

## **Meeting Notes of Cultural programme Management Group(CPMG) held on 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008 in South Tipperary County Museum, Clonmel.**

**Present:** Cllr Jimmy O'Brien, Helen Shanahan, Mary Sarsfield, Valerie Connolly, Jim Myers, Rebecca Moran, and Sally O'Leary.

**Apologies:** Mary Alice O'Connor, Labhaoise McKenna, Seamus Maher, Marie McMahan, and Julia Walsh.

### **1. Meeting Notes and Matters Arising**

The meeting notes of the April 2008 meeting were agreed. Proposed: Helen Shanahan, and seconded by Valerie Connolly.

### **2. Action Updates - Action updates were given by members present.**

Sally O'Leary gave update on Arts Strategy and the activities of the arts officer for 2008. The group had a discussion regarding an Arts Centre for Clonmel. Sally advised that a project team was established consisting of Pat Slattery, Director of Services, John O'Mahoney, Senior Executive Officer, Paul Murray, Clonmel Borough Council and herself. A feasibility study was currently being developed. She took on board the suggestion that she could link with the Clonmel Chamber of Commerce who had recently carried out research in Clonmel.

Helen Shanahan and Catherine gave an outline of the work of the Craft Granary. Of particular note was the successful coverage on National T.V. and the launch of the new website: [www.craftsgranery.com](http://www.craftsgranery.com)

Valerie gave an outline of the many activities of the Sports Partnership in 2008 and highlighted the success of targeting both young and old.

Kathleen Prendergast presented the report of the Heritage Officer, Labhaoise McKenna, who was unable to attend the meeting. There was a strong level of activity on the heritage front and also a great amount of relationships building with the community and the public.

Jim Myers, Galloglas; Mary Sarsfield, Excel; and Rebecca Moran highlighted their work during the year and the strong level of outreach being achieved. There was strong concerns regarding the levels of funding available for arts in the county and Jimmy O'Brien, Chairman stated that he would bring this view back to the County Development Board.

Detailed report is attached from each sector along with a detailed action updates for the Cultural Providers Management Group is attached.

### **3. Any other business**

A proposal that Maura Barrett, Slieve Ardagh area, be invited to join the cultural providers group. This was proposed by Jim Myers and seconded by Sally O'Leary.

The meeting concluded.

**REPORTS TO THE CULTURAL PROGRAMME GROUP  
NOVEMBER 2008.**

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## **Arts Officer.**

### 3.2.1: Arts: Support the development and implementation of a new Arts Strategy

#### **Priorities for 2008**

- Development of an Arts Strategy 2009 – 2012
- Public Art Review – Policy
- Arts Centre for Clonmel
- Developing the Arts Information and Advisory Service
- Establish Arts Grants

#### **Arts Programme including -**

- Bealtaine – Celebrating Creativity in Older Age
- An exhibition programme June /July
- Dance Residency
- Youth Arts Festival
- Rural Arts

#### **Arts Strategy**

A new Arts Strategy 2009-2012 is currently being developed by the Arts Officer. It is expected that 2009 will see the development and publishing of that strategy, which will include a Public Art Review and Policy.

#### **Art Centre for Clonmel**

A purpose built Art Centre for Clonmel has been requested by various arts groups and individuals for a considerable time. The South Tipperary Arts Centre, has been functioning as a professionally funded Art Centre for many years, however the building is unsuitable and is now in very bad repair. A multi-purpose art centre which will fulfil the requirements of all arts groups and individuals both professional and non-professional is now paramount and can be justified for the following reasons:

- The South Tipperary Art Centre (primarily with a catchment area of Clonmel and its environs) has developed an audience over many years and provides the community with good quality arts programming on a continual basis throughout the year. The audience base could be increased with a purpose built facility – currently not providing arts programming in performance based arts.
- The South Tipperary Arts Centre is in receipt of substantial national funding from the Arts Council for the provision of a professional arts programme.
- There are a number of professionally funded Arts organisations based in Clonmel that would avail of a multi-purpose Arts Centre e.g. The Junction Festival, Galloglass.
- There are a number of non-professional Arts organisations based in Clonmel that would avail of a multi-purpose Arts Centre e.g. South Tipperary Arts Group, Clonmel Writers Group, StageCraft etc.
- The development of an Arts Centre for Clonmel would enable the local community and visitors to the town to experience high quality professional touring arts performance.

