated in the 'Communities for Heritage' networking and skills day during National Heritage Week on the 20th of August.

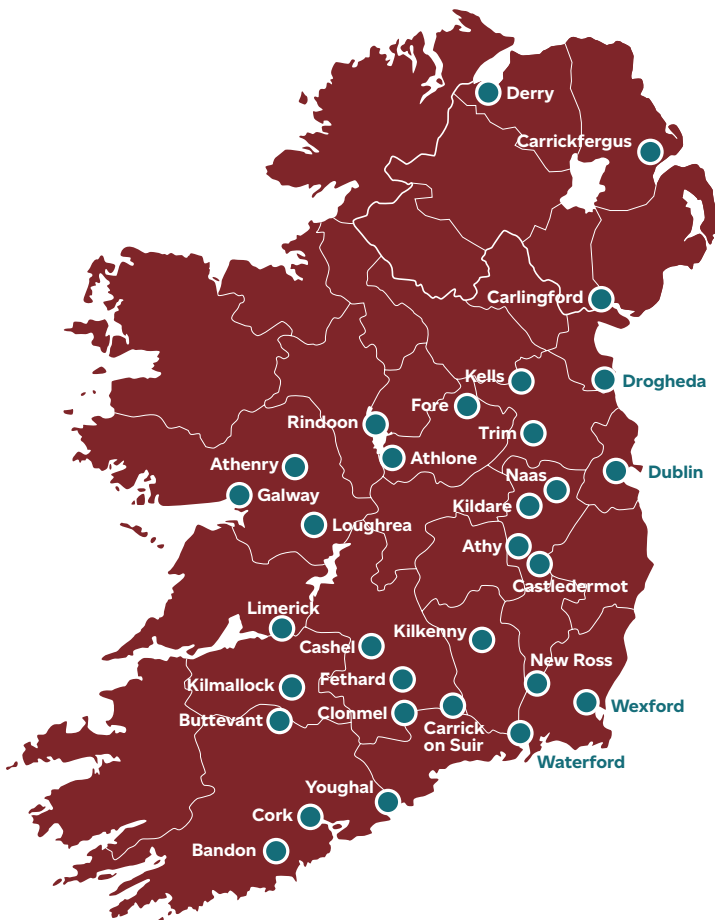


Joy in the woods. Pupils enjoying and learning about nature with a heritage specialist in 2022.

Irish Walled Towns Network

Established by the Heritage Council in 2005, the role of the Irish Walled Towns Network (IWTN) is to unite and co-ordinate the efforts of local authorities involved in the management and conservation of historic walled towns in Ireland, both North and South. There are 31 member towns in the network.

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Budget 2022: €403,707.


Progress: The network expanded with the addition of 2 new member towns: Naas, Co. Kildare and Fore, Co. Westmeath, bringing the network total to 31.

2022 also saw the appointment of Eimear O’Connell as Project Manager, and Peter Carey as Chair of the Network.

Peter Carey is a former local authority chief executive. He retired in 2021 as CEO of Kildare County Council having served a total of 40 years in local government in six different local authorities in Carlow, South Tipperary, Limerick, Waterford and Laois, as well as Kildare.

2022 highlights: The return to IWTN in-person events in 2022 was a huge boost, and included the long-standing walled town days in Youghal, Loughrea and Athenry with record attendances in Athenry (5,500+) and Youghal (12,000).

Conservation works to town walls took place in Athlone, New Ross, Athenry and Limerick.



€200k drawn down by 7 Conservation/Capital projects

€158k drawn down by 12 Events/Interpretation projects

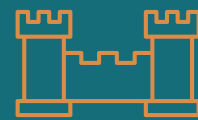
Total drawn down: €358k



Above: A re-enactment during Walled Town Day in Athlone for National Heritage Week 2022.



Left: Viewing conservation works to the walls of Athlone.



Total grants funding paid out
2007-2022: **€8,477,506**

Of which, Conservation/Capital
scheme: **€7,008,289**

Of which, Events/Interpretation
scheme: **€1,469,217**

Plus additional non-grants
funding over lifetime of network:
€8,621,419

Collaborative Town Centre Health Check

Created in 2016, the Collaborative Town Centre Health Check (CTCHC) programme aims to establish a robust approach to undertaking ‘health checks’ in historic Irish towns through surveys and subsequent actions based on findings.

Budget 2022: €67,188.

Progress: The conclusion of a process which began in 2020 was realised in July when the Tipperary Town CTCHC report was launched. The report provides clear recommendations outlining the steps for the next phase of the historic town’s revitalisation.

The Kilkenny report was also launched by Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform Malcolm Noonan TD in December.

2022 highlights: The new National Implementation Plan for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2022-2024 was launched in October setting out strategic objectives and actions to strengthen Ireland’s implementation structures to achieve the SDGs.

The approach taken by the CTCHC programme in terms of how it implemented SDGs at local level was named as a case study in the plan, meaning that the wider plan incorporates the methods adopted by the programme.

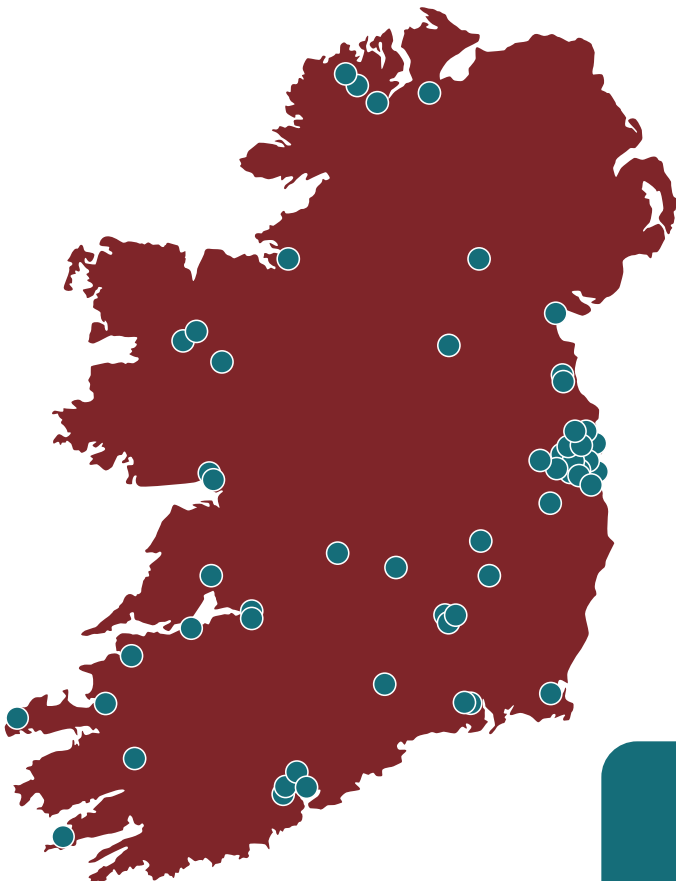
The CTCHC programme was selected as a case study the Government’s new National Implementation Plan for the Sustainable Development Goals 2022-2024.



Museum Standards Programme for Ireland

The Museum Standards Programme for Ireland (MSPI) is an accreditation scheme for the Irish museum sector. It aims to raise professional standards in collections care, museum governance and management, and visitor services. There are 61 participants in the programme in 2022.

MSPI Participant Locations



Budget 2022: €64,206.

Progress: The Programme returned to onsite assessments in September following two years of virtual visits while 15 MSPI Participants submitted accreditation applications in 2022.

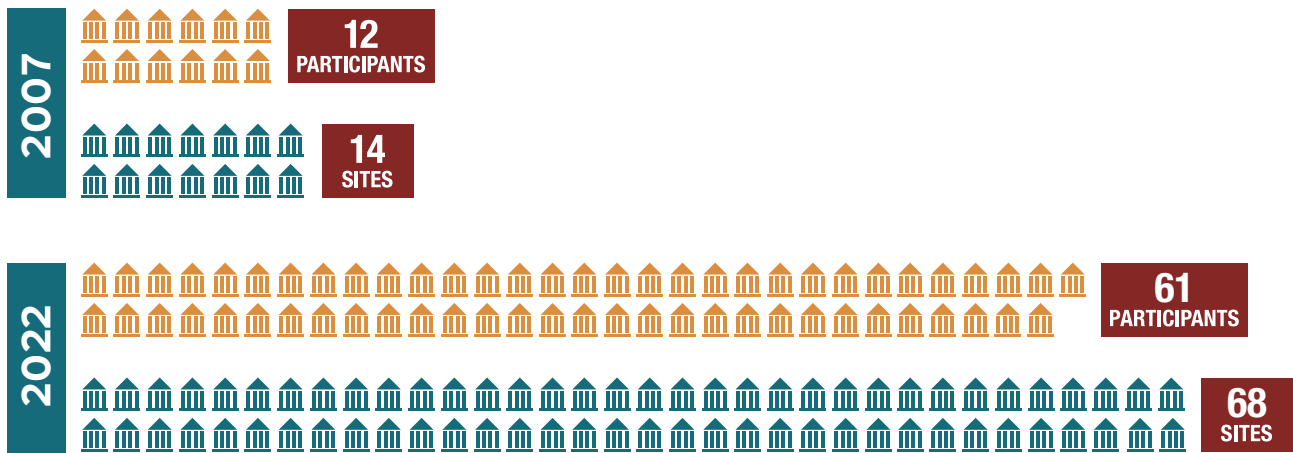
2022 highlights: The MSPI Awards Ceremony returned as a live event at Kilkenny Castle in July. Over 60 representatives from MSPI Participants and the Irish museum sector attended the ceremony.

A number of training programmes were delivered to MSPI participants throughout the year, with the 'Developing an Exhibition on a Limited Budget' training by Museum Consultant Joanne Clark receiving particularly positive feedback.

50
museums fully
accredited by 2022

140
certificates awarded
since the launch of
the Programme in
2006

MSPI Participants and Sites



All accredited museums at the awards ceremony at Kilkenny Castle in July 2022.

For excellence in Caring for Collections, Museum Management, Education, Exhibition and Visitor Services.

Achievement: Full Accreditation

- Allihies Copper Mine Museum
- Irish Agricultural Museum, The Irish Heritage Trust
- National Museum of Ireland – Decorative Arts & History
- National Museum of Ireland – Country Life
- National Museum of Ireland – Collections Resource Centre

Achievement: Maintenance of Full Accreditation

- Castletown, OPW
- Clare Museum
- County Museum, Dundalk
- Heritage Centre: Royal College of Physicians of Ireland
- Kerry Writers’ Museum
- Pearse Museum, OPW

Achievement: Interim Accreditation

- The Edward Worth Library
- National Maritime Museum of Ireland

Heritage Maps

The Heritage Maps project, coordinated by the Heritage Council, is an online facility which allows users to look at a wide range of built and natural heritage data sets in map form.

It can be used to create customised maps where one can identify specific points of interest (Ireland's high crosses, historic graves, UNESCO sites, round towers etc.) and study local flora and fauna.

You can access heritage maps [here](#).

Budget 2022: €59,174.

Progress: A new coastal and marine climate adaptation viewer is ready for deployment following the collation of several large new State data collections being made openly available for the first time. This new viewer will create an excellent baseline of coastal and marine data and facilitate best practise in understanding the needs of our natural and built heritage in the face of climate change issues.

2022 highlight: The introduction of our 'Monday Mappery' posts across our social media platforms has brought many new users to the Heritage Maps platform. These posts look at historic maps of Ireland, analysing the social, political, cartographic and geographic elements and changes as Ireland was mapped over many centuries.



#MondayMappery series featured this map titled 'Prima Europa Tabula'.

Courtesy of the Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center at the Boston Public Library.

Adopt a Monument

The Adopt a Monument (AaM) scheme provides expertise, mentoring and support to encourage communities to ‘adopt’ a monument in their area to ensure ongoing maintenance and greater protection through increased civic value. There are currently 22 participants in the scheme adopting a monument.



Budget 2022: €56,222. Increased from €50,424 in 2021.

Progress: In 2022, five new groups joined the scheme:

- Baltimore Community Council Ringfort Sub Group adopted Baltimore Ringfort in Co. Cork
- Castledermot Historical Society adopted Dunmanoge Church and Graveyard in Co. Kildare
- Inniskeen Enterprise and Development Group adopted Inniskeen Motte in Co. Monaghan
- Dunkineely Community Ltd adopted Killaghtee Church, Cross and Graveyard in Co. Donegal
- Friends of St James Church adopted St James Church and Graveyard in Dingle, Co. Kerry

2022 highlight: One of the highlights of 2022 was presenting groups that joined the scheme in 2016 and 2017 with their mentor awards. This award acknowledges the hard work and achievements of groups that have been part of Adopt a Monument for over six years and recognises the value of these groups as mentors to those who have just joined the scheme.

Portlaoise Tidy Towns adopted Old St Peter's Church and received a mentor award in 2022.



All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme

The All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme is a course aiming to preserve heritage building skills that are at risk of being lost by supporting those already working in the construction sector to push their skills to the next level.

Developed by the Prince's Foundation in partnership with the Heritage Council in Ireland and the Historic Environment Division of Northern Ireland's Department for Communities, the programme will benefit aspiring craftspeople from both Northern Ireland and Ireland.



All-Ireland Heritage Skill Programme participants at work.

Budget 2022: €57,218.

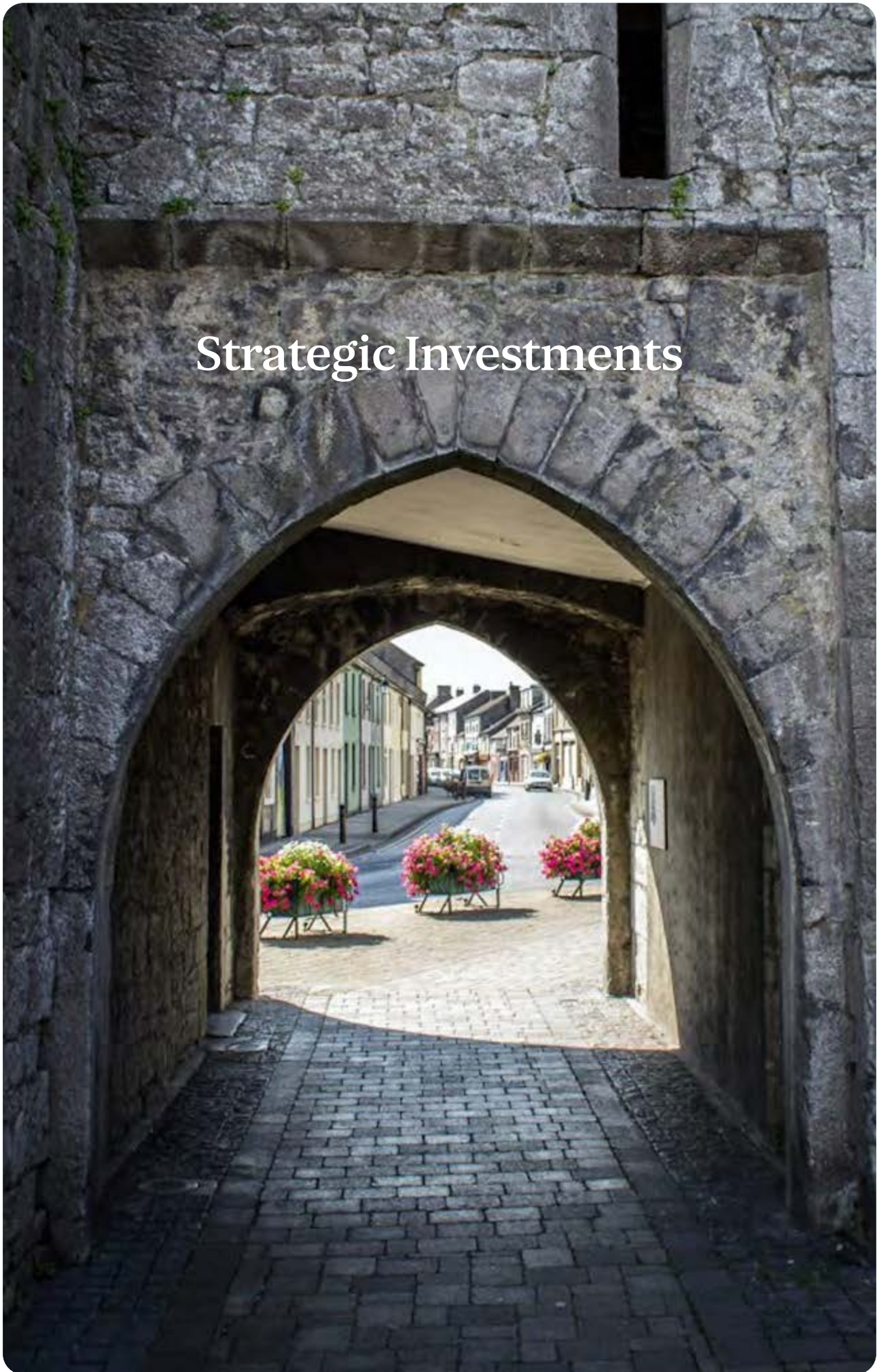
Progress: The establishment of this collaborative programme provides an opportunity to keep many traditional skills alive, and ensure they continue to play a role in conserving our past, and importantly defining the role that they can continue to play in the 21st century.

The All-Ireland Heritage Craft Programme brings together six students with a demonstrates passion for their particular trade, on a full time 12-month course, providing opportunity to gain practical experience in heritage building skills as well as the opportunity to work towards an Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Heritage Skills (Construction).

2022 highlights: To launch the All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme 2022, a welcome event was held at Hillsborough Castle near Belfast. Representatives from the Prince's Foundation, the Heritage Council and the Historic Environment Division Northern Ireland welcomed the students to the programme.

Students met each other before a tour of the Northern Ireland Heritage Skills Centre, Moira. The group were given a tour of the workshops by craftspeople. The Prince's Foundation invited the group to have a private tour of Hillsborough Castle and restored gardens. Special attention was given to the crafts involved in the restoration of the castle and gardens.

Strategic Investments



Heritage Capacity Fund

The Heritage Capacity Fund (HCF) aims to build the capacity of non-governmental organisations working in the heritage sector in Ireland by providing funding towards their core costs.

Budget 2022: €918,824. Increased from €645,735 in 2021.

Progress: Following a digital promotion campaign, the Heritage Council welcomed an almost 30% increase in applications from organisations seeking funding under the scheme.

2022 highlights: The Offaly Archives were a worthy beneficiary of funding under the HCF in 2022. Heritage Council funding has supported the salary of a full-time professional archivist, accounting for 57.5% of Offaly Archives core costs in 2021.

Funding last year also covered urgent conservation works on items of significant cultural heritage, namely the cleaning and paper conservation of the surviving Birr workhouse registers and a very badly damaged minute book from the same collection. In 2022, Heritage Council core funding of €40,000, represents 50% of the Archives core costs.

The funding helped to conserve William Larkin maps donated to the Archives in 2021, which are estimated to predate the 1809 Bog Commissions map of Co. Offaly.



The Discovery Programme Centre for Archaeology and Innovation Ireland

Established in 1991, the mission of the Discovery Programme is to explore Ireland’s past and its cultural heritage by conducting advanced research in Irish archaeology and related disciplines and by disseminating its findings widely. The Discovery Programme is structured as a company limited by guarantee and employs 9 staff, compared to 8 in 2021. The Discovery Programme is led by Dr John O’Keeffe, CEO. Tom Collins chairs the Board of Directors.

Budget 2022: €814,000. Increased from €740,000 in 2021.

Progress: The Discovery Programme formally opened its new offices in Merchant’s Quay in Dublin in November. The day was marked with a garden party attended by the CEO and Chairperson of the Heritage Council, Minister for Heritage Malcolm Noonan TD, and members of the Discovery Programme including the board of directors and its chairperson.

2022 highlights: The Discovery Programme supported the Heritage Council’s Adopt a Monument scheme working with the local community in Baltimore to explore the enigmatic earthwork monument at Church Strand Bay. The team conducted geophysical surveys and digital mapping of the monument, and hosted an open day to share the findings with the local community. The local community also used the results of the work as part of National Heritage Week 2022.



Above: Discovery worked with the local community at Baltimore to explore this enigmatic earthwork monument.

Right: At the opening of the new Discovery offices in November 2022.



Irish Landmark Trust

Irish Landmark Trust (ILT) is a non-profit organisation that finds interesting and unusual properties (such as lighthouses, castles, and gate lodges) in need of conservation, and gives them new life. Since 1992, the Irish Landmark Trust has been turning historic buildings into self-catering holiday accommodation. The Irish Landmark Trust is structured as a company limited by guarantee. It employs 12 staff and is led by Niamh Lunny, CEO. Michael O'Boyle chairs the Board of Directors.

Budget 2022: €329,489. Increased from €296,753 in 2021.

Progress: The Heritage Council provided funding to ILT this year to enable eight property condition reports to be carried out on properties which were last restored 20 years ago. These reports will be used to plan a three-to-five-year programme of maintenance work to ensure each property is maintained in the best condition to ensure their survival.

2022 highlights: In 2022 the Heritage Council provided an additional €89,489 in capacity funding which supported important conservation work to five Irish Landmark Trust properties. Three of these properties, Loop Head, Galley Head, and St John's Point are lighthouse properties that suffer from continual exposure to extreme weather conditions.

Below: Galley Head windows boarded up.

Below right: Galley Head front wall stripped.



Conservation Internship Programme

The Conservation Internship Programme provides support to national cultural institutions to enable them to offer internship placements to the very best conservation graduates. The internships, ranging from nine to 12 months in length, enable interns to develop highly specialist skills while working in world-class heritage institutions, supporting them to establish their professional careers through caring for objects in Ireland’s national collections of cultural heritage.



Budget 2022: €33,402. Increased from €21,997 in 2021.

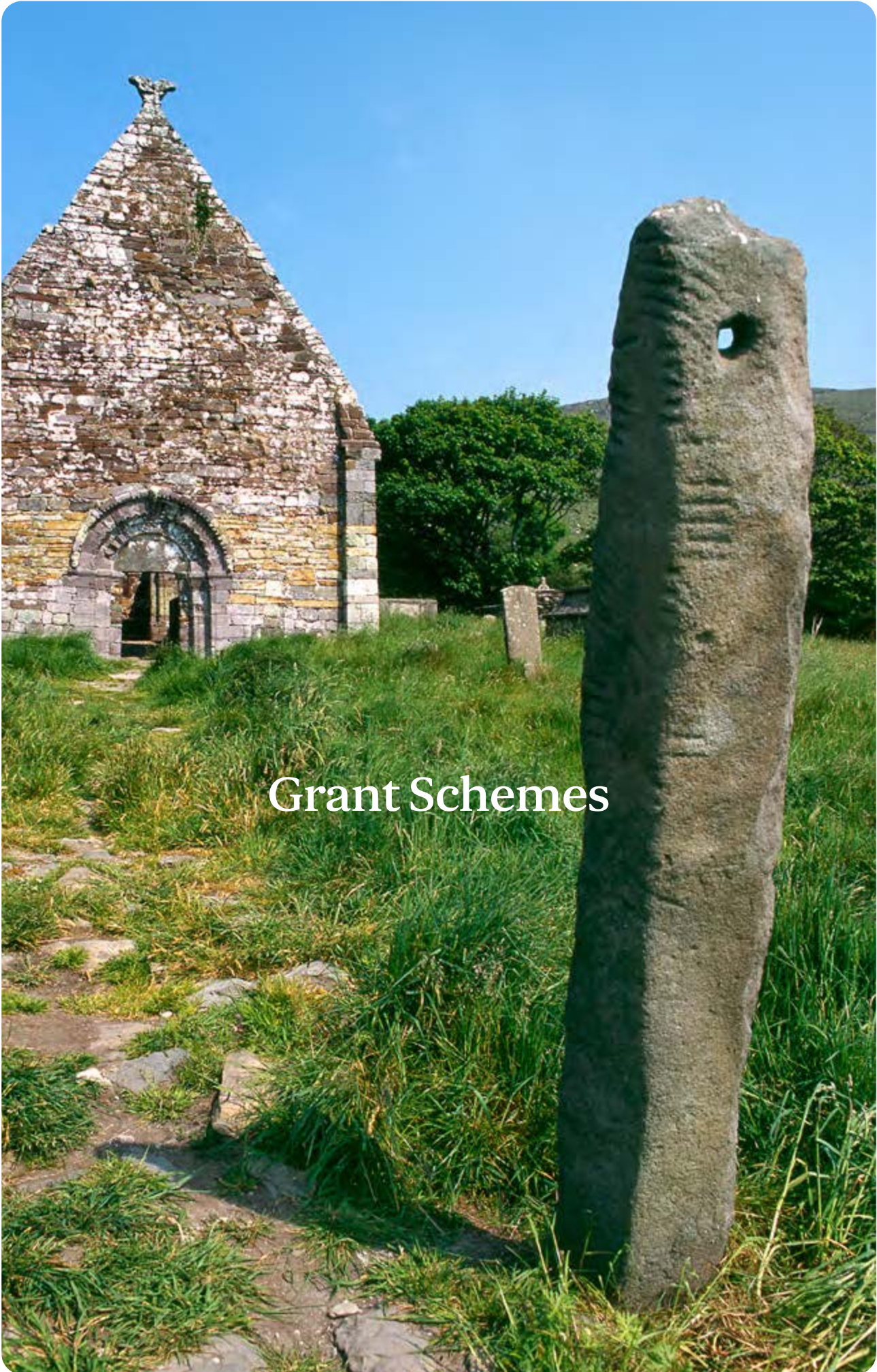
Progress: The Heritage Council supported the appointment of three interns in 2022:

- A 12-month painting conservation with the National Gallery of Ireland (where the intern spent six months at the National Gallery of Ireland and six months at Dublin City Gallery, the Hugh Lane)
- A nine-month books and paper conservation internship at the National Library of Ireland
- A nine-month books and paper conservation internship at the Chester Beatty Library

2022 highlights: Two Heritage Council interns, Hoa Perriguet at the Chester Beatty Library and Gaelle Lefevre at the National Library, were able to attend the renowned Ligatus Summer School during their internship, which was held at the Edward Worth Library in Dublin in 2022.

Monika Rumonova worked with the Heritage Council to produce a short film about her experience of the Conservation Internship Scheme which is available to view [here](#).

Monika Rumanova worked on many challenging pieces during a 12-month painting conservation with the National Gallery of Ireland.



Grant Schemes

Community Heritage Grant Scheme (CHGS)

This scheme supports projects that improve access and inclusion to heritage sites, projects that apply good heritage practice to the management of places, collections or objects (including buildings), and supports the purchase of essential equipment.

Budget 2022: €1.5M.

Progress: This year, the scheme placed further emphasis on encouraging applications focused on improving access to heritage activities for people with disabilities, as well as projects addressing the heritage of minority groups, new communities, and Traveller heritage.

Some excellent applications were received including a project from the Hunt Museum entitled, 'Making the Hunt Museum work better for the Visually Impaired'



This involved:

- The introduction of an audio descriptive guide within the galleries
- The redisplay of one object incorporating a touch screen interactive
- The incorporation of a touch screen interactive to highlight one area of the collection

2022 highlight: The Kinny Cally Hall Restoration Project, Co. Donegal, funded through the CHGS in 2022, was particularly interesting.

Kinny Cally Hall is a one-room stone structure near St Johnston, Donegal, and a popular place for social gatherings and traditional music in the 1920s, '30s, and '40s. It played a huge role in preserving the unique east Donegal style of traditional music. In a border area, this provided a valuable vernacular reflection of the spirit of the labouring-class Catholic community members at the time.

The hall was in danger of tumbling down, which inspired the Kinny Cally Hall Restoration Project Group to conserve it.

Funding went towards a conservation report to halt the process of deterioration, and to investigate the potential of the building.

Historic Towns Initiative

The Historic Towns Initiative (HTI) is a joint undertaking by the Heritage Council and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage which aims to promote the heritage-led regeneration of Ireland's historic towns. A new aspect of the HTI in 2022 was a call for proposals that encourage the specific re-use of historic buildings.

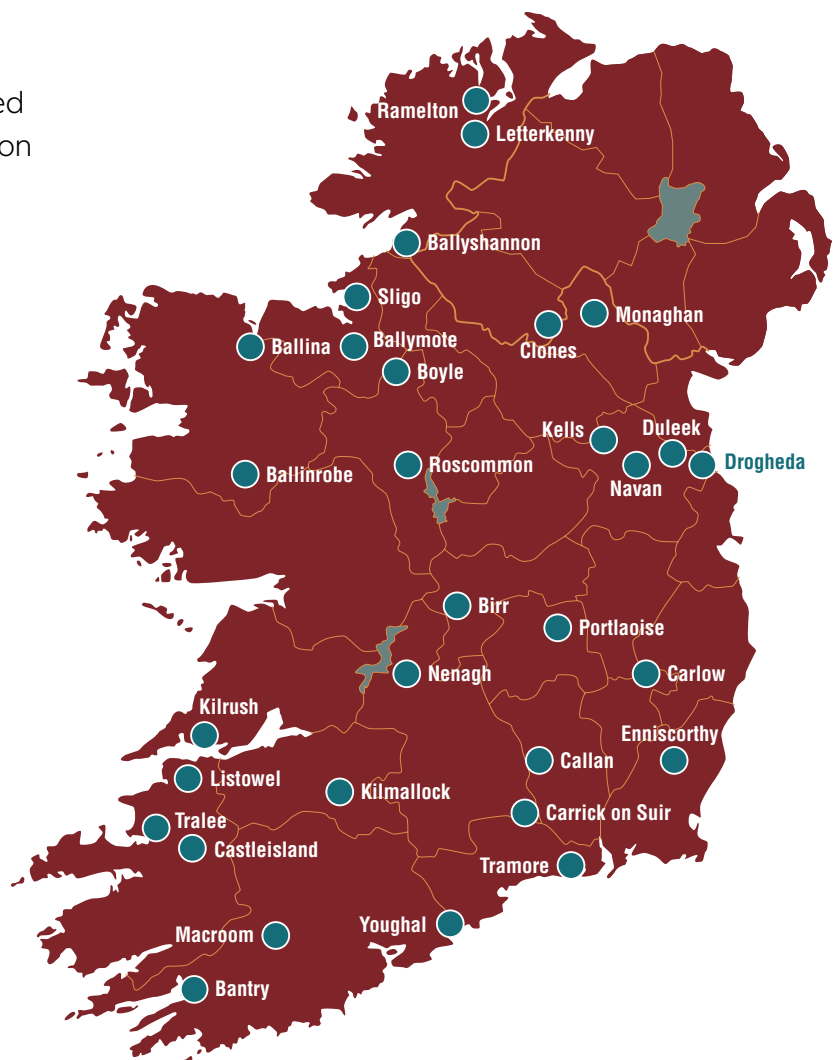
Budget 2022: €1.42m.

Progress: In 2022 funding was awarded to local authorities for seven conservation projects in:

- Listowel, Co. Kerry
- Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal
- Ballina, Co. Mayo
- Macroom, Co. Cork
- Tipperary town, Co. Tipperary
- Naas, Co. Kildare
- Monaghan town, Co. Monaghan

By year end, heritage-led regeneration projects were also completed in:

- Callan, Co. Kilkenny
- Wexford, Co. Wexford



2022 highlights: The Tipperary Glove Factory Project, situated in Tipperary town, provoked particular interest in 2022. The building originally operated as a premises for various commercial businesses (Charles Stewart Parnell is said to have given one of his most rousing speeches from one of the windows of the building.)

In the 1930s it became the Glove Factory and many locals lived there, some of whom are still alive today.

The building was in very poor condition before this project commenced. While the structure retained its historic character and significance as well as large parts of the historic fabric, a great deal of conservation works were required to stabilise, preserve and enhance the building.

The project benefited from €163,000 under the HTI in 2022 to undertake the necessary conservation works.



Tipperary Glove Factory before and after completion of conservation works.

GLAS - Traditional Farm Buildings Grant Scheme

The GLAS (Green Low Carbon Agri Environment) Traditional Farm Buildings Grant scheme protects the ordinary buildings used in agriculture. Efforts focus on the retention, repair and reuse of existing materials not only for their heritage value but also for the inherent durability of many historic building materials.

The scheme is managed in partnership with the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine which funds the scheme.



Works carried out on the cobblestone yard in Meath.

Budget 2022: €1.25m

Progress: An evaluation of the scheme between 2016 and 2021 was carried out in 2022 by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine and the Heritage Council, which established that well over a thousand wildlife habitats have been secured through the scheme and 522 buildings returned to functional use on the farm. The impact of the scheme on changing farmer attitudes was found to be impressive, extensively felt and likely to have a long-term effect. This report can be found [here](#).

2022 highlights: One of the most eye-catching projects in 2022 was one in Co. Meath which involved works on a stone paved surface in a traditional farm courtyard. The cobble material and granular base was arranged by the applicants with the laying of the cobbles carried out by conservation masonry contractors. Cobbles have been reinstated to original levels as evidenced on site which gives a pleasing natural undulated feel to the finished surface, original edging details retained where they were extant, and the original thin-stone edging detail retained where it was extant and replicated.



93
Nests/roosts of protected species discovered



69 grantees were supported to conserve
77 buildings



€1.25m
allocated

Heritage Stewardship Fund

The Heritage Stewardship Fund is a new stream of funding offered in 2022 to support the work of staff in state agencies and third-level institutions with responsibilities for heritage programmes, in particular, staff with responsibilities for stewardship of and access to collections, archives, buildings, monuments, and habitats. This grant scheme is intended to support staff in such organisations who have not always had access to Heritage Council or indeed wider funding and thus ensure the preservation of vulnerable heritage assets.

Budget 2022: €274,330.

Progress: The launch of this scheme is a significant step forward in our efforts to ensure the professional preservation of heritage objects which are vulnerable and at risk. Secondly, the scheme assists heritage specialists who play a key role in the heritage infrastructure of Ireland and are vital to the delivery of national policy and plans but who may be operating in organisations whose core remit may not be fully focused on heritage.

We are aware of the vulnerability of heritage collections, habitats and buildings across the country. This scheme seeks to provide support those charged with the stewardship of these assets to ensure their long-term preservation and accessibility.

2022 highlights: One interesting project in receipt of funding under the Heritage Stewardship Fund in 2022 was the 'Record of Protected Structures; Reform and Reuse' project.

The study reviewed the existing record of protected structures in the Kildare County

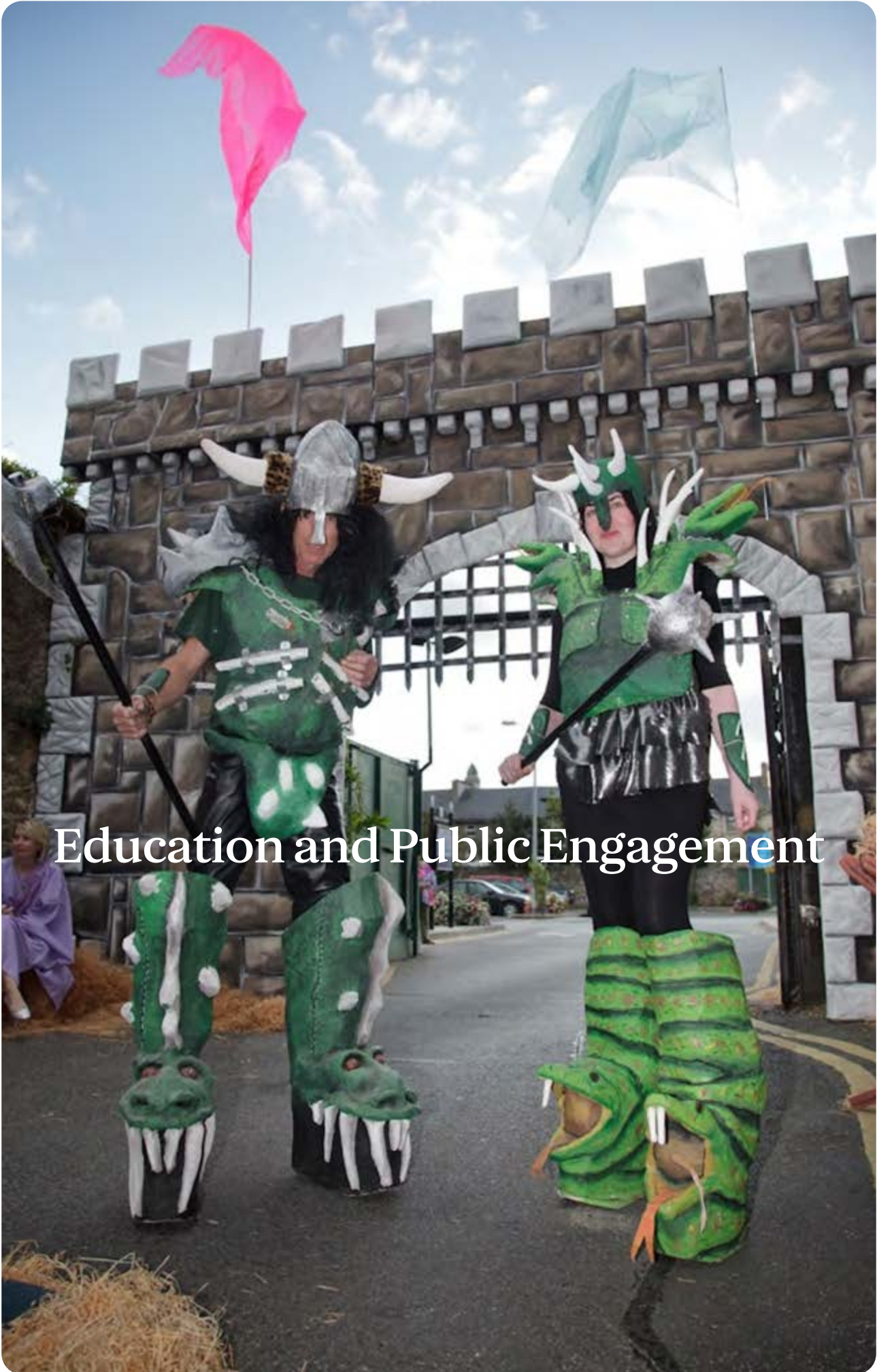
Development Plan 2017 – 2022 which involved recording each building of historic significance, recording the current condition, use and vacancy, with a view to highlighting areas and structures that can be targeted for future planning objectives. The expectation from this study was a list of vacant buildings which would be suitable for renovation for housing.

However, the outcome not only highlighted several vacant buildings suitable for residential units, but it also highlighted the injurious impact that some large-scale vacant buildings are having on the town. The lack of community spaces is evident and the loss of historic public spaces, such as the market square, dominated by car use. The study highlighted important areas requiring regeneration for the whole town.

The next step will be to address the recommendations generated from the study.



Vacant house and commercial unit, West End Monasterevin. Vacant, at risk.



Education and Public Engagement

Heritage Council Staff - Civic Engagement in the Heritage Sector

During the year, Heritage Council staff make significant contributions to a variety of regional and national working groups and steering groups, committees and subcommittees, and other similar groups with a view to affecting positive change for the heritage sector.

This section documents the specific nature of this engagement.

Alison Harvey
**Planning and Development Officer,
Programme Manager of the Collaborative
Town Centre Health Check Programme**

Environmental Protection Agency funded project on Landscape Character Assessment (LCA) Toolkit:

Member of Steering Committee

Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) group reviewing funding for 2023/2024:

Member of panel in 2022

EirGird's National Advisory Group:

Member of National Advisory Committee

Irish Green Building Council (IGBC):

Member of IGBC ENACT National Steering Committee

Department of Public Expenditure and Reform - Construction Sector Working Group:

Member of Working Group

Spatial Planning and regeneration courses TU Dublin:

External Examiner

Maria Walsh
Heritage in Schools Programme Manager

Maria works on an ongoing basis with Education Support Centres throughout Ireland. In 2022 this work involved support for local heritage programmes with schools in Clare, Kerry and Meath.

She also works with Kerry County Museum on the annual Explore your Local Heritage Award for primary schools in Co Kerry, judging entries and providing feedback on individual projects.

Ian Doyle
Head of Conservation

Royal Irish Academy Standing Committee for Archaeology:

Chair (until August 2022)

Northern Ireland Historic Monuments Council:

Member

Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media Expert Advisory Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage:

Member

Colm Murray

Architecture Officer

Interreg funded project based at UCC - Ports, Past and Present:

Member of advisory committee

Limerick County and City Council Limerick + City X Change:

Member of the National Advisory Team

Heritage Contractors Registration Board run by Construction Industry Federation:

Member of the Board

Built Vernacular Heritage (Thatch) Steering Group, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage:

Member of Steering Group

Aalia Kamal

Cultural and Inclusive Heritage Officer

European Commission Expert Group on Cultural Heritage:

Member of the Group

National Advisory Committee for the 1954 Hague Convention on Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict:

Member of the Advisory Committee

Irish Community Archive Network Steering Group:

Member of the Steering Group

Anna Meenan

Traditional Farm Buildings Grant Scheme Programme Manager

Built Vernacular Heritage (Thatch) Steering Group, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage:

Member of Steering Group

Lorcan Scott

Wildlife Officer

National Parks and Wildlife Services' National Biodiversity Working Group:

Member of Group

National Parks and Wildlife Services' LIFE+IP Wild Atlantic Nature Programme Steering Group:

Member of Steering Group

Comhairle na Tuaithe Working Group:

Member of Working Group

Lesser Horseshoe Bat, Species Action Plan Steering Group (National Parks and Wildlife Service):

Member of Steering Group

Woodlands of Ireland advisory committee:

Member of Advisory Committee

Community Wetlands Forum advisory committee Community Wetlands Forum:

Member of Advisory Committee

Tidy Towns Special Heritage Award



Betty Kelly and Eileen Kenny, Ballintubber Tidy Towns receive the National Heritage Award from Frank Feighan TD and Virginia Teehan, Heritage Council CEO.

Our 2022 Special Heritage Award winner was Ballintubber Tidy Towns, County Roscommon.

Their work on a Heritage Awareness Project resulted in the magnificent Village Heritage Trail, featuring a Rambling Looped Walk and a Biodiversity QR Coding Trail.

The Village Heritage Trail highlights the cultural and built heritage of Ballintubber, encompassing everything from a holy well and medieval castle, right into our more modern heritage in the form of local businesses upholding traditional practices and aesthetics.

The Looped Walk is a fantastic amenity for visitors and locals to enjoy the outdoors, while a Biodiversity QR Coding Trail makes great use of technology to showcase the wonders of Ballintubber's biodiversity.

The work done by Ballintubber Tidy Towns shows what can be achieved when different community groups pool resources and work together towards a common goal.

LEGO Competition - Heritage At Play

Our annual ‘Heritage At Play’ competition invites children of primary school age to showcase an element of Irish heritage using LEGO bricks.

The 2022 competition opened for entries in December.

LEGO brick artist Jessica Farrell assisted with the difficult job of selecting the winners. She also provided some wonderful sample models with step-by-step instructions for the public to try. This year these included a pygmy shrew, a lapwing, and a button accordion.

Winning entries were showcased at a special exhibition at Kilkenny’s Medieval Mile Museum which ran in early 2023. The exhibition concluded with an awards ceremony for the winners and runners-up in each category.

Right: Lego squirrel

Below: LEGO® brick artist Jessica Farrell with her son Faolán (left) and Lorcan Scott of the Heritage Council.



Community Networking Events

In March 2022, the Heritage Council launched a pilot community engagement scheme in Donegal, when members from community heritage groups all over the county came together to share ideas, knowledge, and expertise.

The event featured presentations from the Heritage Council's 2021 Heritage Hero Patrick Boner, a National Heritage Week Award winner, a former Adopt a Monument participant, and a leading expert in digital heritage collections.

Over the following months several virtual events took place covering a variety of topics, such as event planning, and grant drawdown.



Participants in the Community Networking Event in Donegal.

Fundamentals of Energy Renovation for Traditional Buildings



L to R: Vincent Cunnane (President of TUS), Virginia Teehan (CEO, Heritage Council) and Minister of State for Heritage and Electoral Reform Malcolm Noonan TD launching the course in September 2022.

The Heritage Council partnered with the Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) to deliver the Fundamentals of Energy Renovation for Traditional Buildings course (FERTB) in 2022. The first module of the Level 8 Advanced Level Certificate was delivered from September to November 2022. The Heritage Council issued CPD Certificates of attendance to 42 participants at the end of November 2022. Participants had the option to progress to second module. The graduates from this course will be critical to ensuring that essential energy upgrades to historic buildings will be carried out in a manner sympathetic to architectural heritage.



Promoting Diversity and Inclusion

Coming to your natural senses

In 2019, the Heritage Council received funding from Creative Ireland to run a pilot programme of workshops focused on bringing a heightened experience and thus awareness of the natural environment to people with sight impairment. This project is called Coming to your Natural Senses.

The starting point for this project was that persons with significant sight impairment would have a better experience of our natural world if they were given some basic training on interpreting the sounds of biodiversity in and around their daily environment.

The highlight of 2022 came during National Biodiversity Week in May when our group was taken on a walk and talk event beginning at the North Bull Island Visitor Centre where Heritage Council Board Member Dr Mary Tubridy spoke about the botanical wonders associated with the internationally important dune system.

Andrew Lynch from BirdWatch Ireland then brought the class across by the mudflats to hear the waders and on to St Ann's Park woods, where participants listened for chiffchaffs and willow warblers.



Above: A highlight in 2022 was a trip to Bull Island during National Biodiversity Week. Picture shows Audrey Tormey of the National Council for the Blind of Ireland.

Below: The full group at the Visitor Interpretive Centre on Bull Island.



Wildlife Sanctuary: working with persons seeking asylum

Wildlife Sanctuary is a Heritage Council project designed to facilitate a biodiversity workshop collaboration and cultural exchange between persons seeking asylum (PSA) and community conservation volunteers.

The project involves day trips to heritage sites throughout the year where the volunteers and PSA work together and exchange ideas about biodiversity.

Such is the demand from around the country to organise trips that the main focus of our work on this programme in 2022 was finding ways of expanding it but resourcing it accordingly to help meet some of the demand.

The Heritage Capacity Fund is a Heritage Council grant scheme which aims to build the capacity of non-governmental organisations, with a demonstrated national

relevance, working in the heritage sector by providing funding towards their core costs. The Heritage Council advised the Sanctuary in Nature and Heritage Group which runs the outings to apply for core funding under this scheme, and in 2023 they were successful in gaining funding. This will enable the project to grow and to include a larger number of PSA.

Outings this year included very successful trips to Lullymore in Co. Kildare and to the National Botanic Gardens.



Above: One of the 2022 outings to Lullymore Heritage Centre, The Bog Fairy Village.



Left: Wildlife Sanctuary Programme - Gardening for Biodiversity.

