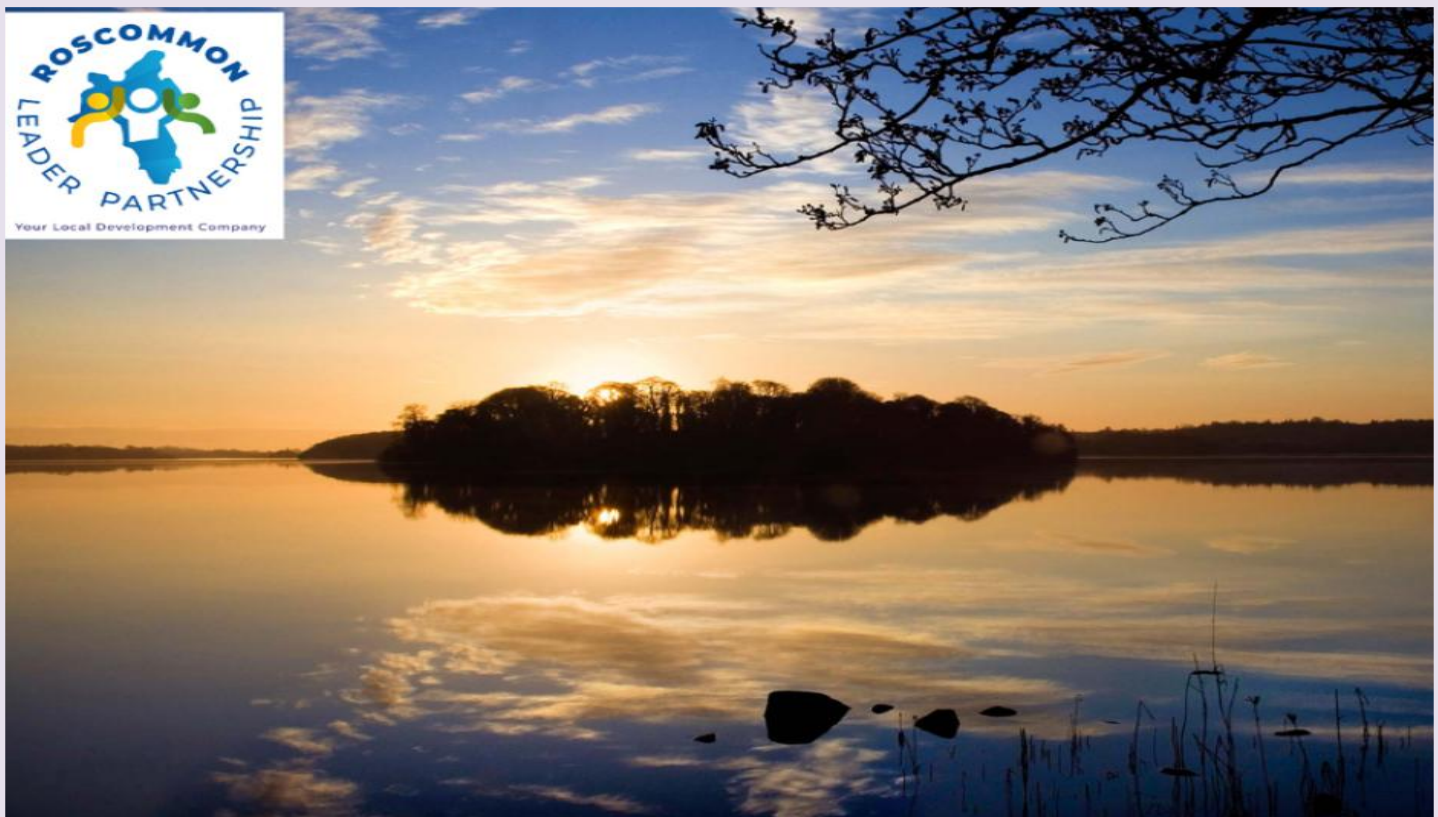


# Roscommon LEADER Partnership

## 2023 Annual Report



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# Welcome From Our Chairperson



In 2023, RLP had a successful year with LEADER and SICAP program approvals. Community engagement events informed the Local Development Strategy (LDS). We look forward to exciting times ahead for the Company as a result of securing the LEADER program. The SICAP application, submitted in August, was awarded in December, supporting various communities, including Ukrainian assistance. Beyond SICAP and LEADER tenders, RLP secured the WorkAbility program contract, aiding people with disabilities in employment and training. We also extended our European programme reach.

We undertake an annual strategic review of our effectiveness and impact of our strategies. Setting the priorities for the year ahead having taken into account the requirements of our stakeholders, communities and staff resources aligned with our mission and values our external facilitator Orla Leyden provided skilful guidance. In 2023, Orla also completed Governance training, and independently reviewed all our structures to insure compliance.

In the summer of 2023, we began a targeted Board recruitment process so that we could enjoy board representation from the SICAP target groups – to promote better inclusion. Resulting from this recruitment process in 2023 we welcomed the following new Directors to our Board in 2024 – Hamida Jomah, Ghassan Shamet and Mary Margaret McDonagh.

To all of our outstanding colleagues who developed and submitted these winning applications and tenders in a highly competitive processes, we extend our congratulations. I am immensely proud to be in the privileged position of Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Roscommon Leader Partnership CLG. It is an honour to hold this position. Thanks to Martina who leads a great team of our colleagues, for their fantastic work and and wishing all Health and Happiness for a very exciting 2024 full of opportunity.

The organisation appreciates the board's support, expressing gratitude to outgoing board members Pat Compton, Majella Hunt and Caroline Duignan.

Looking back, 2023 is evidence of RLP's accomplishments. For the programs we provide, RLP as an organisation surpassed many of the goals we established with our funders. We helped more people and community organisations this year than in the past, and our programs and services had a big influence. We would like to express our gratitude to our funding agencies for their critical support, which is the foundation for RLP's capacity to perform its vital work.



## CEO Statement



We can look back at 2023 as a very productive year for Roscommon LEADER Partnership. We knew entering the year that we would be immersed in tender applications for the LEADER and SICAP programmes. A Local Development Strategy (LDS) had to be produced for the LEADER application, and this gave us the opportunity to engage with the community. We held extensive Community Engagement events in partnership with the Public Participation Network and Roscommon County Council. This gave us a great insight into the needs and opportunities available to the communities that we work with. We worked with Roscommon County Council and the LAG in finalising the Local Development Strategy, and this was submitted in July with the application. We secured the programme in October 2023 and applications will be open for the new programme as soon as the rules are finalised.

Irish Local Development Network is the umbrella body for local development companies in Ireland. On the 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2023, I was elected Chairperson of this national network.

Our successful SICAP application was submitted in August and approved in December. This application also needed a lot of input from many of the groups and organisations that we work with. Our SICAP and LEADER teams were instrumental in leading the community engagement and conducted focus groups with many of the stakeholders that we work with. SICAP is a programme that has been used to support many of the new communities. We also have had the additional Ukrainian supports delivered through our SICAP programme.

Despite the busy schedule of engagement and community events throughout the year the RLP team have also been busy with other projects. The RSS team have been busy supporting Rural Recreation with the maintenance of Roscommon Walks. We are currently awaiting the findings of the RSS Review that was conducted by the DSP over the course of 2023 and our hope is that the eligibility criteria will be relaxed to encourage more participants. It is widely acknowledged that the participants from all of our schemes (RSS, Tús,) are very important to the community and our company. Our Tús team have also been busy. The challenge of recruitment is difficult given the Live Register unemployment figures. Ireland has had the highest employment rates in decades over the last few years. Many people have also benefited from training through our SICAP programme. Our Day Centre for the Elderly have also had a very busy year.

I would also like to thank the Board of RLP for their support throughout the year and pay tribute to Pat, Majella and Caroline, who stepped down this year. I also wish to thank my colleagues. Your support has been invaluable and has helped to make Roscommon LEADER Partnership a great organisation. Thank you for your hard work and dedication, I look forward to continuing our work together.

All of our doors are open, and our staff members are prepared to assist. We invite all individuals to make use of our services. Our staff is here to help if you have any questions. We invite you to visit us.