Following discussions with various arts organisations both professional and non-professional, meetings with the Cultural SPC and a meeting with newly appointed Minister Martin

Mansergh regarding the long awaited provision of a multi-purpose Arts Centre for Clonmel, it was felt appropriate that ST County Council make an application for funding under ACCESS and that this application is facilitated through the following process:

1. A project team has been established consisting of Pat Slattery Director of Services, John O'Mahoney SEO, Sally O'Leary Arts Officer and Paul Murray, Clonmel Borough Council (as the Arts Centre is primarily a Clonmel focussed project and of benefit to the town of Clonmel and its environs).
2. The project team held a Stakeholders Information Meeting. All interested stakeholders (arts organisation in Clonmel) were invited to attend an information meeting. At this meeting it was decided that the County Council Project team would start a process to develop a feasibility study for an Arts Centre in Clonmel and that the project team would hold Stakeholder Meetings to inform on the progress. That feasibility study is currently in progress and the project team have been fortunate to be assisted in this by Tony O'Malley, artist who is working in the Arts Office as a work placement for his MA in Arts and Heritage management with WIT.
3. Once the draft feasibility study has been completed there will follow by necessity consultation with, The Arts Council of Ireland, Arts stakeholders, local community groups and the general public of Clonmel and its environs.
4. A meeting will be arranged with The Arts Council of Ireland and the project team to ensure that they are included in discussions regarding the development of a proposal for an Arts space.
5. The project team will be responsible for the development of an ACCESS application – and will prepare a presentation including recommendations as to site, the functions of the facility and its management structure to the Clonmel Borough Council – this report will be prepared after research into a number of sites in the town, consideration of a number of Arts Centres in the Country and upon completion of a feasibility study.

## **Arts Information and Advisory Service**

### **E-Bulletin**

Subscription to the e-bulletin continues to grow. This service provides information and opportunities nationally for artists, arts organisations and community art groups. While this is not an Arts Listing, the Arts Service will include information about Arts activities or news from artists e.g. exhibitions they have or awards they have received, that are occurring in South Tipperary, or information related to artists from South Tipperary.

### **Artist Database**

The South Tipperary County Council Arts Service plan to develop an Artist database that will be linked to the Arts Page on the County Council website. The database will be used as an information resource for the disbursement of information about artists living and working in South Tipperary and can be used as a resource for artists, arts organisations and community groups.

## **Artist Bursary Award Scheme 2008**

South Tipperary County Council Arts Service initiated an Artist Bursary Award Scheme 2008. Applications were invited from individual artists, resident in or originally from South Tipperary for the 2008 Artist Bursary Award Scheme.

The aim of the scheme is to support artist's living in and from South Tipperary in developing their own practice.

### **The Arts Bursary Awards are aimed at:**

- Supporting the development of an artist's existing practice
- Encouraging artists to live and work in South Tipperary
- Contribute to the growth of skilled artists in the county

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There are two awards

1. **Emerging Artist Award, €1,500 (1 award available)**
2. **Artist Award - €3,000 ( 2 awards available)**

## **Arts Programming**

**Arts Council funding – programme funding offered of €35,000 for the development of the following programmes during 2008**

- Bealtaine residency and festival
- Exhibition Programme
- Youth Arts Festival
- Dance residency with EXCEL theatre
- Rural Arts

## **Bealtaine Festival**

The introduction of a new festival in South Tipperary in collaboration with North Tipperary County Council and Tipperary Library Services – The Tipperary Bealtaine Festival was held throughout the whole county of Tipperary in May 2008 and over 60 arts events were programmed spanning all art forms across the county. (please see brochure included). A number of small residencies formed part of the overall programme.

## **Absence - Exhibition Programme**

***featuring A Little Piece of Us a film by the Bridgewater House Group, Clonmel***

A new exhibition of film work from the collection of the Irish Museum of Modern Art was launched at the County Museum in July and ran until September 2008. *Absence* marked the culmination of a collaborative project between South Tipperary Arts Services, The Clonmel Sheltered Workshop, REHAB Care and the IMMA National Programme. Works for the exhibition were selected by the participants of The Clonmel Sheltered Workshop. The project started with the idea of working with a group of people who would not necessarily have had any experience in engaging with film work as curators or critics. Working with film maker Will Nugent, they were facilitated to deliberate upon and consider their subject. Visiting the Irish Museum of Modern Art, attending screenings of the works, and later in their own environment, viewing work and discussing and laying their own interpretations, the group selected a coherent body of work for the exhibition. Film-maker Will Nugent also worked with the group to devise and produce a film by the group which was included in the exhibition. An education programme of talks, lectures and events was also organised to run throughout the programme.