Working with Pavee Point and the Traveller Community

The Heritage Council has continued to build its relationship with Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre over 2022. In addition to providing strategic advice on the long-term care and conservation of the wide-ranging collections of printed material, artworks and cultural heritage objects held by Pavee Point, the Heritage Council has been continuing the important work of developing a framework for greater support for Traveller and Roma heritage.

This work with Pavee Point is being done in parallel with engagement with representatives, groups and organisations from across the Traveller and Roma communities throughout Ireland and reflects the commitment of the Heritage Council to ensure long-term, strategic and sustainable supports are provided for Traveller Heritage.

Grant Schemes

Through its Community Heritage Grant Scheme, the Heritage Council actively encourages applications that focus on improved access to, and therefore participation in, heritage activities by people with disabilities. Applicants are referred to the National Disability Authority website to ensure projects follow best practice.

The Heritage Council is also particularly interested in projects that address the heritage of minority groups, new communities, and Traveller heritage.

Under the scheme in 2022, eighteen projects focusing on accessibility and diversity were awarded funding. Projects included improving access to historic buildings for people with mobility issues, installation of tactile exhibitions in museums to projects that focused on increasing awareness of Traveller culture and the heritage of LGBT communities. The total funding allocation was €226,639.



Reporting on Climate

Under the Public Sector Climate Action Mandate, public bodies are required to report annual energy data every year. The Heritage Council reports to the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) and full results are included in the public sector energy efficiency performance report 2022.

In addition to fulfilling its responsibilities under the Public Sector Climate Action Mandate, the Heritage Council seeks to take direct action by implementing initiatives to reduce our carbon footprint and promote sustainable practices within our organisation. Through energy-efficient operations, waste management, and the adoption of sustainable business practices including green procurement, we strive to minimise our environmental impact and fulfil our responsibilities through the Sustainable Development Goals.

We also recognise the importance of our influence in the wider sphere. Collaborating with strategic partners, stakeholders, government agencies, and community groups, we advocate for sustainable heritage management and integrate climate considerations into all heritage programmes. By raising awareness and fostering partnerships, we aim to ensure that our rich built, cultural and natural heritage is conserved sustainably for future generations in the face of climate change.

To address climate impact on heritage, and to harness the potential of heritage to engage communities with sustainable development, we will continue to develop strategic programs that support research and innovative projects. These initiatives will enhance resilience and adaptability in the face of environmental changes. We will focus on knowledge sharing and capacity building, empowering heritage practitioners to incorporate climate considerations into their work and promote a more sustainable approach to heritage conservation.

Energy Conservation

Under Ireland’s EU and national commitments and wider climate change goals, all public bodies are required to achieve a 51% reduction in energy-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and a 50% improvement in energy efficiency by 2030.

Figure 1 shows the Heritage Council’s annual progress on our energy performance indicator as calculated by SEAI, calculated as total energy use in kWh divided by floor area. The Heritage Council

has achieved 27.4% energy savings since our baseline year (2009) and our total energy consumption is down by 25.7% in that period. Following office closure for much of 2020 and 2021 due to COVID restrictions, our return to the office in 2022 and our growth as an organisation resulted in an increase of 61.7% in energy use. However, we are still on target to meet our required savings by 2030 and energy-saving projects in future years will deliver the required savings required by 2030.

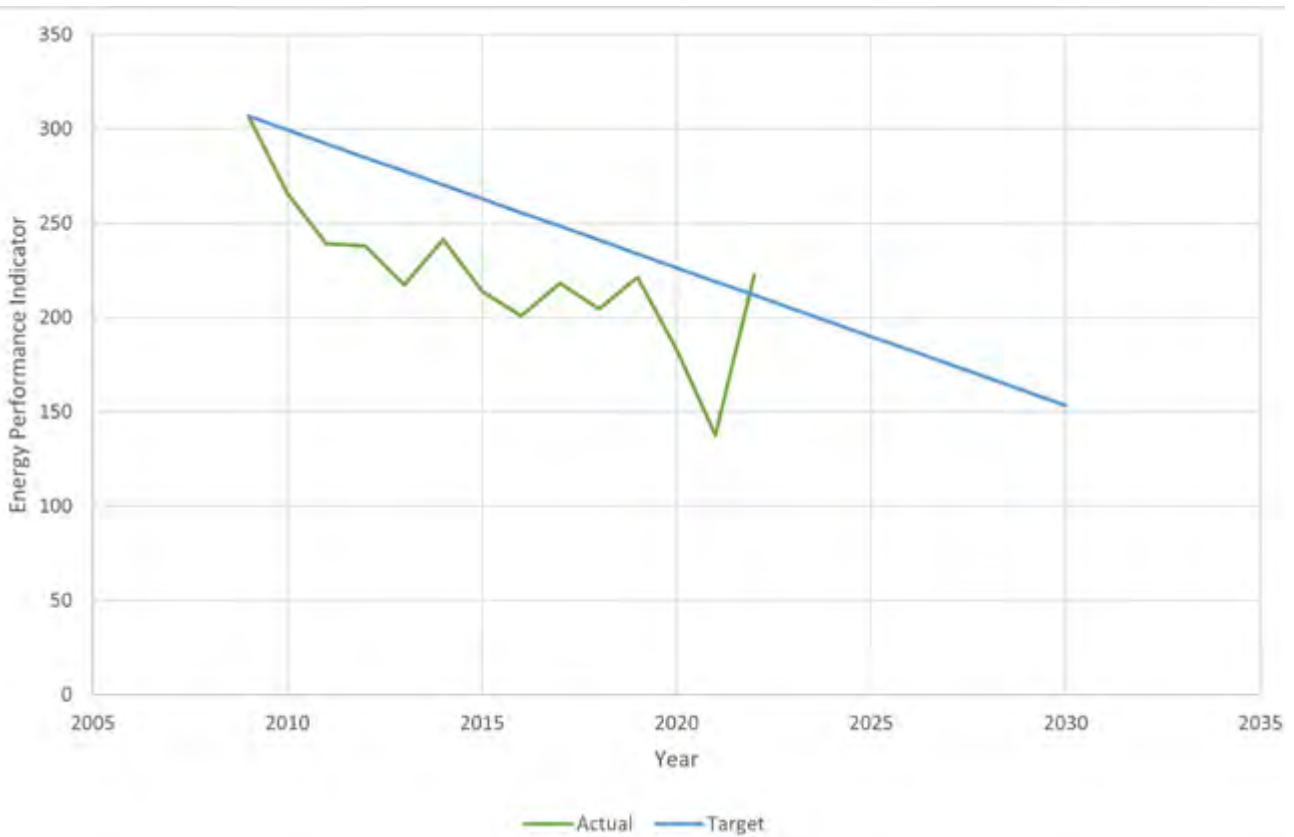


Figure 1: Heritage Council progress to achieving energy efficiency, 2022.

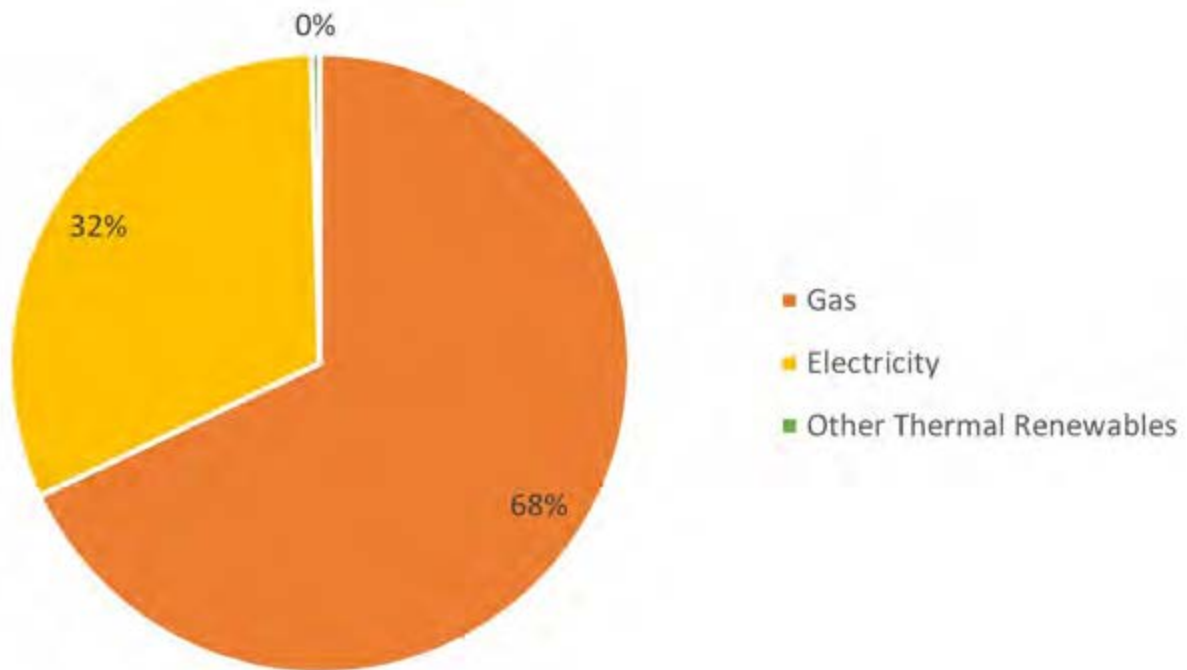


Figure 2: Heritage Council energy consumption, 2022.

The Heritage Council’s energy consumption in 2022 was 220,995 kWh (expressed as total primary energy requirement, as calculated by SEAI), an increase of 74% on 2021, and a decrease of 26% since the baseline year of 2009. This represents approximately 0.002% of the energy use of the public sector. The breakdown of use is shown in the chart below. Most of our energy use is gas for heating (68%), followed by electricity (32%) The small thermal renewable portion is contributed by solar power used for water heating (less than 1%).

The Heritage Council’s energy-related CO₂ emissions in 2022 were 39,026 kg CO₂, an increase of 69.7% on 2021, primarily as a result of the return to office following COVID. The majority of this CO₂ came from gas with the remainder from electricity. As the Heritage Council does not operate a fleet, transport emissions are not reported through the SEAI system, although business transport is part of our emissions profile and will be examined in future years to make savings.

Full results for the Heritage Council and all of the public sector are available at the SEAI website (www.seai.ie/business-and-public-sector/public-sector/monitoring-and-reporting/public-sector-results/) results for 2022 will be available from Autumn 2023.

Reporting on Planning



The Heritage Council Planning Committee met on eight occasions during 2022.

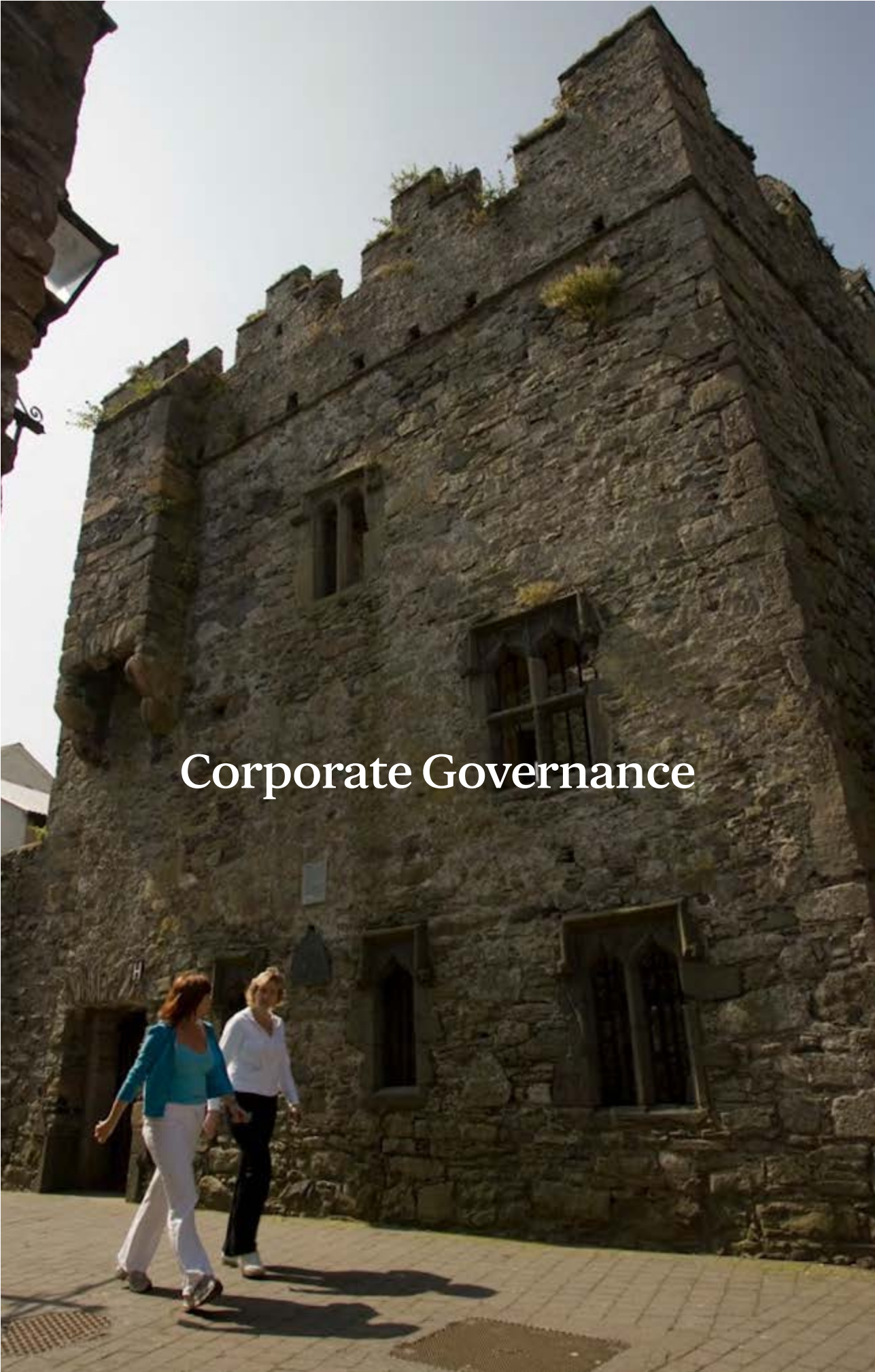
The Heritage Council is a prescribed body in the planning process, as such a key element of the Planning Committee's activities was to commission a review this aspect of its work. This review was publicly tendered and following assessment planning consultants were appointed. A consultation process with local authorities, national government and non-governmental organisations took place and a draft report was completed by December 2022 with a view to finalising it in early 2023.

In relation to planning policy, two formal submissions were made to government. As part of the stakeholder consultation for the drafting of the new Planning and Development Bill the Council was asked for its views on the architectural heritage provisions of the existing Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended. Council completed its submission to the Planning Advisory Forum which included recommendations on the designations of Architectural Conservations Areas and the issuing of section 57 Declarations. Comments were also provided on the need to ensure appropriate expertise in all local authorities and on landscape heritage. The Committee commenced assessment of the emerging Planning and Development Bill in December 2022.

A submission was made to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage on Local Area Plans in 2022 under section 7 of the Heritage Act. This allows for formal policy submissions to be made to the Minister. This submission recommended that revised LAP guidelines

be issued which reflect the new Town Centres First policy, that there be greater use of Architectural Conservation Area and Protected Structure designations in historic town centres as well as a greater sense of time depth and heritage in the introduction to LAPS.

The Planning Committee also advised on the drafting of two planning submissions to An Bord Pleanála concerning a historic garden in Glounthane, Co. Cork, and an urban regeneration project at Dublin Street, Monaghan town.



Corporate Governance

The Heritage Council's policy is to maintain the highest standards of corporate governance in line with generally accepted policies and practices. The Council is committed to complying with the relevant provisions of the 2016 Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies. The Heritage Council has established an Audit, Risk and Finance Committee, which regularly reviews the system of internal control and engages external expertise in the carrying out of its functions, including the internal audit function, as appropriate. The Heritage Council is fully tax-compliant and does not engage in 'offensive' tax avoidance transactions.

Prompt Payments 2022

The Heritage Council is required to comply with the requirements of S.I. No. 580/2012 European Communities (Late Payment in Commercial Transactions) Regulations, 2012 and its predecessor, the Prompt Payments of Accounts Act 1997 (collectively known as the 'Regulations'). The Council's standard terms of credit taken, unless otherwise specified in contractual arrangements, are 30 days from the receipt of invoice. Procedures have been implemented which provide reasonable assurance against material non-compliance with the Regulations. While the procedures are designed to ensure compliance with the Regulations, they can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance material non-compliance with the 1997 Act and S.I. No. 580/2012.

A review of all payments made during the year ended 31 December 2022 shows 7 payments totalling €8,318 giving rise to an interest penalty of €424 under the above regulations.

With effect from 1 July 2011, the Heritage Council was required to comply with government Decisions S29296 in relation to the 15-day prompt payment rule. The disclosures required in the Memorandum of Government (MoG) supporting the above decisions for the period 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 are detailed in the table on the following page.

Details	Number	Value (€)	Percentage (%) of total number of payments made
Number of payments made within 15 days	2,652	1,955,874	88
Number of payments made within 16 days to 30 days	261	698,563	9
Number of payments made in excess of 30 days that were subject to late payment interest	7	8,318	0
Number of payments made in excess of 30 days that were not subject to late payment interest	87	883,009	3
Total	3,007	3,545,763	100

Board Membership

As of 31 December 2022, the board had seven (70%) female and three (30%) male members, with one position vacant. On the 28 March 2023 the Minister filled the one remaining vacancy with the appointment of Mr Mark Scott as a board member.

Following this appointment, the board has seven (64%) female and four (36%) male members. As such the Heritage Council has not achieved the Government target of a minimum of 40% representation for each gender on state boards. The Heritage Council will continue to work with its parent department to ensure that these targets are met as future appointments are made to the board of the Heritage Council.

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General Information

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Sammy Leslie
Fionnuala May
Deirdre McDermott
Dr Patricia O'Hare
John G Pierce
Sheila Pratschke
Dr Mary Tubridy

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Governance Statement and Council Members' Report

The Heritage Council was established under the Heritage Act 1995. The functions of the Council are set out in section 6 of this Act. The Council is accountable to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and is responsible for ensuring good governance and performs this task by setting strategic objectives and targets and taking strategic decisions on all key business issues. The regular day-to-day management, control and direction of The Heritage Council are the responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the senior management team. The CEO and the senior management team must follow the broad strategic direction set by the Council, and must ensure that all Council members have a clear understanding of the key activities and decisions related to the entity, and of any significant risks likely to arise. The CEO acts as a direct liaison between the Council and the management of The Heritage Council.

Council Responsibilities

The work and responsibilities of the Council are set out in the Standing Orders and Reserved Functions, which also contain the matters specifically reserved for Council decision. Standing items considered by the Council include:

- declaration of interests,
- reports from committees,
- financial reports,
- management accounts and,
- reserved matters.

Section 21 of the Heritage Act requires the Council of The Heritage Council to keep, in such form as may be approved by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage with consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, all proper and usual accounts of money received and expended by it.

In preparing these financial statements, the Council of the Heritage Council is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that it will continue in operation and,
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Council is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, its financial position and enables it to ensure that the financial statements comply with S.21 of the Heritage Act 1995. The maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information on The Heritage Council's website is the responsibility of the Council.

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Council Responsibilities contd.

The Council is responsible for approving the annual plan and budget.

The Council is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Council considers that the financial statements of The Heritage Council give a true and fair view of the financial performance and the financial position of The Heritage Council at 31st December 2022.

Council Structure

The Council consists of a chairperson and up to ten ordinary members all of whom were appointed by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage. The Members of the Council were appointed for a period of 5 years and met ten times in 2022. The table below details the appointment period for members:

Name	Role	First Appointed	Reappointed
Martina Moloney	Chairperson	03/11/2020	-
Michael Farrell	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
John Patrick Greene	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
Sammy Leslie	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
Fionnuala May	Ordinary Member	19/07/2016	03/11/2020
Deirdre McDermott	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
Dr Patricia O'Hare	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
John G Pierce	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
Sheila Pratschke	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-
Dr Mary Tubridy	Ordinary Member	03/11/2020	-

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Council Structure contd.

The Council has established five committees as follows:

1. The *Audit, Risk & Finance Committee (ARFC)* comprises three Council members and one external member. The meetings are also attended by the Chairperson of the Council. The role of the ARFC is to support the Council in relation to its responsibilities for issues of risk, control and governance and associated assurance. The ARFC is independent from the financial management of the organisation. In particular the Committee ensures that the internal control systems including audit activities are monitored actively and independently. The ARFC reports to the Council after each meeting. Michael Farrell was appointed as the Chairperson of the ARFC on the 11th November 2021. Other members of the ARFC are John Patrick Greene, Patricia O'Hare and Phil Walsh (external member) who was appointed on 15th January 2021. The Chairperson attend the ARFC meetings.
2. The *Strategy Committee* comprised six Council members. The meetings were also attended by the Chairperson of the Council when the Chairperson is available. The role of the Strategy Committee was to advise Council on the development of a new strategic plan. The Committee reported to the Council after each meeting. The Committee completed its work during 2022, with the last meeting of the Strategy Committee taken place on 6th May 2022. The members of the Strategy Committee were Sheila Pratschke (Chairperson), Martina Maloney, John G Pierce, Sammy Leslie, Mary Tubridy and Patricia O'Hare.
3. On 15th January 2021 the Council established the *National Biodiversity Data Centre (NBDC) Task Force*. The Taskforce achieved its objective when the National Biodiversity Data Centre was formed as a company limited by guarantee (NBDC CLG) on the 5th December 2022. The last meeting of the Taskforce was held on the 1st December 2022. The members of the task force were Geraldine Tallon (Chairperson), Martina Maloney, Michael Farrell, John Patrick Greene, Donald Hobern, Daniel Sinnott and Andy Bleasdale.
4. On the 6th August, 2021 the Council established a Planning Committee. The role of the Committee is to advise on the use of Council's status as a prescribed body under the Planning and Development Regulations. The Committee reports to Council after each meeting. The members of the Committee are Fionnuala May (Chairperson), Deirdre McDermot, Sammy Leslie, Mary Tubridy and Rachel Kenny.
5. On the 11th November 2021 the Council established the Cultural Heritage Restitution and Decolonisation Committee (working title). The role of the Committee is to draft and agree a national policy on the restitution and decolonisation of cultural heritage in Ireland that has been illegally or unethically elicited or traded. The Chair of the Committee has not been appointed yet. Council representation on the Committee is John Patrick Greene and Patricia O'Hare. No meetings of this Committee were held in 2022. Full membership of this Committee is yet to be defined.

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Council Structure contd.

A schedule of attendance at the Council and Committee meetings for 2022 is set out below. The expenses received by each member are included in Note 9 to the financial statements.

Name	Council	ARFC	Strategy Committee	NBDC Task Force	Planning Committee
Number of meetings	10	6	4	8	8
Martina Moloney	10	6	3	5	n/a
Michael Farrell	10	6	n/a	8	n/a
John Patrick Greene	8	4	n/a	5	n/a
Sammy Leslie	10	n/a	4	n/a	4
Fionnuala May	9	n/a	3	n/a	8
Deirdre McDermott	10	n/a	0	n/a	8
Dr Patricia O'Hare	10	6	4	n/a	n/a
John G Pierce	9	n/a	4	n/a	n/a
Sheila Pratschke	8	n/a	4	n/a	n/a
Dr Mary Tubridy	10	n/a	4	n/a	8
Phil Walsh	n/a	6	n/a	n/a	n/a
Geraldine Tallon	n/a	n/a	n/a	8	n/a
Donald Hobern	n/a	n/a	n/a	6	n/a
Andy Bleasdale	n/a	n/a	n/a	6	n/a
Daniel Sinnott	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	n/a
Rachel Kenny	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	6

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Key Personnel Changes

During 2022 there was three posts filled on the Management Team. This included the Head of Communications & Public Affairs, Head of Heritage & Climate Change and a new Head of Finance (previous officer was awarded a career break in September 2022).

Disclosures Required by Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016)

The Council is responsible for ensuring that The Heritage Council has complied with the requirements of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies ("the Code"), as published by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in August 2016 and the Annex published in 2020. The following disclosures are required by the code:

Employee Short-Term Benefits

Employee Short-Term benefits breakdown is included in Note 10 to the financial statements.

Consultancy Costs

Consultancy costs include the cost of external advice to management in the following areas and exclude outsourced 'business-as-usual' functions:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Legal advice	6,015	37,265
Legal advice on establishment of the NBDC as company limited by guarantee	85,846	0
Consultancy advice on the establishment of the NBDC as a company limited by guarantee	49,815	0
Business improvement & Governance	20,176	5,289
Human Resources & Recruitment	40,261	30,512
Internal Audit	36,040	6,396
S1003 Assessments	400	2,709
COVID19 - affects on Heritage Sector/advice for internal operations	0	2,829
ICT Security	0	8,210
Pensions	8,919	5,596
Proposed Developments of Key Heritage Sites	0	7,995
Procurement	0	2,601
Total	<u>247,472</u>	<u>109,402</u>

Consultancy Costs include Professional Fees (€115,349) and Legal Fees (€91,862) disclosed in Note 8 to the financial statements; and Recruitment Costs (€40,261) disclosed in Note 10 (a) to the financial statements. Other consultancy costs included in Note 8 and Note 10 to the financial statements relate to outsourced 'business-as-usual' functions.

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Travel and Subsistence Expenditure

Travel and subsistence expenditure is categorised as follows:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Domestic		
Council & Committee*	9,105	7,056
Staff	33,219	13,680
International		
Council & Committee	0	0
Staff	1,351	0
Total	<u>43,675</u>	<u>20,736</u>

* Includes travel and subsistence of €5,285 paid directly to Council & Committee members in 2022 (2021: €3,619). The balance of €3,820 (2021: €3,437) relates to expenditure paid by The Heritage Council on behalf of the Council members.

Legal Costs and Settlements

The Heritage Council did not incur any legal costs, settlements or conciliation and arbitration payments relating to contracts with third parties. All costs associated with general legal advice received by The Heritage Council is included in Consultancy costs above.

Hospitality Expenditure

The Statement of Income and Expenditure includes hospitality expenditure of €5,013 (€994 in 2021). The nature of hospitality expenditure does not facilitate a meaningful split between staff and clients as required by the Code of Practice. The Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies requires costs relating to the Employee Wellbeing Programme to be included under this category.


Gender Balance, Diversity and Inclusion

The Heritage Council has seven (70%) female and three (30%) male members. The Council therefore does not meet the Government target of a minimum of 40% representation of each gender in the membership of State Boards.

Governance Statement and Council Members' Report contd.

Statement of Compliance

The Council has complied with the requirements of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies, as published by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in August 2016 and its Annex published in 2020.



Martina Moloney
Council Chairperson
29 June 2023



Michael Farrell
Council Member
29 June 2023

Statement On Internal Control

Scope of Responsibility

On behalf of The Heritage Council, I acknowledge the Council's responsibility for ensuring that an effective system of internal control is maintained and operated. This responsibility takes account of the requirements of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies (2016).

Purpose of the System of Internal Control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a tolerable level rather than to eliminate it. The system can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions authorised and properly recorded, and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or detected in a timely way.

The system of internal control, which accords with guidance issued by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, has been in place in The Heritage Council for the year ended 31 December 2022 and up to the date of approval of the financial statements.

Capacity to Handle Risk

The Heritage Council has an Audit, Risk & Finance Committee (ARFC) comprising three Council members, one of whom is the Chairperson, and one external member with financial and audit expertise. The ARFC met 6 times in 2022.

The Heritage Council has also appointed external consultants to carry out the internal audit function which is adequately resourced and conducts a programme of work agreed with the ARFC.

The ARFC has developed a risk management policy which sets out its risk appetite, the risk management processes in place and details the roles and responsibilities of staff in relation to risk. This Risk Management Policy & Operational Framework were reviewed and approved by the Council on 30th March 2023.

Risk and Control Framework

The Heritage Council has implemented a risk management system which identifies and reports key risks and the management actions being taken to address and, to the extent possible, to mitigate those risks.

A risk register is in place which identifies the key risks facing The Heritage Council and these have been identified, evaluated and graded according to their significance. The register is reviewed and updated by the ARFC on a bi-annual basis. The outcome of these assessments is used to plan and allocate resources to ensure risks are managed to an acceptable level. The Council reviewed and approved the Risk Register on 29th March 2022 and 24th November 2022.

The risk register details the controls and actions needed to mitigate risks and the responsibility for operation of controls assigned to specific staff. I confirm that a control environment containing the following elements is in place:

Statement On Internal Control contd.

Risk and Control Framework contd.

- procedures for all key business processes have been documented,
- financial responsibilities have been assigned at management level with corresponding accountability,
- there is an appropriate budgeting system with an annual budget, which is kept under review by senior management,
- there are systems aimed at ensuring the security of information and communications technology systems,
- there are systems in place to safeguard the assets, and
- control procedures over grant funding to outside agencies ensure the adequate control over approval of grants and monitoring and review of grantees to ensure grant funding has been applied for the purpose intended.

Ongoing Monitoring and Review

Formal procedures have been established for monitoring control processes, and control deficiencies are communicated to those responsible for taking corrective action and to management and the Council, where relevant, in a timely way. I confirm the following ongoing monitoring systems are in place:

- key risks and related controls have been identified, and processes have been put in place to monitor the operation of those key controls and report any identified deficiencies,
- reporting arrangements have been established at all levels where responsibility for financial management has been assigned, and
- there are regular reviews by senior management of periodic and annual performance and financial reports which indicate performance against budgets.

Procurement

I confirm that The Heritage Council has procedures in place to ensure compliance with current procurement rules and guidelines.

Review of Effectiveness

I confirm that The Heritage Council has procedures to monitor the effectiveness of its risk management and control procedures. The Heritage Council's monitoring and review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control is informed by the work of the internal and external auditors, the ARFC which oversees their work, and the senior management within The Heritage Council responsible for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

Statement On Internal Control contd.

Review of Effectiveness contd.

I confirm that the Council conducted an annual review of the effectiveness of the internal controls for 2022 on the 30th March 2023 which consisted of a Review of Internal Financial Controls and Internal Control Questionnaire.

Internal and External Audit

The Heritage Council has outsourced its internal audit function which is adequately resourced and conducts a risk-based programme of work agreed with the ARFC Committee. Internal Audit is responsible to the AFRC for providing independent and objective evaluation of risk management, control and governance processes within the Heritage Council. Internal Audit examines the adequacy, efficiency and effectiveness of systems, people, and processes to identify potential risks and areas for improvement. During 2022, two operational audits and one review of internal controls were completed by the Internal Auditor who reported their findings and recommendations to the AFRC.

These were as follows:

- Grants Management - No high priority, three medium priority and four low priority findings and recommendations.
- IT Disaster Recovery - No high priority, one medium priority and four low priority findings and recommendations.
- System of Internal Control (SIC) Review - No high priority, no medium priority and five low priority findings and recommendations.

During 2022, the Comptroller and Auditor General reported to the AFRC on any findings and observations from their examination of business and financial processes as part of the external audit of the 2021 Financial Statements.

The implementation of outstanding audit recommendations is reviewed by ARFC at each meeting. This review includes updates on actions taken to implement outstanding recommendations and updates on implementation timelines.

At the time of signing the Financial Statements there were no “High Priority” weaknesses identified by the prior year audit conducted by the Comptroller and Auditor General and internal audits conducted during 2022.

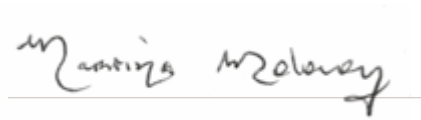
Procurement

The Heritage Council was substantially compliant with procurement guidelines. A review of 2022 expenditure to suppliers was carried out by the Executive and presented to the Audit, Risk and Finance Committee in March 2023. This review did not identify any expenditure that was incurred in relation to goods and services where the procedures employed did not comply with procurement guidelines.

Statement On Internal Control contd.

Procurement contd.

Compliance with public procurement guidelines is a high priority of the Board. There has been significant progress in this area over the last number of years and robust policies and procedures have been introduced and implemented. This area will continue to be monitored closely and action taken to address areas where non-compliance has been identified.



Martina Moloney
Council Chairperson
29 June 2023



Ard Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste Comptroller and Auditor General

Report for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

Heritage Council

Opinion on the financial statements

I have audited the financial statements of the Heritage Council for the year ended 31 December 2022 as required under the provisions of section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995. The financial statements comprise

- the statement of income and expenditure and retained revenue reserves
- the statement of comprehensive income
- the statement of financial position
- the statement of cash flows, and
- the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Heritage Council at 31 December 2022 and of its income and expenditure for 2022 in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102 — *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland*.

Basis of opinion

I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as promulgated by the International Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions. My responsibilities under those standards are described in the appendix to this report. I am independent of the Heritage Council and have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the standards.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Report on information other than the financial statements, and on other matters

The Heritage Council has presented certain other information together with the financial statements. This comprises the annual report, the governance statement and Board members' report, the statement on internal control and a schedule of grant payments. My responsibilities to report in relation to such information, and on certain other matters upon which I report by exception, are described in the appendix to this report.

I have nothing to report in that regard.

Mary Henry
For and on behalf of the
Comptroller and Auditor General

29 June 2023

Appendix to the report

Responsibilities of Board members

As detailed in the governance statement and Board members' report, the Board members are responsible for

- the preparation of annual financial statements in the form prescribed under section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995
- ensuring that the financial statements give a true and fair view in accordance with FRS 102
- ensuring the regularity of transactions
- assessing whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate, and
- such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Responsibilities of the Comptroller and Auditor General

I am required under section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995 to audit the financial statements of the Heritage Council and to report thereon to the Houses of the Oireachtas.

My objective in carrying out the audit is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement due to fraud or error. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the ISAs, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. In doing so,

- I identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements whether due to fraud or error; design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks; and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- I obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal controls.
- I evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures.

- I conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, on whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Heritage Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Heritage Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
- I evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I report by exception if, in my opinion,

- I have not received all the information and explanations I required for my audit, or
- the accounting records were not sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

Information other than the financial statements

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information presented with those statements, and I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, I am required under the ISAs to read the other information presented and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or with knowledge obtained during the audit, or if it otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact.

Reporting on other matters

My audit is conducted by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation. I report if I identify any material matters relating to the manner in which public business has been conducted.

I seek to obtain evidence about the regularity of financial transactions in the course of audit. I report if I identify any material instance where public money has not been applied for the purposes intended or where transactions did not conform to the authorities governing them.

Statement Of Income And Expenditure And Retained Revenue Reserves For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 €	2021 €
Income			
Oireachtas Grants	2	12,133,510	10,260,044
Other Income	3	894,308	777,937
Net deferred funding for pensions	11 (c)	<u>509,000</u>	<u>538,000</u>
Total Income		13,536,818	11,575,981
Expenditure			
Grants	5	6,608,179	5,839,440
Policy Development	6(a)	99,032	70,247
Programmes	6(b)	1,565,732	1,158,979
Support for Heritage Infrastructure	6(c)	<u>2,575,076</u>	<u>2,244,242</u>
Total Grants, Policy & Infrastructure		10,848,019	9,312,908
Administration			
Establishment expenses	7	160,683	355,717
Office supplies and administration	8	540,931	276,628
Council & Committee members expenses	9	9,105	7,056
Staff costs	10	2,047,057	1,842,823
Depreciation	12	<u>219,526</u>	<u>213,650</u>
Total Administration		<u>2,977,302</u>	<u>2,695,874</u>
Total Expenditure		13,825,321	12,008,782
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(288,503)	(432,801)
Transfer from Capital Account	4	<u>111,623</u>	<u>200,121</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) after Transfer from Capital Account		(176,880)	(232,680)
Balance brought forward at 1 January		<u>679,883</u>	<u>912,563</u>
Balance carried forward at 31 December		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>

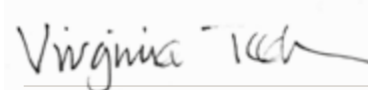
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29 June 2023



Michael Farrell
Council Member
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Virginia Teehan
Chief Executive
29 June 2023

Statement Of Comprehensive Income For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 €	2021 €
Profit/(Deficit) for year		(288,503)	(432,801)
Experience (losses)/gains on retirement benefit obligations	11 (d)	113,000	151,000
Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of retirement benefit obligations & demographic assumptions		<u>3,686,000</u>	<u>1,237,000</u>
Total actuarial (loss)/gain in the year		3,799,000	1,388,000
Adjustments to deferred retirement benefits funding		<u>(3,799,000)</u>	<u>(1,388,000)</u>
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year		<u>(288,503)</u>	<u>(432,801)</u>

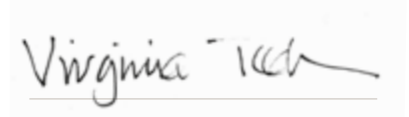
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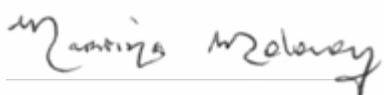


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Statement Of Financial Position As At 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 €	2021 €
Fixed Assets			
Property, plant & equipment	12	5,223,197	5,334,820
Current Assets			
Receivables	13	374,723	113,305
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>1,926,326</u>	<u>1,523,491</u>
		2,301,049	1,636,796
Current Liabilities (amounts falling due within one year)			
Payables	14	<u>1,798,046</u>	<u>956,913</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>
Retirement Benefits			
Retirement Benefit Obligations	11(b)	(6,410,000)	(9,700,000)
Deferred Retirement benefit funding asset	11(b)	<u>6,410,000</u>	<u>9,700,000</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Net Assets		<u>5,726,200</u>	<u>6,014,703</u>
Representing			
Capital Account	4	5,223,197	5,334,820
Retained Revenue Reserves		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>
		<u>5,726,200</u>	<u>6,014,703</u>

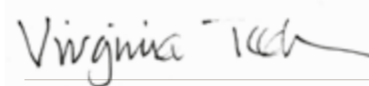
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Statement Of Cash Flows For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 €	2021 €
Cash flow from operating activities			
Profit/(Deficit) for the year		(288,503)	(432,801)
Depreciation	12	219,526	213,650
(Increase)/Decrease in receivables		(261,418)	129,628
Increase/(Decrease) in payables		<u>841,133</u>	<u>313,698</u>
Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities		<u>510,738</u>	<u>224,175</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments to acquire property, plant & equipment	4	<u>(107,903)</u>	<u>(13,529)</u>
Net Cash Flows from investing activities		<u>(107,903)</u>	<u>(13,529)</u>
Net increase /(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		402,835	210,646
Cash and Cash equivalents at 1 January		<u>1,523,491</u>	<u>1,312,845</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents at 31 December		<u>1,926,326</u>	<u>1,523,491</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

Note 1. Accounting Policies

The basis of accounting and significant accounting policies adopted by The Heritage Council are set out below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the year and for the preceding year.

a) General Information

The Heritage Council was set up under the Heritage Act 1995, with a head office at Áras na hOidreachta, Church Lane, Kilkenny. The Heritage Council's primary objectives as set out in Section 6 of The Heritage Act 1995 are as follows: to propose policies and priorities for the identification, protection, preservation and enhancement of the national heritage and to promote its appreciation.

b) Statement of Compliance

The financial statements of The Heritage Council for the year ended 31st December 2022 have been prepared in compliance with the applicable legislation, and with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued by the Financial Reporting Council in the UK.

c) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, except for certain assets and liabilities as explained in the accounting policies below. The financial statements are in the form approved by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage with the concurrence of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform under The Heritage Act, 1995. The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to The Heritage Council's financial statements.

d) Revenue

Oireachtas Grants

Revenue is generally recognised on an accruals basis; one exception to this is in the case of Oireachtas Grants which are recognised on a cash receipts basis.

Other Revenue

Other revenue is recognised on an accruals basis.

e) Grant Payments

The Heritage Council offers grants to various bodies and individuals to carry out works under its heritage grant schemes. When a grantee accepts the terms and conditions of a grant offer from Council, Council enters into a commitment with that grantee. That commitment is recognised as an accrual only when the grantee is seen to have fulfilled the full terms and conditions of the grant offer. Details of grant commitments at 31st December 2022 are given in note 17.

f) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, adjusted for any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided on all property, plant and

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

f) Property, Plant and Equipment contd.

equipment, other than freehold land and artwork, at rates estimated to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of each asset on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings	2.5%	Plant & Equipment	10%-20%
Office Equipment	20%	Office Furniture	10%-20%
Works of Art	0%	Computers (Hardware & Software)	25%
Motor Vehicles	20%	Reference Material and OSI Licences	20%

Residual value represents the estimated amount which would currently be obtained from disposal of an asset, after deducting estimated costs of disposal, if the asset were already of an age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life.

If there is objective evidence of impairment of the value of an asset, an impairment loss is recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Retained Reserves in the year.

g) Capital Account

The capital account comprises income allocated for the purchase of fixed assets. It is amortised in line with the depreciation of the related assets.

h) Leasing

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and included in property, plant and equipment and depreciated in accordance with the Council policy.

i) Employee Benefits

Short-term Benefits

Short term benefits such as holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the year, and benefits that are accrued at year-end are included in the Payables figure in the Statement of Financial Position.

Retirement Benefits

The Heritage Council previously established its own defined benefit pension scheme, funded annually on a pay-as-you-go basis from monies provided by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and from contributions deducted from staff and members' salaries.

The Heritage Council also operates the Single Public Services Pensions Scheme ("Single Scheme"), which is a defined benefit scheme for pensionable public servants appointed on or after 1st January 2013. Single Scheme members' contributions are paid over to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER).

Pension costs reflect pension benefits earned by employees and are shown net of staff pension contributions which are retained by The Heritage Council. An amount corresponding to the pension charge is recognised as income to the extent that it is recoverable, and offset by grants received in the year to discharge pension payments. Actuarial gains or losses arising on scheme liabilities are reflected in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, and

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

i) Employee Benefits contd.

a corresponding adjustment is recognised in the amount recoverable from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The financial statements reflect, at fair value, the assets and liabilities arising from The Heritage Council's pension obligations and any related funding and recognises the costs of providing pension benefits in the accounting periods in which they are earned by employees. Retirement benefit scheme liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method.

j) Critical Accounting Judgements and Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the reporting date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that the actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. The following judgements have the most significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements.

Impairment of Property, Plant and Equipment

Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use. For the purpose of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash generating units). Non-financial assets that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

Depreciation and Residual Values

The Council have reviewed the asset lives and associated residual values of all fixed asset classes, and in particular, the useful economic life and residual values of fixtures and fittings, and have concluded that asset lives and residual values are appropriate.

Retirement Benefit Obligation

The assumptions underlying the actuarial valuations for which the amounts recognised in the financial statements are determined (including discount rates, rate of inflation, rates of increase in future compensation levels, mortality rates and retirement age) are updated annually based on current economic conditions and for any relevant changes to the terms and conditions of the pension and post-retirement plans.

The assumptions can be affected by:

- (i) the discount rate, changes in the rate of return on high quality corporate bonds;
- (ii) future compensation levels, future labour market conditions; and
- (iii) mortality rates and age of retirement.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 2: Oireachtas Grants

The amount of €12,133,150 comprises Grants from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (Vote 34) and the funding from the National Parks & Wildlife Service.

	2022	2021
	€	€
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage		
Administration Grant	2,217,000	1,773,000
Non-Capital Grants	3,544,000	3,488,000
Capital Grants	<u>5,683,666</u>	<u>4,389,959</u>
	<u>11,444,666</u>	<u>9,650,959</u>
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage		
Non Capital Grants from National Parks and Wildlife Service	<u>688,844</u>	<u>609,085</u>
	<u>688,844</u>	<u>609,085</u>
TOTAL	<u>12,133,510</u>	<u>10,260,044</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 3: Other Income

	2022	2021
	€	€
Contribution towards Traditional Farm Buildings Scheme (Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine Vote 30)	88,376	100,853
Failte Ireland - Grant to Support Heritage Week	30,000	30,000
Irish Walled Towns Membership Fees	67,484	72,562
Contribution of Local Authorities to Heritage Viewer Project	28,500	37,500
Bord Bia Contribution to Pollinator Co-Ordinator Post in National Biodiversity Data Centre	65,712	39,660
Heritage Week Advertising	4,000	4,000
Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland - Funding towards Research into Retrofit of Buildings	26,896	-5,103
Repayment of Costs of Seconded Staff of Heritage Council	0	62,851
European Innovation Project LLOC2004 "Protecting Farmland Pollinators" (Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine Vote 30)	318,397	197,717
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage - Historic Structures Fund and July Jobs Stimulus Package Funding towards repairs and maintenance of HQ of The Heritage Council	0	43,500
EPA Contribution to Citizen Science Post in National Biodiversity Data Centre	67,000	60,270
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage - Funding towards Tipperary Collaborative Town Centre Health Check	0	10,000
National Museum Northern Ireland - Contribution to Irish Damselfly and Golden-ringed Dragonfly studies conducted by the National Biodiversity Data Centre	5,983	5,000
Bat Conservation Ireland contribution towards National Biodiversity Data Centre publication "A Guide to Bats in Ireland"	0	4,320
Erasmus project "EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK FOR HERITAGE SKILLS & TRAINING"	19,714	19,601
Department of Agriculture Food and Marine contribution towards Farmland Pollinator Officer in National Biodiversity Centre	60,000	60,000
Department of Agriculture Food and Marine contribution towards National Pollinator Monitoring Programme at the National Biodiversity Data Centre	111,079	34,185
Royalties	1,167	1,021
Total	<u>894,308</u>	<u>777,937</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 4: Capital Account

	2022	2021
	€	€
Balance at 1 January	5,334,820	5,534,941
Transfer (to)/from Income and Expenditure Account		
Amount allocated to fund fixed asset purchases	107,903	13,529
Less: Amortisation in line with depreciation	<u>(219,526)</u>	<u>(213,650)</u>
	<u>(111,623)</u>	<u>(200,121)</u>
Balance at 31 December	<u>5,223,197</u>	<u>5,334,820</u>

Note 5: Grants Expenditure

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
Irish Walled Towns Network Grants towards Current Projects	157,787	106,433
Irish Walled Towns Network Grants towards Capital Works	200,385	196,368
Heritage Sector Support Fund	918,824	645,735
County Heritage Plan Grants	971,845	844,768
Community Based Heritage Grants	1,521,911	1,538,690
Historic Towns Capital Grants	1,419,608	1,470,693
Heritage Stewardship Fund	274,330	-
Irish Landmark Trust Ltd. (Note 15)	329,489	296,753
Discovery Programme: Centre for Archaeology and Innovation Ireland (Note 16)	<u>814,000</u>	<u>740,000</u>
Total	<u>6,608,179</u>	<u>5,839,440</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 6(a): Policy Expenditure

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
Built Heritage Publications	3,609	6,727
Wildlife Publications	1,451	71
Biodiversity Initiatives	37,750	13,025
Articulation of Heritage in National Landscape Policies	<u>56,222</u>	<u>50,424</u>
Total	<u>99,032</u>	<u>70,247</u>

Note 6(b): Programmes

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
Heritage in Schools	507,148	420,515
Place Based Learning	31,630	13,600
Heritage Week	510,027	432,591
Communication of Council activities	335,998	187,166
Conservation Internships	33,402	21,997
Promotion of Preventative Maintenance	16,912	32,125
Implementation of Traditional Skills Working Group Recommendations	57,218	3,104
Erasmus Project : European Framework for Heritage Skills & Training	19,714	19,601
Review of Programmes	16,703	28,280
Life Projects	22,982	0
Cultural Heritage Research Framework /Culture 2025	<u>13,998</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>1,565,732</u>	<u>1,158,979</u>

Note 6(c): Heritage Infrastructure

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
National Biodiversity Data Centre	1,676,828	1,246,921
Field Monument Advisors database development	0	1,230
Museum Standards Programme	64,206	91,802
Heritage Officer Programme	657,890	626,657
Heritage Viewer	59,174	75,710
Urban Heritage (including Irish Walled Towns Network Administration)	116,978	201,922
Total	<u>2,575,076</u>	<u>2,244,242</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 7: Establishment Expenses

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
Storage	15,031	15,313
Power, heat and light	19,358	10,398
Canteen, catering and cleaning	23,004	7,672
Meetings	13,406	3,888
Repairs, maintenance & security	65,150	296,720
Insurance	24,734	21,726
Rental of Art Works	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>160,683</u>	<u>355,717</u>

Note 8: Office Supplies and Administration

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
	€	€
Telephone and postage	16,126	13,877
Stationery, printing & office equipment repairs	11,316	6,325
Annual Report & Strategic Plan	35,411	7,380
Library	0	635
Computer supplies and maintenance	174,573	124,004
Professional fees	166,800	54,946
Sundry	5,270	1,863
Legal Fees	91,862	37,265
Subscriptions	16,498	11,707
Audit fee	13,000	13,000
Interest & Charges	9,065	5,367
Gifts	<u>1,010</u>	<u>259</u>
	<u>540,931</u>	<u>276,628</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.**Note 9: Council & Committee Members Expenses**

	Expenses Claimed	Accommodation & Meals & Travel Provided	Total
	€	€	€
Martina Moloney	4,100	715	4,815
Sheila Pratschke	577	370	947
Michael Farrell	454	190	644
Sammy Leslie	-	620	620
Deirdre McDermott	-	510	510
Patricia O'Hare	154	275	429
John G Pierce	-	260	260
Mary Tubridy	-	345	345
John Patrick Greene	-	370	370
Fionnuala May	-	165	165
Total	<u>5,285</u>	<u>3,820</u>	<u>9,105</u>

In line with their letters of appointment no fees are payable to Council Members.