# Company Governance

Incorporated as Roscommon Integrated Development Company CLG, Roscommon LEADER Partnership (RLP) is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity (CRO 455844 / Charity Registration 18467). The Board of Directors of RLP is composed of members from local community groups, statutory organizations, and other public bodies.

RLP's Board is guided by five core principles of good governance: integrity, responsibility, accountability, transparency, and fairness. These principles ensure that the Board acts in the best interests of the organization's stakeholders. The Board of Directors is responsible for providing leadership, exercising control, maintaining transparency in its operations, and being accountable to both its members and funders. Directors are also expected to demonstrate integrity and engage in effective communication.

**Measures of quality and management effectiveness include:**

- The Charities Regulator Authority (CRA) Governance Code
- The Statement of Recommended Practice for preparation and presentation of the Financial Statements

**In addition to the 13-person Board of Directors, the company is managed by:**

- RLP Board meetings held bi-monthly there were, 5 in 2023.
- The RLP Management Sub Board who have delegated responsibility for the HR, finance, Policy, Audit and Governance functions of the company met held monthly meeting, meeting 12 times in 2023.

The CEO of RLP oversees the company on a daily basis with the assistance of the Operations Manager, Lead SICAP Co-Ordinator, Ballaghaderreen SICAP Co-Ordinator, TUS & RSS Co-ordinator, Chief Financial Officer, and various teams within the company.

Our main office is located in Roscommon town, with four other offices located in Arigna, Castlerea, Boyle, and Ballaghaderreen with an outreach office in Monksland.

## Overview

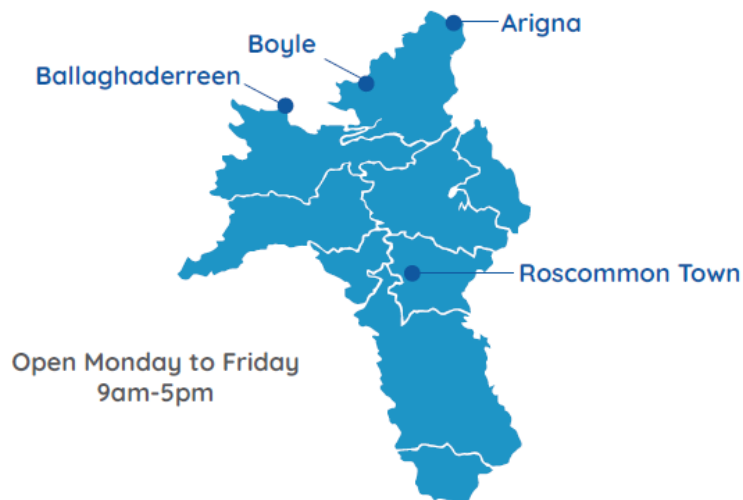
Roscommon LEADER Partnership is a partnership of agencies and groups representing the community, statutory and private sectors forming an Integrated Development Company and registered charity. It is funded by several government departments and agencies to deliver a variety of programmes and supports to individuals, communities, and businesses in Co. Roscommon.

The company was established in 2008 following the amalgamation of three organisations and traces its origins back to its securing of the LEADER programme in 1991 and the Local Development programme in 1995. Roscommon LEADER Partnership is governed by an independent Board of voluntary Directors. Sub-committees are in place under the board to oversee specific programmes and company governance areas.



As of 31 December 2023, Roscommon LEADER Partnerships Board membership was comprised as follows:

Trustee	Sector Represented
Micheal Frain	Community - Ballaghaderreen
Seamus Conway	National Social Partner –Trade Union
Anton Lennon	Community - Athlone
Tom Gunning	National Social Partner - ICOS
Brian Nerney	National Social Partner - IBEC
John Hanley	State Agency – IFA
Niall Rogers	Community – Roscommon
Stephanie O’Connor Shaw	State Agency – GRETB
Paraic Noone	Social Inclusion – Keadue Social Services
Marianne Fallon	Social Inclusion – Brothers of Charity
Karen Keaveney	State Agency – UCD
Fiona Ni Chuinn	Roscommon Co. Co. nominee
Micheal Conroy/James Kelly	State Agency - Teagasc





# Systems

RLP manages its day-to-day accounting through the SAGE accounting system and processes employee payments using Collsoft Payroll. Reporting, expenditures, Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), and other activities are tracked and monitored through the various CRM systems provided by the different programme funders.

Additionally, staff training and development programmes in 2023 are outlined below in summary:

## Staff training and development in 2023

Fire Awareness Training
Manual Handling
Digital Skills
Youth Mental Health First Aid
Trauma Informed training
Children First training

# Procedures & Policies

In October 2023, the company's Board approved amendments to its detailed procedures manual, ensuring that the organization's operations and policies remain aligned with best practices and regulatory standards. Additionally, the RLP employee handbook was updated in December 2023 to reflect the latest changes in company procedures and guidelines.

Risk assessments are a crucial component of the company's operations and were revised in 2023 to ensure that all potential risks are properly identified, managed, and mitigated. These assessments are retained by the company for reference and compliance purposes.

The company ensures that all new policies and procedures are drafted with full consideration of GDPR principles, emphasizing the protection and privacy of personal data in every aspect of its operations. Other policies, which were updated in 2023

- **RLP Governance Handbook approved by the Board in June 2023**
- **Financial Procedures approved by the Board in June 2023**



## Principal Risks Identified

RLP's primary source of income is derived from funding provided by government bodies, local governments, and semi-state organisations. As with similar entities that are government-funded, RLP is significantly impacted by both the budgetary constraints imposed by the government and broader external economic conditions.

To address these risks, the Directors have implemented comprehensive measures to monitor and mitigate potential financial challenges. A risk register is maintained to track and manage identified risks, ensuring proactive management of any emerging issues.

Furthermore, our internal administration team conducts an annual audit of our compliance with the Finance and Administration Procedures Document. This audit is essential for ensuring adherence to established policies and procedures, and the findings are presented to the Board for review.

For the year 2024, particular attention will be given to managing risks associated with the tendering process. As this is a critical area for the company, the Directors are focused on ensuring that the process is transparent, competitive, and aligned with our financial and strategic goals