## **ConneX 08**

***Connecting arts and youth - South Tipperary Youth Arts Programme***

South Tipperary County Council Arts Service initiated the start of a new youth arts programme. Arts events for young people have been organised throughout the county during the month of November. The Arts Service is working in collaboration with cultural providers, schools and community to provide a wide range of arts activities aimed for young people between the ages of 13 to 20 years. (See programme attached)

## **Dancer in Residence**

South Tipperary Arts Service is pleased to announce the start of a new dance residency in South Tipperary. The arts service, working in partnership with Tipperary EXCEL have engaged dance artists Jazmin Chiodi and Alexandre Iseli to begin working at the Excel theatre to develop a dance programme which will incorporate a regular professional dance studio at the centre together with a programme of open dances classes and a series of workshops in schools and with the community. The aims of the residency are:

- to develop contemporary dance as an art form in South Tipperary
- to develop capacity of local young / community dance artists from South Tipperary
- to develop Tipperary Excel as an education and outreach resource for professional dance.

### **Rural Arts Seminar**

#### **Bringing The Arts to a Venue Near You?**

*Helping local communities and individuals promote the arts in rural areas*

This seminar has been jointly organized by the Arts Service of South Tipperary County Council Arts Service and Rural Arts Network. The seminar will be of interest to voluntary groups or individuals who are hosting or wish to host touring cultural events and arts activities in their communities.

Topics covered on the day will include:

- how and where to book arts events
- recruiting new volunteers
- using the internet and low cost technology to market and manage your events
- how to stage events
- funding
- the role of the arts office
- the impact of the rural arts networks helping local communities to work together to host successful arts events.

## Craft Strategy Update

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### ***Impact on the South East Region***

South East Suppliers = 193  
Other areas = 53

We have 193 suppliers from the South East. Of these about 134 are very active with the balance being occasional suppliers. The Granary provides an outlet for these craftspeople to sell their goods. Will be concentrating on sourcing more suppliers from the South East. One excellent event recently was the Elements of the Carlow Landscape event organised by Carlow Leader. Have invited them to take this exhibition on tour to the Craft Granary as we did with Wexford Crafters last August.

### **Finance**

Internal audit

**This has been completed by Martin Nolan the local authority auditor. Martin did an excellent job and has made several recommendations which have been acted on.**

### ***Sales***

**Preliminary tourism figures show the wider tourist industry in the South East is down 30-35% on the same period in 07.**

**The sales climate for crafts at the moment is very challenging. 3 main factors are working against the industry**

- **Irish customers are holding back from buying non essential goods with the uncertainty in the economy**
- **US business down because of the poor dollar exchange rate**
- **UK business down because of the poor sterling exchange rate**

### ***Marketing***

**Website**

Major initiative is the expansion of our website [www.craftgranary.com](http://www.craftgranary.com) to promote craftspeople in the South East.

### **Showcase 2009**

**For the first time the Craft granary will have a stand at Showcase 2009.**

**A selection of craftspeople have been selected whose products are visually appealing.**

**These are:**

County	Product	Craft name	See more at:
Carlow	knitwear	Eirlys Irish Knitwear & Design	<a href="http://www.eirlys.ie/">http://www.eirlys.ie/</a>
Carlow	jewellery	Cel Design jewellery	<a href="http://celdesignjewellery.com/">http://celdesignjewellery.com/</a>
Carlow	millinery	Linda Mckay milliner	<a href="http://www.lindamckay.ie/">http://www.lindamckay.ie/</a>
Kilkenny	pottery	Caroline Dolan	<a href="http://www.carolinedolanceramics.com/">http://www.carolinedolanceramics.com/</a>
Kilkenny	pottery	Karen Morgan	<a href="http://www.karenmorganceramics.com/">http://www.karenmorganceramics.com/</a>
Tipperary	photography	Suinale Photography	
Tipperary	Soft Furnishings	The Craft Granary	<a href="http://www.craftgranary.com">Www.craftgranary.com</a>
Waterford	Slate products	Ed Harris	<a href="http://www.eds-slates.com/">http://www.eds-slates.com/</a>