Note 10: Remuneration**(a) Analysis of Staff Costs**

	2022	2021
	€	€
Staff salaries	1,462,870	1,280,203
Recruitment Costs	45,608	30,933
Pension Costs (note 11(a))	485,000	483,000
Staff Well Being & Settlements	2,270	310
Travel and Expenses	34,586	13,680
Training	14,816	15,188
Holiday Accrual	1,907	19,509
	<u>2,047,057</u>	<u>1,842,823</u>

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 10: Remuneration contd.

(b) Aggregate Employee Benefits

	2022	2021
	€	€
Staff short-term benefits	1,340,329	1,173,396
Employer's Contribution to Social Welfare	<u>122,541</u>	<u>106,807</u>
Sub Total	1,462,870	1,280,203
Retirement Benefit Costs	<u>80,000</u>	<u>41,000</u>
Total	<u>1,542,870</u>	<u>1,321,203</u>

The total number of staff employed (WTE) by the Heritage Council at year end was 25 (2021: 20). No overtime or termination benefits were paid in 2022. The total number comprises seconded staff to the Heritage Council, including the CEO who was seconded from University College Cork with effect from 1st February 2019.

With effect from 1st January 2020 the pension related deduction (PRD) was replaced by the additional superannuation contribution (ASC). The ASC paid to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in respect of 2021 was €39,857 (2021: €39,695).

(c) Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel in The Heritage Council consists of the Chief Executive, the Heads of Service and the Head of Finance. The Council does not receive any remuneration. The total value of employee benefits for key management personnel is set out below:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Salary	473,477	487,849

This does not include the value of retirement benefits earned in the period. The key management personnel, except the current CEO who was appointed with effect from the 1st February 2019 and who is seconded from University College Cork are members of The Heritage Council pension scheme and their entitlements in that regard do not extend beyond the terms of the Model Scheme or the Single Scheme.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 10: Remuneration contd.

(d) Chief Executive Officer Salary and Benefits

	2022	2021
	€	€
Basic Pay , E'er PRSI and E'er Superannuation	<u>130,594</u>	<u>121,567</u>

The current CEO was appointed with effect from 1st February 2019 and is seconded from University College Cork and is not a member of The Heritage Council pension scheme. University College Cork pays the CEO and recoups this salary by way of invoice to The Heritage Council.

(e) Employee Short-Term Benefits Breakdown

Employees' short-term benefits in excess of €60,000 are categorised into the following bands:

	2022	2021
Salary Category	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES
€60,000 TO €69,999	2	2
€70,000 TO €79,999	2	3
€80,000 TO €89,999	1	2
€90,000 TO €99,999	1	0
€100,000 TO €109,999	0	1
€110,000 TO €119,000	1	0

The numbers also include one staff member who was seconded from University College Cork with effect from 1st February 2019. For the purposes of this disclosure, short-term employee benefits in relation to services rendered during the reporting period include salary, overtime allowances and other payments on behalf of the employee but exclude employer's PRSI.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 11: Superannuation Scheme

(a) Analysis of total retirement benefit costs charged to the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Retained Revenue Reserves

	2022	2021
	€	€
Current Service Costs	463,000	505,000
Interest on retirement benefit scheme liabilities	126,000	74,000
Employee Contributions	<u>(104,000)</u>	<u>(96,000)</u>
Total	<u>485,000</u>	<u>483,000</u>

(b) Movement in net retirement benefit obligations during the financial year

	2022	2021
	€	€
Net retirement benefit obligation at 1 January	(9,700,000)	(10,550,000)
Current Service Cost	(463,000)	(505,000)
Interest Cost	(126,000)	(74,000)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	3,799,000	1,388,000
Pensions paid in year	<u>80,000</u>	<u>41,000</u>
Net retirement benefit obligation at 31 December	<u>(6,410,000)</u>	<u>(9,700,000)</u>

(c) Deferred Funding for retirement benefits

The Heritage Council recognises these amounts as an asset corresponding to the unfunded deferred liability for retirement benefits on the basis of the set of assumptions described below and a number of past events. These events include the statutory basis for the establishment of the retirement benefit scheme, and the policy and practice currently in place in relation to funding public service pensions including the contributions by employees and the annual estimates process. The Heritage Council has no evidence that this funding policy will not continue to meet such sums in accordance with current practice.

The Net Deferred Funding for retirement benefits recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Retained Reserves was as follows:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Funding Recoverable in respect of current year retirement benefit costs	589,000	579,000
State grant applied to pay retirement benefits	<u>(80,000)</u>	<u>(41,000)</u>
Total	<u>509,000</u>	<u>538,000</u>

The deferred funding asset for retirement benefits at 31st December 2022 amounts to €6.410M (2021: €9.700M).

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 11: Superannuation Scheme contd.

(d) History of defined benefit obligations

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
Defined Benefit Obligations	6,410	9,700	10,550	8,737	7,261
Experience Gains/ (Losses) on Scheme Liabilities *	113	151	12	140	262
Percentage of Scheme Liabilities	1.8%	1.60%	0.10%	1.60%	3.60%

* This item consists of gains/(losses) in respect of liability experience only and excludes any change in liabilities in respect of changes to the actuarial assumptions used.

(e) General Description Of The Scheme

The retirement benefit scheme is a defined benefit final salary pension arrangement with benefits and contributions defined by reference to current “model” public sector scheme regulations. The scheme provides a pension (1/80 per year of service), a gratuity or lump sum (3/80 per year of service) and spouse’s and children’s pensions. Normal Retirement Age is a member’s 65th birthday, and pre 2004 members have an entitlement to retire without actuarial reduction from age 60. Pensions in payment (and deferment) normally increase in line with general public sector salary inflation.

The disclosures below have been prepared for the Heritage Council in relation to benefits payable from the Heritage Council Employee Superannuation Scheme 2003 and Spouses and Children’s Scheme. The schemes are un-funded of the defined benefit type, providing retirement benefits based on service and pensionable salary. The valuation used for FRS 102 disclosures have been based on a full assessment of the liabilities of the Schemes as at 31st December 2022. The present values of the defined benefit obligation and the service cost were measured using the projected unit credit method. This disclosure note includes balance sheet and assumption details for the financial year ended 31st December 2022 and 31st December 2021.

The principal actuarial assumptions used by independent qualified actuaries to calculate the liabilities under FRS 102 are set out below:

Assumptions	31/12/2022	31/12/2021
Inflation	2.2%	1.90%
Rate of general long-term increase in salaries	3.7%	3.40%
Rate of increase in state benefits	1.9%	1.90%
Rate of increase in deferred benefits	2.7%	2.40%
Pension Increases	2.7%	2.40%
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	3.7%	1.30%

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(e) General Description Of The Scheme contd.

Mortality Assumptions

At 31st December 2022, we have used mortality assumptions for current and future pensioners based on standard mortality tables allowing for future mortality improvements. The life expectancies from age 65 for sample ages, as derived from these mortality assumptions, would be as follows (31st December 2021 life expectancies also provided for comparison):

Life expectancy at age 65 (in years)	31/12/2022	31/12/2021
Male, now aged 45	25.1	25.0
Male, now aged 65	23.4	23.3
Female, now aged 45	27.4	27.2
Female, now aged 65	25.7	25.5

Note 12: Property, Plant and Equipment

	Buildings	Office Furniture	Office Equipment	Plant & Equipment	Computers	Reference Material & OSI Licences	Works of Art	Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
COST								
As at 1st January 2022	8,064,752	228,016	199,163	23,405	852,094	457,204	203,217	10,027,851
Additions	0	6,019	0	48,999	52,885	0	0	107,903
Disposal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
As 31st December 2022	8,064,752	234,035	199,163	72,404	904,979	457,204	203,217	10,135,754
Accumulated Depreciation								
As at 1st January 2022	2,965,085	220,338	198,955	18,762	832,687	457,204	0	4,693,031
Charge for year	201,619	814	208	2,887	13,998	0	0	219,526
On disposals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
As 31st December 2022	3,166,704	221,152	199,163	21,649	846,685	457,204	0	4,912,557
NET BOOK AMOUNTS								
As at 1st January 2022	5,099,667	7,678	208	4,643	19,407	0	203,217	5,334,820
As at 31st December 2022	4,898,048	12,883	0	50,755	58,294	0	203,217	5,223,197

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Note 13: Receivables

	2022	2021
	€	€
Debtors	197,013	0
Prepayments & Other Debtors	<u>177,710</u>	<u>113,305</u>
Total	<u>374,723</u>	<u>113,305</u>

Note 14: Payables

The Heritage Council incurred rental payments in respect of a lease on the property occupied by the National Biodiversity Data Centre at Carriganore, Co. Waterford in the amount of €20,000, which is included in the National Biodiversity Centre Costs at Note 6 (c). The lease is a ten year lease, with a break clause that can be exercised by The Heritage Council at 6 months notice.

	2022	2021
	€	€
Creditors	1,017,098	437,666
Accruals	<u>425,321</u>	<u>445,719</u>
General Creditors & Accruals	1,442,419	883,385
Grant Accruals	<u>355,627</u>	<u>73,528</u>
Total	<u>1,798,046</u>	<u>956,913</u>

Note 15: The Irish Landmark Trust Ltd.

The Irish Landmark Trust Ltd was established in 1992 as a non-profit company with the objective of saving historic buildings that were abandoned or at risk. This is achieved by giving them a useful and viable function as short term holiday accommodation, which would secure their long-term future. The level of Council funding each year is determined by reference to Councils' Five-Year Plan, the Irish Landmark Trust's Corporate Plan, and Council's overall budgetary position.

Note 16: Discovery Programme: Centre for Archaeology and Innovation Ireland

The Council funds the Discovery Programme that was established in 1991 and was registered as a company, limited by guarantee on 15 January 1996. The Council is responsible for appointing the chair of the Discovery Programme and three of its directors. The Chief Executive or his/her nominee is one of Council's representatives on the Board of the Discovery Programme. The level of Council funding each year is determined by reference to Council's Five-Year Plan, The Discovery Programme's Corporate Plan, and Council's overall budgetary position.

The purpose of the programme is to enhance our understanding of Ireland's past through research and archaeological excavations.

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Note 17: Grant Commitments

At 31st December 2021 the Council had entered into grant commitments in connection with activities due to take place after that date. The amount committed of €39,009 is not reflected in these Financial Statements.

	2022	2021
	€	€
Grants committed at 1 January	39,009	37,746
Approvals in year	7,893,148	6,277,877
Grants decommitted	(749,173)	(295,636)
Grants Written Off	(311,362)	(141,538)
Grant expenditure in the year (See note 5)	<u>(6,608,179)</u>	<u>(5,839,440)</u>
Grant Commitments at 31 December	<u>263,443</u>	<u>39,009</u>

Note 18: Related Party Disclosures

Key management personnel in The Heritage Council consists of the members of the Board, the Chief Executive, the Heads of Service and the Head of Finance. The Board does not receive any remuneration. For a breakdown of the remuneration and benefits paid to key management personnel, please refer to note 9 and note 10.

The Heritage Council adopts procedures in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform covering the personal interests of Board members. In the normal course of business, The Heritage Council may approve grants and enter into other contractual arrangements with entities in which The Heritage Council Board members are employed or otherwise interested.

In cases of potential conflict of interest, Board members do not participate in or attend discussions regarding these transactions. A register is maintained and available on request of all such instances.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 18: Related Party Disclosures contd.

The following members disclosed an interest in organisations to which financial assistance was approved in the year.

Council Member	Grant Reference	Grantee	Grant Offer (€)
Fionnuala May	D16412	Irish Georgian Society	50,000
Fionnuala May	C16479	Fingal County Council	18,000
Fionnuala May	C16517	Fingal County Council	18,000
Fionnuala May Deirdre Mc Dermott	CH17300	Building Limes Forum of Ireland	2,200
Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16441	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	20,130
Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17215	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	4,077
Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16379	Wicklow Uplands Council	50,000
Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16448	Irish Uplands Forum	17,000
Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17137	Birdwatch Ireland	2,720
Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17173	Birdwatch Ireland	16,675
Sammy Leslie	D16400	Historic Houses Association	30,000
John Pierce	D16441	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	20,130
John Pierce	CH17215	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	4,077

Note 19: Going Concern

The Council draws funds from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage as and when required. It recognises this income on a cash receipts basis but recognises expenditure on an accruals basis. The Board considers that, as the entity provides a public service that is 93% funded by monies provided by the Exchequer, via its parent department, the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, it is appropriate to prepare these financial statements on a going concern basis.

Note 20: Premises

The Heritage Council operates from a premises at Áras na hOidhreachta, Church Lane, Kilkenny which it occupies and owns.

Note 21: Appointment of Board of The Heritage Council

The current Board of The Heritage Council was appointed by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage on 3rd November 2020.

Notes To The Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2022 contd.

Note 22: Approval of Financial Statements

The Financial Statements were approved by Council on 29th June 2023.

The Heritage Council Schedule of Grant Payments

Irish Walled Towns Network - Current Scheme - Non Capital Projects				
Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
WD17543	Bandon Walled Town	Bandon Walled Town Festival 2022	Cork - Cork County	14,474
WD17556	New Ross Municipal District	1798 Plaques New Ross	Wexford	32,170
WD17559	Athlone Castle Visitor Centre	'Athlone Castle brings History Alive' a programme of events around Heritage Week 2022	Westmeath	8,897
WD17568	Buttevant Heritage Group	Buttevant Heritage Relaunch 2022	Cork - Cork County	3,000
WD17569	Kildare County Council	Conservation Management and Interpretation Plan- Naas Town	Kildare	13,500
WD17571	Galway County Council	Athenry Walled Town Day 2022	Galway - Galway County	17,308
WD17572	Galway County Council	Loughrea Medieval Festival 2022	Galway - Galway County	19,790
WD17576	Waterford City and County Council	Illustrated guide to Waterfords Medieval City Walls and Towers	Waterford	15,000
WD17586	Cork County Council	Youghal Medieval Festival 2022	Cork - Cork County	18,000
WD17587	Meath County Council	Show and Tell: Developing a signage plan for Trim's Town walls through public events and engagement	Meath	4,000
WD17592	Kildare Town Heritage Centre	St. Brigid's Monastic Garden Kildare Town	Kildare	3,845
WD17594	Tipperary County Council	The Walled Towns of Tipperary booklet	Tipperary	7,803
			Total	157,787

Irish Walled Towns Network - Capital Projects

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
W17553	Derry City & Strabane District Council	Restoration of the Derry Walls Cannon Carriages	Ireland - Northern	3,254
W17570	Galway County Council	Athenry Town Walls Capital Works 2022	Galway - Galway County	74,609
W17578	Limerick City & County Council	Limerick City Walls 2022 Irishtown Linear Park Phase 2	Limerick	70,290
W17583	Westmeath County Council	Athlone Town Wall - localised vegetation clearance,survey and preparation of Conservation Works Specification	Westmeath	5,366
W17584	Meath County Council	Kells Town Walls - Mural Tower - Repair Works	Meath	9,503
W17588	Kildare County Council	Conservation of Castledermot Town Walls 2022 - South and West Wall	Kildare	1,472
W17595	Wexford County council	Phase 2 Conservation of William St Wall, New Ross	Wexford	35,891
			Total	200,385

Heritage Sector Support Fund				
Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
D16367	Irish Museums Association	Irish Museums Association (IMA) Programme 2022	All of Ireland	44,000
D16373	Bere Island Projects Group CLG	Bere Island Projects Group: Implementing the Bere Island Conservation Plan Workplan 2022	Cork - Cork County	20,000
D16374	Burrenbeo Trust	Supporting Place-Based Learning and Community Stewardship in Ireland, 2022	Clare, Galway - Galway County	49,989
D16376	The Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB) Ireland	Sustainability and Vernacular Built Heritage	All of Ireland	34,655
D16379	Wicklow Uplands Council	Wicklow Uplands Council Core Funding 2022	Wicklow	50,000
D16381	Institute of Conservators-Restorers In Ireland	Institute of Conservator-Restorers' in Ireland [ICRI] work programme 2022	All of Ireland	27,844
D16389	Nore River Catchment Trust	Nore River Catchment Trust - Heritage Programme Co-ordinator	Kilkenny, Laois, Tipperary - Tipperary North, Tipperary - Tipperary South	24,169
D16390	Irish Film Institute	Irish Film Institute 2022 Digital Capacity Building Initiative	Dublin - Dublin City	49,097
D16394	Offaly Heritage Centre	Offaly Archives: Sustaining development of a community-led repository	Offaly	40,000
D16397	The Irish Whale and Dolphin Group	Policy Development, Action and Advocacy for Cetaceans in Irish Waters 2022	Clare	50,000
D16400	Historic Houses of Ireland	Historic Houses of Ireland - Funding for Executive Director to Implement Strategic Plan	Ireland - Republic of	30,000
D16410	Waterford Treasures Museums in the Viking Triangle	Sustaining the National Horological Museum beyond Covid	Waterford	35,414
D16412	Irish Georgian Society	IGS Heritage Capacity Fund 2022 application	All of Ireland	50,000
D16416	Dark Sky Ireland	Dark Sky Ireland Core Support	All of Ireland	34,990
D16418	100 Archive	100 Archive 2022 Programme of Work	All of Ireland	11,999
D16421	Irish Seed Savers Association	Irish Seed Savers Association Core Support	Clare	50,000
D16428	Dublin Civic Trust	Dublin Civic Trust Work Programme 2022	Dublin - Dublin City	27,000

Heritage Sector Support Fund contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
D16433	Leave No Trace Ireland	Inspiring ethical outdoor recreation	All of Ireland	50,000
D16440	The Little Museum of Dublin	The Little Museum of Dublin Core Support	Dublin - Dublin City	24,183
D16441	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	Irish Peatland Conservation Council - Giving a Voice to Peatlands for 40 Years	Kildare	20,130
D16442	Bat Conservation Ireland	Heritage Structures and Bats: Protecting Bats during Management, Restoration and Maintenance Works at Heritage Sites	All of Ireland	14,057
D16443	High Nature Value Services Ltd	Clare Field Monument Advisor (FMA) Scheme 2022	Clare	17,730
D16447	The Irish Wildlife Trust	Engaging Ireland in Biodiversity Action 2022	All of Ireland	50,000
D16448	Irish Uplands Forum	Irish Uplands Forum: Heritage Capacity Building 2022	Ireland - Republic of	4,600
D16451	Woodlands of Ireland	Woodlands of Ireland Project work in 2022	All of Ireland	33,216
D16454	Dublin City Council Culture Company	Your Tenement Memories (YTM)	Dublin - Dublin City	20,000
D16457	The Michael Davitt National Memorial Company Limited T/A The Michael Davitt Museum	Preserving Heritage - Broadening Access	Mayo	29,751
D16460	Hedge Laying Association of Ireland	Rejuvenating Ireland's Hedgerows: Building Hedgerow Awareness and Hedge Laying Capability	All of Ireland	26,000
			Total	918,824

Local Authority County Heritage Plan Projects

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
C16391	Roscommon County Council	2022: Farming Rathcroghan EIP Community Archaeology Project	Roscommon	18,750
C16395	Leitrim County Council	Leitrim Heritage Plan Projects 2022	Leitrim	35,972
C16402	Wexford County Council	Wexford World War 2 Defence Heritage Recording Project 2022	Wexford	7,313
C16404	Carlow County Council	County Heritage Plan 2023-28; Facilitation	Carlow	4,613
C16405	Laois County Council	Heritage Conservation and Engagement in Laois 2022	Laois	36,000
C16413	Offaly County Council	Offaly Heritage Plan - Awareness - Project Delivery	Offaly	24,000
C16437	Westmeath County Council	Westmeath Heritage Plan Actions 2022	Westmeath	36,000
C16439	Galway City Council	Galway's Heritage in Stone Volume 8	Galway - Galway City	2,700
C16444	Galway County Council	Galway County Community Archaeology Project 2022 (Strand 2)	Galway - Galway County	20,000
C16445	Galway County Council	Audit of Holy Wells of County Galway Phase 3 - 2022 (Strand 1)	Galway - Galway County	15,053
C16446	Galway County Council	Bi-lingual Geological Heritage Workbook for Junior Certificate (including videos and podcasts) Stream 1	Galway - Galway County	8,000
C16455	Dublin City Council	Saint Anne's Park Community Archaeology Project - Phase 2	Dublin - Dublin City	30,000
C16462	Dublin City Council	Dublin's Heritage Buildings Show	Dublin - Dublin City	14,000
C16463	Galway County Council	Digital Mapping of Graveyards Project 2022 (Stream 1)	Galway - Galway County	20,070
C16467	Clare County Council	Clare Community Archaeology Scheme	Clare	18,675
C16469	Cavan County Council	Placing Heritage at the Heart of Communities in Cavan - 2022	Cavan	8,000
C16470	Offaly County Council	Streetscape - Research and Building Condition Assessment	Offaly	29,000
C16475	Waterford City & County Council	Project Management Woodstown Viking Site 2022	Waterford	12,454
C16476	Monaghan County Council	County Monaghan Biodiversity & Heritage Strategic Plan implementation 2022	Monaghan	24,316
C16479	Fingal County Council	Fingal Thatch Project 2022	Dublin - Fingal	18,000

Local Authority County Heritage Plan Projects contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
C16480	Dublin City Council	Built to Last: Energy efficiency renovation of Traditional Dublin homes	Dublin - Dublin City	8,310
C16481	Kilkenny County Council	Heritage Awareness and Engagement Programme 2022	Kilkenny	13,500
C16482	Kildare County Council	Medieval Kilcullen- Research to explore the extent of the Old Kilcullen site	Kildare	10,000
C16483	Kildare County Council	Kildare County Heritage Awareness 2022	Kildare	11,000
C16485	Limerick City and County Council	Limerick Swift Survey 2022	Limerick	11,970
C16488	Clare County Council	Lisdoonvarna Heritage Audit and Heritage & Tourism Plan	Clare	48,950
C16489	Cork County Council	Heritage Towns and Villages of County Cork Publication	Cork - Cork County	18,000
C16493	Cavan County Council	Cavan Historic Graveyards Network -2022	Cavan	12,000
C16504	Donegal County Council	Community Archaeology Scheme - County Donegal	Donegal	20,000
C16508	Cork City Council	Heritage and Biodiversity Projects 2022	Cork - Cork City	30,157
C16509	Galway City Council	Conserving Three Castles Galway Exhibition	Galway - Galway City	877
C16511	Donegal County Council	County Donegal Heritage Plan Programme 2022	Donegal	36,000
C16512	Galway City Council	Annual Galway City Heritage Conference: Galway's Castles: Archaeology, History, Conservation and Public Use	Galway - Galway City	3,127
C16513	Mayo County Council	Mayo Cultural Heritage Data Collection Programme 2022	Mayo	36,000
C16516	Galway City Council	Galway's Cemeteries & Graveyards Their Heritage: A Guide & Response Manual [including completion of 2 survey sites, presentation and launch]	Galway - Galway City	3,488
C16517	Fingal County Council	Digging Drumanagh 2022	Dublin - Fingal	14,477
C16518	Dublin City Council	An Introduction to Dublin's Industrial Heritage (South East Area)	Dublin	8,000
C16519	Roscommon County Council	2022: Owen O'Connor Mausoleum Conservation Project, Ballintubber Graveyard	Roscommon	10,032

Local Authority County Heritage Plan Projects contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
C16520	Tipperary County Council	Tipperary Holy Wells Project 2022	Tipperary	6,188
C16521	Tipperary County Council	Tipperary Raising Awareness Programme 2022	Tipperary	15,960
C16524	Cork County Council	Geological Survey of County Cork Phase Two	Cork - Cork County	11,000
C16526	Kildare County Council	Gordon Bennett Race Project	Kildare	5,000
C16527	Wicklow County Council	Glendalough Community Archaeology Project	Wicklow	16,178
C16532	Cork County Council	County Cork Heritage Grant Scheme 2022	Cork - Cork County	17,000
C16541	Waterford City & County Council	Heritage Outreach	Waterford	2,250
C16543	Meath County Council	Meath County Heritage Plan Projects 2022	Meath	36,000
C16547	Wicklow County Council	Our Wicklow Heritage	Wicklow	19,000
C16551	Sligo County Council	Sligo Community Archaeology Project 2022	Sligo	19,906
C16555	Sligo County Council	Sligo Heritage Engagement Programme 2022	Sligo	8,000
C16564	Kildare County Council	Kildare Hedgerow Survey 2022	Kildare	10,000
C16566	Kerry County Council	Kerry Building Conservation Project: historic landscapes, skills, archives and traditions	Kerry	22,928
C16574	Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	Dublin Mountains Community Archaeologist Year 2	Dublin	20,000
C16576	Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	Memorials audit, map and booklet update	Dublin	8,709
C16577	Roscommon County Council	2022: Heritage Engagement & Awareness Programme - incl support for preparation of new County Heritage Plan	Roscommon	2,999
C16579	Carlow County Council	Blackstairs Mountains Vernacular Heritage Project	Carlow	17,989
C16581	Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	A People's History of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown - transcripts and StoryMap	Dublin	17,528
C16583	Wicklow County Council	Wicklow Community Archaeology Project	Wicklow	18,450

Local Authority County Heritage Plan Projects contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
C16585	Carlow County Council	Gordon Bennett Race- Intangible heritage	Carlow	5,250
C17616	Cavan County Council	Cavan Golden Way 2022	Cavan	6,706
C17617	Cavan County Council	Cavan County Wetlands Survey - phase II	Cavan	6,000
			Total	971,845

Community Heritage Grant Scheme

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH16474	Delany Archive Trust	Conservation and online publication of school returns (1824), Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin	Carlow	19,733
CH16478	“Royal Dublin Society (RDS)”	RDS Treasures Collection, Dublin: Expansion of Digital Archive, 2022	Dublin	17,134
CH16500	Carndonagh Heritage Group	Graves Index Church of the Sacred Heart Carndonagh 2022	Donegal	3,500
CH16503	Irish Iron Heritage Foundation CLG	Caherconnell International Furnace Festival August 2022	Clare	14,000
CH16505	Edward Richards-Orpen Memorial Trust	Monksgrange Archives Equipment Upgrade Project 2022	Wexford	10,556
CH16506	NUI Galway Library	Ó Máille cylinder recordings of Irish stories & songs of Connacht & Clare, NUI Galway Library 2022	Galway	20,000
CH16525	LATCH CLG	2022 Repair Work at Lifford Old Courthouse	Donegal	7,400
CH16531	Follies Trust	Conservation of a pair of decorative gate piers, formerly in the grounds of Markree Castle, Co Sligo	Sligo	5,000
CH16540	Trinity College Dublin	Pestilence! A virtual exhibition of the history of pandemics in Ireland	Dublin - Dublin City	8,715
CH16552	Kilgarriffe Select Vestry	Re-rendering the Church Of The Ascension Timoleague(timoleaguemosaics.ie)	Cork - Cork County	20,000
CH16553	Claremorris Tidy Towns	Ecology Survey and Graveyard Mapping of St. John's Graveyard, Claremorris, Co Mayo 2022	Mayo	3,363
CH16578	Monaghan County Museum	A contested history - An accessible heritage	Monaghan	20,000
CH16591	Kilcooley Cemetery & Heritage Group	Kilcooley Cemetery Costed Conservation Management Plan	Galway - Galway County	20,000
CH16639	Dark Sky Ireland	Dark Skies for All - Public Portal & Citizen Science across Ireland	All of Ireland	8,361
CH16640	Mayo Dark Skies	Newport Heritage & Dark Sky Lighting Technical Design & Pilot	Mayo	20,000
CH16643	Elder Tree Community Group	Traditional crafts, skills and storytelling	Clare	3,143
CH16646	Mountmellick Development Association	Museum Conservation Project 2022	Laois	6,935
CH16648	Butler Gallery	Digitisation of Butler Gallery Collection: Phase 2	Kilkenny	20,000

Community Heritage Grant Scheme contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH16655	The Kingston Charity Trust	Kingston College Conservation and Restoration Plan 2022	Cork - Cork County	20,000
CH16669	Annaghdown Heritage Society	Annaghdown Monastic and Medieval Storymap	Galway - Galway County	2,972
CH16674	The North Leitrim Women's Centre	Leitrim Women Through Time	Leitrim	13,687
CH16686	Donegal Famine Heritage Centre (Dunfanaghy) LTD (Operating as	The Workhouse Conservation Plan 2022	Donegal	4,500
CH16692	Bat Rehabilitation Ireland	Bat research and education to involve the community	Limerick	1,359
CH16708	Conservation Volunteers Galway	Common Tern Nesting Rafts to replace wooden nesting rafts in Lough Atalia, Galway City.	Galway - Galway City	4,395
CH16712	Kilbarron Castle Conservation Group	Old Kilbarron Church -Maintaining the walls	Donegal	13,000
CH16717	St Louis Secondary School	Conservation and Restoration of 3 windows and doors in Teach Essex Phase 1	Monaghan	19,900
CH16722	Abbeyleix Tidy (ATT)	Condition Assessment and Restoration Plan (Including Public Information Campaign) For Abbeyleix Fountains	Laois	11,900
CH16730	Kells TypeTrail	Conservation of 1860s Wharfedale Printing Press (Phase 2 - 2022)	Meath	15,424
CH16736	Clonleigh Parish Church	Clonleigh Parish Church 2022 repairs	Donegal	20,000
CH16745	Midland Amenity Park CLG trading as Dún na Sí Amenity and Heritage Park	The Introduction of an Interpretive Visitor App for Dún na Sí Amenity and Heritage Park, Moate, Co. Westmeath 2022	Westmeath	3,419
CH16756	Knock Museum	Knock Museum Collections Management database upgrade	Mayo	13,683
CH16767	Donegal GAP Heritage and History Group	Donegal GAP Heritage and History Group Community Heritage Plan	Donegal	19,000
CH16772	Deaf Heritage Centre	Development of a Virtual Exhibition of the Deaf Heritage Centre, Cabra, Dublin 7	Dublin - Dublin City	5,904
CH16779	Oideas Gael	Oidhreacht Pharóiste Ghleann Cholm Cille 2022: Ag Cur Brí sna Sonraí	Donegal	9,464

Community Heritage Grant Scheme contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH16786	Skehana & District Heritage Group	An Bhean Ghlúine (woman of the knee) midwife/handywoman	Galway - Galway County	3,088
CH16796	Knockboy Graveyard Committee	Knockboy Church, Co. Waterford - continuing conservation works 2022	Waterford	13,107
CH16800	Irish Traditional Music Archive	Physical to Digital: A Complete Scanning Solution for the Irish Traditional Music Archive	Dublin - Dublin City	19,400
CH16811	Ballydangan Bog Red Grouse Project	Ballydangan Bog Red Grouse Project	Roscommon	5,240
CH16812	Thomas MacDonagh Museum	Thomas MacDonagh Museum, Co Tipperary, Digital Heritage Resources Plan 2022	Tipperary	22,500
CH16813	Muileann Coirce Leitir CLG	Refurbishment of Waterwheel/Corn Mill	Donegal	20,000
CH16822	Dunkineely Community Ltd	Old Killaghtee Church and Graveyard Conservation Report	Donegal	12,500
CH16826	Monivea Heritage Association	Monivea Church of Ireland and Grave Yard Regeneration	Galway - Galway County	13,236
CH16834	Galway Civic Trust / Dúchas na Gaillimhe	Promote Heritage Premises and Public Engagement	Galway - Galway City	4,686
CH16870	Athenry Heritage Centre	Disability Access To The Athenry Heritage Centre 2022	Galway - Galway County	3,571
CH16871	Tipperary Town Revitalization	What's the Story with the Tipperary Town Architectural Conservation Area (ACA) : What does it mean to local Young People?	Tipperary	15,900
CH16884	Forbairt Dhún Lúiche	Dunlewey Digital Heritage Resource	Donegal	19,882
CH16892	St Ruadhans Church of Ireland	St Ruadhan's COI Lorrha, Co Tipperary Vestry Roof Restoration 2022	Tipperary	13,800
CH16897	Diseart Institute for Irish Spirituality and Culture	An Diseart, Dingle: to implement some recommendations of the 2021 Universal Audit Report	Kerry	20,000
CH16899	GLINSK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY LTD.	Ballinakill Abbey - Conservation - Phase One-2022	Galway - Galway County	20,000
CH16908	Airfield Estate	Grand Dames of Irish Motoring: Airfield's iconic 1927 Rolls-Royce and it's 'one careful lady owner' - Letitia Overend	Dublin - Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown	15,000

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CH16927	Barntown Heritage Group	The Conservation of Furlongs Homestead	Wexford	3,500
CH16930	Arklow Town Team	Arklow Pottery Online - Digital Database	Wicklow	20,000
CH16933	Cork LGBT Archive	Cork LGBT Archive Community Heritage	Cork - Cork City	19,500
CH16936	St. Flannan's Cathedral - Select Vestry	Conservation & development research and self-guided tour of St. Flannan's Cathedral, Killaloe, Co Clare	Clare	5,152
CH16937	St Fin Barre's Cathedral	The Inclusive Cathedral	Cork - Cork City	5,160
CH16946	Waterford Treasures Museums in the Viking Triangle	Bespoke showcase to display a silver-gilt ship, part of an exhibition to animate the 15th century Mayor's Wine Vault	Waterford	4,080
CH16947	Galway City Museum	Galway City Museum Website Rebuild 2022	Galway - Galway City	20,000
CH16954	Boyne Currach Heritage Group	Development of Digital Heritage Resources - create a new website for Boyne Currach Heritage Group	Meath	3,140
CH16957	Labane and Ardahan Community Development Association	South Galway Milestones Conservation Project	Galway - Galway County	3,444
CH16959	Scurlogstown Olympiad Ltd	2022 Restoration of 7Arch Bridge, Freffans East, Trim	Meath	20,000
CH16960	South East Galway Integrated Rural Development Clg.	Museum Upgrade Project 2022	Galway - Galway County	12,472
CH16970	South Presentation Centre Ltd. trading as Nano Nagle Place	Environmental Monitoring at Nano Nagle Place	Cork - Cork City	10,160
CH16972	Kilrush and District Historical Society	The preservation of the Barrett Collection, Kilrush, Co. Clare	Clare	5,455
CH16985	Sonairte - the National Ecology Centre	Getting to know you, accessing the biodiversity, natural, archaeological and architectural heritage of Sonairte, Ninch West, Co Meath	Meath	13,000
CH17003	Kilconly St, Andrew's Conservation Group CLG	Kilconly St. Andrews conservation repairs to doors and windows.	Galway - Galway County	19,252

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CH17008	Irish Heritage Trust	Johnstown Castle Estate Museum & Gardens - Interpretation & Visitor Experience Strategy 2022	Wexford	16,554
CH17011	Milltown Community Council	Collections Condition Audit and Preventive Conservation Recommendations Report at Milltown Heritage Centre, Milltown, Co Galway	Galway - Galway County	4,800
CH17012	NIVAL: National Irish Visual Arts Library	Traveller Art and Craft: Documentation and Inclusion in the NIVAL Collection 2022	Dublin	8,542
CH17020	Crumlin Community Cleanup	Crumlin Heritage Community Audit and Plan	Dublin - Dublin City	11,050
CH17022	Hunt Museum	The Accessible Museum: Making the Hunt Museum work better for the Visually Impaired	Limerick	18,770
CH17023	Donegal Railway Heritage Centre	Donegal Interactive Steam Engine Cab	Donegal	17,695
CH17025	Lyreacrompane Heritage Group	Lyreacrompane Heritage Group website.	Kerry	2,100
CH17026	Knockfierna Heritage Society	Knockfierna Sweathouse Access Project	Limerick	17,499
CH17028	Kilgobnet Graveyard Committee	Cataloguing of Kilgobnet Old Graveyard Graves for the purpose of Heritage Research	Waterford	3,800
CH17029	Cork Folklore Project	'Opening Memories' - Cork Folklore Project Online Catalogue	Cork - Cork City	6,300
CH17032	The Kylemore Trust	Kylemore Abbey - Historic Collection Management Programme	Galway - Galway County	19,792
CH17039	GMIT (Atlantic Technological University)	Traditional Skills – Building a Sustainable Sector	Galway	1,967
CH17041	The National 1798 Historical Centre Ltd	Enniscorthy Castle Halberdier Protection	Wexford	3,350
CH17042	Clooney Spencilhill Community Development Group	Clooney House Pier & Gate Restoration	Clare	19,400
CH17044	Colligan Graveyard	Colligan Graveyard Survey 2023	Waterford	2,800
CH17050	Currow Rural Development	Traditional building workshop.	Kerry	2,600

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CH17059	Na Piobairi Uilleann	Video tutorial in making a hand-stitched leather bag for the uilleann pipes, Na Piobairí Uilleann	Dublin - Dublin City	3,255
CH17064	Spanish Point Community Group	An Audio Guide to Spanish Point, Co Clare - Its History and Heritage.	Clare	7,273
CH17065	Dalkey Irish Heritage Town Co	Digitising and Sharing Heritage Assets Plan 2022	Dublin - Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown	20,000
CH17066	Sligo Tidy Towns Partnership	Conservation Works to Sligo Borough Boundary Markers	Sligo	5,778
CH17073	Clashmore and Kinsalebeg Community Council	Structural Assessment of Garranaspick Ice House, 2022	Waterford	4,890
CH17075	Alfred Beit Foundation	Phase II works to 18th Century Weir Wall at Russborough	Wicklow	20,000
CH17077	Irish Labour History Society	Updated Website To Enhance Access To Irish Labour History Society Archival Collections & Promoting Work Of The Society & Showcase Labour History	All of Ireland	3,000
CH17094	Irish Film Archive	Restore the film Saoirse	All of Ireland	20,000
CH17096	Comharchumann Forbartha Árann	Caomhnú Fad-Téarmach Inmharthana agus Rochtain Ar Líne do Bhailiúchán Béaloideas Árann trí Dúchas.ie	Galway - Galway County	20,000
CH17101	Killeshandra Tidy Towns Heritage Group	Killeshandra Rath Church Martin Family Mausoleum Preservation	Cavan	18,000
CH17105	Tralee Tidy Towns	Tralee Heritage Trail Mobile Accessible Self-Guided Tour	Kerry	12,340
CH17111	Cooley Connect Well	Survey of Stone Structures of the Cooley Mountain Areas	Louth	10,000
CH17112	Dublin Cemeteries Trust	Glasnevin Cemetery Archive Boxing Project	Dublin - Dublin City	14,680
CH17115	Allihies Copper Mine Museum	Display of Conserved Ledgers, Bible and Puxley Papers	Cork - Cork County	23,887
CH17116	Ballingarry Development Association	Monckton Vault Conservation 2022, Ballingarry Co. Limerick	Limerick	17,564
CH17122	Tea Lane Graveyard restoration Committee	Engage Grade 1 Architects to carry out a feasibility study on the viability of opening up window opes and to prepare a conservation methodology tender drawings, specification and schedule of works	Kildare	5,230

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Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH17124	Third Age Foundation CLG T/A Third Age	Third Age "The Way We Were" Living History Video Project Proposal	Meath	12,940
CH17125	Our Lady's Island Community Development Co	Conservation of Lady's Island Bawn Wall, 2022	Wexford	17,400
CH17126	Rathdrum Tidy Towns	Rathdrum Swift Project 2022	Wicklow	3,910
CH17127	Cork Butter Museum CLG	Accessible Heritage - A New Strand to Cork's Playful Culture Trail	Cork - Cork City	9,134
CH17131	Awake Tourism	Ardara Heritage Centre exhibition panels refresh	Donegal	20,000
CH17137	Birdwatch Ireland Meath	Educate and Conserve Meath's Birds	Meath	2,593
CH17139	Kinny Cally Hall Restoration Project Group	Kinny Cally Hall Restoration Project	Donegal	3,690
CH17155	Cork Traveller Women's Network	Black Ash Traveller heritage, Oral History Project 2022	Cork - Cork City	10,470
CH17158	Donaghpatrick/ Kilcoona Heritage Society	Donaghpatrick/Kilcoona Heritage Society conservation and digitisation of old stories and events which are held in old VHS tapes by individuals associated with the three schools in the parish	Galway - Galway County	3,000
CH17162	Clarecastle Tidy Towns	Clarecastle Tree Survey	Clare	14,514
CH17163	Myshall Muintir Na Tire	Myshall - Restoring and Rebuilding Our Heritage	Carlow	10,456
CH17166	Cuimhneamh an Chláir	Cuimhneamh an Chláir website redevelopment	Clare	10,000
CH17170	River Moy Search and Rescue Ballina CLG	Monitoring and Condition Assessment of Populations of Vertigo Snails in the Killala Bay Moy Estuary SAC 000458	Mayo	7,000
CH17171	SIRIUS	SIRIUS: Online dissemination of architectural heritage	Cork - Cork County	10,000
CH17173	BirdWatch Ireland	Conservation Equipment to improve access for all and the habitats at East Coast Nature Reserve, Co Wicklow 2022	Wicklow	12,255
CH17185	St. Mary's Church Community Association	St. Mary's Church New Ross Conservation works 2022	Wexford	20,000

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Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH17186	Bailte Slachtmhara Bhearna	Tobar Eanna refurbishment	Galway - Galway City	10,840
CH17197	Oran-Ardkieran Cemetery Committee	Oran Graveyard Archaeological Survey 2022	Roscommon	5,400
CH17201	Town Team Cootehill	Coote Family Vault Conservation Project - Cootehill, Cavan 2022	Cavan	20,000
CH17213	Ramelton Town Hall Dev. Co. Ltd.	Ramelton Town Hall - Gates and railings repair and refurbishment	Donegal	14,000
CH17215	Irish Peatland Conservation Council	Discovering Ketts Lough, Phase 1	Clare	4,000
CH17216	Wildlife Rehabilitation Ireland	Bird, Bat, Pine Marten and Hedgehog boxes	Meath	1,018
CH17228	Friends of Merlin Woods	Merlin Park Woods Heritage Conservation and Woodland Coppicing Project 2022	Galway - Galway City	4,000
CH17235	Athboy Tidy Towns	Athboy Biodiversity Survey & Series of Workshops & Presentations	Meath	2,775
CH17237	Society for Old Lucan	Adopt a Monument: Historic Graves survey work at St. Finian's medieval church & graveyard, Esker, Co Dublin	Dublin - South Dublin	3,200
CH17245	Cahir Social & Historical Society	Cahir Quaker Burial Ground Conservation Project 2022	Tipperary	2,300
CH17246	Ballintober Heritage Committee	Conservation Symposium at Ballintober Castle, Co. Roscommon 2022	Roscommon	9,500
CH17247	Tait House Community Enterprise	Turner Vinery, South Hill (House) Condition Survey, Conservation Strategy & Specification 2022	Limerick	11,562
CH17250	Comharchumann Arainn Mhor	Conair Dhigiteach Oidhreachta Árainn Mhór	Donegal	20,000
CH17253	Strokestown Park and National Famine Museum, An Irish Heritage Trust Property	The Strokestown Park House 19th Century Photographic Darkroom: Interpretation Project	Roscommon	22,206
CH17257	St Marys Parish Church	Conservation and Display of two processional banners, St. Mary's Church Mallow	Cork - Cork County	10,441
CH17268	Dunmanogue Graveyard Conservation Group	Dunmanogue Historic Graveyard and Church Ruin, Conservation Management Plan	Kildare	20,000

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Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
CH17269	Garda Retired Members Association	Oral History of An Garda Síochána	All of Ireland	9,840
CH17272	Eyrecourt and District Community Development Company Limited	Professional film documenting the stories, folklore and memories of local elderly community members	Galway - Galway County	6,604
CH17273	KGK Heritage and Historical Society	Community Historical Archive Project 2022	Waterford	3,117
CH17280	Seal Rescue Ireland	Seal Rescue Ireland's High level Strategy & Interpretive Plan 2022	Wexford	6,000
CH17297	Louth Nature Trust	Development of Louth Nature Trust Website	Louth	3,758
CH17301	Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland IAI	Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland CPD Co-ordinator position & program and Heritage Week event 2022	All of Ireland	8,400
			Total	1,521,911

Historic Towns Capital Grants

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
HT16465	Mayo County Council	Belleek Gate Lodge, Ballina, Co. Mayo - Landmark Project 2022	Mayo	158,844
HT16548	Cork County Council	St.Colman's, Former Church of Ireland Building Macroom Co. Cork - Emergency Conservation & Investigative Works	Cork - Cork County	215,847
HT16565	Kilkenny County Council	Bridge Street conservation proposals for future works	Kilkenny	19,000
HT16637	Monaghan County Council	Re-establishing residential use in historic Dublin Street, Monaghan, 2022/23 External enhancements to 8 buildings, internal refurbishment to 2 buildings for residential use, inc. regulatory processes	Monaghan	10,959
HT16645	Kildare County Council	Resurrecting Naas Potato Market	Kildare	213,917
HT16739	Donegal County Council	The Diamond, Ballyshannon Historic Towns Initiative	Donegal	345,000
HT16777	Tipperary County Council	Glove Factory Tipperary Town	Tipperary	163,000
HT16787	Wexford County Council	Wexford Town Heritage-Led Regeneration Plan 2022	Wexford	30,038
HT16857	Kerry County Council	Revitalising a Market Town: Listowel, County Kerry: Phase Four	Kerry	225,361
HT11160	Wexford County Council	Slaney Street Regeneration Project, Enniscorthy 2021	Wexford	37,642
			Total	1,419,608

Stewardship Fund				
Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
SF17418	Galway Mayo Institute of Technology (ATU Galway)	Comrann - Sharing and Collecting Island Heritage Phase 1 2022	Galway - Galway County	4,117
SF17522	Kilkenny County Council	Creation of register and baseline on Kilkenny's Early Modern Townhouses	Kilkenny	4,125
SF17526	Meath County Archive	RDC Minutes Scanning Project, Meath County Archive, 2022	Meath	12,338
SF17528	Mayo County Council	Westport - Irish Historic Towns Atlas Research Project	Mayo	4,364
SF17529	Limerick Museum	Unlocking the Secrets of Limerick Museum	Limerick - Limerick City	11,209
SF17537	Coillte	Repair of damaged Townley Hall Entrance Gates & Piers and Gate Lodge, Drogheda, Co. Meath	Louth	15,000
SF17540	Clare County Council	Plan for the Conservation of Hasting's Farmhouse, Shannon, County Clare and improve accessibility and awareness of it as the oldest house in Shannon	Clare	22,110
SF17542	NUI GALWAY	Community Stewardship of Bertra's Natural Heritage	Mayo	18,212
SF17545	More Institute for Research in Humanities & Social Sciences	Ulster Landed Estates Data Collection and Input for Cavan, Donegal and Monaghan	Cavan, Donegal, Monaghan	8,204
SF17546	Kerry County Museum	Conservation of O'Mahony Collection at Kerry County Museum	Kerry	2,979
SF17551	Mayo County Council	Croagh Patrick Ambassador Programme	Mayo	15,000
SF17554	IMMA; Irish Museum of Modern Art	IMMA Looks Back: Heritage Podcast Series	Dublin - Dublin City	4,808
SF17555	Donegal County Archives	Ann Doherty, A Photojournalist's Archive	Donegal	12,898
SF17558	Wicklow County Archives Service, Wicklow County Council	Wicklow County Archives Service Junior Cycle Teachers' Resource Pack	Wicklow	8,205
SF17560	Laois County Library	Laois Photographic Archives Preservation Project	Laois	8,603
SF17561	Tipperary Museum of Hidden History	Traditional Irish Craft Skills Programme Working with Diverse Communities in Tipperary 2022	Tipperary	10,853

Stewardship Fund contd.

Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
SF17566	Carlow County Museum, c/o Carlow County Council	Conservation, Relocation and Display of a 18th century endangered artefact for public display. Relocate a 1789 Wesley Methodist Chapel Plaque to Carlow County Museum, and MSPI museum	Carlow	2,128
SF17567	Offaly County Council	To support the conservation and appreciation of our vernacular heritage and traditional building skills	Offaly	15,000
SF17573	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	Charles Cameron & Public Health in Victorian Dublin	Dublin - Dublin City	5,740
SF17581	Kildare County Council	Record of Protected Structures: Reform and Reuse	Kildare	21,000
SF17585	Cork County Council Library and Arts Service	Irish Tourist Association Files - Cork Local Studies Digitisation Plan 2022	Cork - Cork County	3,171
SF17601	Dublin City Council	Dublin City Council Lime Training Event	Dublin - Dublin City	2,043
SF17602	Galway County Council	Golden Wings: A Tale about an Irish Barn Owl	Galway - Galway County	3,700
SF17603	South Dublin County Council	Corkagh: the life and times of a South Dublin demesne 1650 - 1960 (2022)	Dublin - South Dublin	5,400
SF17609	Limerick City & County Council	Survey of Galbally Church.	Limerick	7,661
SF17612	National Gallery of Ireland	Minute Books of the National Gallery of Ireland 1855-1970: project to catalogue, digitise and publish the minute books of the National Gallery of Ireland (NGI) up to 1970.	Dublin - Dublin City	16,383
SF17613	Clare Museum	Clare Museum Website Access Project 2022	Clare	10,988
SF17614	County Museum, Dundalk	Construction of bespoke display case for the Museum's archaeological gallery	Louth	3,091
SF17615	Cork Public Museum	Improvement of Cork Public Museum's Digitisation Facilities	Cork	15,000
			Total	274,330

Irish Landmark Trust				
Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
D17550	Irish Landmark Trust	IRISH LANDMARK TRUST CORE FUNDING 2022	All of Ireland	240,000
D17618	Irish Landmark Trust	ILT Conservation Capital Works Programme 2022	All of Ireland	89,489
			Total	329,489

Discovery Programme: Centre for Archaeology and Innovation Ireland				
Ref. Number	Recipient Name	Project Title	Local Authority Areas	Amt. Paid €
D17549	The Discovery Programme	DISCOVERY PROGRAMME CORE FUNDING 2022	All of Ireland	814,000
			Total	814,000

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Nuair a bhí machnamh á dhéanamh ar an mbliain díreach caite, tháinig na focail seo ón bhfealsamh agus caomhnóir mór Éireannach ar ár n-oidhreacht, John O Donohue, chun cuimhne arís agus arís eile.

Ní dóigh linn i gcónaí go bhfuil an oidhreacht dofheicthe. I ndeireadh na dála, is féidir linn áilleacht nádúrtha ár dtírdhreacha a fheiceáil go soiléir, na scéalta a chloisteáil go soiléir a chuireann oideachas orainn faoin am atá caite agus ar féidir leo teagmháil a dhéanamh leis an oidhreacht thógtha a thóg ár sinsir. Is é an rud atá dofheicthe, áfach, ná an chaoi a mbraitheann na heispéiris seo orainn, an muintearas a thugann siad dúinn. Sa Chomhairle Oidhreachta, is é an post atá againn gan an mothúchán sin a thabhairt

do dhaoine. Is é an post atá againn ná éascaíocht a dhéanamh do na daoine atá in ann, agus tá bród orm a rá gur post é seo a rinne muid go han-mhaith anuraidh.

In 2022, fuair an Chomhairle Oidhreachta an buiséad is mó ó 2009 de €13.8M. Leis an leibhéal méadaithe maoinithe seo, thacaíomar le níos mó cleachtóirí oidhreachta, údaráis áitiúla, grúpaí pobail agus eagraíochtaí oidhreachta ná riamh inár stair 28 mbliana. Mhéadaigh an maoiniú a d’eisíomar trí dheontais 13% go €6.6M, mhéadaigh tacaíocht do bhonneagar oidhreachta 15% go €2.6M, agus mhéadaigh maoiniú dár gcláir straitéiseacha 35% go €1.6M.

Ní fhéadfaimis a bheith ag soláthar dár n-earnáil ar an mbealach seo murach tacaíocht leanúnach an Aire Darragh O'Brien TD, an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta, an tAire Stáit Malcolm Noonan TD, an tAire Stáit Oidhreachta agus Athchóirithe Toghcháin, agus comhghleacaithe eile sa (DHLGH). Ba mhaith liom an deis seo a thapú chun buíochas a ghabháil leo agus táim ag súil go mór le bheith ag comhoibriú leo arís in 2023.

De réir mar a leanann an eagraíocht ag aibiú, beidh an fhís sin aici freisin, agus bhí 2022 in go leor bealaí ag aistriú don fhís sin. Thug sé le fios go raibh deireadh leis an bplean straitéiseach a bhí againn roimhe seo, 'Oidhrecht i Lár Báire', áit a raibh sé ar cheann de na spriocanna ardleibhéil *'mothú muintearais a chothú inár ndaoine trína bhféiniúlacht agus a n-áit a fheabhsú'*.

Agus mé ag iarraidh a thomhas ar éirigh linn an sprioc sin a bhaint amach, thosaigh mé ag machnamh ar na daoine agus ar na grúpaí ar bhuaill mé leo in 2022. Smaoinigh mé ar Líonra iontach Chartlanna Pobail na hÉireann (iCAN), tionscnamh oidhreachta pobail arna chomhordú ag Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann i gcomhar leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta agus le húdaráis áitiúla, ag spreagadh agus ag tacú le pobail chun a stair agus a n-oidhrecht áitiúil a bhailiú agus a roinnt ar líne.

I mí Iúil na bliana seo caite, d'óstáil iCAN comhdháil an Ghrúpa Cartlainne Pobail agus Oidhreachta i nGaillimh agus mar Chathaoirleach ar an gComhairle Oidhreachta, ba mhór an onóir dom labhairt

leis an lucht freastail. Níos tábhachtaí fós, bhí an deis agam bualadh leis na hoibrithe deonacha agus leis na staraithe áitiúla a bhíonn ar chostas mór go minic, faisnéis luachmhar a chosaint le luach ollmhór acadúil, stairiúil agus mothúchánach. A bhuí lenár maoiniú méadaithe, bhí an Chomhairle Oidhreachta in ann gealltanais a thabhairt in 2022 maoiniú a thabhairt do leathnú an tionscnaimh agus na foirne iCAN, rud a d'éascódh dóibh siúd a chabhraíonn lenár n-oidhrecht dhofheicthe a nochtadh dúinn.

Bliain a bhí ann freisin nuair a thosaigh muid ag breathnú i dtreo na todhchaí. Seoladh ár bplean nua cúig bliana, [Ár n-Áit sa Stair](#), a dréachtaíodh in 2022 faoi mhaoirseacht shaineolach mo chomhchomhalta den Chomhairle, Sheila Pratschke, [go hoifigiúil i mí Feabhra 2023](#). Is straitéis í a fhéachann le raon feidhme ár réimse tionchair a leathnú agus aithníonn sé grúpaí nach mbeadh sé chomh simplí sin rúndiamhra a n-oidhreachta dofheicthe a nochtadh.

I staidéar eitneagrafach ar Thaistealaithe óga a rinne Sindy Joyce in 2018, labhraíodh faoi fheiniméan tragóideach taistealaithe 'i bhfolach i radharc soiléir'. Is é sin le rá, a bhféiniúlacht a cheilt nó a chlóbhualadh ar eagla go ndéanfaí idirdhealú nó stiogmatú orthu. Go mbraithfeadh duine ar bith go mbeadh sé d'fhiacha air nó uirthi a oidhrecht a chur faoi chois ar an mbealach seo agus go bhfuil sé mar aidhm ag ár straitéis nua é a chur ina cheart. Táimid tiomanta do Straitéis Oidhreachta Taistealaí a fhorbairt i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an bpobal.

Tá áthas orm a rá gur cuireadh tús leis an

obair air seo cheana féin in 2022 trí shraith plé le hIonad Taistealaithe agus Romaigh Pavee Point agus le Gluaiseacht Taistealaithe na hÉireann faoin gcaoi ar féidir linn oibriú le chéile chun tacú le cosaint ár n-oidhreachta do Thaistealaithe.

Agus muid ag caint ar uileghabhálacht agus grúpaí mionlacha, bhí áthas orainn béim i bhfad níos láidre a chur ar an nGaeilge anuraidh. Glactar leis nach féidir i ndáiríre caint ar oidhrecht na tíre seo gan trácht a dhéanamh ar an nGaeilge agus b'shin an fáth go raibh líofacht sa teanga mar chuid de na riachtainais is tábhachtaí agus muid ag earcú i 2022, an fáth go ndearna muid don chéad uair, aistriúcháin go Gaeilge ar ár suíomhanna gréasáin ar fad, an fáth go ndearna muid iarracht ar leith grúpaí Gaeltachta a chur ar an eolas faoi [na scéim deontais](#) atá againn, agus an fáth go bhfuil tagairt ar leith ar ár tiomantas don Ghaeilge sa stráitéis.

Nuair a labhraímid faoin gcuardach muintearas, ní bhíonn féile ar bith a chuireann bunús níos mó orm gach bliain ná ár gclár suaitheanta, Seachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta. Gach bliain, cuireann na mílte imeachtaí de chuid Sheachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta i mí Lúnasa ar ár gcumas ceiliúradh ar fud na tíre ar ár n-oidhrecht, agus gheallamar os cionn €510,000 in 2022 chun rathúlacht ceann de na féilte cultúrtha is mó in Éirinn a chinntiú.

Déanaim iarracht freastal ar an oiread imeachtaí agus is féidir liom gach bliain agus fágtar mé i gcónaí ag iarraidh níos mó. Tá ionadh orm go seasta ag na bealaí airgtheacha a n-éiríonn le daoine scéalta ón am atá thart a insint a chiallaíonn rud éigin do dhaoine inniu. Ócáid amháin a bhain go han-mhaith leis in 2022 ná [Siopa Carthanachta](#)

[Cathaoireacha Rothaí na hÉireann i Leitir Ceanainn](#) a bhailigh seanearraí as Dún na nGall. Ar leithligh, bhailigh siad seanscéalta as Leitir Ceanainn agus ansin péireáil siad suas gach mír le scéal. Cuireadh clib ar na scéalta agus tugadh cuireadh do chuariteoirí chuig an siopa brabhsáil tríothu chun foghlaim faoi iar-áitriteoirí a gcontae.

Táimid meáite ar an tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta a fhás laistigh de shaolré na straitéise nua agus na himeachtaí seo a thabhairt chuig réimse chomh leathan daoine agus is féidir. I dtreo dheireadh 2022, cheap an Chomhairle Oidhreachta Ronan Healy, ár gcéad Bhainisteoir Cláir don tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta inmheánach. Is forbairt thar a bheith dearfach í seo agus is cinnte go gcabhróidh sé leis an sprioc seo a bhaint amach.

Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil le mo chomhghleacaithe ar bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta as an gcúnamh a thugann siad agus as an méid a dhéanann siad i gcáil dheonach chun oidhrecht na hÉireann a chosaint. Ba mhaith liom aitheantas a thabhairt freisin don obair iontach atá déanta ag Príomhfheidhmeannach agus foireann na Comhairle Oidhreachta a oibríonn go dian chun sainordú na Comhairle a chomhlíonadh agus táim ag tnúth le bheith ag obair le foireann leathnaithe na Comhairle Oidhreachta sna blianta amach romhainn.

Martina Moloney

Cathaoirleach





Teachtaireacht ónár bPríomhfheidhmeannach

Is éard atá i gceist lenár gcuid oibre ó lá go lá sa Chomhairle Oidhreachta ná athrú leanúnach airde idir na trí cholún oidhreachta; nádúrtha, tógtha agus cultúrtha. Nó b'fhéidir go mbeadh sé níos cruinne a rá go bhfuil go leor iltascáil ag imirt. Ach in aon bhliain ar leith, ar chúis ar bith, d'fhéadfadh níos mó fócais a bheith ag teastáil ó cheann de na colúin seo ná na cinn eile.

Agus athbhreithniú á dhéanamh agam ar 2022 ón bpointe loitiméireachta seo, is é an rud a sheasann amach domsa ná na héachtaí a rinneadh i dtéarmaí ár n-oidhreachta nádúrtha agus ár mbithéagsúlachta i mbliain inar sainmhíníodh an oiread sin dár gcuid oibre mar gheall ar na dúshláin a bhaineann le hathrú aeráide agus cailliúint na bithéagsúlachta.

Socraíodh an ton ag tús na bliana nuair a sheol an tAire Stáit Oidhreachta Malcolm Noonan *Oidhreacht Éireann 2030*, ag cur síos ar an athrú aeráide agus ar an mbithéagsúlacht mar “phríomhfhócas” an phlean, agus dúirt sé “go léiríonn na gníomhartha sa straitéis na dúshláin ollmhóra atá roimh oidhreacht na hÉireann, go háirithe maidir le cailliúint an dúlra agus na bithéagsúlachta.”

Idir an dá linn, fógraíodh bithéagsúlacht agus oidhreacht inbhuanaithe mar phríomhthéamaí don tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta in 2022, ag réiteach an bhealaigh do roinnt imeachtaí áille agus nuálacha ar na hábhair seo.

Sa chomhthéacs sin, ba mhór an sásamh é a bheith in ann ár gclár nua d'oifigigh bhithéagsúlachta a fhógairt go foirmiúil in 2022, clár ina mbeidh oifigeach bithéagsúlachta tiomnaithe ceaptha ar gach údarás áitiúil sa tír faoi dheireadh 2024. Tharla an fógra anuraidh nuair a ceapadh an chéad Cheannasaí Oidhreachta agus Athrú Aeráide de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta, Catherine Casey, a bheidh linn tar éis beagnach 20 bliain d'obair eiseamláireach mar Oifigeach Oidhreachta Laoise agus a dhéanfaidh maoirseacht ar an gclár, i measc go leor feidhmeanna eile.

Agus an réamhrá seo á scríobh agam ag tús an tsamhraidh 2023, [tá dhá oifigeach bithéagsúlachta](#) déag tar éis tús a chur leis an obair thábhachtach seo cheana féin, rud a chuirfidh ar chumas na gcomhairlí contae leas a bhaint as saeolas oifigigh bithéagsúlachta ina chinnteoireacht.

Cé nach bhfuil sé tarraingteach riamh chun plé a dhéanamh ar an ngá atá le struchtúir dea-rialachais, tá sé an-tábhachtach mar sin féin. I mí na Nollag 2022, chonaiceamar gur tugadh próiseas fada casta chun críche a raibh athstruchtúir an Ionaid Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta (NBDC) mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta (CLG) mar thoradh air; a bhféadfadh tionchar mór a bheith aige ar an gcaoi a mbailímid agus a mbainistímid bithéagsúlacht sa tír seo. Cinnteoidh an struchtúr nua seo cosaint fhadtéarmach na seirbhíse tábhachtaí seo, rud a chuirfidh muinín athnuaite ar fáil d'fhoireann an NBDC agus don phobal.

Bhí an NBDC ag feidhmiú mar chonradh le haghaidh seirbhíse. Is é an rud a chiallaíonn sé seo i dtéarmaí gnáthdhuine ná nach bhféadfadh an eagraíocht dul i mbun pleanála fadtéarmaí, nach bhféadfadh sí a bheith cinnte d'acmhainní ilbhliantúla, go raibh srian ar a cumas maoiniú a lorg ó fhoinsí eile agus nach raibh bord i bhfeidhm aici chun maoirseacht shaineolach a chur ar fáil. Cuireann an t-aistriú chuig CLG in 2022 deireadh leis na constaicí sin agus is bua mór é don bhithéagsúlacht in Éirinn.

Ar ndóigh, is mór an sásamh é tionscadail mar seo a thabhairt ón gcoimpeart go dtí an dúnadh, agus cosúil le haon tionscadal ar fiú é a bhaint amach, tógann sé am, acmhainní agus foighne. Ach i measc an bhrú laethúil spriocdhátaí, spriocanna, cruinnithe agus oibleagáidí, is dóigh liom go bhfuil sé thar a bheith tábhachtach am a dhéanamh le haghaidh idirphlé, le haghaidh machnaimh agus chun smaointe a mhalartú.

Sin an fáth go raibh an Chomhdháil Náisiúnta Bithéagsúlachta i gCaisleán Bhaile Átha Cliath i mí an Mheithimh ar cheann de bhuaicphointí na bliana seo caite, agus de réir mar a scríobhaim, meabhraítear dom anois na daoine iontacha ar bhuail mé leo agus na teachtaireachtaí spreagúla a thug siad.

D'óstáil an Chomhairle Oidhreachta seisiún le linn na comhdhála inar thug an Dr Aoibhinn Ní Shuilleabháin, ansin ag tús a turais mar Chathaoirleach ar an Tionól Saoránach ar Chailliúint na Bithéagsúlachta, (a ndearna an Chomhairle Oidhreachta aighneacht ina leith in 2022) forléargas iontach ar an gcaoi a n-oibríonn an tionól saoránach, ag tabhairt léargas corraitheach ar chumhacht agus ar thrédhearcacht ár ndaonlathais.

Chuaigh focail an Dr Brendan Dunford, comhbhunaitheoir Iontaobhas Burrenbeo (Carthanas a fhaigheann Maoiniú ón gComhairle Oidhreachta go minic) i bhfeidhm orm freisin, a dúirt:

“Nuair a bhíonn an póca, an ceann agus an croí ag obair as lámha a chéile, is é sin nuair a tharlaíonn rudaí draíochta agus tosaíonn muid ag féachaint ar phobail a bheith ina maoir agus ina gcaomhnóirí ar oidhrecht a n-áite féin.”

Teachtairacht shimplí ach chumhachtach a bhí ann, agus teachtaireacht a chuaigh go mór i bhfeidhm orm féin agus ar obair na Comhairle Oidhreachta. Chomh maith le mo chomhghleacaithe, déanaimid ár ndícheall a chinntiú go mbíonn acmhainní airgeadais, eolas agus fonn i gcónaí i láthair.

Nuair a ceapadh mé mar POF in 2019, b'ionann caiteachas bliantúil na Comhairle Oidhreachta agus €8M; in 2022 tá €13.8M ar a mhéid bainte amach aige, agus tá sé tábhachtach aitheantas a thabhairt don chaoi ar chuir an méadú maoinithe seo ar chumas na Comhairle Oidhreachta ár n-earnáil a neartú agus tacú léi.

Fuair ár 11 clár a fuair maoiniú straitéiseach os cionn €4M in 2022 agus bronnadh €1.5Mm ar na céadta grúpa oidhreachta pobail agus deonacha chun tionscadail oidhreachta a chur i gcrích. Ina theannta sin, d'éascaigh an €510,000 a chuaigh i dtreo na Seachtaine Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta beagnach 2,000 imeacht le 920 eagraí a thug deis do na mílte duine an leas is fearr a bhaint as an méid atá le tairiscint ag oidhrecht na hÉireann. Thacaigh ár gCiste Acmhainne Oidhreachta le 28 eagraíocht atá dírithe ar an oidhrecht, amhail Comhairle Caomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann agus an Cumann um Chosaint Foirgneamh Ársa a chlúdaíonn a gcostais oibriúcháin, agus bronnadh beagnach €1.4M ar chomhairlí contae trínár Scéim Tionscnamh na mBailte Stairiúla

Agus maoiniú níos mó ar fáil in 2022, bhí an Chomhairle Oidhreachta in ann aghaidh a thabhairt ar roinnt saincheisteanna práinneacha eile laistigh den earnáil. Bunaíodh scéim mhaoinithe nua, an Ciste Maoirseachta Oidhreachta, chun tacú le baill foirne i gcomhlachtaí poiblí agus in institiúidí oideachais tríú leibhéal atá ag obair ar chaomhnú fisiciúil réada oidhreachta nach mbeadh a bpríomhchúram dírithe go hiomlán ar an oidhrecht, ach a bhféadfadh tionchar a bheith ag a gcuid oibre ar chosaint sócmhainní oidhreachta uathúla mar sin féin.

Ar ndóigh, agus mar a dúirt Breandán, tá a fhios againn nach bhfuil sa mhaoiniú ach trian den phictiúr i ngan fhios dúinn. Ceann

de na héachtaí is sásúla a bhain mé amach go dtí seo ná an méadú 66% ar líon na foirne ó 2019 agus cruthaíodh 7 bpost nua ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta in 2022 amháin. Cuireann an acmhainn bhreise seo ar ár gcumas críocha nua a fhiosrú, cuidíonn sé le smaointe nua a ghiniúint agus cuireann sé saineolas isteach inár gcuid oibre a mbeidh buntáistí forleathana ag baint leis don earnáil. I mbeagán focal, tá tionchar ollmhór ag an bhforbairt seo.

Baintear eolas, ar ndóigh, amach tríd an oideachas. Agus tá áthas orm a thuairisciú gur tháinig comhtháthú níos doimhne ar ár gcuid oibre le hinstitiúidí agus tionscnaimh oideachais in 2022. I mí Iúil, chuireamar fáilte roimh na chéad [cheardaithe cumasacha](#) sa chéad Chlár Scileanna Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann, cúrsa a bhfuil sé mar aidhm aige scileanna tógála oidhreachta a chaomhnú atá i mbaol a gcaillte, agus a d'fhorbraíomar i gcomhpháirtíocht le Fondúireacht an Phrionsa agus leis an Rannán Comhshaoil Stairiúla i dTuaisceart Éireann.

Agus mé ag scríobh, táimid ag céim chun cinn den phróiseas earcaíochta don dara bliain den chlár seo.

Ildir an dá linn, thacaigh ár Scéim Intéirneachta Caomhnaithe le ceapadh [triúr intéirneach](#) in 2022, chuaigh muid i gcomhpháirtíocht le hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta na Sionainne chun an Teastas in Athchóiriú Fuinnimh d'Fhoirgnimh Thraidisiúnta a sheachadadh, cúrsa a thug rannpháirtithe isteach ar bhunphrionsabail an athchóirithe fuinnimh, agus lean ár gclár Oidhreachta i Scoileanna do bhunscoileanna ag bláthú, rud a thug iontas na hoidhreachta do leanaí ar fud na tíre le 2,535 cuairt taifeadta go 998 55,000 páiste.

In 2023, ba mhaith linn tógáil ar an scéim seo, agus tús a chur leis an bpróiseas chun

oidhreacht a thabhairt isteach sa churaclam ag leibhéal na hiar-bhunscoile. De réir mar a scríobhaim, táimid ag earcú Oifigeach Forbartha Polasáí Oidhreachta san Oideachas chun cabhrú leis an gcuspóir seo a bhaint amach.

Tagann an tríú comhábhar, croí, go héasca chuig ár n-earnáil agus tá an t-ádh orm go bhfuil fuinneamh agus teacht aniar ghairmithe agus oibríthe deonacha oidhreachta na hÉireann le feiceáil go laethúil.

Is beag duine a léiríonn an feachtas seo níos mó ná [Teddy Fennelly](#) mór, ár Laoch Oidhreachta 2022 a raibh sé de phléisiúr agam bualadh le chéile ar ócáidí éagsúla i rith na bliana. Taipéis shaibhir de chaomhnú na hoidhreachta is ea saothar a shaoil agus d'fhéadfaí a rá gurb é a thiomantas do scéal an Choirnéil James Fitzmaurice agus an chéad eitilt thrasatlantach Thoir-Thiar an rud is mó a chuir sé le hoidhreachta na hÉireann.

Luaigh mé ár mbaill foirne nua a mbeidh am ag teastáil uathu, ar ndóigh, chun socrú isteach go hiomlán, agus muid ar fad ag dul in oiriúint do dhomhan athraithe oibre hibrideach. Tharla sé seo ag an am céanna nuair a d'imigh comhghleacaí a bhfuil an-taithí aige sa Cheannasaí Airgeadais Paula Drohan agus ba mhaith liom ómós a thabhairt don tseirbhís iontach atá tugtha ag Paula don Chomhairle Oidhreachta le blianta fada.

Léiríonn 2022 freisin deireadh ár bPlean Straitéiseach roimhe seo, agus tús ár bplean nua cúig bliana, '[Ár n-Áit sa Stair](#)', a scríobhadh in 2022. Is clár uailmhianach oibre é ina leagtar amach an treo a theastaíonn uainn chun an oidhreacht a thabhairt chun cinn sna cúig bliana amach romhainn.

Mar fhocal scoir, ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil leis an Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil

agus Oidhreachta (DHLGH), lena n-áirítear an tAire Darragh O'Brien TD, an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta agus an tAire Stáit Malcolm Noonan TD, an tAire Stáit oidhreachta agus Athchóirithe Toghcháin. Bhí an bheirt airí fial flaithiúil lena gcuid ama, ag glacadh páirte in imeachtaí éagsúla agus ag tacú lenár gcuid oibre. Táim buíoch, freisin, de na hoifigigh sa Rannán Oidhreachta, DHLGH, a bhfuil a dtacaíocht agus a n-abhcóide leanúnach buíoch as.

Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil freisin lenár gcomhpháirtithe sa rialtas áitiúil, go háirithe oifigigh oidhreachta na n-údarás áitiúil. Leanann comhoibriú ár gcomhghleacaithe ar fud raon gníomhaireachtaí agus gnólachtaí seirbhíse poiblí de bheith ina thacaíocht luachmhar i ngach gné dár gcuid oibre, mar aon le comhoibriú ghrúpaí na sochaí sibhialta agus na hearnála neamhbhrabúis. Táim an-bhródúil as a ndílseacht, a dtiomantas, a bhfuinneamh agus a nuálaíocht thar ceann earnáil na hoidhreachta.

Táim ag tnúth le dóchas don Chomhairle leanúint lena cuid oibre chun rannpháirtíocht an phobail san oidhreacht a mhéadú ina léirithe go léir.

Virginia Teehan
POF

Oidhreacht agus saothar Virginia Teehan aitheanta ag Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann

OAr an 20 Bealtaine 2022, toghadh 29 ball nua chuig Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann (RIA) as an méid a chuir siad go mór leis na heolaíochtaí, na daonnachtaí agus na heolaíochtaí sóisialta, chomh maith leis an tseirbhís phoiblí. Gach bliain, ainmníonn Comhairle an Acadaimh beirt ó shaol poiblí na hÉireann le haghaidh ballraíochta. Bhí Virginia Teehan ar ainmnithe na Comhairle in 2022.

Thug an Chomhairle faoi deara go raibh an t-ainmniúchán tuillte ag a cuid oibre mar cheannaire cultúrtha, cartlannaí, coimeádaí, stiúrthóir músaeim, léiritheoir clár faisnéise scannán agus teilifíse, mar chomhalta boird d'Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann, Foras Ceathairéad Téadach na hÉireann agus go háirithe a cuid oibre leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta.

Deimhníonn admháil RIA an tábhacht a bhaineann le disciplín an chleachtais oidhreachta ar leibhéal náisiúnta agus is aitheantas suntasach é don Chomhairle Oidhreachta.

Is féidir físeán gearr a rinne muid chun an ócáid thábhachtach seo a cheiliúradh a fheiceáil [anseo](#).



Virginia Teehan ag an searmanas ballraíochta i mí Bealtaine 2022.

2022: Ag fás agus ag tógáil



Caiteachas iomlán in 2022: €13,536,818
Méadú 17% ar 2021



Maoiniú deontais in 2022: €6,608,179
Méadú 13% ar 2021



Den chéad uair in 2022,
leithdháiltear os cionn 50%
den bhuiséad ar dheontais.



**Maoiniú do Chláir Straitéiseacha 2022:
€1,565,732**
Méadú 35% ar 2021

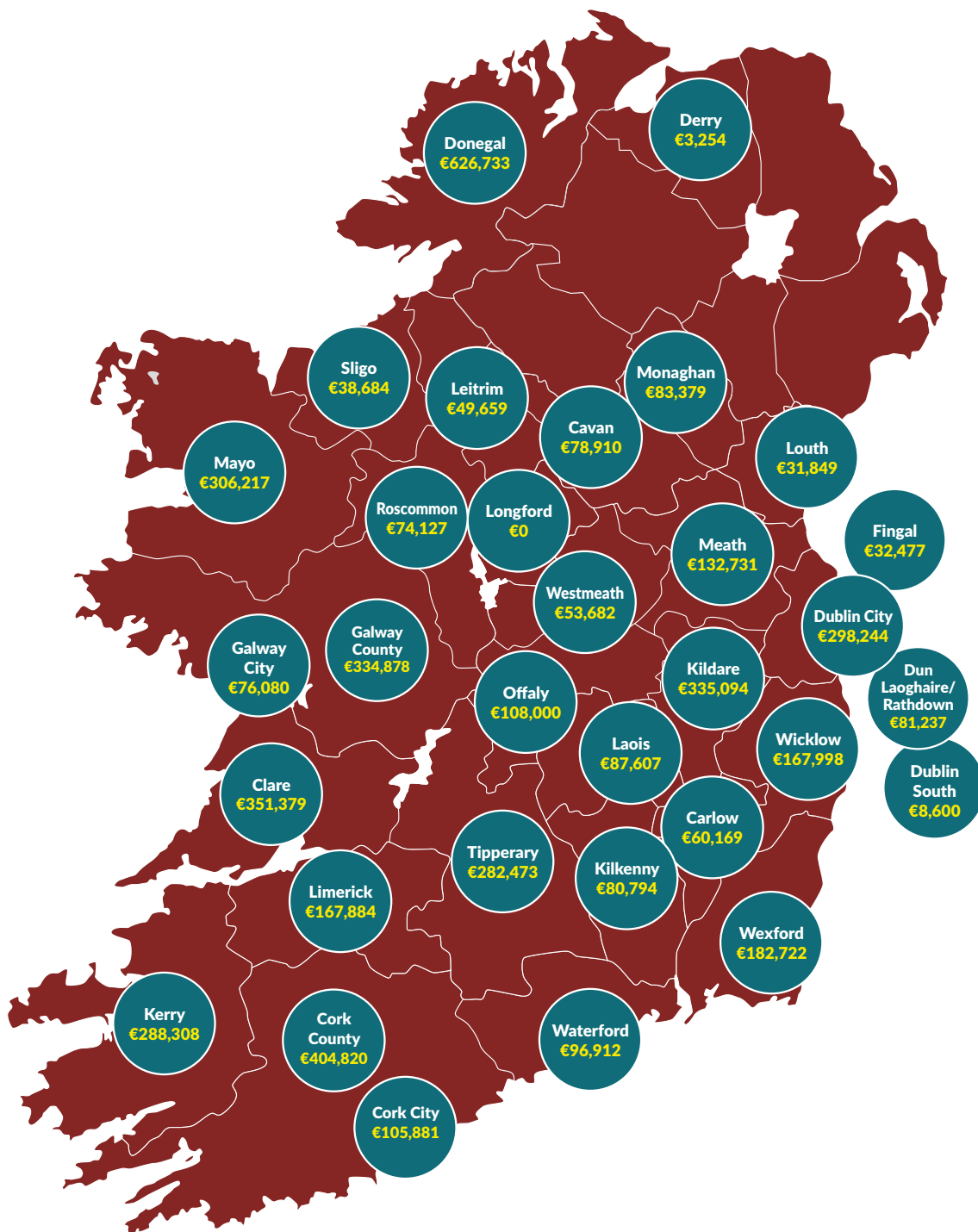


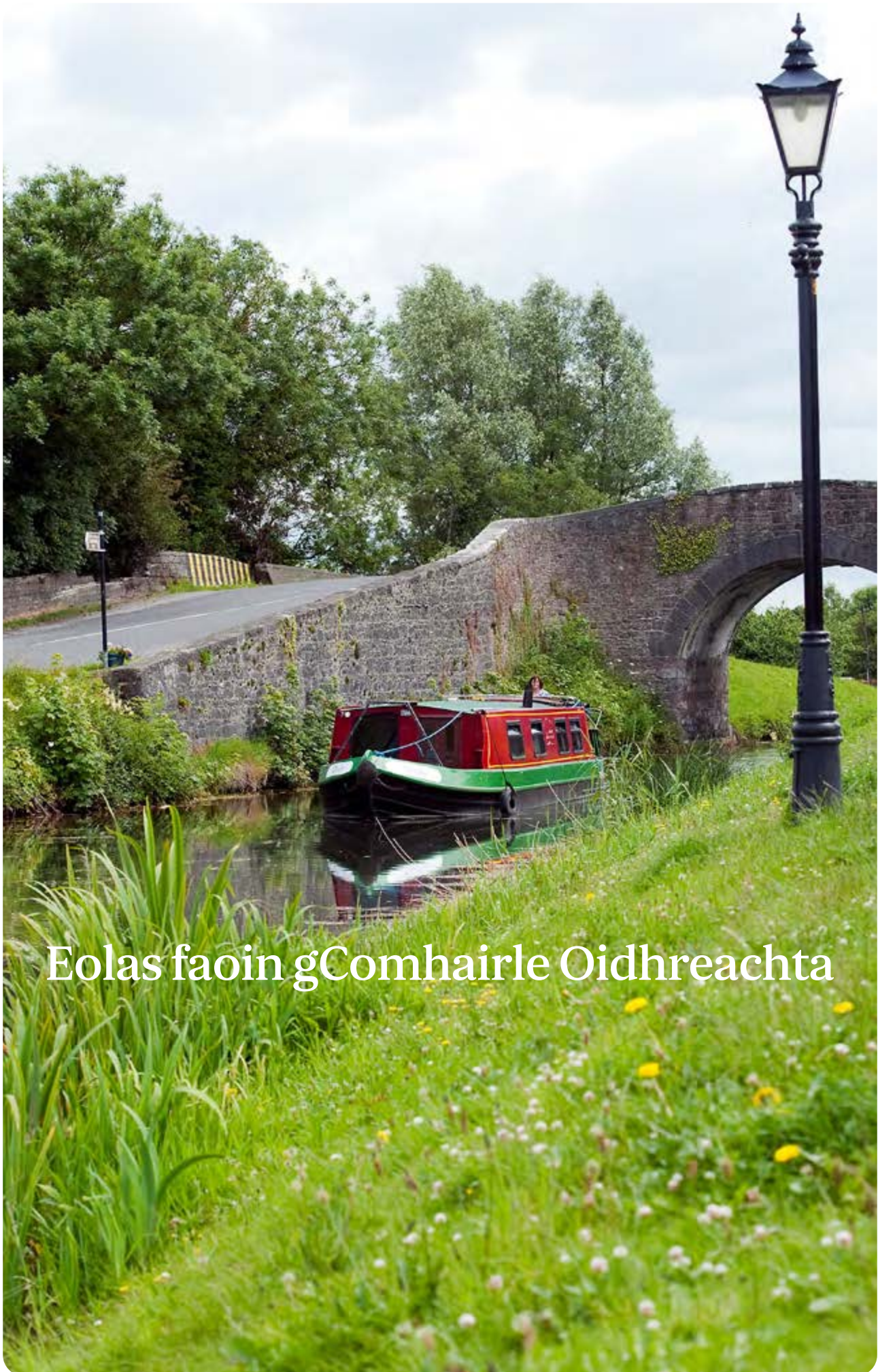
**Tacaíocht do bhonneagar oidhreachta
2022: €2,575,076**
Méadú 15% ar 2021



**Tháinig méadú 25% ar líon na foirne
ag an HC in 2022**

An áit a ndeachaigh ár n-airgead deontais in 2022





Eolas faoin gComhairle Oidhreachta

Cé muid féin

Is comhlacht poiblí í an Chomhairle Oidhreachta a bhfuil sé mar ról aige beartais a mholadh chun ár n-oidhrecht náisiúnta a aithint, a chosaint, a chaomhnú agus a fheabhsú.



sainaithin



cosain



caomhnaigh



feabhsaigh

Chomh fada agus a bhaineann lenár gcuid oibre, cuimsíonn an oidhrecht na nithe seo a leanas:

- séadchomharthaí
- réada seandálaíochta
- réada oidhreachta amhail ealaín agus saothair thionsclaíocha
- doiciméid agus taifid ghinealaigh
- oidhrecht ailtireachta
- flóra
- fána
- gnáthóga fiadhúlra
- tírdhreacha
- muirdhreacha
- raiceanna
- geolaíocht
- gairdíní oidhreachta
- páirceanna
- uiscebhealaí intíre

Oibrímid i gcomhpháirtíocht le pobail áitiúla, údaráis áitiúla, grúpaí deonacha, ranna rialtais agus institiúidí cultúrtha náisiúnta chun tacú le tionscadail a mbeidh tionchar dearfach agus seasmhach sóisialta agus eacnamaíoch acu.



Cad a dhéanaimid



Beartas a mholadh don Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta maidir le saincheisteanna oidhreachta lena n-áirítear inbhuanaitheacht, bainistíocht tírdhreacha, athrú aeráide agus go leor eile.



Suim san oidhrecht a chur chun cinn i scoileanna agus tacú le réimse leathan clár forbartha gairmiúla a phléann le tírdhreach, pleanáil, músaeim, scileanna traidisiúnta agus go leor eile.



Feasacht ar an oidhrecht a ardú tríd an tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta agus ár gcuid oibre le comhpháirtithe, go háirithe ag leibhéal an údaráis áitiúil.



Oibriú le pobail áitiúla chun tacú le poist, oideachas agus turasóireacht oidhreachta inár gceantair áitiúla.



Cuidiú le líonra gairmithe oidhreachta ardoilte a thacú agus a chothabháil, mar shampla coimeádaithe, tuíodóirí, tógálaithe, éiceolaithe, ailtirí, seandálaithe, coimeádaithe, cartlannaithe, agus daoine eile.



Bunmhaoiniú a chur ar fáil do ghrúpaí oidhreachta agus d'eagraíochtaí na sochaí sibhialta chun tacú le riachtanais na hearnála agus chun cabhrú le haidhmeanna comhroinnte a bhaint amach.

Ár mBord



Líne thosaigh, ó chlé go deas: Sammy Leslie, John Patrick Greene, John Pierce, Malcolm Noonan TD (An tAire Stáit um Oidhreachta agus Athchóiriú Toghcháin), Fionnuala May, Michael Farrell

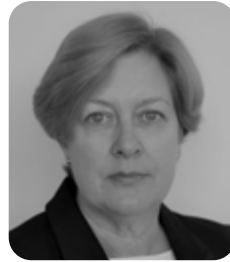
Líne láir, ó chlé go deas: Sheila Pratschke, Martina Moloney (Cathaoirleach), Patricia O'Hare, Mary Tubridy, Deirdre McDermott, Virginia Teehan (POF na Comhairle Oidhreachta)

Líne chúil, ó chlé go deas: Steven Matthews TD (Cathaoirleach an Choiste Oireachtais um Thithíocht, Rialtas Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta), John Creedon (Craoltóir)



Dr Martina Moloney

Ball boird den Chomhairle Oidhreachta (2005 - 2010), iar-Phríomhfheidhmeannach, Comhairlí Contae Lú agus na Gaillimhe, ball den Chomhairle Ealaíon (2016 – 2021), ball den Choimisiún Náisiúnta Maoirseachta agus Iniúchóireachta um Rialtas Áitiúil (2014 – 2021)



Fionnuala May

Ailtire Contae Chomhairle Contae Fhine Gall (2011 - i láthair), ball de Bhuanchoiste na Comhairle Oidhreachta um Ailtireacht (2000 - 2010), ball de chomhairle Institiúid Ríoga Ailtirí na hÉireann (RIAI) (2016 - i láthair), ball boird de Chartlann Ailtireachta na hÉireann



Michael Farrell

Iar-Rúnaí Corparáideach agus Stiúrthóir Acmhainní Daonna ag UCC, Príomhfheidhmeannach ag Taighde Cliniciúil Éireann (2020 – 2022), Príomhfheidhmeannach eatramhach Choláiste Ríoga na Lianna (2018 -2019)



Dr John Patrick Greene

Príomhfheidhmeannach agus Stiúrthóir Músaem EPIC, Músaem Eisimirce na hÉireann (2019 – inniu), Comhairleoir/Úinéir Greene Associates (2017 – 2019), Príomhfheidhmeannach Mhúsaeim Victoria i Melbourne (2002 – 2017)



Sammy Leslie

Coimeádaí, Eastát Chaisleán Leslie (branda) (1991 – inniu), iontaobhaí iontaobhas Caomhnaithe Chaisleán Leslie (2005 – inniu), iontaobhaí Chaisleán Bhorra (1990idí – 2023), iontaobhaí ag iontaobhas Oidhreachta na hÉireann (2004-2016)



Deirdre McDermott

Ailtire, pleanálaí, uirbeoir agus príomhoide ag Deirdre McDermott and Associates (2002 – i láthair), iar-Uachtarán na Comhairle Idirnáisiúnta um Shéadchomharthaí agus Láithreáin (ICOMOS) Éire agus Oifigeach Coiste Comhairleach reatha ICOMOS International



Dr Patricia O'Hare

Measúnóir le Clár Caighdeán Músaem na Comhairle Oidhreachta d'Éirinn (2016 – inniu), Oifigeach Taighde agus Oideachais d'Iontaobhaithe Theach Mhucrois, Cill Airne (1995 – i láthair)



John Pierce

Stiúrthóir, Comhairle Chaomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann (2021 – inniu), Iontaobhaí le Charitable Infirmary Charitable Trust (2018 – inniu), Cathaoirleach an Taisce (2017 – 2019), Stiúrthóir an Ghrúpa Margaíochta Domhanda Fujitsu (2016 – 2017)



Sheila Pratschke

Cathaoirleach na Comhairle Ealaíon (2014 – 2019), Stiúrthóir ag Centre Culturel Irlandais, Páras (2007 – 2013), Stiúrthóir Ionad Tyrone Guthrie, Eanách Mhic Dheirg, (2001 – 2006)



Dr Mary Tubridy

Stiúrthóir agus Ceann Taighde ag Fóram Ardtailte na hÉireann (2008 – i láthair), Cathaoirleach Fhóram Ardtailte na hÉireann (2003 - 2008), Príomhoide Mary Tubridy and Associates (1995 - inniu), Taighdeoir Iardhochtúireachta UCD (1980-1982) agus Coláiste na Tríonóide (1982-1995)

Ár bhfoireann



C go D (ar chúil): Lesley-Ann Hayden, Anne Barcoe, Martina Malone, Valerie Kelly, Anna Meenan, Lorcan Scott, Alison Harvey, Ian Doyle, Maria Dempsey, Richard Brennan, Tara Fitzgerald, Ger Croke, Cathy Connelly, Ronan Healy, Susan Garrett, Christena Ryan

C go D (chun tosaigh): Pearse Ó Caoimh, Michael O'Brien, Virginia Teehan, Catherine Casey

As láthair: Aalia Kamal, Amanda Ryan, Maria Walsh, Colm Murray, Beatrice Kelly

Struchtúr na hEagraíochta

VIRGINIA TEEHAN

Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin

CINN SEIRBHÍSE

IAN DOYLE

Ceann an Chaomhnaithe

BEATRICE KELLY

Ceann Beartais agus
Taighde

MICHAEL O'BRIEN

Ceann Seirbhísí Gnó

PEARSE Ó CAOIMH

Ceann Cumarsáide agus
Gnóthaí Poiblí

PAULA DROHAN

Ceann an Airgeadais
(Eanáir go Meán Fómhair)

RICHARD BRENNAN

Ceann an Airgeadais
(ó mhí na Nollag)

CATHERINE CASEY

Ceann Athrú Aeráide

OIFIGH GHAIRMIÚLA

ALISON HARVEY

Oifigeach Pleanála

COLM MURRAY

Oifigeach Ailtireachta

ANNA MEENAN

Bainisteoir Tionscadail na Scéime
Deontais GLAS

LORCAN SCOTT

Oifigeach Fiadhúlra

MARIA WALSH

Bainisteoir Tionscadail um
Oidhreacht sna Scoileanna

LESLEY-ANN HAYDEN

Bainisteoir Cláir do Chlár um
Chaighdeán Músaem in Éirinn

AALIA KAMAL

Oifigeach na hOidhreachta Cultúrtha
agus Cuimsithí

VALERIE KELLY

Oifigeach Caidreamh Pobail agus
Poiblí

CATHY CONNELLY

Oifigeach Seirbhísí Corparáideacha

AMANDA RYAN

Bainisteoir Deontas

RONAN HEALY

Bainisteoir Cláir na Seachtaine
Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta

MARIA DEMPSEY

Bainisteoir Airgeadais

FOIREANN RIARACHÁIN

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Phríomhfheidhmeannach
agus don Chathaoirleach

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Cumarsáide

GERARD CROKE

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Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann

Ceapacháin Nua in 2022



Ceapadh **Catherine Casey** ina Ceann Oidhreachta agus Athrú Aeráide i mí na Nollag.