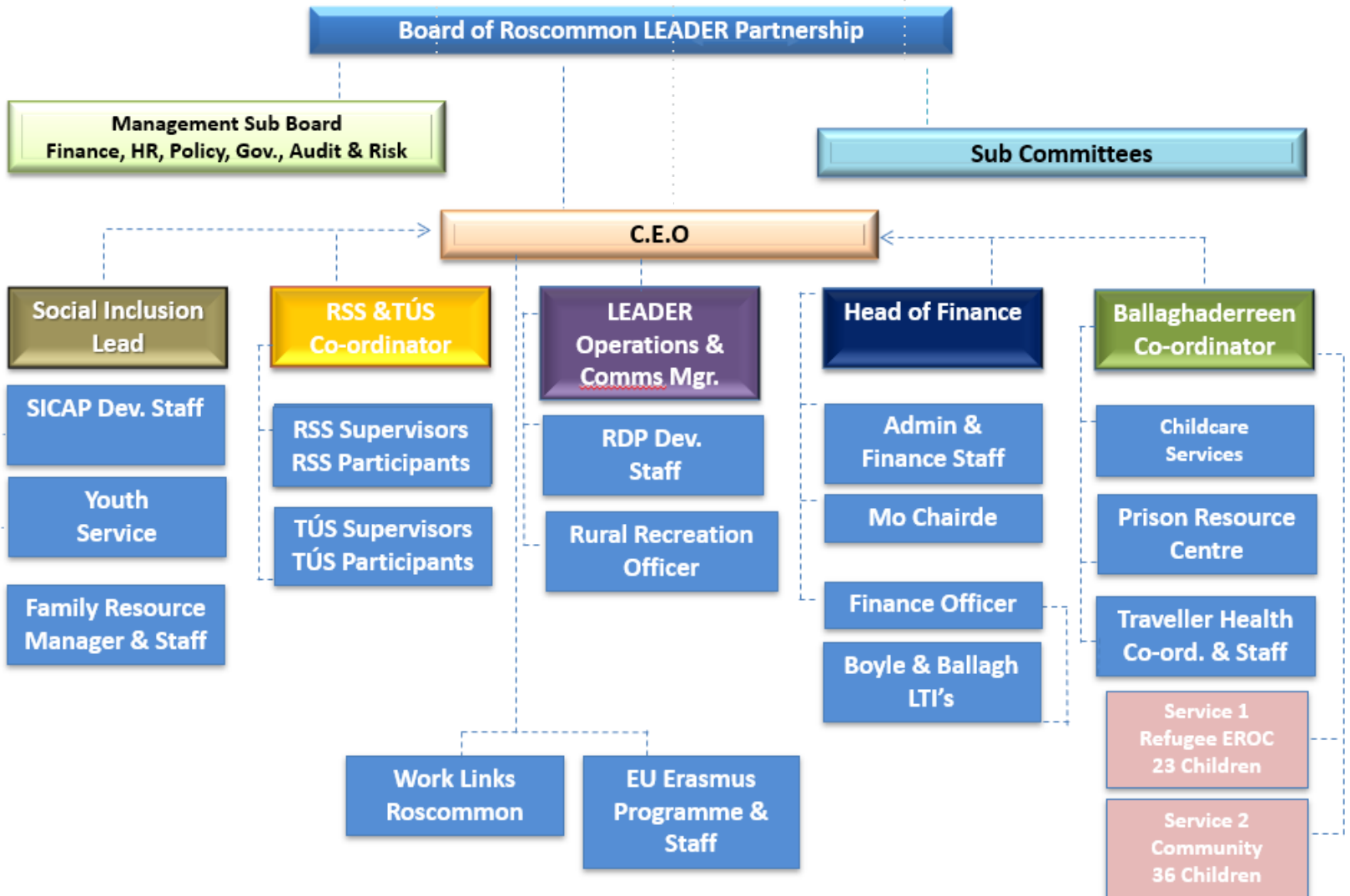
## Charitable Purpose

### Charitable Objects

The main object of the Company is to promote, support, assist and engage in (a) social development, (b) enterprise development to facilitate rural and urban regeneration or (c) community development, designed to benefit and promote the welfare of local communities or to deal with the causes and consequences of social and economic disadvantage or poverty.



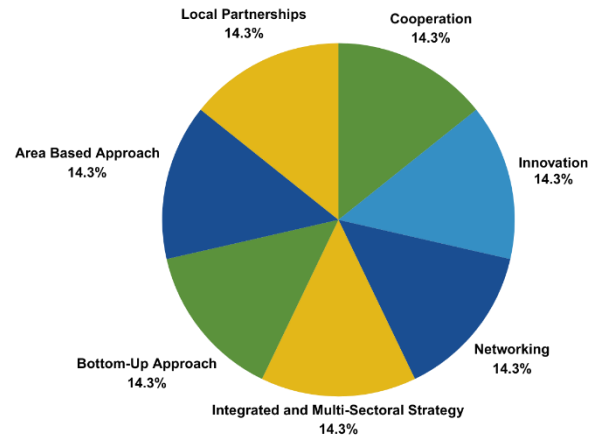
# Organisational Chart as of 31.12.2023





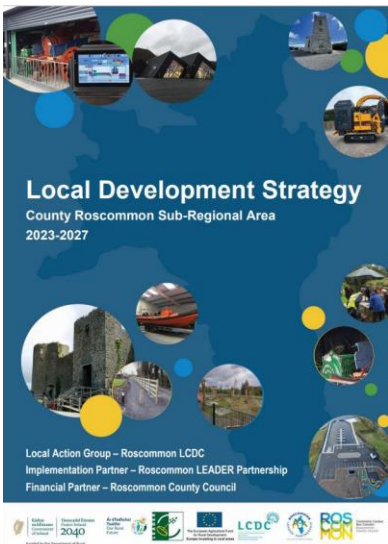
# The LEADER 2023 – 2027 Programme

The LEADER Programme (Links Between Actions for the Development of the Rural Economy) has been pivotal in the development of County Roscommon for over 30 years. Launched in 1991, it provides vital funding for communities and businesses. Established by the European Commission, LEADER promotes rural development through a bottom-up, community-led local development (CLLD) approach.



## The Local Development Strategy

The County Roscommon Local Development Strategy (LDS) is the plan for the delivery of the LEADER Programme 2023-2027 in Co. Roscommon. The LDS was compiled in 2023 by Roscommon LEADER Partnership in consultation with Roscommon LCDC, Roscommon County Council and local communities. The consultation process determined the needs of the county and set out the priority areas for LEADER funding across the county.



The LDS sets out the methodology for the delivery and implementation of the LEADER Programme in Co. Roscommon as well as the Programme Themes, Sub Themes, Local Objectives and Strategic Actions. All projects funded under the LEADER Programme 2023-2027 in County Roscommon must be in line with the objectives and actions of the LDS.

The overall aim of the County Roscommon Local Development Strategy is to build on the progress made to date under previous programmes, supporting individuals, businesses and community organisations to create a society that makes living and working a rewarding experience.

## LEADER Programme 2023 - 2027

**Funding Available For:** Businesses, Individuals, Community Groups, Voluntary Organisations, Women, Youth

**Types of Grants Available:** Capital Grants (for buildings, equipment, etc.), Analysis and Development Grants, Marketing Grants, Training Grants

## Themes within the LEADER Programme

The LEADER Programme consists of three main themes, each with sub-themes designed to address the overall needs and demands of businesses, individuals, community groups, voluntary organisations, women and youth. These themes highlight the various ways in which people can innovate as they start, develop, or diversify their enterprises or communities.

Economic Development and Job Creation	Rural Infrastructure and Social Inclusion	Sustainable Development and Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Green Economy</li> <li>Agricultural Diversification</li> <li>Rural Tourism and Recreation</li> <li>Enterprise Development</li> <li>Rural Food Production</li> <li>Social, Community and Cooperative Enterprises</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rural Infrastructure</li> <li>Accessible Services</li> <li>Optimising Digital Connectivity</li> <li>Rural Youth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustainable Development of the Rural Environment</li> <li>Climate Change Capacity Building</li> <li>Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation</li> </ul>





# LEADER Programme in Roscommon up to 2023

The LEADER Programme promotes sustainable rural development through supports to local community and voluntary organisations, businesses and individuals.

## €8.9M

Total LEADER grants paid to project in Co. Roscommon

**MEDIAN GRANT AWARD**  
**€28,700.00**

**AVERAGE GRANT AWARD**  
**€57,051.25**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF PROJECTS APPROVED LEADER FUNDING**

## 156

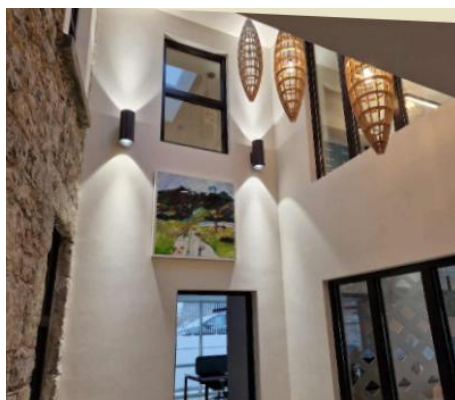
**LARGEST GRANT AWARDED**  
**€374,137.53**

Foreige - Phoenix Youth and Community Centre

**SMALLEST GRANT AWARDED**  
**€3,300.00**

The Melting Pot Ltd. - Replacement of the Wooden Flooring in the Café

## Images of LEADER funded projects





## Images of LEADER funded projects





# The Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme

## Numbers for 2023

Total no of SICAP registered individuals supported	535
Total number of newly registered individuals supported	4419
No's of individuals supported living in disadvantaged areas	203
Total number of children supported from disadvantaged areas	58
Total number of LCGs supported	48
No. of people on SICAP funded courses (where the course was at least partly funded by SICAP)	710
No. of individuals that completed lifelong learning supports	171
No. of Individual follow up self-employment supports trading	101
No. of Ukrainians supported	134
No. of course delivered	90
No. of social enterprises supported	14
No. of individual supported through self-employment supports and pre start up	124
No. of individuals supported into employment	16
No. of non-caseload activities in 2023	28



## SICAP highlights from 2023

SICAP addresses high and persistent levels of deprivation through targeted and innovative, locally led approaches. It targets and supports those who are disadvantaged in society and less likely to use mainstream services and assists both individuals and groups.