Waterford Woodturning Eddie Fogarty

## PR

**Have had a very high profile in local press and national TV (Nationwide July 25<sup>th</sup>).**

## Outreach Program

### Exhibitions

2008

Jan/Feb	Gallery Closed in Jan/Feb. for refurbishment
March	Angela Byrne Oil Painting
April	CTI senior college portfolio exhibition, CYTE coursework exhibition
May	Knockgraffon Art Group Exhibition
June	Dan Leonard Graphic Artist
July	Caitriona Kenny Photography
August	Werner Croll, Sculpter
September	Nellie and Kathryn O'Brien, 2 generations of Clonmel artists
October	Liana Lovie, Oil painting
November	Dick Doyle photography

### Workshops

- Children's Mothers Day craft class
- Children's Easter craft class
- Creative printing workshop as part of bealtaine festival
- Children's summer holiday 4 day art camp during the Summer 28-31st July
- Children's Halloween craft class
- Children's Christmas craft class



## Report for Cultural Programme

November 2008

### **Strategic Areas**

#### **1.0 Active Living:**

- Buntús:

Delivered the Buntús programme to 39 Primary Schools and will deliver to 8 more schools by the end of November. To date, 59 Primary Schools have received Buntús. 449 teachers trained, reaching 6,784 children.

Part 2 of the Buntús Start programme for the initial 10 Playgroups was delivered in Spring 08. 10 new playgroups received the full programme in April and we are currently delivering the programme to 10 new playgroups. To date, 20 Playgroups have received the programme, 129 staff trained, reaching 968 toddlers.

A review of both the Buntús and Buntús Start programmes was completed.

Buntús Sport Specific programme is currently being delivered to 12 Buntús schools. 9 Schools are participating in the Soccer, 6 in Badminton and 2 in the Golf programme.

- School Based Health Promotion Programme

The HSE Playground Markings and the Munch & Crunch programmes were promoted with 59 Primary Schools during the Buntús training. The IHF – Bizzy Breaks programme was also promoted.

- Women in Sport Initiatives:

Delivery of the remaining 3 Women in Sport programmes are nearing completion - Active Women, Building Active Communities and Pathways to Positive Activity.

2 new initiatives targeting teenage girls were completed in Killenaule and Fethard, and a new programme was delivered to the asylum seekers in Bridgewater under the ISC WIS funding.

To date, 7 programmes targeting women and teenage girls have been completed, reaching over 120 participants.

- Active Leadership Programme:

An Active Leadership course was held in June, with 9 participants targeting the youth sector.

- Older Adult Activity:

8 Go for Life Workshops (Basic Principles, Sit Fit, Better Balance, Going Strong, Stepping & Strolling, Pitching & Tossing, Rolling & Bowling and PALs skills) were delivered in Cappawhite and Cahir.

An older adult Festival was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2008 in Cappawhite Community Centre, 52 older adults attended.

A PALs forum is planned for the 6<sup>th</sup> November in Cahir House.

- Disability Initiatives

STSP under the ISC Programme Funding received funding to pilot the start up of a Wheelchair club in the Clonmel Area. A 10 week pilot programme offering the opportunity to try a variety of sports was delivered during the summer months. Following its success a new sports club for adults with physical disabilities was formed in October. The main activities are Basketball and Table Tennis. Currently there are 12 member of the club and they meet weekly from 8 – 9pm every Thursday in Moyle Rovers Sports Complex.

Inclusion of children with disabilities is being targeted through the Buntús programmes. The Buntús programme was delivered to Scoil Chormaic, Cashel.

- Walking Programmes

Through the Workplace activity programme, a small walking group was set up within Cashel Town Council and weekly walks took place during the summer. STSP supported the HSE Sli na Slainte route in Clonmel Hospital.

Information was gathered for the ISC database on walking routes in Ireland.

A walking section was developed for the STSP website which includes general info on walking and safety points.

2 Fit Walk Clinic were held in Tipperary Town and Clonmel in May, 30 participants attended.

- Social Inclusion Initiatives

A joint application on behalf of STSP and the Football Community Officer was submitted under the Immigrant Integration Small Grant Scheme seeking funding to

host 2 Failte Football events targeting foreign nationals. This application was successful and the event is planned for 2009.

- Workplace Activity Programme

A walking group was been set up in the Cashel Town Council during the summer for staff. In conjunction with the Sports and Social Club an 8-week lunch-time Pilates programme and a tag Rugby tournament for the staff of the County Council was held, both were very successful.

## **2.0 Sports Development:**

- Code of Ethics

6 Child Welfare & Protection Course were held to date in 2008 – 84 attendees. A further course is planned for the 10<sup>th</sup> November in Cashel.