Ceapadh **Amanda Ryan** ina Bainisteoir Deontas i mí Dheireadh Fómhair.



Ceapadh **Richard Brennan** ina Cheann Airgeadais i mí na Nollag.



Ceapadh **Susan Garrett** ina hOifigeach Cléireachais i mí na Nollag.



Ceapadh **Pearse Ó Caoimh** ina Cheannasaí Cumarsáide agus Gnóthaí Poiblí i mí Aibreáin.



Ceapadh **Tara Fitzgerald** ina hOifigeach Cléireachais i mí na Nollag.



Ceapadh **Ronan Healy** mar Bhainisteoir Clár na Seachtaine Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta i mí na Nollag.



Cláir Straitéiseacha

Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta

Bunaíodh an tIonad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta (NBDC) in 2006 agus is clár de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta é a bhailíonn agus a bhainistíonn sonraí chun acmhainní fiadhúlra na hÉireann a dhoiciméadú agus chun rianú a dhéanamh ar an gcaoi a bhfuil sé ag athrú.

Buiséad 2022: €1.677M. Méadaithe ó €1.246M in 2021.

Dul chun cinn: I mí na Nollag 2022, [d'fhógair muid](#) gur corpraíodh an tIonad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta mar Chuideachta faoi Theorainn Ráthaíochta. Ceapadh John McCarthy, iar-Ard-Rúnaí, ina Chathaoirleach ar bhord an NBDC. Cinnteoidh bunú an chomhlachta nua seo go ndéanfar faisnéis faoi bhithéagsúlacht na hÉireann a bhailiú, a bhainistiú agus a chur ar fáil de réir éilimh in 2022.

Buaicphointí 2022: Lean rannpháirtíocht líonra na hEolaíochta Saoránach ag fás in 2022, agus cuireadh 175,000 taifead nua faoi bhráid Thairseach Eolaíocht Saoránach na hÉireann i rith na bliana. Ó seoladh an tairseach, tá taifid curtha isteach ag níos mó ná 30,000 eolaí saoránach éagsúil. Soláthraíonn líonra na heolaíochta saoránach líonra leathan de stáisiúin mhonatóireachta freisin don tsraith clár monatóireachta a oibríonn an Lárionad. In 2022, rinne an líonra monatóireachta comhaireamh a sheachadadh ó 222 trasghearradh ar leith, 162 láithreán samplála, agus 1,297 comhaireamh monatóireachta feithidí.



An chéad chruinniú de bhord nua an NBDC ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta i mí na Nollag 2022.

Ó chlé go deas: James Moran, Colette Byrne, Ted Massey, Ciara Carbery, Liam Lysaght, Virginia Teehan, Micheál Lehane, Máire Ní Bhraonáin, John McCarthy

Clár oifigeach oidhreachta na n-údarás áitiúil

Is príomh-chomhpháirtíocht straitéiseach é Clár na nOifigeach Oidhreachta idir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta agus údaráis áitiúla. Bunaíodh é i 1999 chun leibhéal saineolais oidhreachta a ardú laistigh d'údaráis áitiúla.

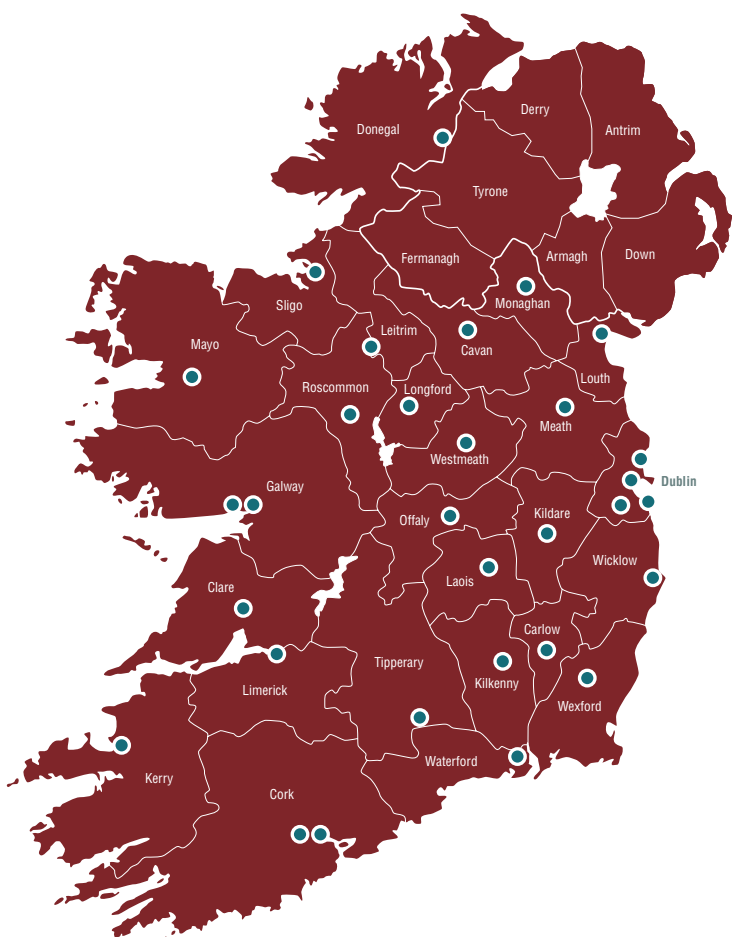
Buiséad 2022: €657,890. Méadú ó €626,657 in 2021.

Dul chun cinn: Chuir Comhairle Contae Chill Chainnigh fáilte roimh Regina Fitzpatrick mar Oifigeach Oidhreachta nua i mí na Nollag tar éis do Dearbhala Ledwidge imeacht ón ról go post nua i gComhairle Contae Chill Chainnigh.

Buaicphointí 2022: Chuir Clár Oiliúna agus Forbartha Líonra na nOifigeach Oidhreachta fáilte roimh fhilleadh ar imeachtaí pearsanta. Thug an Líonra cuairt ar Cheatharlach, ar an gClár, ar Mhuineachán agus ar Chill Chainnigh. Is deis iontach iad na seisiúin seo don Líonra foghlaim ó aoichainteoirí, agus óna chéile, chomh maith le dul amach agus ar tí cuid den obair iontach atá á déanamh ag Clár na nOifigeach Oidhreachta a fheiceáil go pearsanta.

Líonra na nOifigeach Oidhreachta

Carlow	Leitrim
Cavan	Limerick
Clare	Longford
Cork City	Louth
Cork County	Mayo
Donegal	Meath
Dublin City	Monaghan
Dún Laoghaire/ Rathdown	Offaly
Fingal	Roscommon
Galway City	Sligo
Galway County	South Dublin
Kerry	Tipperary
Kildare	Waterford
Kilkenny	Westmeath
Laois	Wexford
	Wicklow





Oifigigh Oidhreachta i gCeatharlach i mí Aibreáin 2022 do Chlár Oiliúna agus Forbartha Lónra na nOifigeach Oidhreachta.

Scóip oibre na nOifigeach Oidhreachta:



Comhairle agus faisnéis



Feasacht a ardú



Sonraí a bhailiú agus taighde a dhéanamh



Eolas a thabhairt do bheartas ag leibhéal áitiúil agus náisiúnta



Dea-chleachtas a chur chun cinn

Clár oifigeach bithéagsúlachta na n-údarás áitiúil

Is comhpháirtíocht straitéiseach nua é Clár na nOifigeach Bithéagsúlachta idir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta agus údaráis áitiúla, a bunaíodh in 2022. Tá sé mar aidhm ag an gclár a chinntiú go mbeidh Oifigeach Bithéagsúlachta fostaithe ag gach údarás áitiúil faoi dheireadh 2024.

Oibreoidh Oifigigh Bhithéagsúlachta na nÚdarás Áitiúil ag leibhéal na cathrach agus an chontae ag bailiú sonraí faoin mbithéagsúlacht, ag tabhairt faoi thionscadail chaomhnaithe, ag forbairt beartais, ag cur comhairle agus eolais ar fáil agus ag ardú feasachta.

Tá an clár á stiúradh ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta, a chuireann maoiniú ar fáil do chostais tuarastail gach oifigigh. Is é €1.6m an infheistíocht tosaigh don chlár.

Dul chun cinn: Léiríonn an comhoibriú éifeachtach i rith na bliana idir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta, an Cumann Bainistíochta Contae agus Cathrach agus an Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta chun an clár a stiúradh go céim an chur i bhfeidhm cumhacht agus éifeachtacht na gcomhpháirtíochtaí seo.

Buaicphointí 2022: In 2022, d'fhreagair fiche a haon údarás áitiúil glao ar iarratais, agus ceadaíodh deich gcinn chun tús a chur le hOifigeach Bithéagsúlachta a earcú faoi chéim a haon den chlár nua.



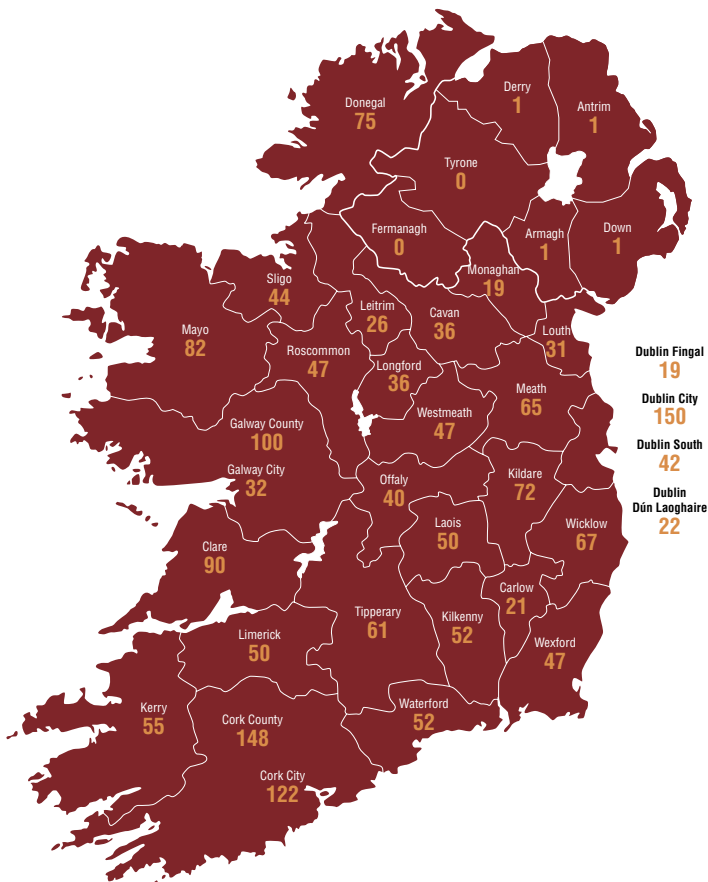
Ceapadh na chéad oifigigh bhithéagsúlachta go luath in 2023. Sa phictiúr anseo tá Ricky Whelan (Uíbh Fhail), Laura Kehoe (Cill Mhantáin) agus Usna Keating (Cathair Chorcaí) in éineacht leis an Aire Stáit Oidhreachta agus Athchóirithe Toghcháin, Malcolm Noonan TD. (Grianghraf tógtha go luath in 2023)

An tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta

Is clár bliantúil imeachtaí í an tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta (SNhO) a reáchtálann an Chomhairle Oidhreachta chun ceiliúradh a dhéanamh ar oidhreacht nádúrtha, thógtha agus chultúrtha na hÉireann.

Buiséad 2022: €510,027. Méadú ó €432,591 in 2021.

An tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta - tionscadail de réir contae



Dul chun cinn: Thug an tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta filleadh iomlán ar imeachtaí pearsanta in 2022 chomh maith le leanúint ar aghaidh ag taispeáint tionscadail oidhreachta digití, a raibh an oiread sin tóir orthu le linn bhlianta Covid.

Cuireadh gné nua le suíomh gréasáin an SNhO a ligean do rannpháirtithe agus d'eagraithe a Seachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta saincheaptha féin 'Conair Imeachtaí' a chruthú ar féidir leo priontáil nó roinnt ar líne le teaghlaigh agus le cairde.

Buaicphointí 2022: Ceann de na tionscadail neamhspleácha a bhuaigh Gradam Imeachtaí Inbhuanaithe agus Cuimsitheach SNhO ná an 'Taispeántas Díolta san am atá thart' ag Siopa Carthanachta Cathaoireacha Rothaí na hÉireann, Leitir Ceanainn.

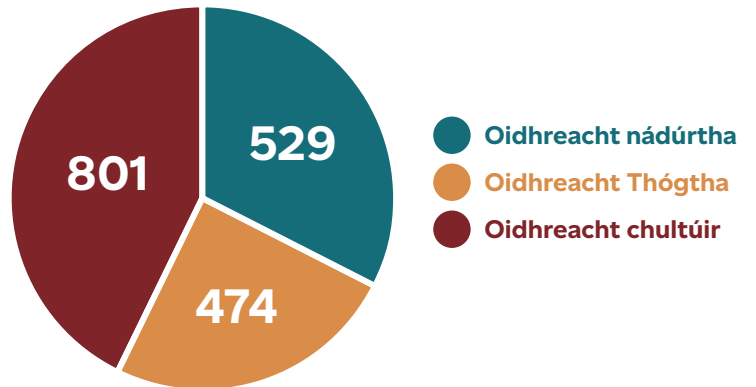
Bhailigh an siopa roinnt earraí oidhreachta ó Dhún na nGall agus d'oibrigh sé le Músaem Chontae Dhún na nGall chun scéalta agus imeachtaí a aimsiú ó stair an chontae a nascfadh na míreanna a bronnadh leis na scéalta sin. Cuireadh clib ar na scéalta agus tugadh cuireadh do chuariteoirí chuig an siopa brabhsáil tríothu chun foghlaim faoi iar-áitriteoirí a gcontae.

Mar shampla, tugadh leabhair chrua dhearga seanfhaiseanta don siopa a úsáideadh chun scéal mná darbh ainm Fanny Carr as Leitir Ceanainn a insint nach raibh teacht aici ar chosmaidí le linn an Dara Cogadh Domhanda, agus mar gheall ar an éigeandáil. Tharla go raibh sí ina leannán mór scannáin agus theastaigh uathí a bheith in ann smideadh a chaitheamh cosúil leis na réaltaí móra Hollywood.

In ionad smideadh, d'fhliuchfadh sí a méar, chuimil sí in aghaidh leabhar teachtaire an chroí ró-naofa dearg é agus chuimil sí ar a leicne é.



**An tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta -
tionscadail de réir réimse fócais**



Barr: Foghlaimíonn leanaí faoi iontais na foraoise le linn na Seachtaine Oidhreachta Náisiúnta 2022.

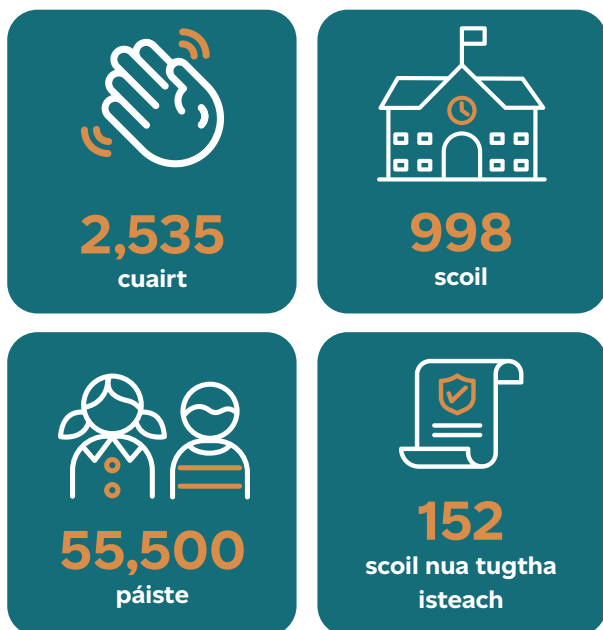
Os cionn: Ranganna gaibhneachta duibhe le linn na Seachtaine Oidhreachta Náisiúnta 2022.

Thíos: Fíodóireacht ciseán ag Plás Nano de Nóglá i gCorcaigh i gcomhair sheoladh na Seachtaine Oidhreachta Náisiúnta.



Oidhreacht i Scoileanna

Is tionscnamh í an scéim um Oidhreacht i Scoileanna a éascaíonn cuairteanna ar bhunscoileanna ag raon speisialtóirí ar oidhreacht nádúrtha, chultúrtha agus thógtha na hÉireann.



Buiséad 2022: €507,148. Méadú ó €420,515 in 2021.

Dul Chun Cinn: Is clár saor in aisce é ‘Coimeádaithe Oidhreachta’ do scoileanna agus do phobail a raibh bliain an-rathúil acu in 2022. Cuireann an clár ar chumas na ngrúpaí seo oibriú le chéile chun oidhreacht thógtha, nádúrtha agus chultúrtha a n-áite áitiúil a fhiosrú agus ansin gníomh nó gníomhartha a phleanáil chun a n-áit a fheabhsú.

Is comhpháirtíocht de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta é le Burrenbeo Trust leis na cláir a chuirtear ar fáil do 53 pobal, scoil agus múinteoir ar fud na hÉireann i rith na bliana.

Buaicphointí 2022: Ghlac Coimeádaithe Oidhreachta páirt sa lá líonraithe agus scileanna ‘Pobail don Oidhreacht’ le linn na Seachtaine Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta ar an 20 lúnasa.



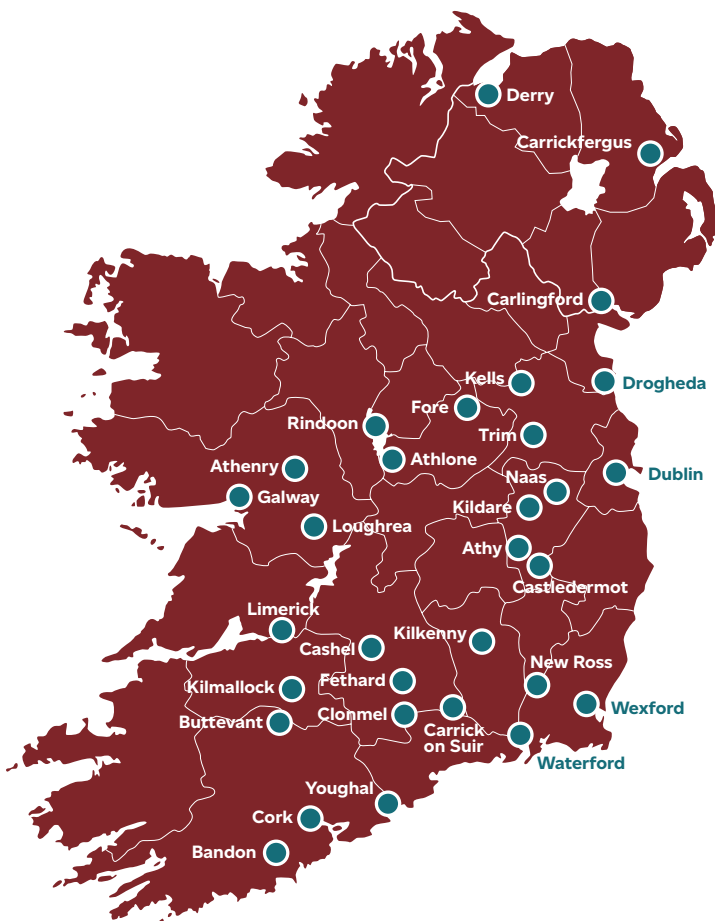
Lúcháir sa choill. Daltaí i mbun spraoi agus ag foghlaim faoin dúlra le speisialtóir oidhreachta in 2022.

Líonra Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann

Bunaithe ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta in 2005, is é ról Líonra Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann (LBMhÉ) iarrachtaí na n-údarás áitiúil a bhfuil baint acu le bainistiú agus caomhnú bailte múrtha stairiúla in Éirinn, thuaidh agus theas, a aontú agus a chomhordú. Tá 31 ballbhaile sa líonra.

Buiséad 2022: €403,707

Tá 31 ballbhaile ann



Dul chun cinn: Leathnaigh an líonra nuair a cuireadh 2 bhallbhaile nua leis: An Nás, Co. Chill Dara agus Baile Fhobhair, Co. An Iarmhí, rud a fhágann gur 31 an líonra ar fad.

In 2022 freisin ceapadh Eimear O'Connell mar Bhainisteoir Tionscadail, agus Peter Carey mar Chathaoirleach ar an Líonra.

Is iar-phríomhfheidhmeannach údaráis áitiúil é Peter Carey. D'éirigh sé as I 2021 mar Phríomhfheidhmeannach ar Chomhairle Contae Chill Dara. Chaith Peadar 40 bliain sa rialtas áitiúil i sé údarás áitiúla éagsúla i gCeatharlach, Tiobraid Árann Theas, Luimneach, Port Láirge agus Laois, chomh maith le Cill Dara.

Buaicphointí 2022: Ba mhór an borradh é filleadh ar imeachtaí pearsanta LBMhÉ in 2022, agus áiríodh leis na laethanta baile múrtha fadbhunaithe in Eochail, i mBaile Locha Riach agus i mBaile Átha an Rí le tinreamh taifead i mBaile Átha an Rí (5,500+) agus in Eochail (12,000).

Rinneadh oibreacha caomhnaithe ar bhallaí an bhaile i mBaile Átha Luain, Ros Mhic Thriúin, Baile Átha an Rí agus Luimneach.



€200k tarraingte anuas ag 7 dtionscadal Caomhnaithe/Caipitil

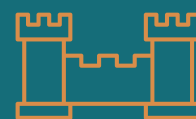
€158k tarraingte anuas ag 12 tionscadal Imeachtaí/Ateangaireachta

lomlán tarraingte anuas: **€358k**



Os cionn: Athléiriú le linn Lá na mBailte Múrtha i mBaile Átha an Rí do Sheachtain Oidhreachta Náisiúnta 2022.

Ar chlé: Ag féachaint ar oibreacha caomhnaithe ar bhallaí Bhaile Átha Luain.



Iomlán an mhaoinithe deontas
íoctha amach 2007-2022:
€8,477,506

Astu sin, Scéim Chaomhnaithe/
Chaipitil: **€7,008,289**

Astu sin, Scéim imeachtaí/
Ateangaireachta: **€1,469,217**

Móide maoiniú breise
neamhdheontais thar shaolré an
líonra: **€8,621,419**

Seiceáil Sláinte Chomhoibríoch Lár Baile

Cruthaíodh an clár Seiceála Sláinte Comhoibríoch Lár Baile (SSCLB) in 2016 agus tá sé mar aidhm aige cur chuige láidir a bhunú chun tabhairt faoi 'sheiceálacha sláinte' i mbailte stairiúla na hÉireann trí shuirbhéanna agus trí ghníomhartha ina dhiaidh sin bunaithe ar thorthaí.

Buiséad 2022: €67,188

Dul chun cinn: Cuireadh críoch le próiseas ar cuireadh tús leis in 2020 i gcrích i mí Iúil nuair a seoladh tuarascáil SSCLB Bhaile Thiobraid Árann. Tugtar moltaí soiléire sa tuarascáil ina leagtar amach na céimeanna don chéad chéim eile d'athbheochan an bhaile stairiúil.

Sheol an tAire Stáit Oidhreachta agus Athchóirithe Toghcháin Malcolm Noonan tuarascáil Chill Chainnigh i mí na Nollag freisin.

Buaicphointí 2022: Seoladh an Plean Forfheidhmithe Náisiúnta nua do na Spriocanna Forbartha Inbhuanaithe (SFlanna) 2022-2024 i mí Dheireadh Fómhair ina leagtar amach cuspóirí agus gníomhartha straitéiseacha chun struchtúir forfheidhmithe na hÉireann a neartú chun na SFlanna a bhaint amach.

Ainmníodh an cur chuige a ghlac an clár SSCLB maidir leis an gcaoi ar chuir sé SFlanna i bhfeidhm ar an leibhéal áitiúil mar chás-staidéar sa phlean, rud a chiallaíonn go gcuimsíonn an plean níos leithne na modhanna a ghlac an clár.

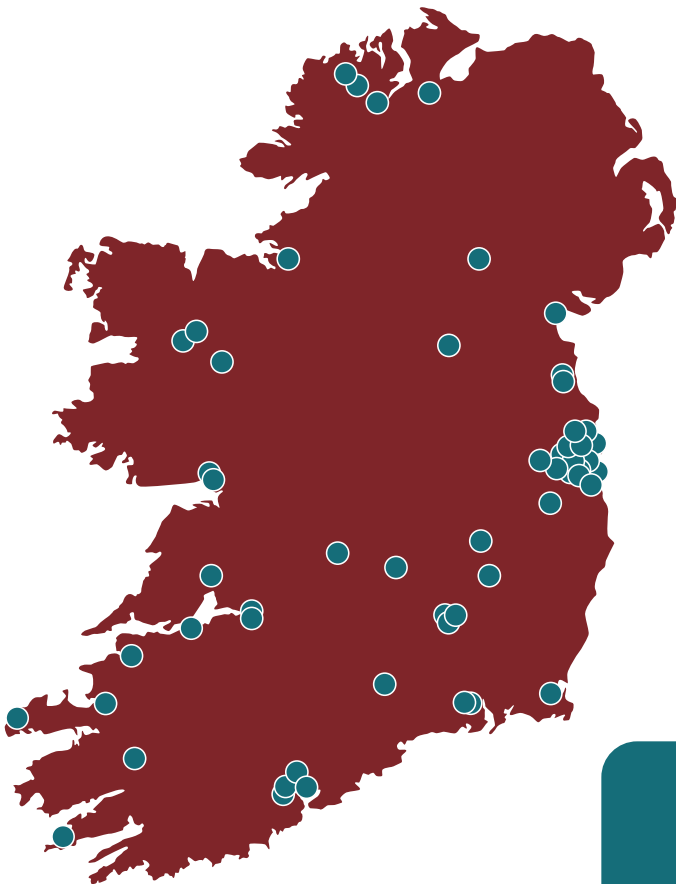
Roghnaíodh clár CTCHC mar chás-staidéar ar Plean Forfheidhmithe Náisiúnta nua an Rialtais do na Spriocanna Forbartha Inbhuanaithe 2022-2024.



An Clár um Chaighdeáin Músaem in Éirinn

Is scéim chreidiúnaithe d'earnáil mhúsaem na hÉireann é An Clár um Chaighdeáin Músaem in Éirinn (CCMÉ). Tá sé mar aidhm aige caighdeáin ghairmiúla a ardú i gcúram bailiúcháin, rialachas agus bainistíocht músaem, agus seirbhísí do chuariteoirí. Tá 61 rannpháirtí sa chlár in 2022.

Ceantair na Rannpháirtithe MSPI



Buiséad 2022: €64,206

Dul chun cinn: D'fhill an Clár ar mheasúnuithe ar an láthair i mí Mheán Fómhair tar éis dhá bhliain de chuariteanna fíorúla agus chuir 15 Rannpháirtí CCMÉ iarratais chreidiúnaithe isteach in 2022.

Buaicphointí 2022: Tháinig Searmanas Bronnta CCMÉ ar ais mar ócáid bheo i gCaisleán Chill Chainnigh i mí Iúil. D'fhreastail os cionn 60 ionadaí ó Rannpháirtithe CCMÉ agus ó earnáil mhúsaem na hÉireann ar an searmanas.

Cuireadh roinnt clár oiliúna ar fáil do rannpháirtithe CCMÉ i rith na bliana, agus fuair an Comhairleoir Músaem Joanne Clark aiseolas thar a bheith dearfach ón oiliúint 'Taispeántas ar Bhuiséad Teoranta a Fhorbairt'.

50
músaem creidiúnaithe
go hiomlán faoi 2022

140
teastas bronnta ó
seoladh an clár in
2006

Rannpháirtí agus Shuíomh MSPI



Gach músaem creidiúnaithe ag an searmanas bronnta ag Caisleán Chill Chainnigh i mí Iúil 2022.

Creidiúnú Iomlán

- Músaem Mianach Copair na hAilichí, Músaem Talmhaíochta na hÉireann
- Leithinis Bhéarra, Iontaobhas Oidhreachta na hÉireann, Eastát Bhaile Sheáin, Co. Loch Garman
- Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann: Saol na Tuaithe
- Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann Ealaíona Maisiúla & Stair
- Ionad Acmhainní Bailiúcháin Ard-Mhúsaem na hÉireann

Creidiúnú a Chothabháil

- Baile an Chaisleáin, OOP
- Músaem an Chláir
- Músaem an Chontae, Ionad Oidhreachta
- Dhún Dealgan: Coláiste Ríoga Lianna na hÉireann,
- Músaem Scríbhneoirí Chiarraí
- Músaem na bPiarsach, OOP

Creidiúnú Eatramhach

- Leabharlann Edward Worth
- Ard-Mhúsaem Muirí na hÉireann, Dún Laoghaire

Léarscáileanna Oidhreachta

Is áis ar líne é tionscadal na Léarscáileanna Oidhreachta, arna chomhordú ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta, a ligeann d'úsáideoirí breathnú ar réimse leathan tacar sonraí oidhreachta tógtha agus nádúrtha i bhfoirm léarscáile.

Is féidir é a úsáid chun léarscáileanna saincheaptha a chruthú inar féidir pointí spéise ar leith a aithint (crosa arda na hÉireann, uaigheanna stairiúla, láithreáin UNESCO, cloigtheach srl.) agus staidéar a dhéanamh ar fhlóra agus fána áitiúla.

Is féidir teacht ar léarscáileanna oidhreachta [anseo](https://www.anceo.ie).

Buiséad 2022: €59,174

Dul chun cinn: Tá breathnóir nua oiriúnaithe aeráide cósta agus mara réidh lena n-imscaradh tar éis roinnt bailiúchán mór sonraí stáit nua a thiomsú atá á gcur ar fáil go hoscailte den chéad uair. Cruthóidh an breathnóir nua seo bonnlíne den scoth de shonraí cósta agus mara agus éascóidh sé dea-chleachtas chun riachtanais ár n-oidhreachta nádúrtha agus tógtha a thuiscint i bhfianaise saincheisteanna athraithe aeráide.

Buaicphointí 2022: Thug tabhairt isteach ár bpostálacha 'Luan na Léarscáileanna' ar fud ár n-ardáin meán sóisialta go leor úsáideoirí nua chuig an ardán Léarscáileanna Oidhreachta. Féachann na poist seo ar léarscáileanna stairiúla na hÉireann, ina ndéantar anailís ar na gnéithe sóisialta, polaitiúla, cartagrafacha agus geografacha agus ar na hathruithe de réir mar a mapáladh Éire thar na céadta bliain.



Bhí an léarscáil seo dár teideal 'Prima Europa Tabula' le feiceáil sa sraith #MondayMappery.

Is leis an 'Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center' i leabharlann Phoiblí Boston and íomhá seo.

Uchtaigh Séadchomhartha

Cuireann an scéim Uchtaigh Séadchomhartha (AaM) saineolas, meantóireacht agus tacaíocht ar fáil chun pobail a spreagadh chun séadchomhartha a 'ghlacadh' ina gceantar féin chun cothabháil leanúnach agus cosaint níos fearr a chinntiú trí luach cathartha méadaithe. Tá 22 rannpháirtí sa scéim faoi láthair ag glacadh le séadchomhartha.



Buiséad 2022: €56,222. Méadú ó €50,424 in 2021.

Dul chun cinn: In 2022, chuaigh cúig ghrúpa nua isteach sa scéim:

- Ghlac Foghrúpa Chomhairle Pobail Dhún na Séad le Dún na Séad i gCo. Corcaigh
- Ghlac Cumann Staire Chaisleán Dhiarmada le Séipéal agus Reilig Dhún Mánmhaí i gCo. Cill Dara
- Ghlac Grúpa Fiontraíochta agus Forbartha Inis Caoin le Móta Inis Caoin i gCo. Muineachán
- Ghlac Dunkineely Community Ltd Eaglais, Crois agus Reilig Chill Leacht Aodha i gCo. Dún na nGall
- Ghlac Cairde Shéipéal San Séamas le Séipéal agus Reilig San Séamas sa Daingean, Co Ciarrai

Buaicphointí 2022: Ceann de bhuaicphointí 2022 ab ea grúpaí a tháinig isteach sa scéim in 2016 agus 2017 a bhronnadh lena ndámhachtainí meantóireachta. Tugann an gradam seo aitheantas d'obair chrua agus d'éachtaí grúpaí a bhí mar chuid d'Uchtaigh Séadchomhartha le breis agus sé bliana anuas agus aithníonn sé luach na ngrúpaí seo mar mheantóirí dóibh siúd atá díreach tagtha isteach sa scéim.

Ghlac Bailte Slachtmhara Phort Laoise le Sean-Eaglais Naomh Peadar agus fuair siad gradam meantóra in 2022.



Clár Scileanna Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann

Is cúrsa é an Clár Scileanna Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann a bhfuil sé mar aidhm aige scileanna tógála oidhreachta a chaomhnú atá i mbaol a gcaillte trí thacú leo siúd atá ag obair san earnáil tógála cheana féin a gcuid scileanna a bhrú go dtí an chéad leibhéal eile.

Arna fhorbairt ag Fondúireacht an Phrionsa i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta i bPoblacht na hÉireann agus leis an Rannán Comhshaoil Stairiúil i Roinn Pobal Thuaisceart Éireann, rachaidh an clár chun tairbhe do cheardaithe spreagúla ó Thuaisceart Éireann agus ó Phoblacht na hÉireann araon.



Rannpháirtithe Chlár Scil Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann ag obair.

Buiséad 2022: €57,218

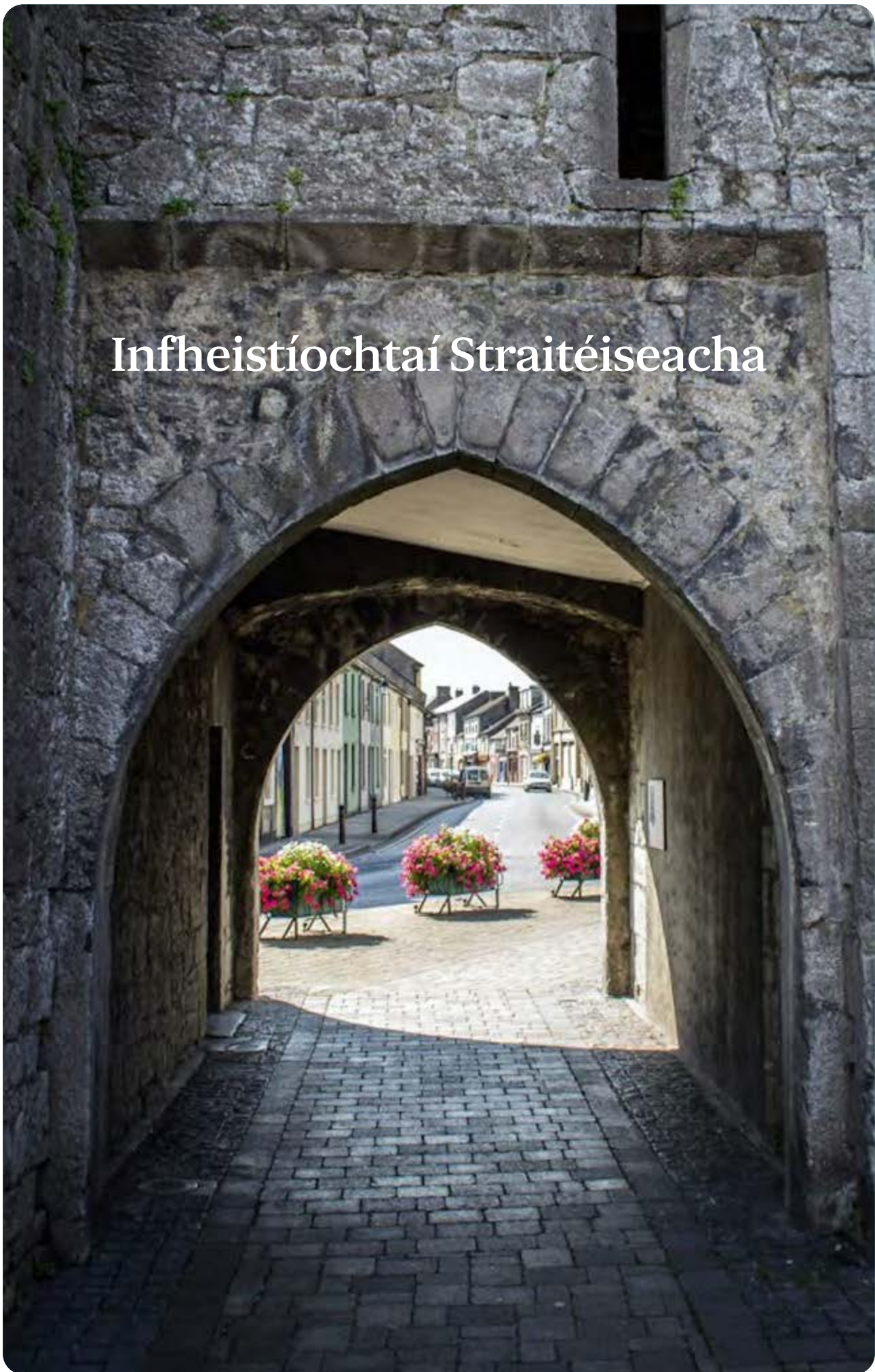
Dul Chun Cinn: Tugann bunú an chláir chomhoibríoch seo deis chun go leor scileanna traidisiúnta a choinneáil beo, agus a chinntiú go leanann siad de ról a imirt i gcaomhnú ár n-am atá caite, agus go tábhachtach an ról is féidir leo leanúint ar aghaidh ag imirt sa 21ú hAois a shainiú.

Tugann an Clár Ceardaíochta Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann seisear mac léinn le chéile a léiríonn paisean dá gceird ar leith, ar chúrsa lánaimseartha 12 mhí, a thugann deis taithí phraiticiúil a fháil ar scileanna tógála oidhreachta chomh maith leis an deis oibriú i dtreo Dioplóma CGN Leibhéal 3 i Scileanna Oidhreachta (Foirgníocht).

Buaicphointí 2022: Chun Clár Scileanna Oidhreachta Uile-Éireann 2022 a sheoladh, reáchtáladh ócáid fáilte i gCaisleán Cromghlinn in aice le Béal Feirste. Chuir ionadaithe ó Fhondúireacht an Phrionsa, ón gComhairle Oidhreachta agus ó Rannán Comhshaoil Stairiúla Thuaisceart Éireann fáilte roimh na mic léinn chuig an gclár.

Bhuail na daltaí lena chéile roimh thuras ar Ionad Scileanna Oidhreachta Thuaisceart Éireann, Maigh Rath. Thug ceardaithe turas ar na ceardlanna don ghrúpa. Thug Fondúireacht an Phrionsa cuireadh don ghrúpa turas príobháideach a bheith acu ar Chaisleán Cromghlinn agus gairdíní athchóirithe. Aird ar leith tugtha ar na ceirdeanna a bhaineann le hathchóiriú an chaisleáin agus na ngairdíní.

Infheistíochtaí Straitéiseacha



Ciste Acmhainne Oidhreachta

Tá sé mar aidhm ag an gCiste um Acmhainn Oidhreachta (CAO) cur le cumas eagraíochtaí neamhrialtasacha atá ag obair san earnáil oidhreachta in Éirinn trí mhaoiniú a chur ar fáil i dtreo a bpríomhchostais.

Buiséad 2022: €918,824. Méadú ó €645,735 in 2021.

Chabhraigh an maoiniú le caomhnú a dhéanamh ar léarscáileanna William Larkin a bronnadh ar an gCartlann in 2021, a mheastar go raibh siad ann roimh léarscáil 1809 Chontae Uíbh Fhailí de chuid Choimisiún na bPortach.

Dul chun cinn: Tar éis feachtas cur chun cinn digiteach, d'fháiltigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta roimh mhéadú beagnach 30% ar iarratais ó eagraíochtaí atá ag lorg maoinithe faoin scéim.

Buaicphointí 2022: Ba thairbhí fiúntach maoinithe iad Cartlann Uíbh Fhailí faoin CAO in 2022. Thacaigh maoiniú ón gComhairle Oidhreachta le tuarastal cartlannaí gairmiúil lánaimseartha, arb ionann é agus 57.5% d'ioncam Chartlann Uíbh Fhailí in 2021.

Chlúdaigh maoiniú na bliana seo caite oibreacha práinneacha caomhnaithe ar earraí a bhfuil oidhrecht chultúrtha shuntasach ag baint leo, is é sin glanadh agus caomhnú páipéir chláir theach na mbocht i mBiorra a mhaireann agus leabhar miontuairiscí a ndearnadh damáiste an-dona dó ón mbailiúchán céanna. In 2022, is ionann bunmhaoiniú €40,000 na Comhairle Oidhreachta agus 50% d'ioncam na Cartlainne.



An Clár Fionnachtana: Ionad Seandálaíochta agus Nuálaíochta Éireann

Bunaithe i 1991, is é misean an Chláir Fionnachtana iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar stair na hÉireann agus ar a hoidhreacht chultúrtha trí ardtaighde a dhéanamh i seandálaíocht na hÉireann agus i ndisciplíní gaolmhara agus trína chuid torthaí a scaipeadh go forleathan. Tá an Clár Fionnachtana struchtúrtha mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus fostaíonn sé 9 ball foirne, i gcomparáid le 8 gcinn in 2021. Is é an Dr John O’Keeffe, Príomhfheidhmeannach, atá i gceannas ar an gClár Fionnachtana. Tá Tomás Ó Coileáin ina chathaoirleach ar an mBord Stiúrthóirí.



Os cionn: D’oibrigh an Clár Fionnachtana leis an bpobal áitiúil ag Dún na Séad chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar an séadchomhartha créfoirt diamhair seo.

Ar dheis: Ag oscailt na n-oifigí nua Fionnachtana i mí na Samhna 2022.



Buiséad 2022: €814,000. Méadaithe ó €740,000 in 2021.

Dul chun cinn: D’oscail an Clár Fionnachtana a oifigí nua go foirmiúil i gCé na gCeannaithe i mBaile Átha Cliath i mí na Samhna. Rinneadh an lá a chomóradh le cóisir ghairdín ar fhreastail POF agus Cathaoirleach na Comhairle Oidhreachta, an tAire Oidhreachta Malcolm Noonan T.D., agus baill den Chlár Fionnachtana lena n-áirítear an bord stiúrthóirí agus a chathaoirleach.

Buaicphointí 2022: Thacaigh an Clár Fionnachtana le scéim Glactha Séadchomhartha de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta ag obair leis an bpobal áitiúil ag Dún na Séad chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar an séadchomhartha cré-oibre dúrúnda seo. Rinne an fhoireann suirbhéanna geoifisiceacha agus mapáil dhigiteach ar an séadchomhartha, agus d’óstáil siad lá oscailte chun na torthaí a roinnt leis an bpobal áitiúil. Bhain an pobal áitiúil úsáid as torthaí na hoibre freisin mar chuid den tSeachtain Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta 2022.

Iontaobhas Sainchomhartha na hÉireann

Is eagraíocht neamhbhrabúis é Iontaobhas Sainchomhartha na hÉireann a aimsíonn maoinne suimiúla agus neamhghnácha (amhail tithe solais, caisleáin, agus lóistí geata) a bhfuil caomhnú de dhíth orthu, agus a thugann beatha nua dóibh. Ó 1992 i leith, tá Iontaobhas Sainchomhartha na hÉireann ag iompú foirgnimh stairiúla ina gcóiríocht saoire féinfhrestail. Tá Iontaobhas Sainchomhartha na hÉireann struchtúrtha mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta. Fostaíonn sé 12 líon foirne agus tá Niamh Lunny, Príomhfheidhmeannach, i gceannas air. Tá Michael O'Boyle ina chathaoirleach ar an mBord Stiúrthóirí.

Thíos: Ceann Dhún dTéide - Fuinneoga clúdaithe le cláir.

Thíos ar dheis: Ceann Dhún dTéide - baineadh an balla tosaigh.

Buiséad 2022: €329,489. Méadaithe ó €296,753 in 2021.

Dul chun cinn: Chuir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta maoiniú ar fáil don ILT i mbliana le go bhféadfaí ocht dtuairisc ar riocht réadmhaoine a chur i gcrích ar réadmhaoin a athchóiríodh go deireanach 20 bliain ó shin. Bainfear úsáid as na tuarascálacha seo chun clár oibre cothabhála trí go cúig bliana a phleanáil chun a chinntiú go gcoinnítear gach maoin sa riocht is fearr chun a chinntiú go mairfidh siad.