The Programme has two service provision goals, as follows:

### Goal 1: Supporting Communities

To support communities and target groups to engage with relevant stakeholders in identifying and addressing social exclusion and equality issues, developing the capacity of Local Community Groups, and creating more sustainable communities.

### Goal 2: Supporting Individuals

To support disadvantaged individuals to improve the quality of their lives through the provision of lifelong learning and labour market supports

### Attendance at Events

We promoted the SICAP programme at various events, courses, and to walk-in clients. During these interactions, we adapted our communication to address the unique challenges faced by each client, ensuring they had access to the resources and information needed to succeed. This targeted, comprehensive approach demonstrated our commitment to reaching those in greatest need and maximising SICAP's positive impact in the community.

A very successful Connect Cafe was held in Roscommon as part of mental health awareness month. A large number of services attended on the day included Pieta House, Traveller Mental Health, Esker House, Hse Occupational Therapist, Western Regional Drug and Alcohol taskforce, Men's She'd, SICAP, Community Addiction support worker and counselors, CYPSC, TUSLA family support, Department of Education Senior Educational Psychologist, CAMHS Nurse Specialists, HSE Social Inclu... See more





### Goal 1 – Supporting Communities



As part of our 2023 SICAP programme, we were involved in various community initiatives under this goal – supporting community groups with new arrivals and social enterprises, celebrating the abilities of young people with autism through a social inclusion fun day, events for women living in the EROC centre around Health literacy, Promoting and advocating for the needs of disadvantaged communities, especially new communities in respect of information provision and accessing of local services. Training was offered to community groups and social enterprises on our SICAP database and through PPN.

### Goal 2 – Supporting Individuals

By engaging in proactive outreach activities, such as door-to-door interactions and delivering community-based outreach programmes, we strengthened recruitment efforts for activities under this goal, particularly within target group communities. These outreach methods allowed us to connect directly with individuals in their own environments, building trust and ensuring that we reached those who might otherwise be unaware of or hesitant to participate in SICAP’s offerings.

### Promoting Ability and Equality Workshop

Monday 20th March 2023  
in person - 10.30am - RLP Offices, Roscommon Town  
online - 6.30pm

Book a place - Contact Claire at 086 6094262 or claire@ridc.ie



We implemented community-based outreach programmes within target group communities. These programmes were designed to engage people in familiar settings, such as local community centres or social settings, creating a more comfortable and accessible space for them to learn about the opportunities available through SICAP. By organising workshops, information sessions, and informal meetups in these local venues, we were able to foster stronger relationships with community members, encouraging greater participation and involvement in SICAP’s activities.

### Roscommon Career & Employment Expo

As part of our 2023 plan, the SICAP team dedicated significant effort to planning, developing, and delivering the Career & Employee Expo, held in Kilbride on March 29th. This event, aimed at connecting clients with employment and educational opportunities, required extensive hands-on involvement from our team to ensure its success.

In the months leading up to the Expo, we secured 30 exhibitors made up of employers and educational institutions, offering job openings and training opportunities tailored to SICAP clients. We fielded numerous calls from employers interested in advertising their vacancies at the Expo, creating customised job advertisements on professionally designed templates with all relevant details for those attending to note down the information and take away. Recognising the transportation challenges faced by some attendees, we arranged convenient transportation options to make the event accessible to all.



Additionally, we launched a targeted social media campaign across Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, sharing regular updates and event details to engage with potential attendees.

On the day of the event, the jobs table proved to be extremely popular, remaining busy throughout as clients eagerly explored job openings, asked questions, and connected with other potential employers. The Expo attracted 300 participants, and several clients successfully secured employment opportunities on the spot. This Expo was a key component of our promotional efforts, showcasing SICAP's commitment to supporting clients in achieving their career and educational goals.

**ROSCOMMON CAREER & EMPLOYMENT EXPO**  
 11.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
**29th March 2023**  
**Kilbride Community Centre**  
**F42N277**

- Explore further education & skills training
- Connect with employers
- Discover new career opportunities

Bring your CV along to apply for positions on the day or advice

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Roscommon LEADER Partnership Company will be hosting the Roscommon Career & Employment Expo on Wednesday, March 29th in **Kilbride Community and Leisure Centre (F42 N277)**. Doors open to the public at 11.00 a.m. Admission is **free**.

This is a great opportunity to obtain more information on local jobs, apprenticeships, employers and further education programmes. This Expo is a fantastic way to speak with potential employers and training organisations face-to-face. Transport has been arranged to and from the venue for people who wish to attend.

If you would like to reserve a place on the bus, please fill in your details here

<https://forms.gle/cZjpHs929KZ79m977>

If you have any queries on the Expo, please do not hesitate to contact us at **090 6630252** or email [Sandra@ride.ie](mailto:Sandra@ride.ie)

**Free Bus! Bus routes to the expo.**

**1. Arigna to Kilbride Bus Route**

Arigna	Enterprise Centre
Keadee	O Carolan Monument
Ballyfarnon	Village Centre
Knockvicar	Lough Key Woods
Boyle	Supervalu Car Park

**3. Frenchpark to Kilbride Bus Route**

Frenchpark	Sheepwalk Inn
Ballinagare	The Church
Elphin	Bank of Ireland
Strokestown	Perey French Hotel

**2. Ballaghaderreen to Kilbride Bus Route**

Ballaghaderreen	Market Square
Lisacul	The Church
Loughglynn	Creaton's Pub
Ballinlough	The White House Hotel
Castlereagh	Tully's Hotel

**4. Monksland to Kilbride Bus Route**

Monksland	Smyth's Super Value
Monksland	Hudson Bay
Ballyforan	Village Square
Dysart	Community Centre
Knockcroghery	Garda Barracks
Roscommon	Roscommon Town



# TUS Programme

Tús The TÚS Programme has been a catalyst for positive life changes for many participants, with many participants having progressed to full-time employment after completing their year on TÚS.

With the support and encouragement of their supervisors, others have engaged in training courses funded by TÚS and SICAP, preparing them for future employment opportunities.

Community and Voluntary groups across the County have been able to carry out projects that would otherwise not have been possible, thanks to the support of the TÚS programme.

## Tus Partnership placement by job



**Roscommon Town**  
Village enhancement,  
Admin, Caretaking,  
Retail  
**37**

**Ballinasheglish**  
Village Enhancement  
**2**

**Donamon**  
Admin  
**1**

**Creggs**  
Village Enhancement  
**1**

**Kilbegnet**  
Admin  
**1**

**Dysart**  
Village Enhancement  
**1**

**Cloonfad**  
Walks, Maintenance,  
Community Centre  
**4**

**Ballaghaderreen**  
Village Enhancement  
Admin  
**22**

**Gorthaganny**  
Village Enhancement,  
Caretaking  
**3**

**Cloonkuskert**  
Village Enhancement,  
**1**

**Kimurray**  
Caretaking  
**2**

**Knockcroghery**  
Caretaking /  
Maintenance  
**1**

**Ballyleague**  
Admin  
**1**

**Castlereah**  
Maintenance, Charity,  
Shops, Resource Centre,  
Caretaking  
**1**

**Ballinlough**  
Village Enhancement,  
Admin  
**3**



### Work Placement Example

Roscommon Traveller Programmes, has benefited from working with the Tús programme for several years. We have had a range of Tús participants based here, both from the Traveller and settled community. Tus supported the delivery of the afterschool programme. Having Tús participants working here has encouraged integration and a greater awareness of Traveller history and culture. It has also enabled participants to grow in confidence and develop and learn skills which is lovely to see. The support that we have received from the Tús supervisor has been excellent



## Rural Social Scheme

The Rural Social Scheme (RSS) provides supplementary income for low-income farmers and fishermen or women who are unable to earn an adequate living. In 2023, Roscommon LEADER Partnership supported 158 participants in the scheme, who actively contributed just under 20 hours per week. The RSS participants in County Roscommon engage in a wide range of community-oriented activities, including reclaiming former famine walks, maintaining village cleanliness, delivering meals on wheels, and providing care for the elderly. Below is a list of the diverse services provided by Roscommon LEADER Partnership and the RSS team:

