

## **Rural transport**

Recent studies (Kerry, Laois, Mayo, and Westmeath) have highlighted that 20% of the rural population never or rarely have access to a car. Four target groups who suffer significant additional social exclusion (higher than the average 20%) are the elderly; the sick and disabled; the unemployed and young people. Within the auspices of the Rural Development Review Group, South Tipperary Voluntary Community Group Platform and the Barrow Nore Suir Rural Development Group are developing sustainable options to address some of the rural transport deficits in South Tipperary.

## **Sustainable transport.**

Apart from rural transport, the use of sustainable transport systems is not high in South Tipperary, despite the fact that there is a railway line linking the three biggest towns in the county. There has been very limited consideration of cycle lanes in town development plans.