Buaicphointí 2022: In 2022 chuir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta €89,489 breise de mhaoiniú acmhainne ar fáil a thacaigh le hobair thábhachtach chaomhnaithe do chúig mhaoin de chuid Shainchomhartha na hÉireann. Ba thithe solais iad trí cinn de na tithe seo, Ceann Léime, Ceann Dhún dTéide, agus Rinn Eoin a fhuilainníonn nochtadh leanúnach do dhálaí adhairsire.



Clár Intéirneachta Caomhnaithe

Cuireann an Clár Intéirneachta Caomhnaithe tacaíocht ar fáil d'institiúidí cultúrtha náisiúnta chun cur ar a gcumas socrúcháin intéirneachta a thairiscint do na céimithe caomhnaithe is fearr. Cuireann na hintéirneachtaí, idir naoi mí agus 12 mhí ar fhad, ar chumas intéirneachtaí scileanna ardspeisialaithe a fhorbairt agus iad ag obair in institiúidí oidhreachta den chéad scoth, ag tacú leo a ngairmeacha gairmiúla a bhunú trí aire a thabhairt do réada i mbailiúcháin náisiúnta oidhreachta cultúrtha na hÉireann.



Buiséad 2022: €33,402. Méadaithe ó €21,997 in 2021.

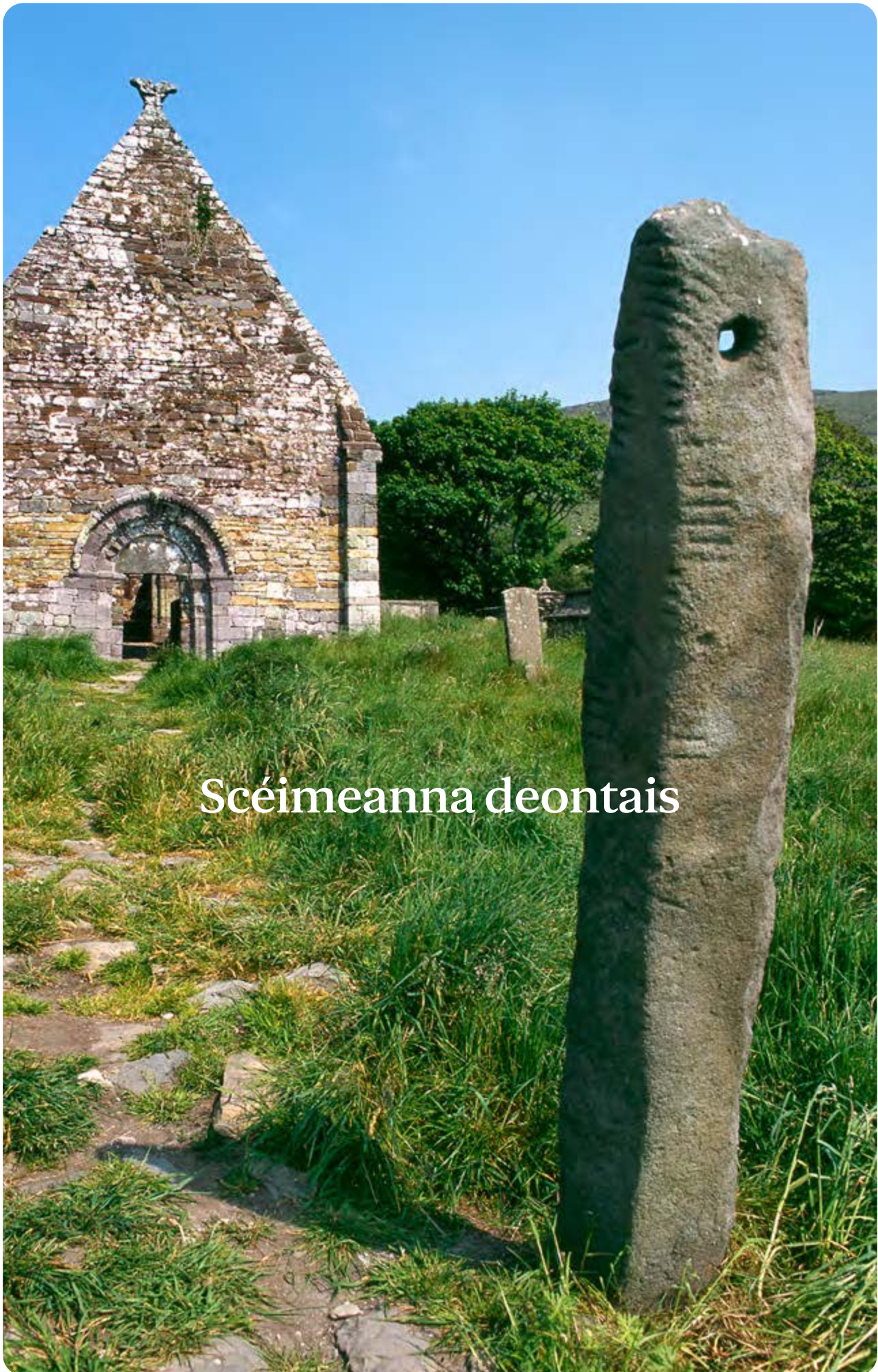
Dul chun cinn: Thacaigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta le ceapadh triúr intéirneach in 2022:

- Caomhnú péintéireachta 12 mhí le Gailearaí Náisiúnta na hÉireann (áit ar chaith an t-intéirneach sé mhí i nGailearaí Náisiúnta na hÉireann agus sé mhí i nGailearaí Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath, lána Aoidh)
- Intéirneacht chaomhnaithe leabhar agus páipéir naoi mí i Leabharlann Náisiúnta na hÉireann
- Intéirneacht chaomhnaithe leabhar agus páipéir naoi mí i Leabharlann Chester Beatty

Buaicphointí 2022: Bhí beirt intéirneach de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta, Hoa Perriguy i Leabharlann Chester Beatty agus Gaëlle Lefevre sa Leabharlann Náisiúnta, in ann freastal ar Ligatus Summer School le linn a n-intéirneachta, a tionóladh i Leabharlann Edward Worth i mBaile Átha Cliath in 2022.

D'oibrigh Monika Rumonova leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta chun gearrscannán a léiriú faoina taithí ar an Scéim Intéirneachta Caomhnaithe atá ar fáil le feiceáil [anseo](#).

D'oibrigh Monika Rumanova ar go leor píosaí dúshlánacha le linn caomhnú péintéireachta 12 mhí le Gailearaí Náisiúnta na hÉireann.



Scéimeanna deontais

Scéim Deontais Oidhreachta Pobail (SDOP)

Tacaíonn an scéim seo le tionscadail a fheabhsaíonn rochtain agus cuimsiú ar láithreáin oidhreachta, tionscadail a chuireann dea-chleachtas oidhreachta i bhfeidhm maidir le bainistiú áiteanna, bailiúchán nó réad (lena n-áirítear foirgnimh), agus a thacaíonn le trealamh riachtanach a cheannach.

Buiséad 2022: €1.5M

Dul chun cinn: I mbliana, leag an scéim tuilleadh béime ar iarratais a spreagadh a bhí dírithe ar rochtain ar ghníomhaíochtaí oidhreachta a fheabhsú do dhaoine faoi mhíchumas, chomh maith le tionscadail a thugann aghaidh ar oidhreacht grúpaí mionlaigh, pobail nua agus oidhreacht Taistealaithe.

Fuarthas roinnt iarratas den scoth lena n-áirítear tionscadal ó Mhúsaem Hunt dar teideal, 'Making the Hunt Museum work better for the Visually Weaklyed'



Is éard a bhí i gceist leis sin:

- Treoir thuariscíúil fuaimne a thabhairt isteach laistigh de na gailearaithe
- Athsheoladh réad amháin ina bhfuil scáileán tadhaill idirghníomhach
- Scáileán tadhaill idirghníomhach a ionchorprú chun aird a tharraingt ar réimse amháin den bhailiúchán

Buaicphointí 2022: Tionscadal Athchóirithe Halla Cally Kinny, Co. Bhí Dún na nGall, a fuair maoiniú tríd an SDOP in 2022, thar a bheith suimiúil.

Is struchtúr cloiche aon seomra é Kinny Cally Hall in aice le Baile Suingean, Dún na nGall, agus áit a bhfuil an-tóir air le haghaidh cruinnithe sóisialta agus ceol traidisiúnta sna 1920idí, '30idí, agus '40idí. Bhí ról ollmhór aige i gcaomhnú stíl uathúil cheol traidisiúnta Oirthear Dhún na nGall. Tá sé i gceantar teorann, rud a fhágann gur léiriú luachmhar dúchasach é ar spiorad bhail an phobail Chaitlicigh den lucht oibre ag an am.

Bhí an halla i mbaol titim as a chéile, rud a spreag Grúpa Tionscadal Athchóirithe Halla Cally Kinny chun é a chaomhnú.

Chuaigh maoiniú i dtreo tuarascáil chaomhnaithe chun stop a chur leis an bpróiseas meatha, agus chun acmhainneacht an fhoirgnimh a fhiosrú.

Tionscnamh na mBailte Stairiúla

Is comhghnóthas é Tionscnamh na mBailte Stairiúla (TBS) ón gComhairle Oidhreachta agus ón Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta a bhfuil sé mar aidhm aige athghiniúint bhailte stairiúla na hÉireann faoi stiúir na hoidhreachta a chur chun cinn. Gné nua den HTI in 2022 ab ea glao ar thograí a spreagann athúsáid shonrach foirgneamh stairiúil.

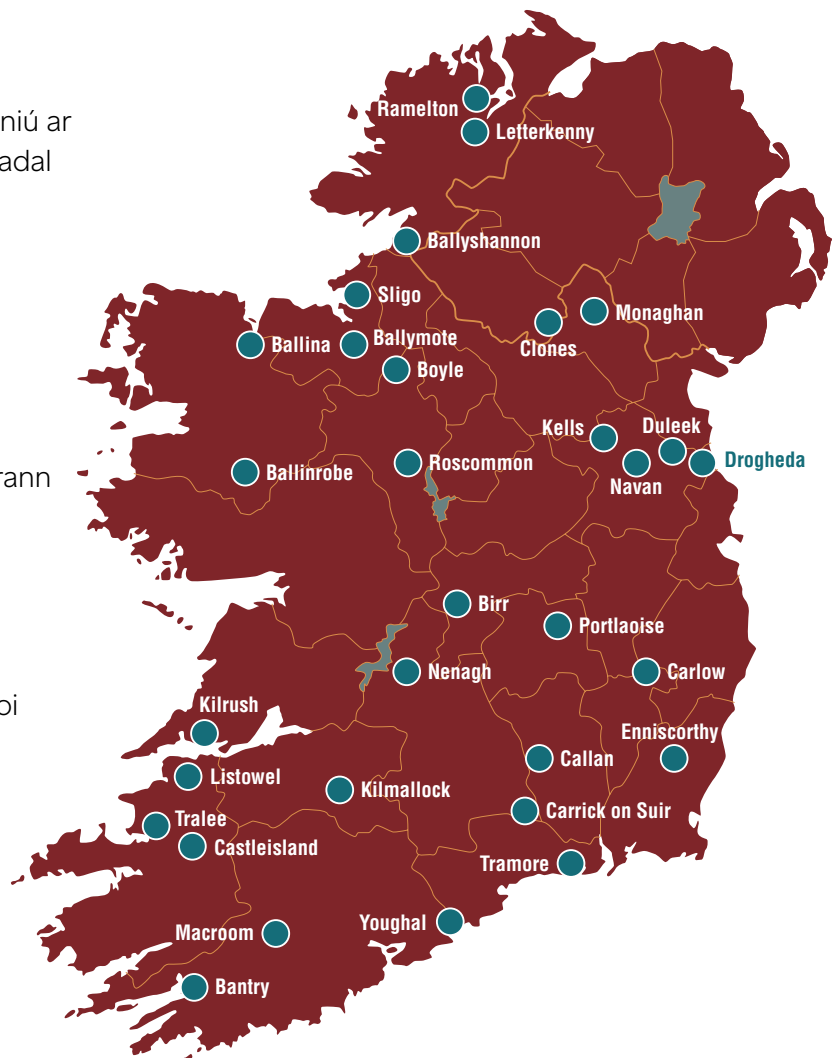
Buiséad 2022: €1.42M.

Dul chun cinn: In 2022 bronnadh maoiniú ar údaráis áitiúla le haghaidh seacht dtionscadal caomhnaithe sna réimsí seo a leanas:

- Lios Tuathail, Co Chiarraí
- Béal Átha Seanaidh, Co. Dún na nGall
- Béal an Átha, Co. Maigh Eo
- Maigh Chromtha, Co Chorcaí
- Baile Thiobraid Árann, Co. Thiobraid Árann
- An Nás, Co. Chill Dara
- Baile Mhuineacháin, Co Mhuineacháin

Den chéad uair faoin gclár seo in 2022, bronnadh maoiniú ar na húdaráis agus faoi dheireadh na bliana cuireadh pleananna athnuachana faoi stiúir na hoidhreachta i gcrích:

- Callainn, Co. Chill Chainnigh
- Loch Garman, Co. Loch Garman



Buaicphointí 2022: Spreag Tionscadal Monarcha Lámhainne Thiobraid Árann, atá suite i mbaile Thiobraid Árann, spéis ar leith in 2022. Bhí an foirgneamh ag feidmiú ar dtús mar áitreabh do ghnóthaí tráchtála éagsúla (deirtear gur thug Charles Stewart Parnell ceann de na hóráidí ba shuntasáí uaidh ó cheann d’fhuinneoga an fhoirgnimh.)

Sna 1930idí rinneadh Monarcha Lámhainní de agus bhí go leor de mhuintir na háite ina gcónaí ann, cuid acu fós beo inniu.

Bhí drochbhair ar an bhfoirgneamh sular cuireadh tús leis an tionscadal seo. Cé gur choinnigh an struchtúr a charachtar agus a thábhacht stairiúil chomh maith le codanna móra den chreatlach stairiúil, bhí gá le go leor oibreacha caomhnaithe chun an foirgneamh a chobhsú, a chaomhnú agus a fheabhsú.

Bhain an tionscadal tairbhe as €163,000 faoin HTI in 2022 chun tabhairt faoi na hoibreacha caomhnaithe riachtanacha.



Monarcha Lámhainní Thiobraid Árann roimh agus tar éis críochnú na n-oibreacha caomhnaithe.

SDFTF – Scéim Deontais na bhFoirgneamh Traidisiúnta Feirme

Cosnaíonn scéim Deontais SDFTF (an Scéim Ghlas do Thimpeallacht na Talmhaíochta ar Bheagán Carbóin) Foirgneamh Traidisiúnta Feirme na gnáthfhoirgnimh a úsáidtear sa talmhaíocht. Díríonn iarrachtaí ar ábhair atá ann cheana a choinneáil, a dheisiú agus a athúsáid, ní hamháin ar mhaithe lena luach oidhreachta ach freisin ar mharthanacht bhunúsach go leor ábhar tógála stairiúil.

Déantar an scéim a bhainistiú i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara a mhaoiníonn an scéim.



Tar éis oibreacha a bheith déanta ar chlós na gclóch duirlinge sa Mhí.

Buiséad 2022: €1.25M

Dul chun cinn: Rinne an Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara agus an Chomhairle Oidhreachta measúnú ar an scéim idir 2016 agus 2021 in 2022, measúnú a d'aimsigh gur daingníodh breis is míle gnáthóg fiadhúlra tríd an scéim agus gur fhill 522 foirgneamh ar úsáid fheidhmeach ar an bhfeirm. Fuarthas amach go raibh tionchar na scéime ar dhearccháí feirmeoirí a athrú go hiontach, gur braitheadh an tionchar go forleathan agus gur dócha go mbeadh éifeacht fhadtéarmach aige. Is féidir an tuarascáil seo a fháil anseo

Buaicphointí 2022: Ceann de na tionscadail is mó a tharraing súil air in 2022 ná ceann i gCo. An Mhí ina raibh oibreacha ar dhromchla pábháilte cloiche i gclós traidisiúnta feirme. Shocraigh na hiarratasóirí an t-ábhar doirneoire agus an bonn gráinneach nuair a leag conraitheoirí saoirseachta caomhnaithe na doirneoga. Athchóiríodh duirleoga go dtí na bunleibhéil mar a léiríodh ar an suíomh a thugann mothú nádúrtha droimneach taitneamhach don dromchla críochnaithe, coinníodh na bunsonraí imill áit a raibh siad ar marthain, agus coinníodh na bunsonraí imill chloiche tanaí áit a raibh sé ar marthain agus a mhacasamhlú.



Aimsíodh neada/faraí de chuid
93
speiceas faoi chosaint



Tacaíodh le **69** deontaí
chun **77** foirgneamh a
chaomhnú



Leithdháileadh
€1.25m

Ciste um Maoirseacht na hOidhreachta

Is sruth nua maoinithe é an Ciste um Mhaoirseachta Oidhreachta a thairgtear in 2022 chun tacú le hobair na foirne i ngníomhaireachtaí stáit agus in institiúidí tríú leibhéal a bhfuil freagrachtaí orthu maidir le cláir oidhreachta, go háirithe baill foirne a bhfuil freagrachtaí orthu maidir le maoirseacht agus rochtain ar bhailiúcháin, cartlanna, foirgnimh, séadchomharthaí agus gnáthóga. Tá sé mar aidhm ag an scéim deontais seo tacú le baill foirne in eagraíochtaí den sórt sin nach raibh rochtain acu i gcónaí ar an gComhairle Oidhreachta ná ar mhaoiniú níos leithne agus, ar an gcaoi sin, caomhnú sócmhainní oidhreachta leochaileacha a chinntiú.

Buiséad 2022: €274,330.

Dul Chun Cinn: Is céim shuntasach chun cinn é seoladh na scéime seo inár n-iarrachtaí caomhnú gairmiúil rudaí oidhreachta atá leochaileach agus i mbaol a chinntiú. Ar an dara dul síos, cuidíonn an scéim le speisialtóirí oidhreachta a bhfuil ról lárnach acu i mbonneagar oidhreachta na hÉireann agus atá ríthábhachtach do sheachadadh beartais agus pleananna náisiúnta ach a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ag feidhmiú in eagraíochtaí nach bhfuil a bpríomhchúram dírithe go hiomlán ar an oidhreachta.

Tuigimid leochaileacht na mbailiúchán oidhreachta, na ngnáthóg agus na bhfoirgneamh ar fud na tíre. Tá sé mar aidhm ag an scéim seo tacaíocht a chur ar fáil dóibh siúd a bhfuil sé de chúram orthu maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar na sócmhainní seo chun a gcaomhnú agus a n-inrochtaineacht fhadtéarmach a chinntiú.

Buaicphointí 2022: Tionscadal spéisiúil amháin a fuair maoiniú faoin gCiste Maoirseachta Oidhreachta in 2022 ná 'Taifead ar Dhéanamhais Chosanta; Athchóirithe agus Athúsáide.

Rinne an staidéar athbhreithniú ar an taifead reatha ar dhéanamhais chosanta i bPlean Forbartha Contae Chill Dara 2017 – 2022 lenar bhain taifeadadh ar gach foirgneamh a bhfuil tábhacht stairiúil ag baint leis, an riocht reatha, an úsáid agus an folúntas a thairfeadh, d'fhonn aird a tharraingt ar limistéir agus ar struchtúir ar féidir díriú orthu le haghaidh cuspóirí pleanála amach anseo. Bhíothas ag súil leis ón staidéar seo liosta d'fhoirgnimh fholmha a bheadh oiriúnach le hathchóiriú a dhéanamh ar thithíocht.

Mar sin féin, ní hamháin gur leag an toradh béim ar roinnt foirgneamh folamh atá oiriúnach d'aonaid chónaithe, ach leag sé béim freisin ar an tionchar díobhálach atá ag roinnt foirgneamh folamh ar scála mór ar an mbaile. Tá an easpa spásanna pobail le feiceáil agus cailliúint spásanna poiblí stairiúla, ar nós Chearnóg an Mhargaidh, go mór faoi thionchar úsáid carranna. Leag an staidéar béim ar réimsí tábhachtacha a éilíonn athghiniúint don bhaile ar fad.

Is é an chéad chéim eile ná aghaidh a thabhairt ar na moltaí a ghintear ón staidéar.



Teach folamh agus aonad tráchtála, West End i Mainistir Eimhín. Folamh, i mbaol.



Oideachas agus Rannpháirtíocht
an Phobail

Foireann na Comhairle Oidhreachta - Rannpháirtíocht Shibhialta in Earnáil na hOidhreachta

I rith na bliana, cuireann foireann na Comhairle Oidhreachta go mór le grúpaí oibre réigiúnacha agus náisiúnta éagsúla agus le grúpaí stiúrtha, coistí agus fochoistí, agus le grúpaí eile dá samhail d'fhonn tionchar a imirt ar athrú dearfach don earnáil oidhreachta.

Déanann an chuid seo cur síos ar nádúr sonrach na rannpháirtíochta seo.

Alison Harvey

Oifigeach Pleanála agus Forbartha, Bainisteoir Cláir an Chláir Chomhoibríoch Seiceála Sláinte Lár Baile

Tionscadal maoinithe ag an nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhshaoil ar Fhoireann Uirlisí um Measúnú ar Charachtar Tírdhreacha (ATF):

Ball den Choiste Stiúrtha

Grúpa Fhondúireacht Eolaíochta Éireann (GFEÉ) ag athbhreithniú maoiniú do 2023/2024:

Ball den phainéal 2022

Grúpa Comhairleach Náisiúnta EirGird:

Ball den Choiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta

Comhairle Tógála Glas na hÉireann (CTGhÉ):

Ball de Choiste Stiúrtha Náisiúnta IGBC ENACT

An Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe - Grúpa Oibre na hEarnála Tógála:

Ball den Ghrúpa Oibre

Pleanáil Spásúil agus cúrsaí athnuachana OT Baile Átha Cliath:

Scrúdaitheoir Seachtrach

Maria Walsh

Bainisteoir Cláir Oidhreachta sna Scoileanna

Oibríonn ár mBainisteoir Cláir Oidhreachta sna Scoileanna Maria Walsh ar bhonn leanúnach le hIonaid Tacaíochta Oideachais ar fud na hÉireann. In 2023, bhí tacaíocht do chlár oidhreachta áitiúla le scoileanna sa Chlár, i gCiarraí agus i gcontae na Mí i gceist leis an obair sin.

Oibríonn sí freisin le Músaem Chontae Chiarraí ar an nDámhachtain bliantúil Déan iniúchadh ar d'Oidhreachta Áitiúil do bhunscoileanna i gContae Chiarraí, ag moltóireacht iontrálacha agus ag cur aiseolas ar fáil ar thionscadail aonair.

Ian Doyle

Ceann Caomhnaithe

Buanchoiste Seandálaíochta Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann:

Cathaoirleach (go dtí Lúnasa 2022)

Comhairle Séadchomharthaí Stairiúla Thuaisceart Éireann:

Ball

An Coiste Comhairleach Saineolaithe ar Oidhreachta Chultúrtha Doláimhsithe na Roinne Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán:

Ball

Coiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta Chumann Eorpach na Seandálaithe do Chomhdháil Bhliantúil 2023 i mBéal Feirste:

Ball

Colm Murray

Oifigeach Ailtireachta

Tionscadal maoinithe ag Interreg atá lonnaithe ag OÉC - Calafort, Inniu agus Inné:

Ball den choiste comhairleach

Comhairle Contae agus Cathrach Luimnigh + Cathair X Athrú:

Ball den Fhoireann Chomhairleach Náisiúnta

Bord Clárúcháin Conraitheoirí Oidhreachta arna réachtáil ag Cónaidhm Thionscal na Tógála:

Ball den Bhord

Grúpa Stiúrtha um Oidhrecht Dhúchasach Thógtha (Tuí), An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta:

Ball den Ghrúpa Stiúrtha

Aalia Kamal

Oifigeach Oidhreachta Cultúrtha agus Cuimsitheach

Sainghrúpa an Choimisiúin Eorpaigh um Oidhrecht Chultúrtha:

Ball den Ghrúpa

An Coiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta do Choinbhinsiún na Háige 1954 maidir le Maoin Chultúrtha a Chosaint i gCás Coinbhleachta Armtha:

Ball den Choiste Comhairleach

Grúpa Stiúrtha Líonra Cartlainne Pobail na hÉireann:

Ball den Ghrúpa Stiúrtha

Anna Meenan

Bainisteoir Cláir Scéim Deontais na bhFoirgneamh Traidisiúnta Feirme

Grúpa Stiúrtha um Oidhrecht Dhúchasach Thógtha (Tuí), An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta:

Ball den Ghrúpa Stiúrtha

Lorcan Scott

Oifigeach Fiadhúlra

Grúpa Oibre Bithéagsúlachta Náisiúnta na Seirbhísí Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra:

Ball den Ghrúpa

Grúpa Stiúrtha Chlár Dúlra an Atlantaigh Fhiáin LIFE+IP de chuid Sheirbhísí Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra:

Ball den Ghrúpa Stiúrtha

Grúpa Oibre Chomhairle na Tuaithe:

Ball den Ghrúpa Oibre

Crú-laltóg Bheag, Grúpa Stiúrtha an Phlean Gníomhaíochta Speiceas (An tSeirbhís Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra):

Ball den Ghrúpa Stiúrtha

Coiste comhairleach Coillearnacha na hÉireann:

Ball den Choiste Comhairleach

Coiste comhairleach Fhóram na mBogach Pobail Fóram Bogaigh Pobail:

Ball den Choiste Comhairleach

Gradam Oidhreachta na mBailte Slachtmhara



Faigheann Betty Kelly agus Eileen Kenny, Bailte Slachtmhara Bhaile an Tobair an Gradam Oidhreachta Náisiúnta ón Ionadaí Frank Feighan agus Virginia Teehan, Príomhfheidhmeannach na Comhairle Oidhreachta.

Ba é Bhaile an Tobair, Contae Ros Comáin, buaiteoir Gradam Oidhreachta na mBailte Slachtmhara 2022.

Mar thoradh ar a gcuid oibre ar Thionscadal Feasachta Oidhreachta, bhí Conair Oidhreachta sráidbhaile iontach, ina raibh Siúlóid Lúbtha Rambling agus Conair Códaithe QR Bithéagsúlachta.

Leagann Conair Oidhreachta an tSráidbhaile béim ar oidhreacht chultúrtha agus thógtha Bhaile an Tobair, a chuimsíonn gach rud ó thobar beannaithe agus ó chaisleán meánaoiseach, díreach isteach inár n-oidhreacht níos nua-aimseartha i bhfoirm gnólachtaí áitiúla a sheasann le cleachtais agus aeistéitic thraidisiúnta.

Is áis iontach í an tSiúlóid Lúbtha do chuariteoirí agus do mhuintir na háite chun taitneamh a bhaint as an taobh amuigh, agus baineann Conair Códaithe QR Bithéagsúlachta an-úsáid as an teicneolaíocht chun iontais bithéagsúlachta Bhaile an Tobair a thaispeáint.

Léiríonn an obair atá déanta ag Bailte Slachtmhara Bhaile an Tobair cad is féidir a bhaint amach nuair a dhéanann grúpaí pobail éagsúla acmhainní a chomhthiomsú agus oibriú le chéile i dtreo comhspríoc.

Comórtas do dhíograiseoirí brící LEGO - Oidhreacht ag Súgradh

Tugann ár gcomórtas bliantúil 'Oidhreacht ag Súgradh' cuireadh do pháistí in aois bunscoile gné d'oidhreacht na hÉireann a thaispeáint trí bhrící LEGO a úsáid.

Cuireadh tús le comórtas 2022 d'iontrálacha i mí na Nollag.

Chuidigh an t-ealaíontóir bríce LEGO Jessica Farrell leis an bpost deacair na buaiteoirí a roghnú. Chuir sí roinnt samhlacha samplacha iontacha ar fáil freisin le treoracha céim ar chéim don phobal chun iarracht a dhéanamh. I mbliana bhí scliúchas pigmí, pilibín, agus bosca cnaipí.

Taispeánadh na hiontrálacha buacacha ag taispeántas speisialta i Músaem an Mhíle Mheánaoiseach i gCill Chainnigh a bhí ar siúl go luath in 2023. Chríochnaigh an taispeántas le searmanas bronnta do na buaiteoirí agus don dara háit i ngach catagóir.

Ar dheis: lora déanta as Lego.

Thíos: An t-ealaíontóir LEGO® Jessica Farrell lena mac Faolán (ar chlé) agus Lorcan Scott ón gComhairle Oidhreachta.



Imeachtaí Líonraithe Pobail

I mí an Mhárta 2022, sheol an Chomhairle Oidhreachta scéim phíolótach rannpháirtíochta pobail i nDún na nGall, nuair a tháinig baill ó ghrúpaí oidhreachta pobail ar fud an chontae le chéile chun smaointe, eolas agus saineolas a roinnt.

Mar chuid den ócáid bhí cur i láthair ó Laoch Oidhreachta 2021 na Comhairle Oidhreachta, Patrick Boner, buaiteoir Ghradam na Seachtaine Náisiúnta na hOidhreachta, iar-rannpháirtí Uchtaigh Séadchomhartha, agus saineolaí ceannródaíoch i mbailiúcháin oidhreachta digití.

Sna míonna ina dhiaidh sin, reáchtáladh roinnt imeachtaí fíorúla a chlúdaigh ábhair éagsúla, amhail pleanáil imeachtaí, agus tarraingt anuas deontais.



Rannpháirtithe san Ócáid Líonraithe Pobail i nDún na nGall.

Bunúsanna Athchóirithe Fuinnimh d'Fhoirgnimh Thraidisiúnta



Ó chlé go deas: Vincent Cunnane (Uachtarán Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta na Sionainne: Lár Tíre, An tIarlthar Láir), Virginia Teehan (POF, an Chomhairle Oidhreachta) agus an tAire Stáit um Oidhreachta agus Athchóiriú Toghcháin Malcolm Noonan, TD ag seoladh an chúrsa i Meán Fómhair 2022.

Chuaigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta i gcomhpháirtíocht le hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta na Sionainne (OTS) chun an cúrsa Bunúsanna Athchóirithe Fuinnimh d'Fhoirgnimh Thraidisiúnta (BAFFT) a sheachadadh in 2022. Seachadadh an chéad mhodúl den Teastas Ardleibhéil Leibhéal 8 ó Mheán Fómhair go Samhain 2022. D'eisigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta Deimhnithe Tinrimh FGL do 42 rannpháirtí ag deireadh mhí na Samhna 2022. Bhí an rogha ag rannpháirtithe dul ar aghaidh go dtí an dara modúl. Beidh céimithe an chúrsa seo ríthábhachtach chun a chinntiú go ndéanfar uasghrádú riachtanach fuinnimh ar fhoirgnimh stairiúla ar bhealach atá báil don oidhreachta ailtireachta.



Éagsúlacht agus Cuimsiú a Chur Chun Cinn

Ag teacht chuig do chéadfaí nádúrtha

In 2019, fuair an Chomhairle Oidhreachta maoiniú ó Éire Ildánach chun clár píolótach ceardlann a reáchtáil a bhí dírithe ar eispéireas níos airde a thabhairt agus, dá bhrí sin, feacht ar an timpeallacht nádúrtha a thabhairt do dhaoine a bhfuil lagú radhairc orthu. Tugtar ag Teacht ar Do Chéadfaí Nádúrtha ar an tionscadal seo.

Ba é túsphointe an tionscadail seo ná go mbeadh taithí níos fearr ag daoine a bhfuil lagú radhairc suntasach orthu ar ár saol nádúrtha dá dtabharfaí oiliúint bhunúsach dóibh maidir le léirmhíniú a dhéanamh ar fhuaimneanna na bithéagsúlachta ina dtimpeallacht laethúil agus timpeall air.

Tháinig buaicphointe 2022 le linn Sheachtain Náisiúnta na Bithéagsúlachta i mí na Bealtaine nuair a tógadh ár ngrúpa ar ócáid siúlóide agus cainte ag tosú ag Ionad Cuairteoirí Oileán an Bulla Thuaidh, áit ar labhair Ball Boird na Comhairle Oidhreachta, an Dr Mary Tubridy, faoi na hiontais luibheolaíoch a bhaineann leis an gcóras dumhcha a bhfuil tábhacht idirnáisiúnta ag baint leis.

Ansin thug Andrew Lynch ó BirdWatch Ireland an rang trasna ag na réileán láibe chun éisteacht leis na lapairí agus ar aghaidh go coillte Pháirc Naomh Ann, áit ar éist na rannpháirtithe le haghaidh tiuf-teafanna agus ceolaire sailí.



Os cionn: Buaicphointe in 2022 ab ea turas go hOileán an Bhulla le linn Sheachtain Náisiúnta na Bithéagsúlachta. Taispeánann an pictiúr Audrey Tormey ó Chomhairle Náisiúnta na hÉireann do na Daill.

Thíos: An grúpa iomlán os comhair Ionad Léirmhíntithe na gCuairteoirí.



Tearmann Fiadhúlra: ag obair le daoine atá ag lorg tearmainn

Is tionscadal de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta é Tearmann Fiadhúlra atá deartha chun comhoibriú ceardlainne bithéagsúlachta agus malartú cultúrtha a éascú idir daoine atá ag lorg tearmainn (PSA) agus oibríthe deonacha caomhnaithe pobail.

Is éard atá i gceist leis an tionscadal ná turais lae chuig láithreáin oidhreachta i rith na bliana ina n-oibríonn na hoibríthe deonacha agus an PSA le chéile agus ina malartaíonn siad smaointe faoin mbithéagsúlacht.

Is é sin an t-éileamh ó gach cearn den tír turais a eagrú gurb é príomhfhócas ár gcuid oibre ar an gclár seo in 2022 bealaí a aimsiú chun é a leathnú ach acmhainní a chur ar fáil dó dá réir chun cabhrú le freastal ar chuid den éileamh.

Is scéim deontais de chuid na Comhairle Oidhreachta é an Ciste Acmhainne Oidhreachta a bhfuil sé mar aidhm aici cur le cumas eagraíochtaí neamhrialtasacha, a bhfuil ábharthacht náisiúnta léirithe acu, a bheith ag obair san earnáil oidhreachta

trí mhaoiniú a chur ar fáil i dtreo a bpríomhchostais. Chuir an Chomhairle Oidhreachta comhairle ar an nGrúpa Tearmann sa Dúlra agus san Oidhreachta a réachtálann na turais chun iarratas a dhéanamh ar bhunmhaoiniú faoin scéim seo, agus fuair siad amach go luath in 2023 gur éirigh leo. Cuirfidh sé seo ar chumas an tionscadail fás agus líon níos mó PSA a chur san áireamh.

I measc na dturas i mbliana bhí turais an-rathúil go An Loilíoch Mhór i gCo. Chill Dara agus chuig Garraithe Náisiúnta na Lus.



Os cionn: Ceann de thurais 2022 chuig Ionad Oidhreachta Lullymore, Sráidbhaile Shióga an Phortaigh.

Ar chlé: Clár Tearmann Fiadhúlra - Garraíodóireacht ar son na Bithéagsúlachta.

Ag obair le Pavee Point agus leis an Pobail Taistealaithe

Lean an Chomhairle Oidhreachta ar aghaidh ag tógáil a caidrimh le hIonad Taistealaithe agus Romaigh Pavee Point thar 2022. Chomh maith le comhairle straitéiseach a chur ar fáil maidir le cúram agus caomhnú fadtéarmach na mbailiúchán leathan d'ábhar clóite, de shaothair ealaíne agus de réada oidhreachta cultúrtha atá i seilbh Pavee Point, tá an Chomhairle Oidhreachta ag leanúint leis an obair thábhachtach a bhaineann le creat a fhorbairt chun tacaíocht níos fearr a thabhairt d'oidhreachtaí na Taistealaithe agus Romaigh.

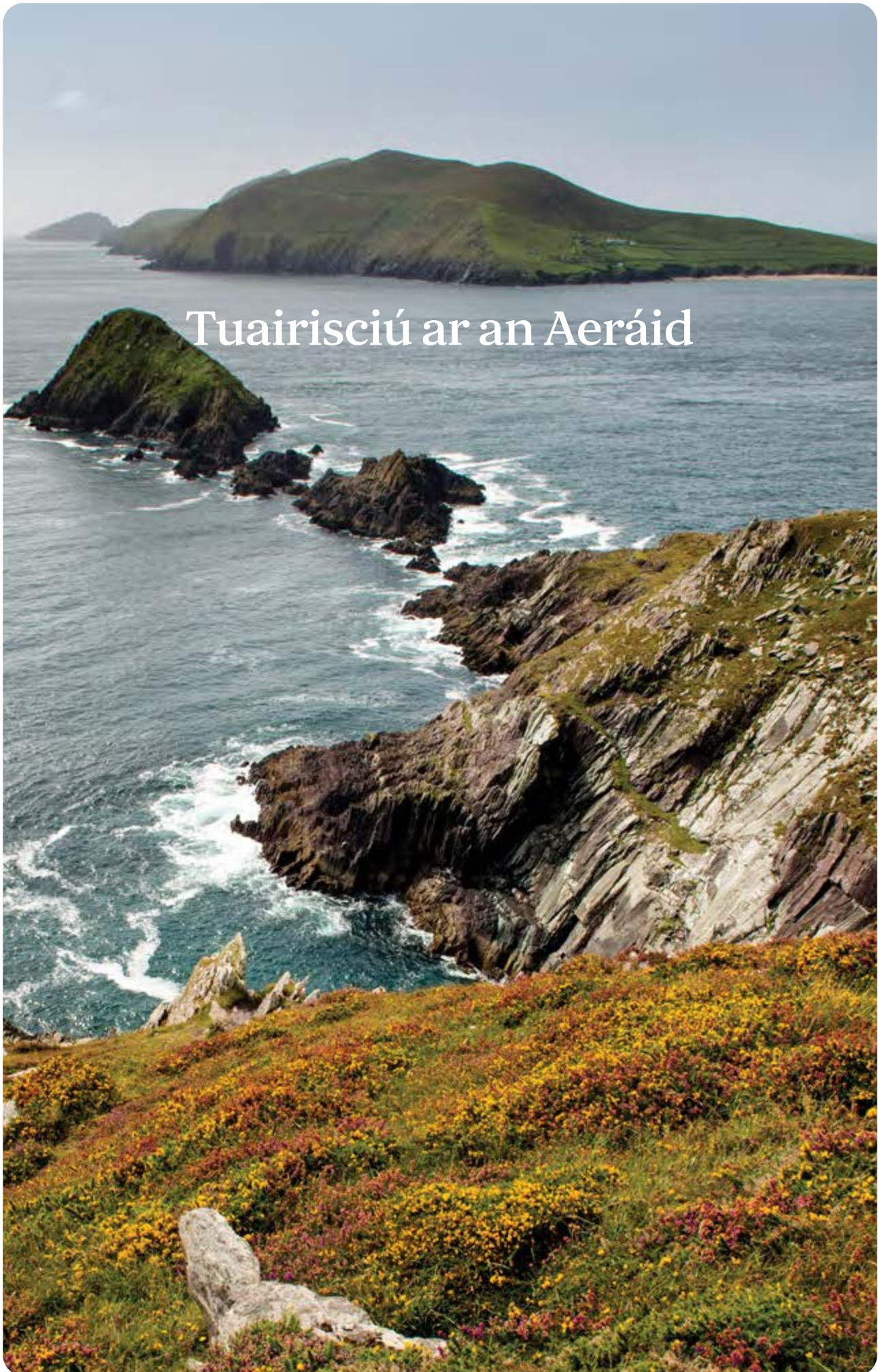
Tá an obair seo le Pavee Point á déanamh i gcomhthráth le hionadaithe, grúpaí agus eagraíochtaí ó gach cearn de Thaistealaithe agus den phobal Romach ar fud na hÉireann agus léiríonn sí tiomantas na Comhairle Oidhreachta chun a chinntiú go gcuirtear tacaíochtaí fadtéarmacha, straitéiseacha agus inbhuanaithe ar fáil d'Oidhreachtaí na Taistealaithe.

Scéimeanna Deontais

Trína Scéim Deontais Oidhreachta Pobail, spreagann an Chomhairle Oidhreachta iarratais go gníomhach a dhíríonn ar rochtain níos fearr ar ghníomhaíochtaí oidhreachta ag daoine faoi mhíchumas agus, dá bhrí sin, ar rannpháirtíocht iontu. Cuirtear iarratasóirí ar aghaidh chuig láithreán gréasáin an Údaráis Náisiúnta Míchumais chun a chinntiú go leanann tionscadail dea-chleachtas.

Tá suim ar leith ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta freisin i dtionscadail a thugann aghaidh ar oidhreachtaí grúpaí mionlaigh, pobail nua agus oidhreachtaí na Taistealaithe.

Faoin scéim in 2022, bronnadh maoiniú ar ocht dtionscadal déag a dhírigh ar inrochtaineacht agus éagsúlacht. I measc na dtionscadal bhí feabhas a chur ar rochtain ar fhoirgnimh stairiúla do dhaoine a bhfuil saincheisteanna soghluaisteacha acu, taispeántais thadhlaacha a shuiteáil i músaeim do thionscadail a dhírigh ar fheasacht ar chultúr na Taistealaithe agus ar oidhreachtaí na bpobal LADT a mhéadú. B'ionann an leithdháileadh iomlán maoinithe agus €226,639.



Tuairisciú ar an Aeráid

Faoi Shainordú na hEarnála Poiblí um Ghnímh don Aeráid, ceanglaítear ar chomhlachtaí poiblí sonraí fuinnimh bliantúla a thuairisciú gach bliain. Tuairiscíonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta d'Údarás Fuinnimh Inmharthana na hÉireann (UFIhÉ) agus cuirtear torthaí iomlána san áireamh i dtuarascáil feidhmíochta éifeachtúlachta fuinnimh na hearnála poiblí 2022.

Chomh maith lena freagrachtaí a chomhlíonadh faoi Shainordú na hEarnála Poiblí um Ghnímh don Aeráid, féachann an Chomhairle Oidhreachta le gníomh díreach a dhéanamh trí thionscnaimh a chur i bhfeidhm chun ár lorg carbóin a laghdú agus cleachtais inbhuanaithe a chur chun cinn laistigh dár n-eagraíocht. Trí oibríochtaí atá tíosach ar fhuinneamh, bainistiú dramhaíola, agus glacadh le cleachtais ghnó inbhuanaithe lena n-áirítear soláthar glas, déanaimid ár ndícheall ár dtionchar ar an gcomhshaol a íoslaghdú agus ár bhfreagrachtaí a chomhlíonadh trí na Spriocanna Forbartha Inbhuanaithe.

Aithnímid freisin an tábhacht a bhaineann lenár dtionchar sa réimse níos leithne. Ag comhoibriú le comhpháirtithe straitéiseacha, páirtithe leasmhara, gníomhaireachtaí rialtais, agus grúpaí pobail, tacaímid le bainistiú inbhuanaithe oidhreachta agus déanaimid breithnithe aeráide a chomhtháthú i ngach clár oidhreachta. Trí fheasacht a ardú agus comhpháirtíochtaí a chothú, tá sé mar aidhm againn a chinntiú go gcaomhnófar ár n-oidhrecht shaibhir thógtha, chultúrtha agus nádúrtha go hinbhuanaithe do na glúnta atá le teacht i bhfianaise an athraithe aeráide.

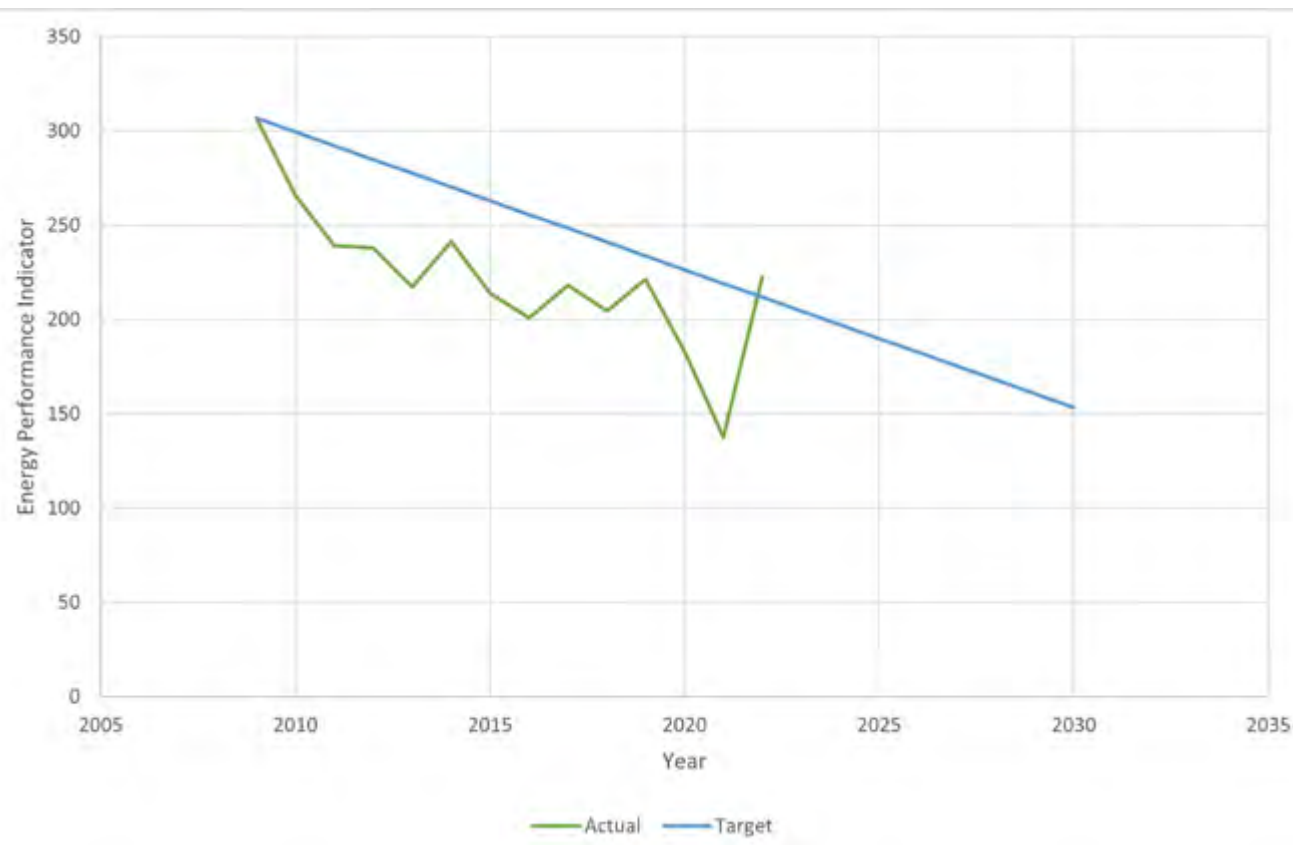
Chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar thionchar na haeráide ar an oidhrecht, agus chun leas a bhaint as acmhainneacht na hoidhreachta chun pobail a mhealladh le forbairt inbhuanaithe, leanfaimid orainn ag forbairt clár straitéiseach a thacaíonn le tionscadail taighde agus nuálacha. Cuirfidh na tionscnaimh sin feabhas ar athléimneacht agus ar inoiriúnaitheacht i bhfianaise athruithe comhshaoil. Díreoidimid ar chomhroinnt eolais agus ar fhorbairt acmhainní, ag cur ar chumas cleachtóirí oidhreachta breithnithe aeráide a ionchorprú ina gcuid oibre agus cur chuige níos inbhuanaithe a chur chun cinn maidir le caomhnú na hoidhreachta.