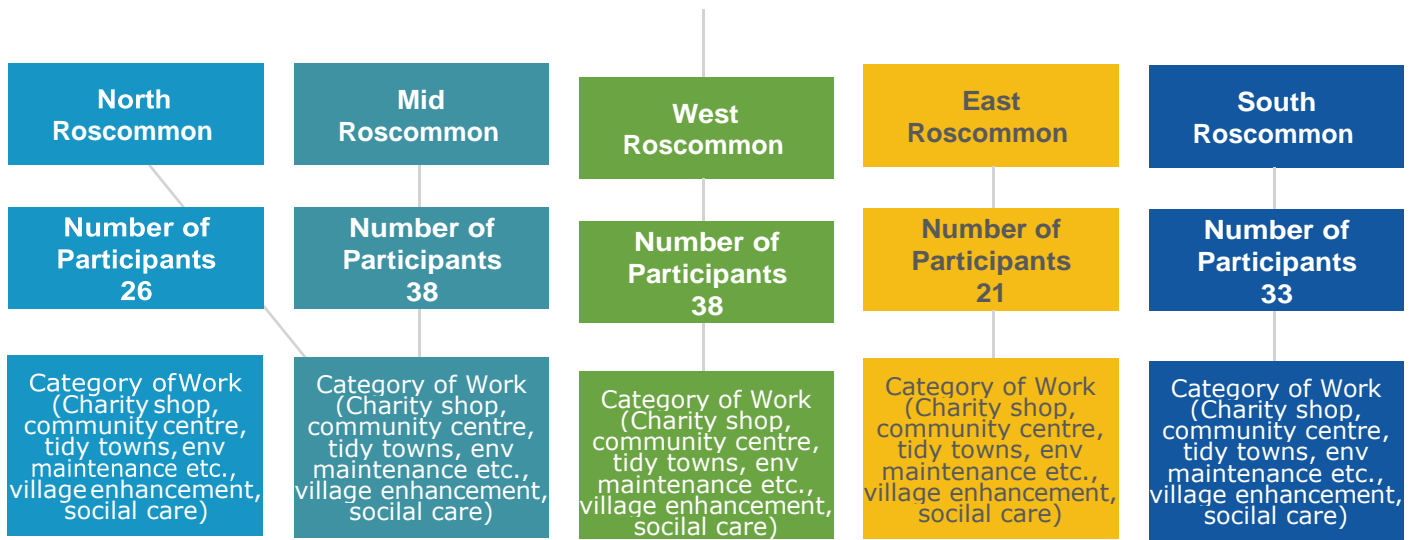
- **Maintaining and enhancing walking routes** – including waymarked paths, agreed walks, and bog roads, such as The Miners, Suck Valley, and Lung Lough Gara ways.
- **Village and countryside enhancement projects** – such as the Tidy Towns initiatives.
- **Social care and elder care services** – including community care for pre-school and after-school groups, home visitations, and meals on wheels, exemplified by Mo Chairde and the Melting Pot.
- **Environmental maintenance work – caretaking and upkeep of community and sporting facilities.**
- **Clerical duties and community administration** – such as the friendly call service.

The RSS scheme offers more than just financial support; it serves as an important social support network. It provides participants with an opportunity to showcase their skills outside of farming and engage with the local community, strengthening connections and contributing to the broader well-being of County Roscommon.

We are actively recruiting for Participants through local media outlets, social media, local DSP offices, teagasc etc.

Many projects were completed by the RSS Participants and Supervisors in 2023 and despite the decline in numbers the work carried out by the RSS team is still outstanding and a credit to all employees involved.

The scheme is a model of co-operation between Roscommon LEADER Partnership, local Communities, Supervisors and Participants.





# Roscommon Youth Service

The aim of the Roscommon Youth Service is to provide essential support to young people aged 10-24 years who are at risk of not reaching their full potential due to factors such as economic disadvantage, marginalization, rural isolation, social isolation, mental health concerns, and disability, among others.

## Mobile Service Delivery

Roscommon Youth Service 2 is a mobile service that operates in the areas of Elphin, Strokestown, Monksland, Ballyfarnon, and provides specialized support for individuals with disabilities aged 18-24 years. To facilitate the mobile service, we rent local community centers in each area, providing youth-friendly spaces that are easily accessible to young people with no barriers to participation.

In Ballyforan, we have recently brokered an agreement with Roscommon County Council to utilize a free unit onsite, allowing the Youth Service to provide a sustainable and reliable service in a location where families can easily access and engage with us on a regular basis. This partnership benefits not only Roscommon Youth Service but also other local services, such as the afterschool support program, which will now be able to deliver its services without any access barriers.

## Supporting Young People

The service supports young people through a range of methods, including structured and unstructured group work, one-on-one individual work, residential trips, support for young volunteers, outreach, and advocacy. In 2023, we also provided counseling and play therapy services to young people where required and supported families through both individual and group work.

Throughout 2023, young people participated in a wide range of activities designed to help them develop essential life skills, including confidence, personal and interpersonal abilities, independence, social skills, resilience, and peer relationships. These activities were delivered through a variety of non-formal methods, such as camping trips, pizza-making, farm walks, quizzes, arts and crafts, exploring their local areas, STEAM projects, upcycling, board games, Lego, and team-building exercises.

One notable achievement in 2023 was a young person representing Roscommon Youth Service and their community at the National Rural Youth Assembly in Dublin.

In June, the youth service facilitated a camping expedition for young people from Elphin, Strokestown, and Monksland to an island. This expedition focused on developing forest skills, teamwork, resilience, and personal growth. The young people participated in a variety of tasks, such as transporting equipment from the shore to the island without getting wet, starting a fire without matches or lighters and ensuring it lasted all night, cooking meals, and organizing entertainment for the group.

The island trip was highlighted as one of the most enjoyable experiences for all participants. The absence of technology during the trip made the experience more meaningful, allowing everyone to be fully present and engage in the activities without distractions.



Roscommon Youth Service **UBU**  
YOUR PLACE YOUR SPACE

# STROKESTOWN ACTIVITY GROUP

10-12 years old

If you are interested, please contact Rachel on 086 603 7598

Limited places available!

Come join our group,  
Get to meet new people,  
Participate in new activities,  
somewhere to go and have fun!!



## Quad, Tractor & Farm Safety Workshop

Age 14+ Years

Call. Text, Whatsapp Aoife on 0866036050  
Places are limited

Come along Tuesday 15th August. The young people will have the opportunity to learn about safe Quad & Tractor driving and also farm safety. Each person will have the opportunity to demonstrate safe quad & tractor driving skills and also carry out risk assessments and more on the farm. Booking is essential.



Roscommon Youth Service **UBU**  
YOUR PLACE YOUR SPACE

For all aged 13-17 years

# Monksland Youth Cafe

Every Monday  
Monksland Community Centre

Come hang out and meet new people

Registration is Essential. Please contact Tia on 086 4408371 to register.





# The Growing Tree Childcare and Early Years education services

The Growing Tree Service has expanded to include three locations, all based in Ballaghaderreen:

- ✚ The Growing Tree 1: Located within the EROC Centre at the Abbeyfield Hotel.
- ✚ The Growing Tree 2: Located on Convent Road.

Growing Tree 1 opened in 2018, initially offering a part-time service from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm, Monday to Friday, for 50 weeks of the year. Over time, the service has expanded to include afterschool care under the School Aged Childcare Programme. In 2023, a total of 53 children were registered and attended The Growing Tree Services.

In September 2023, the service expanded further by introducing an afternoon ECCE (Early Childhood Care and Education) session, which allowed for an additional 15 children, bringing the total to 51 children. In October 2023, the service was successful in securing funding for an Afterschool Service, with a capacity of 15 children, which also reached full capacity.

By the end of 2023, the combined services supported a total of 104 children in accessing Early Childhood Care and Education and School-Aged Childcare. The services were staffed by 14 dedicated individuals, who provide invaluable support, especially in helping children for whom English is not their first language. Staff members are trained in areas such as "Working with Children Who Have Experienced Trauma," "Supporting Children Whose First Language Is Not English," and "Dealing with Challenging Behaviour," which are essential to providing quality care to children from diverse backgrounds and cultures.