- Coaching and Development Funding Programme

STSP Coaching and Development Fund was launched by Minister Martin Mansergh, in June. 17 Sports clubs were allocated funding under the Development Fund and 3 clubs to date were allocated funding under the Coaching Fund.

- Coaching & Volunteer Training

1 SAQ (Speed, Agility, Quickness) Foundation Course was delivered to 27 attendees and 1 Level 1 course was delivered to 16 participants. 2 Drugs Awareness course were held, 19 participants.

A Sports First Aid course is planned for the 14<sup>th</sup> November.

A women's only Boxing Coaching Course was held in Clonmel Boxing Club in conjunction with North Tipperary and Waterford Sports Partnerships, 15 participants.

STSP is sponsoring an award for Volunteers in Sports as part of the Canon Hayes Sports Awards in recognition of all the hard work of volunteers in sport.

- Club Development Programme

STSP Club Development Manual was developed and available to all Sports Clubs on request. The Manual can also be downloaded from the website.

- Sports Information Programme

Updating and maintenance of database information of Sports Clubs, Development Officers, Older Adult groups and Schools is on-going. Databases for all courses are currently under development.

- NGB Programme

On-going linkages and relationships established and maintained with Development Officers from a variety of different NGB's.

In September, STSP linked with the Irish Boxing Association, NTSP and WSP to facilitate a women's only boxing coaching course to develop women's boxing in the area. 15 female coaches attended.

Linking with a community group in Gortnahoe along with the FAI and Athletics Ireland in relation to starting up of a soccer and athletics club in the area.

- Sports Forum

Sports clubs are encouraged to join the Community & Voluntary Forum as part of their application for funding to STSP.

- Sports Facilities Programme

STSP assisted with researching information for the completion of a County wide facility audit by the Local Authority of community, sport and arts facilities.

- Capital Grants Programme

STSP provided sports clubs with information on the DAST Capital Grants and Community Facilities and Amenities Grant Scheme and provided letters of support for same.

€425,000 was received by sports clubs in South Tipperary.

### **3.0 Managing and Promoting the Partnership:**

- Board Development Programme

STSP Policy document is currently under development.

- Managing the Partnership

The Operational Plan is currently being implemented.

- Building and Sustaining Relationships

Relationships established and maintained with Sports Clubs and NGB - Development Officers. Continuing to establish linkages with Primary Schools, Childcare providers and Older adult groups established through the Buntús and Go for Life programmes.

- Programme Management and Monitoring

Performance indicators for each strategic area developed and managed. STSP submitted SPEAK monitoring & evaluation information to ISC.

- Promoting the Partnership

The first STSP newsletter was developed and distributed to over 600 clubs and organisations.

The STSP logo is used on all STSP documents, correspondence and staff wear.

Regular newspaper columns promoting events in all local newspapers.

A presentation on the work of the sports partnership was delivered to the CDB, County Councilors Rapid, Education committees.

Launch with Minster. Martin Mansergh launched STSP Funding programme

- IT, Communications and Information  
Website developed [www.stsp.ie](http://www.stsp.ie)
- Research  
Research has been gathered for the Club Development Manual and on Walking routes in South Tipperary for the Irish Sports Council database.  
Buntús programme evaluated.
- Revenue and Resources  
Funding was received from the County Council and HSE for specific programme areas.

## **Heritage Officer Work Programme 2008 / 2009**

1. **Capacity build** Heritage Forum and clarify roles and expectations.
2. Establish **strong links** with community groups - Tidy Towns groups, local history groups etc. Allow time to meet groups. Provide advice and direction.

### **Heritage Officer Role**

Raising awareness and promotion of South Tipperary's Heritage. Pro-active role. It is important to establish links with community groups. Heritage Officer is available to give introduction to locals / community groups etc about the role of heritage officer / generating funding / giving advice etc. Capacity build groups to undertake heritage projects themselves. Large quantity of time is spent on dealing with public queries which can lead to site visits / community talks etc.