Caomhnú Fuinnimh

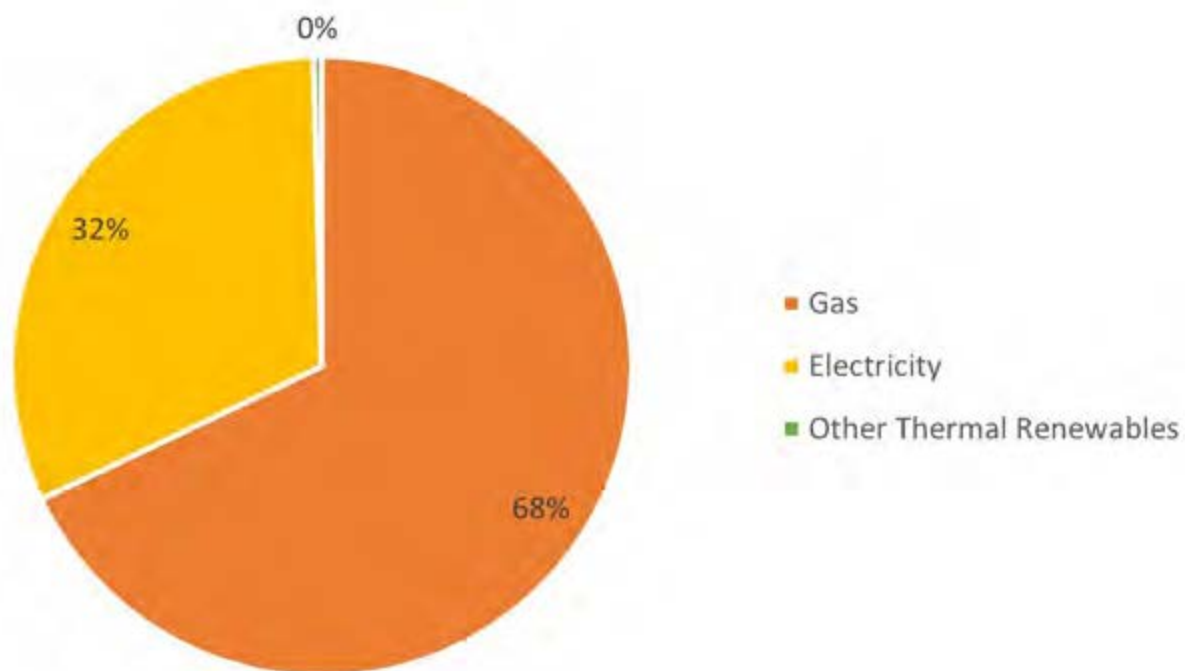
Faoi ghealltanais AE agus náisiúnta na hÉireann agus faoi spriocanna níos leithne maidir le hathrú aeráide, ní mór do gach comhlacht poiblí laghdú 51% ar astaíochtaí gás ceaptha teasa (GCT) a bhaineann le fuinneamh a bhaint amach agus feabhas 50% a chur ar éifeachtúlacht fuinnimh faoi 2030.

Léirítear i bhFíor 1 dul chun cinn bliantúil na Comhairle Oidhreachta maidir lenár dtáscaire feidhmíochta fuinnimh arna ríomh ag UFIhÉ, arna ríomh mar úsáid fuinnimh iomlán in kWh roinnte ar achar urláir. Tá coigilteas fuinnimh

27.4% bainte amach ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta ónár mbliain bhonnlíne (2009) agus tá laghdú 25.7% ar ár n-ídiú fuinnimh iomlán sa tréimhse sin. Tar éis dúnadh oifige ar feadh cuid mhaith de 2020 agus 2021 mar gheall ar shrianta COVID, d’fhill muid ar an oifig in 2022 agus mar thoradh ar ár bhfás mar eagraíocht tháinig méadú 61.7% ar úsáid fuinnimh. Mar sin féin, táimid fós ar an sprioc chun ár gcoigilteas riachtanach a bhaint amach faoi 2030 agus soláthróidh tionscadail coigilte fuinnimh sna blianta amach romhainn an coigilteas 45.2% riachtanach a theastaíonn faoi 2030.



Fíor 1: Dul chun cinn na Comhairle Oidhreachta chun éifeachtúlacht fuinnimh a bhaint amach, 2022.



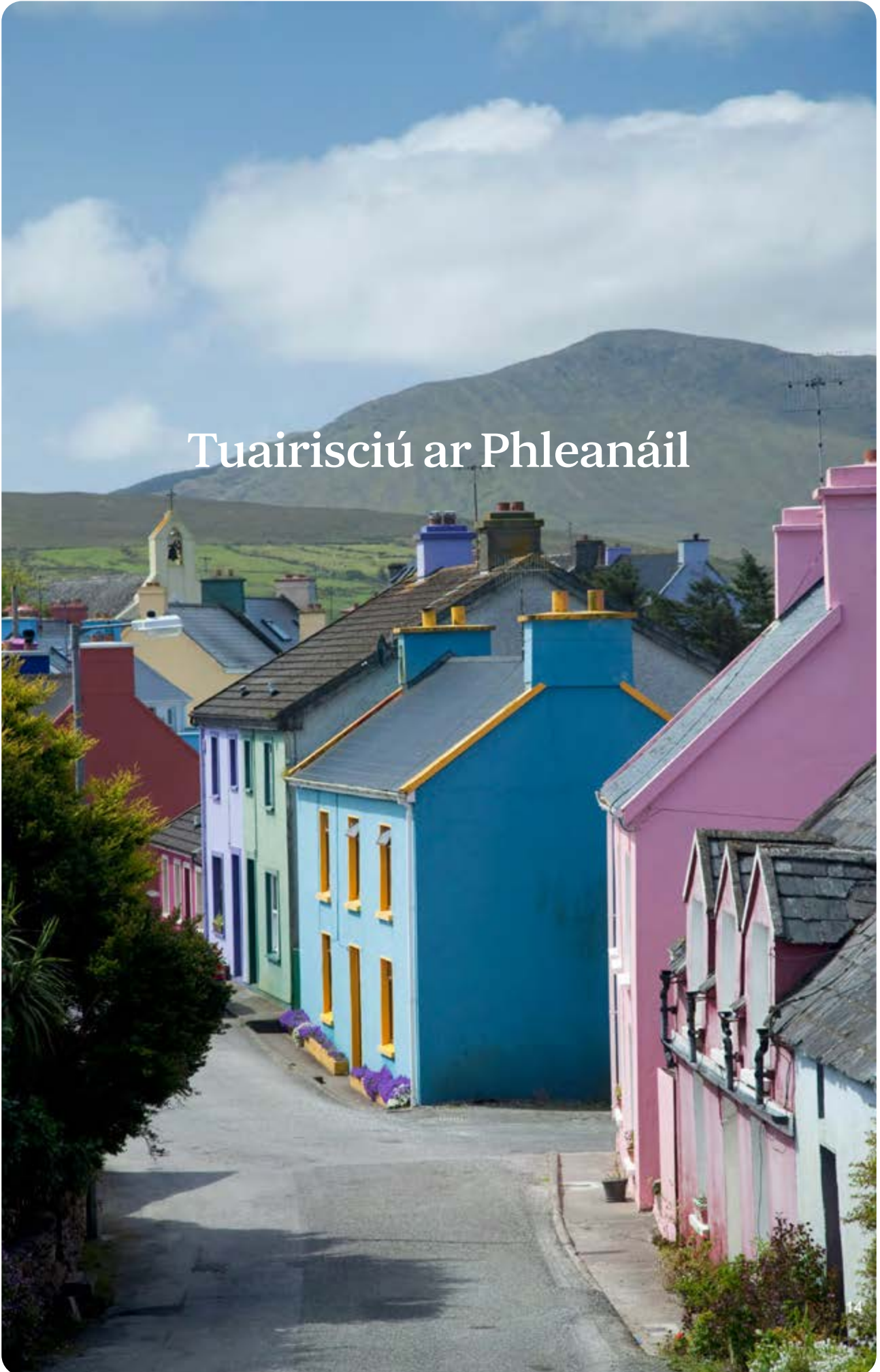
Fíor 2: Ídiú fuinnimh na Comhairle Oidhreachta, 2022.

B'ionann tomhaltas fuinnimh na Comhairle Oidhreachta in 2022 agus 220,995 kWh (arna shloinneadh mar riachtanas iomlán fuinnimh phríomhúil, arna ríomh ag UFIhÉ), méadú 74% ar 2021, agus laghdú 26% ón mbliain bhonnlíne de 2009. Is ionann sin agus thart ar 0.002% d'úsáid fuinnimh na hearnála poiblí. Taispeántar miondealú na húsáide sa chart thíos. Is é an chuid is mó dár n-úsáid fuinnimh gás le haghaidh téimh (68%), agus leictreachas ina dhiaidh sin (32%) Cuireann cumhacht gréine a úsáidtear le haghaidh téamh uisce (níos lú ná 1%) leis an gcuid bheag in-athnuaite teirmeach.

B'ionann Astaíochtaí OC_2 na Comhairle Oidhreachta a bhaineann le Fuinneamh in 2022 agus 39,026 kg OC_2 , méadú 69.7% ar 2021, go príomha mar thoradh ar fhilleadh ar oifig tar éis COVID. Tháinig an chuid is mó den OC_2 seo ó ghás agus an chuid eile ón leictreachas. Ós rud é nach n-oibríonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta flít, ní thuairiscítear astaíochtaí iompair trí chóras UFIhÉ, cé go bhfuil iompar gnó mar chuid dár bpróifíl astaíochtaí agus scrúdófar é sna blianta amach romhainn chun coigilteas a dhéanamh.

Tá torthaí iomlána na Comhairle Oidhreachta agus na hearnála poiblí ar fad ar fáil ar láithreán gréasáin UFIhÉ (<https://www.seai.ie/business-and-public-sector/public-sector/monitoring-and-reporting/public-sector-results/>) ó Fhómhar 2023.

Tuairisciú ar Phleanáil



Tháinig Coiste Pleanála na Comhairle Oidhreachta le chéile ocht n-uaire le linn 2022.

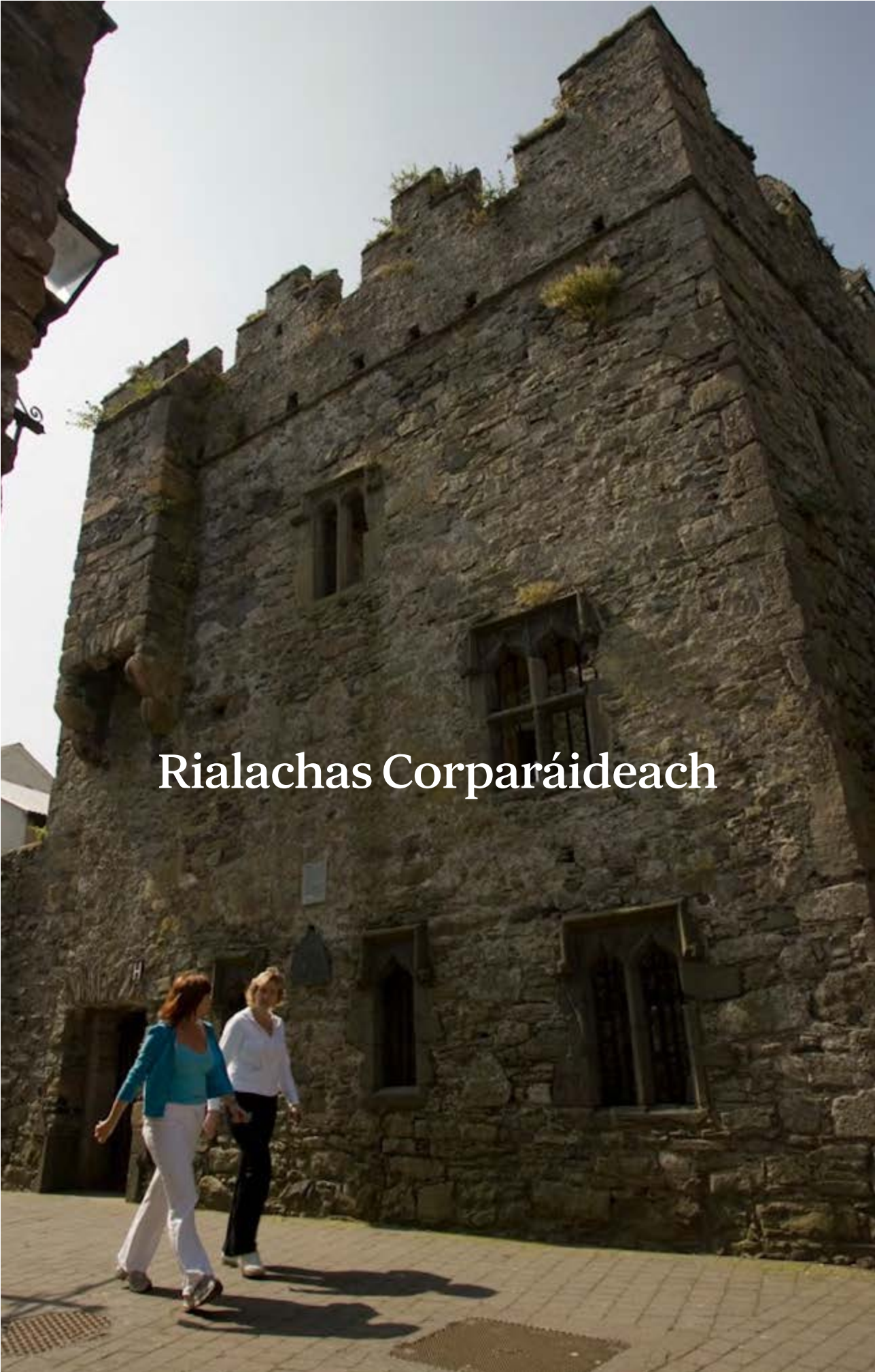
Is comhlacht forordaithe í an Chomhairle Oidhreachta sa phróiseas pleanála, toisc go raibh sé mar phríomhghné de ghníomhaíochtaí an Choiste Pleanála athbhreithniú a choimisiúnú ar an ngné seo dá cuid oibre. Cuireadh an t-athbhreithniú seo ar tairiscint go poiblí agus tar éis do chomhairleoirí pleanála measúnaithe a bheith ceaptha. Reáchtáladh próiseas comhairliúcháin le húdaráis áitiúla, leis an rialtas náisiúnta agus le heagraíochtaí neamhrialtasacha agus tugadh dréacht-tuarascáil chun críche faoi mhí na Nollag 2022 d'fhonn í a thabhairt chun críche go luath in 2023.

Maidir leis an bpolasaí pleanála, cuireadh dhá aighneacht fhoirmiúla faoi bhráid an rialtais. Mar chuid den chomhairliúchán le páirtithe leasmhara maidir le dréachtú an Bhille nua Pleanála agus Forbartha, iarradh ar an gComhairle a tuairimí a fháil maidir le forálacha oidhreachta ailtireachta an Achta um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000 atá ann cheana, arna leasú. Chríochnaigh an Chomhairle a haighneacht chuig an bhFóram Comhairleach Pleanála ina raibh moltaí maidir le hainmniúcháin Limistéar Caomhantais Ailtireachta agus eisiúint Dearbhuithe alt 57. Cuireadh tuairimí ar fáil freisin faoin ngá atá ann saineolas cú a chinntiú i ngach údarás áitiúil agus ar oidhrecht tírdhreacha. Chuir an Coiste tús le measúnú ar an mBille um Pleanáil agus Forbairt atá ag teacht chun cinn i mí na Nollag 2022.

Cuireadh aighneacht faoi bhráid an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta maidir le Pleananna Limistéir Áitiúil in 2022 faoi alt 7 den Acht Oidhreachta. Ligeann sé seo d'aighneachtaí foirmiúla beartais a chur faoi bhráid an Aire. Moladh san aighneacht seo go n-eiseofaí treoirlínte athbhreithnithe

LAP a léiríonn an beartas nua Tús Áite do Lár Baile, go mbainfí úsáid níos mó as ainmniúcháin Limistéar Caomhantais Ailtireachta agus Déanmhais Chosanta i lár bailte stairiúla chomh maith le tuiscint níos fearr ar dhoimhneacht ama agus ar oidhrecht sa réamhrá le LAPS.

Thug an Coiste Pleanála comhairle chomh maith maidir le dréachtú dhá aighneacht phleanála chuig an mBord Pleanála maidir le gairdín stairiúil i nGleanntán Eoin, Co. Chorcaí agus tionscadal athnuachana uirbí ag Sráid Bhaile Átha Cliath, baile Mhuineacháin.



Rialachas Corparáideach

Is é beartas na Comhairle Oidhreachta na caighdeáin is airde rialachais chorparáidigh a choinneáil i gcomhréir le beartais agus cleachtais a nglactar leo go ginearálta. Tá an Chomhairle tiomanta d'fhorálacha ábhartha Chód Cleachtais 2016 um Rialachas Comhlachtaí Stáit a chomhlíonadh. Tá Coiste Iniúchta, Riosca agus Airgeadais bunaithe ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta, a dhéanann athbhreithniú rialta ar an gcóras rialaithe inmheánaigh agus a théann i ngleic le saineolas seachtrach i gcomhlíonadh a feidhmeanna, lena n-áirítear feidhm an iniúchta inmheánaigh, de réir mar is cuí. Tá an Chomhairle Oidhreachta go hiomlán comhlíontach ó thaobh cánach de agus ní ghlacann sí páirt in idirbhearta seachanta cánach 'maslacha'.

Íocaíochtaí Prasa 2022

Ceanglaítear ar an gComhairle Oidhreachta ceanglais I.R. Uimh. 580/2012 Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Íocaíocht Dhéanach in Idirbhearta Tráchtála), 2012 agus a réamhtheachtaí, an tAcht um Íoc Pras Cuntas 1997 (ar a dtugtar na 'Rialacháin' le chéile). Is iad téarmaí caighdeánacha creidmheasa na Comhairle a ghlactar, mura sonraítear a mhalairt i socruithe conarthacha, ná 30 lá ón sonrasc a fháil. Tá nósanna imeachta curtha i bhfeidhm a thugann dearbhú réasúnta i gcoinne neamhchomhlíonadh ábhartha na Rialachán. Cé go bhfuil na nósanna imeachta deartha chun comhlíonadh na Rialachán a chinntiú, ní féidir leo ach dearbhú réasúnta agus ní dearbhú iomlán a thabhairt do neamhchomhlíonadh Acht 1997 agus I.R. Uimh. 580/2012.

Léiríonn athbhreithniú ar na híocaíochtaí go léir a rinneadh i rith na bliana dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2022 7 n-íocaíocht arbh fhiú €8,318 san iomlán iad as a dtáinig pionós úis de €424 faoi na rialacháin thuas.

Le héifeacht ón 1 Iúil 2011, ceanglaíodh ar an gComhairle Oidhreachta Cinntí S29296 an Rialtais a chomhlíonadh maidir leis an riail um íoc pras 15 lá. Tá na nochtuithe a éilítear sa Mheabhrán Rialtais (MOG) a thacaíonn leis na cinntí thuas don tréimhse 1 Eanáir 2022 go 31 Nollaig 2022 sonraithe sa tábla thíos.

Sonraí	Uimhir	Luach (€)	Céatadán (%) den iomlán Líon na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh
Líon na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh laistigh de 15 lá	2,652	1,955,874	88
Líon na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh laistigh de 16 lá go 30 lá	261	698,563	9
Líon na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh os cionn 30 lá a bhí faoi réir ús ar íocaíocht dhéanach	7	8,318	0
Líon na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh os cionn 30 lá nach raibh faoi réir ús ar íocaíocht dhéanach	87	883,009	3
Iomlán	3,007	3,545,763	100

Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022, bhí seachtar (70%) bean agus triúr (30%) fear ar an mbord, agus bhí post amháin folamh. Ar an 28 Márta 2023, líon an tAire an folúntas amháin a bhí fágtha nuair a ceapadh an tUasal Mark Scott mar bhall boird.

Ballraíocht an Bhoird

Tar éis an cheapacháin seo, tá seachtar (64%) bean agus ceathrar (36%) fear ar an mbord. Mar sin, níor éirigh leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta sprioc an Rialtais a bhaint amach maidir le hionadaíocht 40% ar a laghad do gach inscne ar bhoird stáit. Leanfaidh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta ag obair lena máthair-roinn lena chinntiú go mbainfear na spriocanna seo amach de réir mar a dhéanfar ceapacháin amach anseo ar bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta.

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Fionnuala May
Deirdre McDermott
An Dr Patricia O'Hare
John G Pierce
Sheila Pratschke
An Dr Mary Tubridy

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Baincéirí

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Cill Chainnigh
R95 K857

Iníúcháirí

An tArd-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste
3A Sráid an Mhéara Uachtarach
Baile Átha Cliath 1
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Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird

Bunaíodh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta faoin Acht Oidhreachta 1995. Tá feidhmeanna na Comhairle leagtha amach in alt 6 den Acht seo. Tá an Chomhairle freagrach don Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta agus tá sí freagrach as dea-rialachas a chinntiú agus comhlíonann sí an tasc seo trí chuspóirí agus spriocanna straitéiseacha a leagan síos agus trí chinntí straitéiseacha a dhéanamh ar na príomhcheisteanna gnó ar fad. Is iad an Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin (POF) agus an fhoireann ardbhainistíochta atá freagrach as bainistíocht laethúil, rialú agus stiúradh na Comhairle Oidhreachta. Ní mór don POF agus don fhoireann ardbhainistíochta an treoir leathan straitéiseach atá leagtha síos ag an mBord a leanúint, agus ní mór dóibh a chinntiú go bhfuil tuiscint shoiléir ag comhaltaí uile an Bhoird ar na príomhghníomhaíochtaí agus ar na príomhchinntí a bhaineann leis an eintiteas, agus ar aon rioscáí suntasacha a d'fhéadfadh teacht chun cinn. Feidhmíonn an POF mar idirghabhálaí díreach idir an Bord agus bainistíocht na Comhairle Oidhreachta.

Freagrachtaí an Bhoird

Tá obair agus freagrachtaí an Bhoird leagtha amach sna Buan-Orduithe agus sna Feidhmeanna Forchoimeáda, ina bhfuil freisin na hábhair atá forchoimeáda go sonrach don Chomhairle. I measc na míreanna seasta a bhreithnigh an Chomhairle tá:

- dearbhú leasanna,
- tuarascálacha ó choistí,
- tuarascálacha airgeadais,
- cuntais bhainistíochta agus,
- nithe forchoimeáda.

Ceanglaíonn Alt 21 den Acht Oidhreachta ar Chomhairle na Comhairle Oidhreachta, i cibé foirm a cheadóidh an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta le toiliú an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe, gach cuntas cuí agus gnáthchuntas a choinneáil ar airgead a fuair sí agus a chaith sí.

Agus na ráitis airgeadais seo á n-ullmhú, ceanglaítear ar Bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta:

- beartais chuntasaíochta oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a chur i bhfeidhm go comhsheasmhach,
- breithiúnais agus meastacháin a dhéanamh atá réasúnach agus stuama,
- na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn gnóthais leantaigh ach amháin má tá sé míchuí glacadh leis go leanfaidh sé ag feidhmiú agus,
- a lua ar leanadh caighdeáin chuntasaíochta infheidhmithe, faoi réir aon imeacht ábhartha a nochtar agus a mhínítear sna ráitis airgeadais.

Tá an Chomhairle freagrach as taifid chuntasaíochta imleor a choinneáil a nochtann, le cruinneas réasúnta ag aon tráth, a staid airgeadais agus a chuireann ar a cumas a chinntiú go gcomhlíonann na ráitis airgeadais A.21 den Acht Oidhreachta 1995. Is é an Bord atá freagrach as cothabháil agus sláine na faisnéise comparáidí agus airgeadais ar shuíomh gréasáin na Comhairle Oidhreachta.

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Freagrachtaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Tá an Bord freagrach as an bplean bliantúil agus as an mbuiséad a cheadú.

Tá an Bord freagrach freisin as a sócmhainní a chosaint agus mar sin as céimeanna réasúnta a ghlacadh chun calaois agus neamhrialtachtaí eile a chosc agus a bhrath.

Measann an Bord go dtugann ráitis airgeadais na Comhairle Oidhreachta léargas fíor agus cothrom ar fheidhmíocht airgeadais agus ar staid airgeadais na Comhairle Oidhreachta amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022.

Struchtúr an Bhoird

Tá an Bord comhdhéanta de chathaoirleach agus suas le deichniúr gnáthchomhaltaí, gnáthchomhaltaí a cheap an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta. Ceapadh Comhaltaí an Bhoird ar feadh tréimhse 5 bliana agus tháinig siad le chéile deich n-uaire in 2022. Sonraíonn an tábla thíos an tréimhse cheapacháin do chomhaltaí:

Ainm	Ról	Ceapadh ar dtús	Athcheaptha
Martina Moloney	Cathaoirleach	03/11/2020	-
Michael Farrell	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
John Patrick Greene	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
Sammy Leslie	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
Fionnuala May	Gnáthchomhalta	19/07/2016	03/11/2020
Deirdre McDermott	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
An Dr Patricia O'Hare	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
John G Pierce	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
Sheila Pratschke	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-
An Dr Mary Tubridy	Gnáthchomhalta	03/11/2020	-

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Struchtúr an Bhoird ar lean.

Tá cúig choiste bunaithe ag an mBord:

1. Tá triúr ball Boird agus comhalta seachtrach amháin ar an gCoiste *Iníúcháireachta, Riosca agus Airgeadais (ARFC)*. Freastalaíonn Cathaoirleach an Bhoird ar na cruinnithe freisin. Is é ról an ARFC tacú leis an mBord maidir lena fhreagrachtaí maidir le saincheistanna riosca, rialaithe agus rialachais agus an dearbhú a bhaineann leis na nithe seo. Tá an ARFC neamhspleách ar bhainistíocht airgeadais na heagraíochta. Cinntíonn an Coiste go háirithe go ndéantar monatóireacht ghníomhach neamhspleách ar na córais rialaithe inmheánaigh lena n-áirítear gníomhaíochtaí iniúchta. Tuairiscíonn an ARFC don Bhord tar éis gach cruinnithe. Ceapadh Michael Farrell ina Chathaoirleach ar an ARFC ar an 11 Samhain 2021. Is iad baill eile an ARFC ná John Patrick Greene, Patricia O'Hare agus Phil Walsh (ball seachtrach) a ceapadh ar an 15 Eanáir 2021. Freastalaíonn an Cathaoirleach ar chruinnithe an ARFC.
2. Bhí seisear ball den Bhord ar an gCoiste *Straitéise*. D'fhreastail Cathaoirleach an Bhoird ar na cruinnithe freisin nuair a bhí an Cathaoirleach ar fáil. Ba é ról an Choiste Straitéise ná comhairle a chur ar an mBord maidir le plean straitéiseach nua a fhorbairt. Thuairiscigh an Coiste don Bhord tar éis gach cruinnithe. Chríochnaigh an Coiste a chuid oibre le linn 2022, agus tionóladh an cruinniú deireanach den Choiste Straitéise ar an 6 Bealtaine 2022. Ba iad comhaltaí an Choiste Straitéise Sheila Pratschke (Cathaoirleach), Martina Maloney, John G Pierce, Sammy Leslie, Mary Tubridy agus Patricia O'Hare.
3. Ar an 15 Eanáir 2021 bhunaigh an Bord *Tascfhórsa an Ionaid Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta (NBDC)*. Bhain an Tascfhórsa a chuspóir amach nuair a bunaíodh an tIonad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta (NBDC CLG) ar an 5 Nollaig 2022. Tionóladh an cruinniú deireanach den Tascfhórsa ar an 1 Nollaig 2022. Ba iad baill an tascfhórsa ná Geraldine Tallon (Cathaoirleach), Martina Maloney, Michael Farrell, John Patrick Greene, Donald Hobern, Daniel Sinott agus Andy Bleasdale.
4. Ar an 6 Lúnasa, 2021 bhunaigh an Bord Coiste Pleanála. Is é ról an Choiste comhairle a thabhairt maidir le húsáid stádas na Comhairle mar chomhlacht forordaithe faoi na Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt. Tuairiscíonn an Coiste don Bhord tar éis gach cruinnithe. Is iad baill an Choiste ná Fionnuala May (Cathaoirleach), Deirdre McDermot, Sammy Leslie, Mary Tubridy agus Rachel Kenny.
5. Ar an 11 Samhain 2021, bhunaigh an Chomhairle an Coiste um Athchóiriú agus Díchoilíniú na hOidhreachta Cultúir (teideal oibre). Is é ról an Choiste ná beartas náisiúnta a dhréachtú agus a chomhaontú maidir le hoidhreacht chultúrtha a athchóiriú agus a dhíchoilíniú in Éirinn, oidhreacht chultúrtha a fuarthas nó a thrádáladh go neamhdhleathach nó go mí-eiticiúil. Níor ceapadh Cathaoirleach an Choiste go fóill. Is iad John Patrick Greene agus Patricia O'Hare ionadaíocht an Bhoird ar an gCoiste. Níor tionóladh aon chruinniú den Choiste seo in 2022. Tá comhaltas iomlán an Choiste seo fós le sainmhíniú.

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Struchtúr an Bhoird ar lean.

Tá sceideal freastail ar chruinnithe an Bhoird agus na gCoistí don bhliain 2022 leagtha amach thíos. Tá na costais a fhaigheann gach comhalta san áireamh i Nóta 9 leis na ráitis airgeadais.

Ainm	Bord	ARFC	Coiste Straitéise	NBDC Tascfhórsa	Coiste Pleanála
Líon cruinnithe	10	6	4	8	8
Martina Moloney	10	6	3	5	n/a
Michael Farrell	10	6	n/b	8	n/b
John Patrick Greene	8	4	n/b	5	n/b
Sammy Leslie	10	n/b	4	n/b	4
Fionnuala May	9	n/b	3	n/b	8
Deirdre McDermott	10	n/b	0	n/b	8
An Dr Patricia O'Hare	10	6	4	n/b	n/b
John G Pierce	9	n/b	4	n/b	n/b
Sheila Pratschke	8	n/b	4	n/b	n/b
An Dr Mary Tubridy	10	n/b	4	n/b	8
Phil Walsh	n/b	6	n/b	n/b	n/b
Geraldine Tallon	n/b	n/b	n/b	8	n/b
Donald Hobern	n/b	n/b	n/b	6	n/b
Andy Bleasdale	n/b	n/b	n/b	6	n/b
Daniel Sinnott	n/b	n/b	n/b	5	n/b
Rachel Kenny	n/b	n/b	n/b	n/b	6

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Príomhathruithe Pearsanra

Le linn 2022 líonadh trí phost ar an bhFoireann Bainistíochta. Áiríodh leis seo an Ceann Cumarsáide & Gnóthaí Poiblí, an Ceann Oidhreachta & Athrú Aeráide agus Ceann Airgeadais nua (bronnadh sos gairme ar an oifigeach roimhe seo i Meán Fómhair 2022).

Nochtaí a Éilítear faoin gCód Cleachtas chun Comhlachtaí Stáit a Rialú (2016)

Tá an Bord freagrach as a chinntiú gur chomhlíon an Chomhairle Oidhreachta ceanglais an Chóid Cleachtas chun Comhlachtaí Stáit a Rialú (“an Cód”), mar a d’fhoilsigh an Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe i Lúnasa 2016, leis an Aguisín foilsithe in 2020. Ceanglaítear na nochtaí seo a leanas faoin gcód:

Sochair Ghearrthéarmacha d’Fhostaithe

Tá miondealú ar shochair ghearrthéarmacha d’Fhostaithe san áireamh i Nóta 10 leis na ráitis airgeadais.

Costais Sainchomhairleoireachta

Áirítear le costais sainchomhairleoireachta costas comhairle sheachtrach don bhainistíocht sna réimsí seo a leanas agus ní áirítear leo feidhmeanna seachfhoinsithe ‘gnó mar is gnách’:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Comhairle dhlí	6,015	37,265
Comhairle dhlí maidir le bunú an NBDC mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta	85,846	0
Comhairle sainchomhairleoireachta maidir le bunú an NBDC mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta	49,815	0
Feabhsú Gnó & Rialachas	20,176	5,289
Acmhainní Daonna & Earcaíocht	40,261	30,512
Iniúchadh Inmheánach	36,040	6,396
Measúnachtaí S1003	400	2,709
COVID19 - tionchar ar an Earnáil Oidhreachta/comhairle le haghaidh oibríochtaí inmheánacha	0	2,829
Slándáil TFC	0	8,210
Pinsin	8,919	5,596
Forbairtí Beartaithe ar Phríomhshuíomhanna Oidhreachta	0	7,995
Soláthar	0	2,601
iomlán	247,472	109,402

Áirítear le Costais Sainchomhairleoireachta Táillí Gairmiúla (€115,349) agus Táillí Dlí (€91,862) a nochtar i Nóta 8 leis na ráitis airgeadais; agus Costais Earcaíochta (€40,261) a nochtar i Nóta 10 (a) leis na ráitis airgeadais. Baineann costais sainchomhairleoireachta eile a áirítear i Nóta 8 agus Nóta 10 leis na ráitis airgeadais le feidhmeanna ‘gnó mar is gnách’ seachfhoinsithe.

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Caiteachas Taisteal agus Cothabhála

Déantar caiteachas taistil agus cothabhála a chatagóiriú mar seo a leanas:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Intíre		
Bord & Coiste*	9,105	7,056
Foireann	33,219	13,680
Idirnáisiúnta		
Bord & Coiste	0	0
Foireann	1,351	0
Iomlán	43,675	20,736

* Áirítear leis sin taisteal agus cothabháil de €5,285 a íocadh go díreach le comhaltaí an Bhoird & na gCoistí in 2022 (2021: €3,619). Baineann an t-iarbhéid de €3,820 (2021: €3,437) le caiteachas a d'íoc an Chomhairle Oidhreachta thar ceann comhaltaí an Bhoird.

Costais Dlí agus Socraíochtaí

Níor thabhaigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta aon chostais dlí, socraíochtaí ná íocaíochtaí idir-réitigh agus eadrána a bhain le conarthaí le tríú páirtithe. Tá gach costas a bhaineann le comhairle dhlí ghinearálta a fhaigheann an Chomhairle Oidhreachta san áireamh sna costais Sainchomhairleoireachta thuas.

Caiteachas Fáilteachais

Áirítear sa Ráiteas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais caiteachas fáilteachais de €5,013 (€994 in 2021). Ní éascaíonn nádúr an chaiteachais fáilteachais deighilt bhríoch idir an fhoireann agus na cliant mar a éilíonn an Cód Cleachtas. Éilíonn an Cód Cleachtas chun Comhlachtaí Stáit a Rialú go n-áireofaí costais a bhaineann leis an gClár Folláine Fostaithe faoin gcatagóir seo.

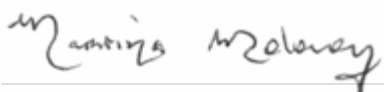
Comhardú Inscne, Éagsúlacht agus Cuimsiú

Tá seachtar ban (70%) agus triúr fear (30%) ar bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta. Mar sin ní shásaíonn an Chomhairle sprioc an Rialtais ionadaíocht 40% ar a laghad de gach inscne i mballraíocht na mBord Stáit.

Ráiteas Rialachais agus Tuarascáil Chomhaltaí an Bhoird ar lean.

Ráiteas Comhlíonta

Chomhlíon an Chomhairle ceanglais an Chóid Cleachtais chun Comhlachtaí Stáit a Rialú, mar a d'fhoilsigh an Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe i Lúnasa 2016 agus a Aguisín a foilsíodh in 2020.



Martina Moloney
Cathaoirleach an Bhoird
29 Meitheamh 2023



Michael Farrell
Comhalta Boird
29 Meitheamh 2023

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach

Scóip na Freagrachta

Thar ceann na Comhairle Oidhreachta, admhaím freagracht an Bhoird as a chinntiú go ndéantar córas éifeachtach rialaithe inmheánaigh a chothabháil agus a fheidhmiú. Cuireann an fhreagracht seo san áireamh ceanglais an Chóid Cleachtais chun Comhlachtaí Stáit a Rialú (2016).

Cuspóir an Chórais Rialaithe Inmheánaigh

Tá an córas rialaithe inmheánaigh deartha chun riosca a bhainistiú go leibhéal réasúnta seachas fáil réidh leis. Ní féidir leis an gcóras, dá bhrí sin, ach ráthaíocht réasúnta seachas ráthaíocht iomlán a thabhairt go ndéantar sócmhainní a chosaint, idirbhearta a údarú agus a thaifeadadh i gceart, agus go ndéantar earráidí nó neamhrialtachtaí ábhartha a chosc nó a bhrath ar bhealach tráthúil.

Tá an córas rialaithe inmheánaigh, a thagann le treoir arna heisiúint ag an Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe, i bhfeidhm sa Chomhairle Oidhreachta don bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2022 agus suas go dtí dáta faofa na ráiteas airgeadais.

Cumas chun Riosca a Láimhseáil

Tá Coiste Iniúcháireachta, Riosca agus Airgeadais (ARFC) ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta ar a bhfuil triúr comhaltaí Boird, duine acu ina Chathaoirleach, agus comhalta seachtrach amháin a bhfuil saineolas airgeadais agus iniúchta aige. Tháinig an ARFC le chéile 6 huaire in 2022.

Tá comhairleoirí seachtracha ceaptha ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta freisin chun an fheidhm iniúchta inmheánaigh a dhéanamh a bhfuil dóthain acmhainní aici agus a reáchtálann clár oibre arna chomhaontú leis an ARFC.

Tá beartas bainistíochta riosca forbartha ag an ARFC a leagann amach a inghlacthacht riosca, na próisis bhainistíochta riosca atá i bhfeidhm agus a shonraíonn ról agus freagrachtaí na foirne maidir le riosca. D'athbhreithnigh agus d'fhaomh an Bord an Beartas Bainistíochta Riosca agus an Creat Oibriúcháin seo an 30 Márta 2023.

Creat Riosca agus Rialaithe

Tá córas bainistíochta riosca curtha i bhfeidhm ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta a shainaithníonn agus a thuairiscíonn príomhrioscaí agus na gníomhartha bainistíochta atá á nglacadh chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar na rioscaí sin agus, a mhéid is féidir, chun na rioscaí sin a mhaolú.

Tá clár rioscaí i bhfeidhm a shainaithníonn na príomhrioscaí atá roimh an gComhairle Oidhreachta agus tá siad seo aitheanta, measúnaithe agus grádaithe de réir a dtábhachta. Déanann an ARFC an clár a athbhreithniú agus a nuashonrú ar bhonn débhlantúil. Úsáidtear torthaí na measúnuithe seo chun acmhainní a phleanáil agus a leithdháileadh chun a chinntiú go ndéantar rioscaí a bhainistiú go leibhéal sásúil. D'athbhreithnigh agus d'fhaomh an Bord an Clár Riosca an 29 Márta 2022 agus an 24 Samhain 2022.

Sonraítear sa chlár rioscaí na rialuithe agus na gníomhaíochtaí is gá chun rioscaí a mhaolú agus an fhreagracht as rialuithe a shanntar bhaill foirne ar leith a oibriú. Deimhním go bhfuil timpeallacht rialaithe ina bhfuil na gnéithe seo a leanas i bhfeidhm:

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach ar lean.

Creat Riosca agus Rialaithe ar lean.

- tá nósanna imeachta maidir le gach príomhphróiseas gnó doiciméadaithe,
- sannadh freagrachtaí airgeadais ar leibhéal na bainistíochta le freagracht chomhfhreagrach,
- tá córas buiséadaithe cuí ann le buiséad bliantúil, a choinníonn an ardbhainistíocht faoi athbhreithniú,
- tá córais ann atá dírithe ar shlándáil na gcóras teicneolaíochta faisnéise agus cumarsáide a chinntiú,
- tá córais i bhfeidhm chun na sócmhainní a chosaint, agus
- Cinntíonn nósanna imeachta rialaithe ar mhaoiniú deontais do ghníomhaireachtaí seachtracha go bhfuil dóthain rialaithe ar fhaomhadh deontas agus monatóireacht agus athbhreithniú ar dheonaithe lena chinntiú go bhfuil maoiniú deontais curtha i bhfeidhm don chuspóir a bhí beartaithe.

Monatóireacht agus Athbhreithniú Leanúnach

Tá nósanna imeachta foirmiúla bunaithe chun faireachán a dhéanamh ar phróisis rialaithe, agus cuirtear easnaimh rialaithe in iúl dóibh siúd atá freagrach as gníomh ceartaitheach a dhéanamh agus don bhainistíocht agus don Bhord, más ábhartha, go tráthúil. Deimhním go bhfuil na córais mhonatóireachta leanúnacha seo a leanas i bhfeidhm:

- sainaitníodh príomhrioscaí agus rialuithe gaolmhara, agus cuireadh próisis i bhfeidhm chun faireachán a dhéanamh ar oibriú na bpríomhrialuithe sin agus chun aon easnaimh a aithníodh a thuairisciú,
- bunaíodh socruithe tuairiscithe ag gach leibhéal ina bhfuil freagracht as bainistíocht airgeadais sannta, agus
- déanann an ardbhainistíocht athbhreithnithe rialta ar fheidhmíocht thréimhsiúil agus bhliantúil agus tuarascálacha airgeadais a léiríonn feidhmíocht i gcoinne buiséid.

Soláthar

Deimhním go bhfuil nósanna imeachta i bhfeidhm ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta chun a chinntiú go gcloítear leis na rialacha agus treoirlínte soláthair reatha.

Athbhreithniú ar Éifeachtacht

Deimhním go bhfuil nósanna imeachta ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta chun monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar éifeachtacht a nósanna imeachta um bainistíocht riosca agus rialú. Tá monatóireacht agus athbhreithniú na Comhairle Oidhreachta ar éifeachtacht an chórais rialaithe inmheánaigh bunaithe ar obair na n-iniúcháirí inmheánacha agus seachtracha, an ARFC a dhéanann maoirsiú ar a gcuid oibre, agus an ardbhainistíocht laistigh den Chomhairle Oidhreachta atá freagrach as forbairt agus cothabháil an chreata rialaithe inmheánaigh.

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach ar lean.

Athbhreithniú ar Éifeachtacht ar lean.

Deimhním go ndearna an Bord athbhreithniú bliantúil ar éifeachtacht na rialuithe inmheánacha do 2022 an 30 Márta 2023 arb éard a bhí ann Athbhreithniú ar Rialuithe Inmheánacha Airgeadais agus Ceistneoir um Rialú Inmheánach.

Iniúchadh Inmheánach agus Seachtrach

Tá a feidhm iniúchta inmheánaigh eisfhoinsithe ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta a bhfuil dóthain acmhainní aici agus a sheolann clár oibre bunaithe ar riosca a comhaontaíodh le Coiste ARFC. Tá Iniúchadh Inmheánach freagrach don AFRC as meastóireacht neamhspleách agus oibiachtúil a sholáthar ar phróisis bainistíochta riosca, rialaithe agus rialachais laistigh den Chomhairle Oidhreachta. Scrúdaíonn Iniúchadh Inmheánach leordhóthanacht, éifeachtúlacht agus éifeachtacht na gcóras, na ndaoine agus na bpróiseas chun rioscaí féideartha agus réimsí ina bhféadfaí feabhsú a aithint. I rith 2022, chuir an tIniúcháir Inmheánach dhá iniúchadh oibríochta agus athbhreithniú amháin ar rialuithe inmheánacha i gcrích agus thuiriscigh sé a thorthaí agus a moltaí don AFRC.

Bhí siad seo mar a leanas:

- Bainistíocht Deontais - Gan aon toradh ná moladh de thosaíocht ard, trí cinn ar leibhéal meántosaíochta agus ceithre cinn de thosaíocht íseal.
- Aisghabháil Tubaiste TF - Gan aon toradh ná moladh de thosaíocht ard, ceann amháin ar leibhéal meántosaíochta agus ceithre cinn de thosaíocht íseal.
- Athbhreithniú ar an gCóras Rialaithe Inmheánaigh (SIC) - Gan tosaíocht ard, gan aon mheántosaíocht agus cúig cinn de thorthaí agus moltaí de thosaíocht íseal.

I rith 2022, thuiriscigh an tArd-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste don AFRC ar aon torthaí agus ar thuirimí óna scrúdú ar phróisis ghnó agus airgeadais mar chuid den iniúchadh seachtrach ar Ráitis Airgeadais 2021.

Déanann ARFC athbhreithniú ar chur i bhfeidhm na moltaí iniúchta atá fós gan réiteach ag gach cruinniú. Mar chuid den athbhreithniú seo tugtar nuashonruithe ar ghníomhartha a glacadh chun moltaí atá fós gan réiteach a chur i bhfeidhm agus nuashonruithe ar amlínte feidhmithe.

Nuair a síníodh na Ráitis Airgeadais ní raibh aon laigí “Ardtosaíochta” aitheanta ag iniúchadh na bliana roimhe sin a rinne an tArd-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste agus iniúchtaí inmheánacha le linn 2022.

Soláthar

Chloígh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta go substaintiúil leis na treoirlínte soláthair. Rinne an Feidhmeannas athbhreithniú ar chaiteachas 2022 do sholáthraithe agus cuireadh an t-athbhreithniú faoi bhráid an Choiste Iniúcháireachta, Riosca agus Airgeadais i Márta 2023. Níor shainithin an t-athbhreithniú seo aon chaiteachas a tabhaíodh maidir le hearraí agus seirbhísí nuair nár chomhlíon na nósanna imeachta a úsáideadh na treoirlínte soláthair.

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach ar lean.

Soláthar ar lean.

Is ardtosaíocht de chuid an Bhoird é comhlíonadh na dtreoirlínte um sholáthar poiblí. Rinneadh dul chun cinn suntasach déanta sa réimse seo le roinnt blianta anuas agus tá polasaithe agus nósanna imeachta láidre tugtha isteach agus curtha i bhfeidhm. Leanfar ag déanamh monatóireacht ghéar ar an réimse seo agus déanfar beart chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar réimsí inar aithníodh neamhchomhlíonadh.