# Traveller Health Initiative Aim

- ✚ Improve the Health and Wellbeing of Travellers in Co. Roscommon; through initiatives in collaboration with Travellers and Health Service provides
- ✚ Increasing the empowerment and participation of Travellers in addressing health inequalities highlighted in the All Ireland Traveller Health Study



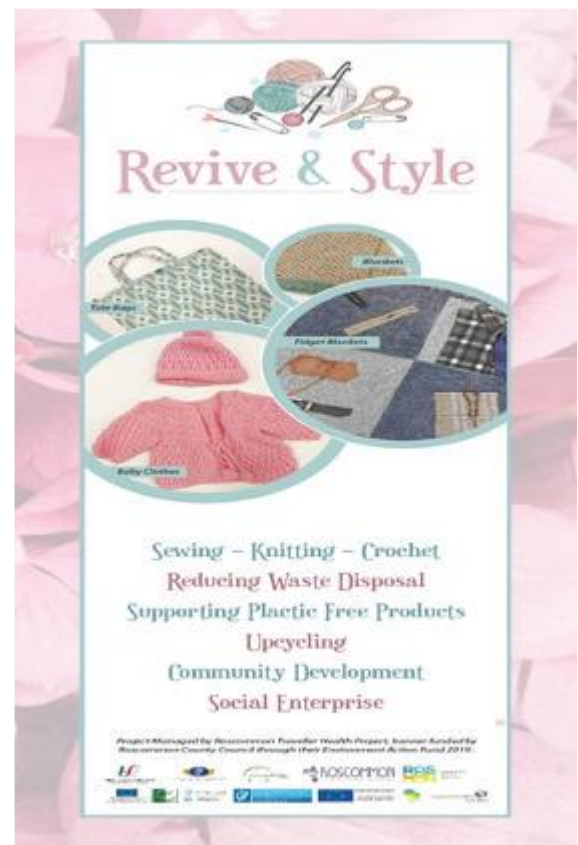
Focus is on community wellness and prevention

HSE funded and managed by Roscommon LEADER Partnership

- Peer Led Primary Health Care Project – KPI returns HSE on Cardiovascular, Diabetes and Mental Health 3 members of the Traveller Community employed as healthcare workers
- Men’s Health Work
- Social Determinants of Health
- Education, Employment, Accommodation, Poverty, Discrimination, Lifestyle and Access of services

## Revive and Style

Supports to Early Years Committee and Healthy Ireland in the making of bags and puppets for Children. Making and Provision of masks to families that request them. Making and Provision of masks to families that request them. Revive and Style continued to make products such as tote bags, baby knits and fidget blanks. Continued to explore establishing Revive & Style as a potential Social Enterprise





# Family Support

TUSLA funds the employment of a dedicated Family Support position that provides support and guidance to families in ways that are culturally sensitive and competent. The Family worker works with children and families building on their strengths and supporting them to overcome difficulties. We recognise that each family is unique and all families need support at different times in their lives. Underpinning the company’s Children First safeguarding agenda, this resource is of vital importance.

The Family Support worker provides advice, support to families, helping them to identify and find appropriate ways of solving the issues that come up in the day to day management of family life and will sign post them to appropriate services as required.

The Family Support worker is part of a team that works together to ensure the best possible outcomes for children.

They provide support to families, enabling them to make informed decisions about their children’s safety and wellbeing.

They also provide a link between the family and the relevant services and professionals.

They are also a Parenting Support Champion and part of the National Project since 2016 where there is a collaboration between practitioners and parents to learn and share information about Parenting and the Parenting24seven messages(Developed by the PSC National Project). The aim of this work is to support Parenting in Ireland and to promote Parenting24seven.

They deliver various parenting programmes to best suit the needs of the families attending the service Common Sense Parenting, Parenting When Separated, Parenting Plus Early Years Programme, Parenting Plus Parenting Core Programme, Mindful Parenting.

They also work using the Marte Meo method which is a video-based interaction programme that provides concrete and practical information to parents, carers, teachers and professionals on supporting the social, emotional and communication development of children and adolescents in daily interaction moments. Marte Meo is a strength-based programme – it looks at what a child can do and where they might need extra support in their personal development.

They have also set up, developed and run the Roscommon Parenting Hub on facebook providing up to date information on programmes, events or workshops coming up in the county of Roscommon. This online resource provides parents with the advice, practical support and relevant information that they may need.

They also run the Family Support Drop In Clinic in collaboration with the Roscommon Family Resource Centre.

<b>No of face to face visits in 2023</b>	<b>210 face to face visits</b>
<b>No of families supported in 2023</b>	<b>10 families long term families plus 30 through the Family support Drop In Clinic and delivery of parenting programmes</b>



# Ballaghaderreen Family Resource Centre

Roscommon LEADER Partnership in 2018, successfully established and is currently hosting an interagency Family Resource Centre (FRC) in Ballaghaderreen. This initiative plays a crucial role in connecting with and supporting the local ROMA community. Effective engagement with the ROMA community in Ballaghaderreen relies on building strong connections with all Family Resource Centres across the County.

Ballaghaderreen FRC offers a variety of essential services to socially vulnerable individuals. By collaborating and engaging with the FRC, RLP is able to provide a more integrated and comprehensive service to clients. This partnership enhances our ability to offer clients greater access to the wide range of programs and support services available through the company.

The FRC supports and enhancing the well-being of individuals and families within their local communities. Services that FRC provide:

## **Support Services:**

The FRC offer various support services to families facing challenges, parenting support, and assistance with family issues.

## **Information and Advice:**

The FRC serve as a valuable source of information and advice on a wide range of topics, including health, education, social services, and community resources.

## **Parenting Programs:**

The FRC often organise parenting programs and workshops to help parents develop effective parenting skills, address behavioral issues, and foster positive family dynamics.

## **Youth Programs:**

Programs and activities for children and youth are commonly provided, including, homework assistance, and recreational activities.eg Logo and Craftgroups

## **Community Development:**

FRC is actively engaged in community development initiatives, collaborating with local organisations

and authorities to address community needs and improve overall well-being.

## **Health and Well-being Initiatives:**

Organises health-related workshops, fitness programs, and initiatives to promote overall well-being within families.

## **Social Inclusion:**

FRC works to foster social inclusion by organising community events, social gatherings, and activities that bring community members together.

## **Community Advocacy:**

We advocate for the needs and rights of the local community, representing community interests to policymakers and service providers.

In 2023 a strategic review was undertaken by independent consultant, the independent Ballaghaderreen Family Resource Centre CLG. Is undertaking governance training and hope to become independent of Roscommon LEADER Partnership in the bear future.



## Work Links Roscommon

In late 2023, Roscommon LEADER Partnership was successful in the WorkAbility application which guarantees support for the employment of people with disabilities over the age of 16 years. This programme will run for 5 years 01/01/2024 – 31/12/2028. On the 15/11/23 Minister Anne Rabbitte launched the new partnership between Roscommon Leader Partnership and Down Syndrome Ireland Roscommon Branch. Whilst in attendance Minister Anne Rabbitte underscored the need for collaboration and collective efforts to provide dedicated spaces within public buildings to empower non-profit organisations to thrive. By opening doors to these organisations, we can foster a supportive environment that enables them to efficiently and effectively serve their clients.

This programme is much needed and a very significant support measure for people with disabilities in County Roscommon and the catchment area, as well as a huge endorsement for Roscommon LEADER Partnership's work in supporting and empowering people with additional needs over many years.

The targets to meet on this initiative are ambitious.

Work Links Roscommon has completed the following programmes with participants so far;

- QQI L3 Media Expression course and she has been amazed at the progress of the 12 participants especially in their communication skills. This course has just completed with all participants successful.
- ASDAN training on Employability Development Skills which includes 12 modules to a group of participants in Boyle completed and Castlerea which is ongoing; Self-Management, Team Working, Business & Enterprise, Customer Awareness, Problem Solving, Communications, Working with Numbers, IT in the Workplace. Applying for a job, Exploring Work Opportunities, Rights & Responsibilities at Work, Health and Safety at work
- Barista Course completed by 2 participants
- City & Guild Bike Mechanical Repair completed by 1 participant
- Procurement training for employers delivered in May 2023
- Customer Service & Retail Skills ongoing in Roscommon





# Rural Recreation

Rural Recreation Roscommon: This team focuses on developing infrastructure and implementing The Walks Scheme to expand outdoor recreation opportunities in Roscommon for residents and tourists. The initiative collaborates with communities, landowners, local and national agencies to develop, maintain, and promote trail-based outdoor recreation, enhancing access to Roscommon's natural landscapes. Through these efforts, the team aims to create a network of outdoor recreational facilities that showcase the county's natural beauty while providing accessible and enjoyable experiences for all users

The Rural Recreation Office programme is funded through the Department of Rural & Community Development (DRCD). RLP employs a Rural Recreation Officer (RRO), who works with our partners in Roscommon County Council, Suck Valley Way Co-operative, relevant Trail Management Organisations and Una Bhan Tourism.