### **3. Heritage Projects**

#### **Short-term:**

- Heritage Plan (to be completed 2009)
  - Advertise for submissions January 2009 (6 week submission period).
  - Start consultation in spring.
  - Draft for Heritage Plan before summer to be approved by both Heritage Forum and SPC.
  - Draft plan needs to be adopted by County Council late summer to avail of Heritage Council funding for 2010.
- Heritage Council Funding Submission 2009 for STCC (see overleaf for details)
- Heritage Council Grants Programme 2009 for local community groups / individuals (closing date 7<sup>th</sup> November)
  - Archaeology Research
  - Architectural Research
  - Local Heritage grant
  - Museums and Archives
  - Publications
  - Wildlife Research
- Buildings at Risk (Closing date early 2009 for works 2010)
- Traditional Farm Buildings – REPS 4 (to be confirmed)

#### **Long-term:**

- Biodiversity Plan
- **River Suir Tow Path Project:** Community and Enterprise and Roads Section, STCC and Fáilte Ireland. Potential Fáilte Ireland funding for walking trails. An integrated approach to the tow path and its development.
- **Waterways Forward INTERREG IVC Project:** This potential project will look at the feasibility of making the River Suir navigable from Carrick to Clonmel. This is being carried out in conjunction with the Roads Section, STCC.
- **Waterways Corridor Study** (Scoping Study as part of general work programme). This would be a Heritage Council funded project to be carried out in conjunction with all the local authorities involved.

**Planned /Co-ordinated events:**

- *Heritage Week* - co-ordinate one event a day. Raising awareness at a local and national level.
- *Biodiversity Day* – potential for group such as Slieveardagh Rural Development to host wildlife workshop / or guided walks in an area of special wildlife interest – Loch Doire Bhile
- *Walled Towns Day* –co-ordinate events County wide
- *Heritage Seminar* – free event for members of community to see what heritage projects have been happening in the county that year.

**Heritage Plan Projects**

Project	Description	STCC	Heritage Council
Cahir Tree Survey	Survey of trees in centre of Cahir.	€1,500	€1,500
County Heritage Day	Religion in Tipperary was the theme of day of events and walks in Cashel in heritage Week.	€1,500	€1,500
Care and Conservation of Graveyards Seminar (November 1 <sup>st</sup> 2008).	This one day seminar is aimed at burial committees, area staff, FAS overseers, tidy towns groups and interested locals. All have been invited and the event will take place in Killenale in the Slieveardagh Centre. Caimin O'Brien from National Monuments Service and Eanna Ni Lamhna, wildlife expert are the key speakers. Field trip to Kilcooley Abbey.	€1,500	€1,500
Clonmel Charter Festival	Series of events and attractions to highlight life in Clonmel in 1600s and focusing on the Clonmel Charter.	tbc	€3,250

**Other heritage projects:**

Project	Description	STCC	Faite Ireland	Heritage Council
Fethard Town Walls	Irish Walled Town Network – Capital funding. This work is being undertaken by Margaret Quinlan. Work is underway at present.			€200,000
Fethard Town Hall Feasibility Study	Feasibility Study is being undertaken by the Heritage Council for the Town Hall in Fethard. KPMG are the consultants.			€50,000 (joint project with 2 other public buildings – Clock Tower in Yoghhal and Town Hall in Drogheda).
Fethard Medieval Festival	Irish Walled Town Day in Fethard during Heritage Week. Very successful family fun day. Day held in collaboration with Cashel.		€5,000	€10,000

**Heritage Projects 2009:**

The main focus on work for the heritage office in 2009 will be the review and preparation of a new Heritage Plan for the county. The Heritage Council have given STCC an extension on their existing Heritage Plan 2004-2008 to allow for funding in 2009. The Heritage Officer has applied for funding of €70,490 for heritage plan

projects in 2009. In order to attain Heritage Council funding STCC need to match fund 50:50. The minimum direct spend required from STCC to draw down €70,490 is €30,000. The remaining balance can be matched through other heritage spending within STCC.

#### **Heritage Plan Projects 2009**

Project	STCC	Heritage Council
An Ecological and Industrial Heritage Survey of the River Suir	€6,957	€20,875
River Suir Museum Project	€7,500	€22,500
Raising Awareness Projects – Heritage Week, Biodiversity Day, Walled Town Day, Heritage Seminar	€5,500	€16,500
Promotional Banners illustrating ‘South Tipp Heritage’	€605	€1,815
Identifying all existing sources of biological datasets for the county.	€3,000	€9,000

#### **Other heritage projects:**

- River Suir Tow Path project in conjunction with C and E and the Roads Section.
- Loch Doire Bhile - local heritage grant application for a management plan for a restored wetland in conjunction with Slieveardagh Rural Development
- Glenbawn – 2 bridges partnership - local heritage grant application for woodland management plan.
- Emly Tidy Towns – local; heritage grant for heritage trail.
- Fethard – local heritage grant for Medieval festival.
- Wildlife in schools in conjunction with Environment Section.
- Website – updates.