Martina Moloney
Cathaoirleach an Bhoird
29 Meitheamh 2023



Ard Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste **Comptroller and Auditor General**

Report for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

Heritage Council

Opinion on the financial statements

I have audited the financial statements of the Heritage Council for the year ended 31 December 2022 as required under the provisions of section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995. The financial statements comprise

- the statement of income and expenditure and retained revenue reserves
- the statement of comprehensive income
- the statement of financial position
- the statement of cash flows, and
- the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Heritage Council at 31 December 2022 and of its income and expenditure for 2022 in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102 — *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland*.

Basis of opinion

I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as promulgated by the International Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions. My responsibilities under those standards are described in the appendix to this report. I am independent of the Heritage Council and have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the standards.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Report on information other than the financial statements, and on other matters

The Heritage Council has presented certain other information together with the financial statements. This comprises the annual report, the governance statement and Board members' report, the statement on internal control and a schedule of grant payments. My responsibilities to report in relation to such information, and on certain other matters upon which I report by exception, are described in the appendix to this report.

I have nothing to report in that regard.

Mary Henry
For and on behalf of the
Comptroller and Auditor General

29 June 2023

Appendix to the report

Responsibilities of Board members

As detailed in the governance statement and Board members' report, the Board members are responsible for

- the preparation of annual financial statements in the form prescribed under section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995
- ensuring that the financial statements give a true and fair view in accordance with FRS 102
- ensuring the regularity of transactions
- assessing whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate, and
- such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Responsibilities of the Comptroller and Auditor General

I am required under section 21 of the Heritage Act 1995 to audit the financial statements of the Heritage Council and to report thereon to the Houses of the Oireachtas.

My objective in carrying out the audit is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement due to fraud or error. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the ISAs, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. In doing so,

- I identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements whether due to fraud or error; design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks; and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- I obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal controls.
- I evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures.

- I conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, on whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Heritage Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Heritage Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
- I evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I report by exception if, in my opinion,

- I have not received all the information and explanations I required for my audit, or
- the accounting records were not sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

Information other than the financial statements

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information presented with those statements, and I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, I am required under the ISAs to read the other information presented and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or with knowledge obtained during the audit, or if it otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact.

Reporting on other matters

My audit is conducted by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation. I report if I identify any material matters relating to the manner in which public business has been conducted.

I seek to obtain evidence about the regularity of financial transactions in the course of audit. I report if I identify any material instance where public money has not been applied for the purposes intended or where transactions did not conform to the authorities governing them.

Ráiteas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais agus Cúlchistí Ioncaim Coinnithe Don Bhliain Dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2022

	Nótaí	2022 €	2021 €
Ioncam			
Deontais Oireachtais	2	12,133,510	10,260,044
Ioncam Eile	3	894,308	777,937
Maoiniú glan iarchurtha do phinsin	11 (c)	<u>509,000</u>	<u>538,000</u>
Ioncam Iomlán		13,536,818	11,575,981
Caiteachas			
Deontais	5	6,608,179	5,839,440
Forbairt Beartais	6(a)	99,032	70,247
Cláir	6(b)	1,565,732	1,158,979
Tacaíocht don Bhonneagar Oidhreachta	6(c)	<u>2,575,076</u>	<u>2,244,242</u>
Iomlán Deontais, Beartas & Bonneagar		10,848,019	9,312,908
Riarachán			
Costais bhunaíochta	7	160,683	355,717
Soláthairtí oifige agus riarachán	8	540,931	276,628
Costais chomhaltaí an Bhoird agus na gCoistí	9	9,105	7,056
Costais foirne	10	2,047,057	1,842,823
Dímheas	12	<u>219,526</u>	<u>213,650</u>
Riarachán Iomlán		<u>2,977,302</u>	<u>2,695,874</u>
Caiteachas Iomlán		13,825,321	12,008,782
Barrachas/(Easnamh) don bhliain		(288,503)	(432,801)
Aistriú ón gCuntas Caipitil	4	<u>111,623</u>	<u>200,121</u>
Barrachas/(Easnamh) tar éis Aistriú ón gCuntas Caipitil		(176,880)	(232,680)
larmhéid tugtha ar aghaidh ar an 1 Eanáir		<u>679,883</u>	<u>912,563</u>
larmhéid tugtha ar aghaidh ar an 31 Nollaig		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>

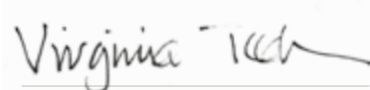
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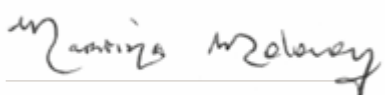


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Ráiteas Ioncam Cuimsitheach Don Bhliain dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2022

	Nótaí	2022 €	2021 €
Brabús/(Easnamh) don bhliain		(288,503)	(432,801)
Taithí (caillteanais)/gnóthachain ar oibleagáidí sochair scoir	11 (d)	113,000	151,000
Athruithe ar thóimhdí is bonn don luach reatha oibleagáidí sochair scoir & tóimhdí déimeagrafacha		<u>3,686,000</u>	<u>1,237,000</u>
(Caillteanas)/gnóthachan achtúireach iomlán sa bhliain		3,799,000	1,388,000
Coigeartuithe ar mhaoiniú sochar scoir iarchurtha		<u>(3,799,000)</u>	<u>(1,388,000)</u>
Ioncam Cuimsitheach Iomlán don Bhliain		<u>(288,503)</u>	<u>(432,801)</u>

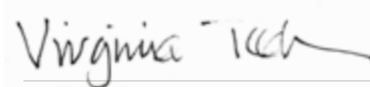
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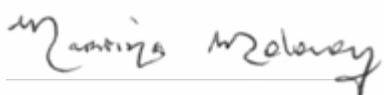


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Ráiteas ar Staid an Airgeadais amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022

	Nótaí	2022 €	2021 €
Sócmhainní Seasta			
Maoin, gléasra & trealamh	12	5,223,197	5,334,820
Sócmhainní Reatha			
Infháltas	13	374,723	113,305
Airgead tirim agus coibhéisí airgid		<u>1,926,326</u>	<u>1,523,491</u>
		2,301,049	1,636,796
Dlíteanais reatha (méideanna a bheidh dlite laistigh de bhliain amháin)			
Iníoctha	14	<u>1,798,046</u>	<u>956,913</u>
Glansócmhainní Reatha		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>
Sochair Scoir			
Oibleagáidí Sochair Scoir	11(b)	(6,410,000)	(9,700,000)
Sócmhainn maoinithe sochair scoir iarchurtha	11(b)	<u>6,410,000</u>	<u>9,700,000</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Glansócmhainní Iomlána		<u>5,726,200</u>	<u>6,014,703</u>
A léiríonn			
Cuntas Caipítíl	4	5,223,197	5,334,820
Cúlchistí Ioncaim Coinnithe		<u>503,003</u>	<u>679,883</u>
		<u>5,726,200</u>	<u>6,014,703</u>

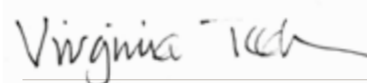
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Ráiteas ar Shreafaí Airgid Don Bhliain dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2022

	Nótaí	2022 €	2021 €
Sreabhadh airgid ó ghníomhaíochtaí oibriúcháin			
Brabús/(Easnamh) don bhliain		(288,503)	(432,801)
Dímheas	12	219,526	213,650
(Méadú)/Laghdú ar infháltas		(261,418)	129,628
Méadú/(Laghdú) ar Iníoctha		<u>841,133</u>	<u>313,698</u>
Airgead Glan Isteach ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin		<u>510,738</u>	<u>224,175</u>
Sreafaí airgid ó ghníomhaíochtaí infheistíochta			
Íocaíochtaí chun maoin, gléasra agus trealamh a fháil	4	<u>(107,903)</u>	<u>(13,529)</u>
Glan-sreafaí Airgid ó ghníomhaíochtaí infheistíochta		<u>(107,903)</u>	<u>(13,529)</u>
Glanmhéadú/(laghdú) ar airgead tirim agus ar choibhéisí airgid			
Airgead Tirim agus Coibhéisí Airgid amhail 1 Eanáir		402,835	210,646
		<u>1,523,491</u>	<u>1,312,845</u>
Airgead Tirim agus Coibhéisí Airgid amhail an 31 Nollaig		<u>1,926,326</u>	<u>1,523,491</u>

Nótaí Leis na Ráitis Airgeadais Don Bhliain dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2022

Nóta 1. Beartais Chuntasaíochta

Tá bunús na cuntasaíochta agus na polasaithe cuntasaíochta suntasacha ar ghlac an Chomhairle Oidhreachta leo leagtha amach thíos. Cuireadh iad go léir i bhfeidhm go comhsheasmhach i rith na bliana agus don bhliain roimhe sin.

a) Eolas Ginearálta

Bunaíodh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta faoin Acht Oidhreachta 1995, le ceannoifig in Áras na hOidhreachta, Lána an Teampaill, Cill Chainnigh. Is iad seo a leanas príomhchuspóirí na Comhairle Oidhreachta mar atá leagtha amach in Alt 6 den Acht Oidhreachta 1995: beartais agus tosaíochtaí a mholadh chun an oidhrecht náisiúnta a shainiú, a chosaint, a chaomhnú agus a fheabhsú agus a léirtheiscint a chothú.

b) Ráiteas Comhlíonta

Ullmhaíodh ráitis airgeadais na Comhairle Oidhreachta don bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2022 de réir na reachtaíochta is infheidhme, agus de réir FRS 102, an Caighdeán Tuairiscithe Airgeadais is infheidhme sa Ríocht Aontaithe agus i bPoblacht na hÉireann arna eisiúint ag an gComhairle Tuairiscithe sa RA.

c) Bunús an Ullmhúcháin

Ullmhaítear na ráitis airgeadais ar bhonn gnóthais leantaigh, faoi choinbhinsiún an chostais stairiúil, seachas sócmhainní agus dliteanais áirithe mar a mhínítear sna beartais chuntasaíochta thíos. Tá na ráitis airgeadais san fhoirm atá faofa ag an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta le comhthoiliú an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe faoin Acht Oidhreachta, 1995. Cuireadh na beartais chuntasaíochta seo a leanas i bhfeidhm go comhsheasmhach chun déileáil le míreanna a mheastar a bheith ábhartha maidir le ráitis airgeadais na Comhairle Oidhreachta.

d) Ioncam

Deontais Oireachtais

Aithnítear ioncam go ginearálta ar bhonn fabhráithe; eisceacht amháin dó seo is ea i gcás Deontais Oireachtais a aithnítear ar bhonn fáltais airgid.

Ioncam Eile

Aithnítear ioncam eile ar bhonn fabhráithe.

e) Íocaíochtaí Deontais

Cuireann an Chomhairle Oidhreachta deontais ar fáil do chomhlachtaí agus do dhaoine aonair éagsúla chun oibreacha a dhéanamh faoina scéimeanna deontais oidhreachta. Nuair a ghlacann deontaí le téarmaí agus coinníollacha tairiscint deontais ón gComhairle, déanann an Chomhairle gealltanais leis an deontaí sin. Ní aithnítear an gealltanais sin mar fhabhrú ach amháin nuair a fheictear don deontaí téarmaí agus coinníollacha iomlána na tairisceana deontais a chomhlíonadh. Tá sonraí na gceangaltas deontais amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022 tugtha i nóta 17.

f) Maoin, Gléasra agus Trealamh

Luaitear maoin, gléasra agus trealamh ag costas lúide dímheas carntha, coigeartaithe d'aon

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f) Maoin, Gléasra agus Trealamh ar lean.

fhoráil do bhearnúchán. Soláthraítear dímheas ar gach maoin, gléasra agus trealamh, seachas talamh ruilse agus saothar ealaíne, ag rátaí a mheastar chun an costas a dhíscríobh lúide luach iarmharach measta gach sócmhainne de réir méid cothrom thar a saolta úsáideacha measta mar a leanas:

Foirgnimh	2.5%	Gléasra & Trealamh	10%-20%
Trealamh Oifige	20%	Troscán Oifige	10%-20%
Saothair Ealaíne	0%	Ríomhairí (Crua-earraí & Bogearraí)	25%
Mótarfheithiclí	20%	Ábhar Tagartha agus Ceadúnais OSI	20%

Léiríonn luach iarmharach an méid measta a gheofar faoi láthair ó dhiúscairt sócmhainne, tar éis costais mheasta diúscairthe a asbhaint, dá mbeadh an tsócmhainn in aois cheana féin agus sa riocht a mbeifí ag súil leis ag deireadh a saolré ionchais.

Má tá fianaise oibiachtúil ann go bhfuil bearnúchán ar luach sócmhainne, aithnítear cailteanas bearnúcháin sa Ráiteas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais agus Cúlchistí Coinnithe sa bhliain.

g) Cuntas Caipitil

Cuimsíonn an cuntas caipitil ioncam leithdháilte chun sócmhainní seasta a cheannach. Déantar é a amúchadh i gcomhréir le dímheas na sócmhainní gaolmhara.

h) Léasú

Déantar sócmhainní a fhaightear faoi léasanna airgeadais a chaipitliú agus a áireamh i réadmhaoín, gléasra agus trealamh agus déantar iad a dhímheas de réir bheartas na Comhairle.

i) Sochair Fostaithe

Sochair Ghearrthéarmacha

Aithnítear sochair gearrthéarmacha amhail pá saoire mar chostas sa bhliain, agus áirítear sochair a fhabhraítear ag deireadh na bliana san fhigiúr Iníoctha sa Ráiteas ar Staid an Airgeadais.

Sochair Scoir

Bhunaigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta a scéim pinsin sochair shainithe féin roimhe seo, arna maoiniú go bliantúil ar bhonn íoc mar a úsáidtear ó airgead a sholáthraíonn an Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta agus ó ranníocaíochtaí a asbhaintear ó thuarastail na foirne agus na gcomhaltaí.

Feidhmíonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta freisin an Scéim Pinsean Seirbhíse Poiblí Aonair (“Scéim Aonair”), ar scéim sochair shainithe í do sheirbhísigh phoiblí inphinsin a ceapadh an 1 Eanáir 2013 nó ina dhiaidh sin. Íoctar ranníocaíochtaí chomhaltaí na Scéime Aonair leis an Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe.

Léiríonn costais phinsin na sochair phinsin atá tuillte ag fostaithe agus léirítear iad glan ó ranníocaíochtaí pinsin na foirne a choinníonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta. Aithnítear méid a chomhfhreagraíonn don mhuirear pinsin mar ioncam sa mhéid is go bhfuil sé inghnóthaithe, agus fritháirithe ag deontais a fhaightear sa bhliain chun íocaíochtaí pinsin a urscaoileadh.

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Léirítear gnóthachain nó cailteanais achtúireacha a eascraíonn as dliteanais scéime sa Ráiteas ar Ioncam Cuimsitheach, agus aithnítear coigeartú comhfhreagrach sa mhéid inghnóthaithe ón Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta.

Léiríonn na ráitis airgeadais, ag luach cóir, na sócmhainní agus na dliteanais a eascraíonn as oibleagáidí pinsin na Comhairle Oidhreachta agus aon mhaoiniú gaolmhar agus aithníonn siad na costais a bhaineann le sochair phinsin a sholáthar sna tréimhsí cuntasaíochta ina dtuilleann fostaithe iad. Déantar dliteanais na scéime sochair scoir a thomhas ar bhonn achtúireach ag baint úsáid as modh na n-aonad réamh-mheasta creidmheasa.

j) Breithiúnais agus Meastacháin Chriticiúla Chuntasaíochta

Éilíonn ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais ar an mbainistíocht breithiúnais, meastacháin agus boinn tuisceana a dhéanann difear do na méideanna a thuairiscítear do shócmhainní agus dliteanais amhail an dáta tuairiscithe agus na méideanna a thuairiscítear le haghaidh ioncam agus caiteachas i rith na bliana. Mar sin féin, ciallaíonn nádúr an mheastacháin go bhféadfadh na fóorthorthaí a bheith difriúil leis na meastacháin sin. Tá an tionchar is suntasaí ag na breithiúnais seo a leanas ar mhéideanna aitheanta sna ráitis airgeadais.

Bearnúchán Maoine, Gléasra agus Treailimh

Déantar athbhreithniú ar shócmhainní atá faoi réir amúchta le haghaidh bearnúcháin nuair a thugann imeachtaí nó athruithe ar chúinsí le fios go bhféadfadh sé nach mbeadh an tsuim ghlanluacha in-aisghabhála. Aithnítear cailteanas bearnúcháin don mhéid a sháraíonn suim ghlanluacha na sócmhainne a méid in-aisghabhála. Is é an méid in-aisghabhála cibé acu is airde de luach cóir sócmhainne lúide costas díola agus luach úsáide. Chun bearnúchán a mheas, déantar sócmhainní a ghrúpáil ag na leibhéil is ísle a bhfuil sreafaí airgid inaitheanta go leithleach (aonaid ghiniúna airgid). Déantar athbhreithniú ar shócmhainní neamhairgeadais ar baineadh bearnúchán dóibh le haghaidh aisiompú féideartha an bhearnúcháin ag gach dáta tuairiscithe.

Dímheas agus Luachanna Iarmharacha

Tá athbhreithniú déanta ag an gComhairle ar shaolréanna sócmhainní agus ar luachanna iarmharacha gaolmhara na n-aicmí sócmhainní seasta go léir, agus go háirithe, ar shaolré eacnamaíoch úsáideach agus ar luachanna iarmharacha daingneáin agus feisteas, agus chinn sí go bhfuil saolré sócmhainní agus luachanna iarmharacha oiriúnach.

Oibleagáid Sochair Scoir

Déantar na toimhdí is bun leis na luachálacha achtúireacha dá gcinntear na méideanna a aithnítear sna ráitis airgeadais (lena n-áirítear rátaí lascaine, ráta boilscithe, rátaí ardaithe ar leibhéil chúitimh sa todhchaí, rátaí básmhaireachta agus aois scoir) ar bhonn bliantúil bunaithe ar dhálaí eacnamaíochta reatha agus chun críche aon athruithe ábhartha ar théarmaí agus coinníollacha na bpleananna pinsin agus iar-scoir.

Is féidir leis na nithe seo a leanas tionchar a imirt ar na toimhdí:

- (i) an ráta lascaine, athruithe ar an ráta toraidh ar bhannaí corparáide ardchaighdeán
- (ii) leibhéil chúitimh sa todhchaí, coinníollacha an mhargaidh saothair amach anseo; agus
- (iii) rátaí mortlaíochta agus aois scoir.

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Cuimsíonn an tsuim €12,133,150 Deontais ón Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta (Vóta 34) agus an maoiniú ón tSeirbhís Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra.

	2022	2021
	€	€
An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta		
Deontas Riaracháin	2,217,000	1,773,000
Deontais Neamhchaipítíl	3,544,000	3,488,000
Deontais Chaipítíl	<u>5,683,666</u>	<u>4,389,959</u>
	<u>11,444,666</u>	<u>9,650,959</u>
An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta		
Deontais Neamhchaipítíl ón tSeirbhís Páirceanna Náisiúnta agus Fiadhúlra	<u>688,844</u>	<u>609,085</u>
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IOMLÁN	<u>12,133,510</u>	<u>10,260,044</u>

Nótaí Leis na Ráitis Airgeadais Don Bhliain dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2022 ar lean.**Nóta 3: Ioncam Eile**

	2022	2021
	€	€
Ranníocaíocht i leith Scéim na bhFoigineamh Feirme Traidisiúnta (An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara Vóta 30)	88,376	100,853
Fáilte Ireland - Deontas chun Tacú le Seachtain na hOidhreachta	30,000	30,000
Táillí Ballraíochta Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann	67,484	72,562
Ranníocaíocht Údaráis Áitiúla don Tionscadal Breathnóra Oidhreachta	28,500	37,500
Ranníocaíocht Bhord Bia le Comhordaitheoir Pailneora in Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	65,712	39,660
Fógraíocht Sheachtain na hOidhreachta	4,000	4,000
Údarás Fuinnimh Inmharthana na hÉireann - Maoiniú i dtreo Taighde ar Aisfheistiú Foigineamh	26,896	-5,103
Aisíoc Costais Foirne ar Iasacht na Comhairle Oidhreachta	0	62,851
Tionscadal Nuálaíochta na hEorpa LLOC2004 "Pailineoirí Thalamh Feirme a Chosaint" (An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara Vóta 30)	318,397	197,717
An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta - Ciste Struchtúir Stairiúla agus Maoiniú Pacáiste Spreagthaí Post mhí lúil i dtreo deisiúcháin agus cothabháil Cheanncheathrú na Comhairle Oidhreachta	0	43,500
Ranníocaíocht an EPA le Post Eolaíochta Saoránach san Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	67,000	60,270
An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta - Maoiniú i dtreo Scrúdú Comhoibríoch Sláinte Láir Baile Thiobraid Árann	0	10,000
Ard-Mhúsaem Thuaisceart Éireann - Ranníocaíocht le staidéir ar an nGoirmín Corránach agus ar an tSnáthaid Mhór Órfhainneach arna ndéanamh ag an Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	5,983	5,000
Ranníocaíocht Chaomhnú Ialtóg Éireann i dtreo foilseachán de chuid an Ionaid Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta, "Treoir maidir le hIaltóga in Éirinn"	0	4,320
Tionscadal Erasmus "EUROPEAN FRAMEWORK FOR HERITAGE SKILLS & TRAINING"	19,714	19,601
Ranníocaíocht na Roinne Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara i leith Oifigeach Pailneora Talamh Feirme san Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	60,000	60,000
Ranníocaíocht na Roinne Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara i dtreo Clár Náisiúnta um Monatóireacht Pailneoirí ag an Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	111,079	34,185
Dleachtanna	1,167	1,021
iomlán	<u>894,308</u>	<u>777,937</u>

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	2022	2021
	€	€
Iarmhéid amhail an 1 Eanáir	5,334,820	5,534,941
Aistriú (chuig)/ón gCuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais		
Méid leithdháilte chun ceannach sócmhainní seasta a mhaoiniú	107,903	13,529
Lúide: Amúchadh ar aon dul le dímhéas	(219,526)	(213,650)
	(111,623)	(200,121)
Iarmhéid amhail an 31 Nollaig	<u>5,223,197</u>	<u>5,334,820</u>

Nóta 5: Caiteachas Deontais

	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Deontais Líonra Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann i dtreo Tionscadaíl Reatha	157,787	106,433
Deontais Líonra Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann i dtreo Oibreacha Caipitil	200,385	196,368
Ciste Tacaíochta na hEanála Oidhreachta	918,824	645,735
Deontais Phlean Oidhreachta an Chontae	971,845	844,768
Deontais Oidhreachta Pobalbhunaithe	1,521,911	1,538,690
Deontais Chaipitil na mBailte Stairiúla	1,419,608	1,470,693
Ciste Maoirseachta Oidhreachta	274,330	-
Irish Landmark Trust Ltd. (Nóta 15)	329,489	296,753
Clár Fionnachtana: Ionad Seandálaíochta agus Nuála Éireann (Nóta 16)	814,000	740,000
lomlán	<u>6,608,179</u>	<u>5,839,440</u>

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	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Foilseacháin Oidhreachta Tógtha	3,609	6,727
Foilseacháin Fiadhúla	1,451	71
Tionscnaimh Bhithéagsúlachta	37,750	13,025
Oidhrecht a chur in iúl i mBeartais Tírdhreacha Náisiúnta	<u>56,222</u>	<u>50,424</u>
lomlán	<u>99,032</u>	<u>70,247</u>

Nóta 6(b): Cláir

	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Oidhrecht i Scoileanna	507,148	420,515
Foghlaim Áitbhunaithe	31,630	13,600
Seachtain na hOidhreachta	510,027	432,591
Gníomhaíochtaí na Comhairle a chur in iúl	335,998	187,166
Intéirneachtaí Caomhnaithe	33,402	21,997
Cothabháil Choisctheach a Chur Chun Cinn	16,912	32,125
Moltaí na Meithle Oibre um Scileanna Traidisiúnta a chur i bhfeidhm	57,218	3,104
Tionscadal Erasmus: Creat Eorpach um Scileanna & Oiliúint Oidhreachta	19,714	19,601
Athbhreithniú ar Chláir	16,703	28,280
Tionscadail Saoil	22,982	0
Creat Taighde Oidhrecht Chultúrtha/Cultúr 2025	<u>13,998</u>	<u>0</u>
lomlán	<u>1,565,732</u>	<u>1,158,979</u>

Nóta 6(c): Bonneagar Oidhreachta

	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta	1,676,828	1,246,921
Forbairt bhunachar sonraí Comhairleoirí Séadchomharthaí Allamuigh	0	1,230
Clár um Chaighdeáin Músaem	64,206	91,802
Clár na nOifigeach Oidhreachta	657,890	626,657
Breathnóir Oidhreachta	59,174	75,710
Oidhrecht Uirbeach (lena n-áirítear Riarachán Líonra Bhailte Múrtha na hÉireann)	116,978	201,922
lomlán	<u>2,575,076</u>	<u>2,244,242</u>

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	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Stóráil	15,031	15,313
Cumhacht, teas agus solas	19,358	10,398
Ceaintín, lónadóireacht agus glanadh	23,004	7,672
Cruinnithe	13,406	3,888
Deisiúcháin, cothabháil & slándáil	65,150	296,720
Árachas	24,734	21,726
Saothair Ealaíne ar Cíos	0	0
	<u>160,683</u>	<u>355,717</u>

Nóta 8: Soláthairtí Oifige agus Riarachán

	2022	2021
	lomlán	lomlán
	€	€
Teileafón agus postas	16,126	13,877
Stáiseanóireacht, priontáil agus deisiú trealamh oifige	11,316	6,325
Tuarascáil Bhliantúil & Plean Straitéiseach	35,411	7,380
Leabharlann	0	635
Soláthairtí agus cothabháil ríomhaire	174,573	124,004
Táillí gairmiúla	166,800	54,946
Ilchineálach	5,270	1,863
Táillí Dílthiúla	91,862	37,265
Sintiúis	16,498	11,707
Táille iniúchóireachta	13,000	13,000
Ús & Táillí	9,065	5,367
Bronntanais	1,010	259
	<u>540,931</u>	<u>276,628</u>

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	Costais a Éilíodh	Lóistín & Béilí & Taisteal a cuireadh ar fáil	Iomlán
	€	€	€
Martina Moloney	4,100	715	4,815
Sheila Pratschke	577	370	947
Michael Farrell	454	190	644
Sammy Leslie	-	620	620
Deirdre McDermott	-	510	510
Patricia O'Hare	154	275	429
John G Pierce	-	260	260
Mary Tubridy	-	345	345
John Patrick Greene	-	370	370
Fionnuala May	-	165	165
Iomlán	<u>5,285</u>	<u>3,820</u>	<u>9,105</u>

Ar aon dul lena litreacha ceapacháin níl aon táillí infíochta le Comhaltaí an Bhoird.

Nóta 10: Luach Saothair**(a) Anailís ar Chostais Foirne**

	2022	2021
	€	€
Tuarastail foirne	1,462,870	1,280,203
Costais Earcaíochta	45,608	30,933
Costais Phinsin (nóta 11(a))	485,000	483,000
Folláine agus Socraíochtaí Foirne	2,270	310
Taisteal agus Costais	34,586	13,680
Oiliúint	14,816	15,188
Fabhrú Saoire	<u>1,907</u>	<u>19,509</u>
	<u>2,047,057</u>	<u>1,842,823</u>

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Nóta 10: Luach saothair ar lean.

(b) Sochair Fostaithe Chomhiomlána

	2022	2021
	€	€
Sochair foirne ghearrthearma	1,340,329	1,173,396
Ranníocaíocht Fostóra le Leas Sóisialach	<u>122,541</u>	<u>106,807</u>
Fo-iomlán	1,462,870	1,280,203
Costais Sochair Scoir	<u>80,000</u>	<u>41,000</u>
Iomlán	<u>1,542,870</u>	<u>1,321,203</u>

Ba é 25 líon iomlán na mball foirne a bhí fostaithe (coibhéis lánaimseartha) ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta ag deireadh na bliana (2021: 20). Níor íocadh aon ragobair ná sochair scoir in 2022. Tá an líon iomlán comhdhéanta d'fhoireann ar iasacht chuig an gComhairle Oidhreachta, lena n-áirítear an POF a bhí ar iasacht ó Choláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh le héifeacht ón 1 Feabhra 2019.

Le héifeacht ón 1 Eanáir 2020 cuireadh an ranníocaíocht aoisliúntais bhreise (ASC) in ionad na hasbhainte a bhaineann le pinsean. Ba é an ASC a íocadh leis an Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta i leith 2021 ná €39,857 (2021: €39,695).

(c) Príomhphearsanra Bainistíochta

Cuimsíonn príomhphearsanra bainistíochta na Comhairle Oidhreachta an Príomhfheidhmeannach, na Cinn Seirbhíse agus an Ceann Airgeadais. Ní fhaigheann an Bord aon luach saothair. Tá luach iomlán na sochar fostaithe don príomhphearsanra bainistíochta leagtha amach thíos:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Tuarastal	473,477	487,849

Ní chuireann sé seo luach na sochar scoir a tuilleadh sa tréimhse san áireamh. Tá an príomhphearsanra bainistíochta, seachas ár POF reatha a ceapadh le héifeacht ón 1 Feabhra 2019 agus atá ar iasacht ó Choláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh, ina mbaill de scéim pinsin na Comhairle Oidhreachta agus ní bhaineann a dteidlíochtaí sa chomhthéacs sin ach le téarmaí shamhail scéim pinsin aonair na seirbhíse poiblí.

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	2022	2021
	€	€
Bunphá, Breis ÁSPC agus Aoisliúntas Eile	<u>130,594</u>	<u>121,567</u>

Ceapadh an POF reatha le héifeacht ón 1 Feabhra 2019 agus tá sí ar iasacht ó Choláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh agus ní comhalta de scéim pinsean na Comhairle Oidhreachta í. Íocann Coláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh an POF agus forchuirtear an tuarastal trí shonrasc a chur chuig an gComhairle Oidhreachta.

(e) Miondealú ar Shochair Ghearrthéarmacha Fostaithe

Rangaítear sochair ghearrthearma fostaithe atá de bhreis ar €60,000 sna bandaí seo a leanas:

	2022	2021
Catagóir Tuarastail	LÍON FOSTAITHE	LÍON FOSTAITHE
€60,000 GO €69,999	2	2
€70,000 GO €79,999	2	3
€80,000 GO €89,999	1	2
€90,000 GO €99,999	1	0
€100,000 GO €109,999	0	1
€110,000 GO €119,000	1	0

Áirítear sna huimhreacha freisin ball foirne amháin a tógadh ar iasacht ó Choláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh le héifeacht ón 1 Feabhra 2019. Chun críocha an nochta seo, áirítear leis na sochair ghearrthearma fostaithe maidir le seirbhísí a tugadh le linn na tréimhse tuairiscithe tuarastal; ragobair; liúntais agus íocaíochtaí eile a rinneadh thar ceann an fhostóra, ach ní áirítear ÁSPC an fhostóra.

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Nóta 11: Scéim Aoisliúntais

(a) Anailís ar na sochair scoir iomlán a ghearrtar leis an Ráiteas ar Ioncam agus Caiteachas agus Cúlchistí Ioncaim Coinnithe

	2022	2021
	€	€
Costais Seirbhíse Reatha	463,000	505,000
Ús ar dhliteanais scéime sochair scoir	126,000	74,000
Ranníocaíochtaí Fostaithe	(104,000)	(96,000)
Iomlán	485,000	483,000

(b) Gluaiseacht sa ghlandliteanas sochar scoir le linn na bliana airgeadais

	2022	2021
	€	€
Glanoibleagáid sochair scoir amhail an 1 Eanáir	(9,700,000)	(10,550,000)
Costas Seirbhíse Reatha	(463,000)	(505,000)
Costais Úis	(126,000)	(74,000)
(Caillteanas)/Gnóthachan achtúireach	3,799,000	1,388,000
Pinsín íoctha sa bhliain	80,000	41,000
Glanoibleagáid sochair scoir amhail an 31 Nollaig	(6,410,000)	(9,700,000)

(c) Maoiniú Iarchurtha le haghaidh sochair scoir

Aithníonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta na méideanna seo mar shócmhainn a chomhfhreagraíonn don dliteanas neamhchistithe iarchurtha le haghaidh sochair scoir bunaithe ar shraith toimhdí a thuairiscítear thuas agus ar roinnt teagmhas roimhe seo. Áirítear leis na teagmhais seo an bonn reachtúil faoinar mbunaíodh an scéim sochair scoir, agus an beartas agus an cleachtas atá ann faoi láthair chun pinsín na seirbhíse poiblí a mhaoiniú, lena n-áirítear ranníocaíochtaí ón fhostaí agus an próiseas meastacháin bhliantúil. Níl aon fhianaise ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta nach leanfar ar aghaidh riar ar na suimeanna dá dhála de réir an chleachtais reatha.

Is mar seo a leanas an glanmhaoiniú iarchurtha do shochair scoir a thuairiscíodh sa Ráiteas faoi Ioncam agus Caiteachas agus Cúlchiste Ioncaim Coinnithe:

	2022	2021
	€	€
Maoiniú In-aisghabhála maidir le costais sochair scoir na bliana reatha	589,000	579,000
Deontas stáit curtha i bhfeidhm chun sochair scoir a íoc	(80,000)	(41,000)
Iomlán	509,000	538,000

B'ionann agus €6.410M an tsócmhainn cistithe iarchurtha le haghaidh sochair scoir amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022 (2021: €9.700M).

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Nóta 11: Scéim Aoisliúntais ar Lean.

(d) Stair na n-oibleagáidí sochair shainithe

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
Oibleagáidí Sochair Shainithe	6,410	9,700	10,550	8,737	7,261
Gnóthachain/ (Cailteanais) ó thaithí ar Dhliteanais Scéime *	113	151	12	140	262
Céatadán de Dhliteanais Scéime	1.8%	1.60%	0.10%	1.60%	3.60%

* Is éard atá sa mhír seo gnóthachain/(cailteanais) maidir le taithí dhliteanais amháin agus ní áirítear léi aon athrú ar dhliteanais i leith athruithe do na toimhdí achtúireacha a úsáideadh.

(e) Cur síos Ginearálta ar an Scéim

Is é atá sa scéim sochair scoir ná socrú pinsin shainithe tuarastail deiridh ina sainítear sochair agus ranníocaíochtaí trí thagairt do rialacháin reatha na scéime “eiseamláirí” earnála poiblí. Leis an scéim, tugtar pinsean (arb ionann é agus 1/80 in aghaidh na bliana seirbhíse), aisce nó cnapshuim (arb ionann í agus 3/80 in aghaidh na bliana seirbhíse) agus pinsin chéilí agus leanaí. Is é 65ú breithlá an bhaill an Ghnáth-Aois Scoir agus tá daoine a tháinig chun a bheith ina mbaill roimh 2004 i dteideal dul ar scor gan laghdú achtúireach ó 60 bliain d’aois ar aghaidh. Is gnách go méadaíonn pinsin atá á n-íoc (agus iarchur) ar aon dul le boilsciú ginearálta i dtuarastal earnála poiblí.

Ullmhaíodh na míreanna nochta thíos don Chomhairle Oidhreachta i dtaca leis na sochair atá iníoctha ó Scéim Aoisliúntais Fostaithe na Comhairle Oidhreachta 2003 agus ón Scéim Aoisliúntais Chéilí agus Leanaí. Scéimeanna neamh-mhaoinithe is ea iad, de chineál sochair sainithe, lena gcuirtear sochair scoir ar fáil de réir fad na seirbhíse agus an tuarastail inphinsin. Bunaíodh an luacháil a úsáideadh le haghaidh nochtheadh FRS 102 ar mheasúnú ar dhliteanais na scéime amháin an 31 Nollaig 2022. Rinneadh na luachanna láithreacha den oibleagáidí sochair sainithe agus an costas seirbhíse a thomhas le modh na n-aonad réamh-mheasta creidmheasa. Sa nóta um nochtheadh seo áirítear an clár comhardaithe agus na sonraí maidir leis na toimhdí do na blianta airgeadais dar chríoch an 31 Nollaig 2022 agus an 31 Nollaig 2021.

Tá na buntoimhdí achtúireacha lena ghlac na hachtúirí neamhspleácha chun na dliteanais de réir FRS 102 a áireamh leagtha amach thíos:

Toimhdí	31/12/2022	31/12/2021
Boilsciú	2.2%	1.90%
Ráta an mhéadaithe fhadtéarmaigh ghinearálta ar thuarastail	3.7%	3.40%
Ráta méadaithe ar shochair stáit	1.9%	1.90%
Ráta méadaithe ar shochair iarchurtha	2.7%	2.40%
Méaduithe Pinsin	2.7%	2.40%
Ráta lascaine do dhliteanais scéime	3.7%	1.30%

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Nóta 11: Scéim Aoisliúntais ar Lean.

Toimhdí Básmaireachta

Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022, d'úsáideamar toimhdí básmaireachta do phinsinéirí reatha agus amach anseo bunaithe ar tháblaí caighdeánacha básmaireachta a cheadaíonn d'fheabhsuithe básmaireachta amach anseo. Is mar seo a leanas a bheadh an t-ionchas saoil ó 65 bliain d'aois, de réir na dtoimhdí básmaireachta (tá ionchais saoil an 31 Nollaig 2022 ar fáil ar mhaithe le comparáid a dhéanamh):

Ionchas saoil ag aois 65 (i mblianta)	31/12/2022	31/12/2021
Fear, 45 bliain d'aois anois	25.1	25.0
Fear, 65 bliain d'aois anois	23.4	23.3
Bean, 45 bliain d'aois anois	27.4	27.2
Bean, 65 bliain d'aois anois	25.7	25.5

Nóta 12: Maoin, Gléasra agus Trealamh

	Foirgnimh	Oifig Troscán	Oifig Trealamh	Gléasra & Trealamh	Ríomhairí	Ábhar Tagartha & Cheadúnas OSI	Saothair Ealaíne	Iomlán
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
COSTAS								
Amhail an 1 Eanáir 2022	8,064,752	228,016	199,163	23,405	852,094	457,204	203,217	10,027,851
Breiseanna	0	6,019	0	48,999	52,885	0	0	107,903
Diúscairt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022	8,064,752	234,035	199,163	72,404	904,979	457,204	203,217	10,135,754
Carnach Dímheas								
Amhail an 1 Eanáir 2022	2,965,085	220,338	198,955	18,762	832,687	457,204	0	4,693,031
Muirear don bhliain	201,619	814	208	2,887	13,998	0	0	219,526
Ar dhiúscairtí	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022	3,166,704	221,152	199,163	21,649	846,685	457,204	0	4,912,557
GLANLUACHANNA DE RÉIR NA LEABHAR								
Amhail an 1 Eanáir 2022	5,099,667	7,678	208	4,643	19,407	0	203,217	5,334,820
Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2022	4,898,048	12,883	0	50,755	58,294	0	203,217	5,223,197

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	2022	2021
	€	€
Féichiúnaithe	197,013	0
Réamhíocaíochtaí & Féichiúnaithe Eile	<u>177,710</u>	<u>113,305</u>
Iomlán	<u>374,723</u>	<u>113,305</u>

Nóta 14: Iníoctha

Thabhaigh an Chomhairle Oidhreachta íocaíochtaí cíosa ar luach €20,000 i leith léasa ar an réadmhaoín a bhí á áitiú ag an Ionad Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta ag Cloch an Óir, Co. Phort Láirge, atá mar chuid de Chostais an Ionaid Náisiúnta le Sonraí Bithéagsúlachta i Nóta 6 (c). Léas deich mbliana atá sa léas, le clásal scoir is féidir leis an gComhairle Oidhreachta a fheidhmiú ar fhógra 6 mhí.

	2022	2021
	€	€
Creidiúnaithe	1,017,098	437,666
Fabhruithe	<u>425,321</u>	<u>445,719</u>
Creidiúnaithe Ginearálta & Fabhruithe	<u>1,442,419</u>	<u>883,385</u>
Fabhruithe Deontais	<u>355,627</u>	<u>73,528</u>
Iomlán	<u>1,798,046</u>	<u>956,913</u>

Nóta 15: The Irish Landmark Trust Ltd.

Bunaíodh an Irish Landmark Trust Ltd in 1992 mar chuideachta neamhbhrabúis agus é mar chuspóir aige foirgnimh stairiúla a bhí tréigthe nó i mbaol a shábháil. Baintear é seo amach trí fheidhm úsáideach agus inmharthana a thabhairt dóibh mar chóiríocht saoire ghearrthéarmach, rud a dhaingneodh a dtodhchaí fhadtéarmach Socraítear leibhéal maoinithe na Comhairle gach bliain trí thagairt a dhéanamh do Phlean Cúig Bliana na Comhairle, do Phlean Corparáideach Irish Landmark Trust, agus do staid bhuiséadach iomlán na Comhairle.

Nóta 16: Clár Fionnachtana: Ionad Seandálaíochta agus Nuála Éireann

Maoiníonn an Chomhairle an Clár Fionnachtana a bunaíodh in 1991 agus a cláraíodh mar chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta ar an 15 Eanáir 1996. Tá an Chomhairle freagrach as cathaoirleach an Chláir Fionnachtana agus triúr dá stiúrthóirí a cheapadh. Tá an Príomhfheidhmeannach nó a (h) ainmní ar dhuine d'ionadaithe na Comhairle ar Bhord an Chláir Fionnachtana. Socraítear leibhéal maoinithe na Comhairle gach bliain trí thagairt a dhéanamh do Phlean Cúig Bliana na

Comhairle, do Phlean Corparáideach an Chláir Fionnachtana, agus do staid bhuiséadach iomlán na Comhairle. Is é cuspóir an chláir cur lenár dtuiscint ar stair na hÉireann trí thaighde agus tochailtí seandálaíochta.

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Nóta 17: Ceangaltais Deontais

Ar an 31 Nollaig 2021 bhí gealltanais deontais déanta ag an mBord i ndáil le gníomhaíochtaí a bhí le tarlú tar éis an dáta sin. Níl an méid de €39,009 a gealladh léirithe sna Ráitis Airgeadais seo.

	2022	2021
	€	€
Deontais geallta ar 1 Eanáir	39,009	37,746
Ceaduithe sa bhliain	7,893,148	6,277,877
Deontais a saoradh	(749,173)	(295,636)
Deontais a Díscríobhadh	(311,362)	(141,538)
Caiteachas deontais sa bhliain (Féach nóta 5)	(6,608,179)	(5,839,440)
Ceangaltais Deontais ar 31 Nollaig	<u>263,443</u>	<u>39,009</u>

Nóta 18: Nochtadh ó Pháirtithe Gaolmhara

Tá príomhphearsanra bainistíochta na Comhairle Oidhreachta comhdhéanta de chomhaltaí an Bhoird, an Príomhfheidhmeannach, na Ceannasaithe Seirbhíse agus an Ceannasaí Airgeadais Ní fhaigheann an Bord aon luach saothair. Féach Nóta 9 & Nóta 10 chun miondealú a fháil ar an luach saothair agus ar na sochair a íocadh le baill den phríomhfhoireann bainistíochta.

Glacann bord na Comhairle Oidhreachta le gnásanna a réitíonn leis na treoirlínte a d'eisigh an Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe a lena gcuimsítear leasa pearsanta chomhaltaí an Bhoird. I ngnáthchúrsa gnó, féadfar don Chomhairle Oidhreachta deontais a fhaomhadh agus socruithe conartha a dhéanamh le gnólachtaí ina bhfuil comhaltaí de chuid Bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta atá fostaithe nó ina bhfuil leasa de chineál eile acu iontu.

I gcásanna ina bhfuil coinbhleacht leasa féideartha ann, ní ghlacann comhaltaí de chuid an Bhoird páirt in idirbheartaíocht a bhaineann leis na hidirbhearta seo, ná freastal ar a leithéid, fiú. Coinnítear clár agus tá sé ar fáil ach é a iarraidh i ngach cás den sórt sin.

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Nóta 18: Nochtadh ó Pháirtithe Gaolmhara ar Lean.

Nocht na comhaltaí seo a leanas leas in eagraíochtaí ar faomhadh cúnamh airgeadais dóibh i rith na bliana.

Comhalta Boird	Tagairt Deontais	Deontáí	Tairiscint Deontais (€)
Fionnuala May	D16412	Cumann Seirseach na hÉireann	50,000
Fionnuala May	C16479	Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall	18,000
Fionnuala May	C16517	Comhairle Contae Fhine Gall	18,000
Fionnuala May Deirdre Mc Dermott	CH17300	Building Limes Forum of Ireland	2,200
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16441	Comhairle Chaomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann	20,130
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17215	Comhairle Chaomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann	4,077
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16379	Comhairle Ardtailte Chill Mhantáin	50,000
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	D16448	Fóram Ardtailte na hÉireann	17,000
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17137	Cairde Éanlaith Éireann	2,720
An Dr. Mary Tubridy	CH17173	Cairde Éanlaith Éireann	16,675
Sammy Leslie	D16400	Cumann na dTithe Stairiúla	30,000
John Pierce	D16441	Comhairle Chaomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann	20,130
John Pierce	CH17215	Comhairle Chaomhnaithe Phortaigh na hÉireann	4,077

Nóta 19: Gnóthas Leantach

Faigheann an Chomhairle cistí ón Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta de réir mar is gá. Tuairiscítear an t-ioncam seo ar bhonn fáiltas airgid ach tuairiscítear an caiteachas ar bhonn fabhráithe. Tá an Bord den tuairim, toisc go soláthraíonn an t-eintiteas seirbhís phoiblí a mhaoinítear 93% di le hairgead ón Státchiste, tríd a máthair-roinn, an Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta go bhfuil sé oiriúnach na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn gnóthais leantaigh.

Nóta 20: Áitreabh

Feidhmíonn an Chomhairle Oidhreachta ó áitreabh in Áras na hOidhreachta, Lána an Teampaill, Cill Chainnigh, áit ar a bhfuil an Chomhairle ina háititheoir agus ina húinéir freisin.

Nóta 21: Ceapachán Bhord na Comhairle Oidhreachta

Cheap an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta Bord reatha na Comhairle Oidhreachta an 3 Samhain 2020.

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Nóta 22: Faomhadh Ráitis Airgeadais

Rinne an Bord na Ráitis Airgeadais a fhaomhadh ar an 29 Meitheamh, 2023.

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