RLP brings a whole of company approach to developing and maintaining our registered trails in the County and our rural social scheme teams are vital as is the goodwill and hard work of the land owners who maintain their sections of the trail. Our Rural Recreation Officer supports the continuing management of the walking, cycling and other leisure trails in the County. RLP manages the Walks Scheme payments and landowner relationship and liaises with trail stakeholders in Co. Roscommon. The RRO is assisted in the actual development and maintenance by a dedicated team of Rural Social Scheme Supervisors and participants.

By securing increased funding year-on-year, County Roscommon now has outdoor infrastructure to rival any world stage. 2023 highlights include:

- Continued work completed on The Suck Valley Way, Lung Lough Gara Way and The Miners Way Historical Trail thanks to the Walks Scheme Development fund
- The Miners Way & Historical trail welcomed over 800 participants as part of the Carrick Camino
- Completed ORIS projects in Roscommon and Longford. Tarmon Bog Walk was developed and currently has an application submitted for the Walks Scheme. The Longford walks marketing project saw the development of a suite of images and videos for marketing the walks in the county
- A Walks Scheme application was made for the Ballintubber Rambling Loop, which would see farmers receiving payments for walks traversing their land and further development opportunities for the trail.
- Applications for the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS) were made for The Miners Way & Historical Trail.



### The Suck Valley Way

**105Km**

in Length

**86**

Landowners supported

### The Miners Way & Historical Trail

**60Km**

in Length

**84**

Landowners supported

### Lung Lough Gara Way

**38Km**

in Length

**9**

Landowners supported

The Walks Scheme at a glimpse...





## Local Training Initiatives

The LTI programme is focused on addressing the training needs of economically, socially, geographically or educationally disadvantaged learners, primarily 18 – 35 years of age, with no formal qualifications or incomplete secondary-level qualifications. It encourages learners, who otherwise might not avail of mainstream training, to develop their existing skills and learn new skills in an environment that is tailored to their particular individual needs.

RLP has two Local Training Initiative situated in Ballaghaderreen and Boyle.

### Ballaghaderreen

#### **Practical Computers with Word, Spreadsheets and Databases Level 4**

This course is for students who would like to work in an office or administration setting, gaining practical computer skills such as Word Processing, Spreadsheets, Databases, Email, and the Internet is very beneficial and will be valuable skills on your CV. This entry-level course will provide students with those skills.

This course provides foundation knowledge in essential office and business skills such as Spreadsheets, Databases, Word Processing, Internet and email, Communications, Business English Terminology, Data Entry Skills, Reception Skills, and Functional Mathematics at QQI level 4.

This is an 11-month, full-time day course offering a QQI Major Level 4 Award in Office Skills 4M2070 on successful completion of all essential modules.

Past students of this course have gone on to work in environments that require the skills this course provides as well as using the points earned from this course to progress to a level 5 course of their choice.

#### **Office & Business Admin with Payroll and Accounts Level 5**

This course is for students who aspire to work in an office or administration setting, the Business Administration with Manual and Computerised Payroll and Bookkeeping course, will boost chances of employment in this sector. This is an 11-month, full-time day course offering a QQI Major Level 5 Award in Business Administration 5M2468 on successful completion of all essential modules.

This course provides essential office and business skills such as Payroll, Bookkeeping, Spreadsheets, Databases, Word Processing, Communications and Business Administration at QQI level 5.

This program will provide learners with the confidence, skills, and knowledge to work effectively and professionally in a modern office or administration environment.

Past students of this course have gone on to work in environments that require the skills this course provides as well as using the points earned from this course to progress to a third-level field of study.



## Boyle

Boyle is a town steeped in heritage and culture and the next step is to develop tourism and market the town's local attractions and amenities. With this development in mind, the aim of this course is to enable learners to develop their skills, knowledge and competencies to work within the tourism, hospitality, cultural and heritage sectors.

Through practical modules such as Work Experience and IT along with engagement with local tourism organisations, Digital Media Technology and Tourism Visitor Care, on completion of the course, learners will be skilled to meet employment opportunities in the fast growing Tourism Sector. Learners will have a broad range of skills and tools to identify and market local attractions, amenities, services, cultural and leisure activities.

The course will lead to a Level 4 Major Award 4M0855 in ICT Skills with an additional component award in Tourism Customer Care. Learners will be able to go directly into employment or progress to programmes at the same level subject to the entry requirements for the programmes. They may also progress to Level 5 programmes on the National Framework of Qualifications subject to entry requirements.



## ERASMUS+ highlights

### KA1 Youth Exchange Project - Erasmus+

Roscommon Youth Service was awarded €97,732.00 from Erasmus+ to undertake a project with a group of young people, aged 18 to 24 years, including individuals with intellectual disabilities. The key topics of this Erasmus+ project are Youth, Employability, and Disabilities. Over the next 24 months, the project will involve three youth exchanges between Ireland, Greece, and Spain, which commenced in October 2022.

Throughout the duration of the exchange, participants will benefit from the following:

- Confidence Building and Exposure to New Experiences – Providing opportunities for personal growth and self-confidence.
- Language and Communication Skills – Learning key words in multiple languages (English, Spanish, Greek) and using picture/word cards to support those with intellectual disabilities in language learning.
- Initiative and Entrepreneurship – Developing teamwork and interpersonal skills, including conflict management, personal responsibility, and problem-solving.
- Cultural Awareness – Gaining a deeper understanding of their own culture and the cultures of other EU countries, fostering social inclusion, tolerance, and a stronger sense of EU citizenship.

In September 2023, the youth service accompanied 10 young people to participate in the KA1 youth exchange. Many of these individuals would not have had the opportunity to travel abroad, some even without the support of their families. Coming from disadvantaged backgrounds with mild disabilities and some cultural differences, the trip was transformative. It enabled the participants to build meaningful relationships, experience new cultures, and broaden their horizons. Following the exchange, many individuals showed significant personal growth, becoming more independent, self-reliant, and confident in interacting with people from different nationalities and environments.





### **ACORN Project - Activating Young Rural Development**



Roscommon Youth Service was also involved in the Erasmus+ project

ACORN (Activating Young Rural Development). This project, part of the European Year of Youth 2022, aims to develop a suite of resources and a transferable mechanism for inclusive rural development across Europe. ACORN engages and empowers young people from rural areas, encouraging them to become active citizens and contributors to rural development initiatives.

This project involves partners from five countries: Malta, Slovenia, Spain, Denmark, and Ireland. The focus is on creating lasting impacts in rural communities by strengthening their resilience, connectivity, and prosperity, especially for young people in rural areas.

Throughout 2023, the youth service worked alongside its international partners to develop resources and tools that will support youth-inclusive rural development across Europe, ensuring that young people from rural backgrounds are empowered to shape their communities' future.

### **DARE – Diversities Reviving Enterprises**

DARE aims to tackle labour market shortages by promoting a more inclusive and diverse European Economy by enabling VET Professionals to train SMEs in diversity-oriented organisational development to engage marginalized and discriminated groups in a more inclusive labour market'. Employability Enterprise, SMEs and entrepreneurship Inclusion. Promoting Equality and Non-discrimination



Roscommon LEADER partnership also launched the new DARE Erasmus + Diversities are Reviving Enterprises project has enabled Roscommon LEADER partnership to dedicate the sponsorship funding of €5,000 to Down Syndrome Ireland, Roscommon Branch, as Down Syndrome Ireland Roscommon Branch is an associate partner in this ERASMUS + project and will be contributing centrally to delivery of the project's work packages [www.projectdare.eu](http://www.projectdare.eu)



### Community Radio

Our overall objective of COMM UNITY is to empower community radio organisations & volunteers to become an influential pillar of adult education in civic engagement of diverse & vulnerable groups. [www.communityradioproject.eu](http://www.communityradioproject.eu)

Sharon presented the [communityradioproject.eu](http://communityradioproject.eu) at the #EPALE event hosted by Léargas @adultlearningireland today.

Find out more about this project, empowering unheard voices through the power of community radio at [communityradioproject.eu](http://communityradioproject.eu)

#AdultEd #AdultEducation #communityradio ... See more



### Climate Champions



Roscommon Leader Partnership CEO Martina Earley showcased the brilliant Climate Champions project at Rathcroghan Visitor Centre in Co. Roscommon at the Ireland Multiplier Event today.

Martina talked about the importance of the project and the three brilliant resources available now free of charge to help communities tackle the climate crisis and cultivate biodiversity.

- 1. Climate Champions training course
- 2. Best practices collection from Europe
- 3. Theory of change toolkit for communities

Go to our website to access the resources and find out how you can become a Climate Champion in your community

<https://climatechampions.how/>





# Castlerea Prison resource centre

The aim of the Resource Centre is to establish a program of supports with and for prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families, by working together to deliver an independent, inclusive, and non-judgmental service.

Disadvantaged Women and Young people, Prisoners, Ex-Prisoners & Community Return Prisoners, Families & Friends of prisoners, and first-time offenders Families.

## Special visits, Section 36

The resource center also facilitated of Section 36 visits. The visits occurred on a Sunday allowing the prisoner meet with a number of family members in a neutral location which was safe and secure. A staff member was present along with 3 prison officers for the duration of the visit. The Resource center opened early in every effort to support the family.

## Visitor Numbers 2023

Male	Female	Boy	Girl	Overall
448	981	263	359	2051

## Additional Services

The resource center facilitated the relocation of the waiting room between during the scheduled renovation's s of the waiting room building. This meant there was a Prison Officer based in the resource center to check in the visitors on arrival.

Staff at the Resource Centre have worked closely with Citizen Information to access valuable resources and relevant information for service users. Additionally, staff collaborated with the New Directions program to provide support, guidance, and resources, enabling them to assist and signpost service users more effectively.

A significant number of service users were referred to New Directions, as it was found to be more beneficial for them compared to making the initial contact themselves. It was noted that the process

of initiating contact with New Directions was a barrier for some users. However, when the Resource Centre staff made the referral, service users engaged with the program and found it to be highly beneficial.

FRC Committee:

- Ms. P. Madden RLP Com Dev Manager / Committee Chairperson
- Mr. M. Breen Assistant Governor Castlerea Prison
- Ms. S. McNeela Chaplin Castlerea Prison
- Mr. R. Regan Roscommon C.I.C. Manager
- Ms. A. Guihen FRC Manager/ Committee Secretary





# Social Prescribing

## Social Prescribing Goes Back in Time

Roscommon Well Connected Social Prescribing was delighted to support the recently run Rambling House event in Garvey's, Ballintubber County Roscommon through funding allocated through Creative Ireland.

The community event was held to support people to connect or reconnect with their community. ...  
[See more](#)





Roscommon  
*Well Connected*  
SOCIAL PRESCRIBING



### The Aim Of SOCIAL PRESCRIBING

Empowers people with social, emotional or practical needs to find practical solutions with the support of a Link Worker.

### Who is the SERVICE USER?

Social prescribing is for adults over the age of 18 years, including (but not exclusively) people:

- With one or more long-term conditions.
- Who has complex social needs which affect their health and wellbeing.
- Who are lonely or isolated.
- Who need support with their mental health.
- Who frequently attend GP/ED and may benefit from other social support outside of clinical services.

### WHO REFERS THE SERVICE USER TO THE LINK WORKER?

Referrals to a social prescribing Link Worker come from various sources, including:

- GPs, nurses, community mental health teams, and health and social care professionals.
- Older people services and the community and voluntary sector.
- Self-referral and referral by a friend or family member.
- Permission to refer MUST be obtained from the person you wish to refer!

Where a referrer is unsure of the appropriateness of a referral to social prescribing, this can be discussed with the social prescribing Link Worker beforehand. Likewise, the social prescribing Link Worker can report to the referrer if the referral is inappropriate.

### ROLL OF THE LINK WORKER

The social prescribing Link Worker aims to connect people with community groups, organisations, and statutory services for practical and emotional support to improve their health and wellbeing. They may also link people back into HSE programmes and services where appropriate, e.g. diabetes support courses, Living Well programmes, stress prevention programmes, smoking cessation services, etc.

One of the key tasks of a Link Worker is to co-produce a personalised health and wellbeing plan with the client.

This may include:

- What matters to the person.
- Establishing attainable goals.
- Signposting professional support that someone may require.
- Connecting to the local community and voluntary organisations, activities and social groups.

Link Workers focus on what matters to the person and work in close collaboration with an individual over a period of time.

### What Our Participants Say:

“It is great to know I can speak about...”

“I didn't realise how much I missed a cup of tea & chat with others...”

“I would recommend it to anyone...”

“I was scared to get out and about after Covid, but it has brought so much joy to my life...”

### What Would I Be Linked To?

**A HOBBY, SOCIAL GROUP, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, CRAFT GROUP, WHATEVER MATTERS TO YOU!**

### THE SOCIAL PRESCRIBING JOURNEY



Refer & information: **Link Worker** Ronan Bilbow | 086 1765381 | [ronanbilbow@rldc.ie](mailto:ronanbilbow@rldc.ie) | [rosleaderpartnership.ie](http://rosleaderpartnership.ie)



# Snap Shot Highlights Of 2023



Career & Employment Expo

Minister Humpreys visit



Workability Launch



Minister Humpreys launch, May 2023

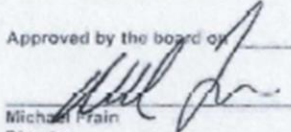


# Financial Statements - Summary 2023

Roscommon Integrated Development Company Ltd by Guarantee  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
 for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 €	2022 €
Income	4	4,807,601	4,297,333
Expenditure		(4,630,300)	(4,290,634)
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year		(22,699)	6,699
Total comprehensive income		(22,699)	6,699

Approved by the board on \_\_\_\_\_ and signed on its behalf by:

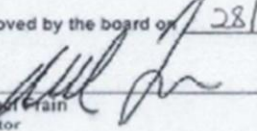
  
 Michael Fain  
 Director

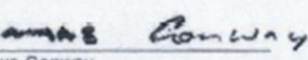
  
 Seamus Conway  
 Director

Roscommon Integrated Development Company Ltd by Guarantee  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
 as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 €	2022 €
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible assets	7	325,283	289,574
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	8	455,354	426,726
Cash and cash equivalents		1,486,169	1,659,138
		1,921,523	2,087,864
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,937,488)	(2,085,185)
Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets		(15,965)	2,679
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		309,318	292,253
Government grants	12	(39,764)	-
Net Assets		269,554	292,253
<b>Reserves</b>			
Income and expenditure account		269,554	292,253
Equity attributable to owners of the company		269,554	292,253

Approved by the board on 28/05/24 and signed on its behalf by:

  
 Michael Fain  
 Director

  
 Seamus Conway  
 Director



# Funders & Partners Acknowledgement

On behalf of the RLP team and the people we serve, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the continued support of our funders, Board, Partners, and Staff. Without their dedication, we would not be in a position to carry out the wide-ranging work outlined in this report, nor would we have been able to achieve the significant positive outcomes experienced by those we serve.

We would also like to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of all the statutory bodies at European, National, and local levels. Their support has been instrumental in enabling us to undertake a broader range of activities throughout 2023.

Once again, on behalf of everyone at RLP, we extend our sincere thanks to all who have played a role in our success.





Your Local Development Company



Roscommon LEADER Partnership Company is delivering the SICAP programme on behalf of Roscommon Local Community Development Committee, which is a committee of Roscommon County Council.

The Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) is co-funded by the Irish Government, through the Development of Rural and Community Development, and the European Social Fund Plus under the Employment, Inclusion, Skills and Training (EIST) Programme 2021-2027.