

221 Year Review



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Biodiversity Project

Having secured Leader funding for the promotion and protection of biodiversity, work began on this project in 2020 and was fully completed in 2021. The project included the installation of a new fence between the garden and tennis court to allow for hedge growth that was planted, trees, bird feeders and nesting habitats for animals and insects. To complement the garden pathways, three galvanised archways were installed to act as support for Honeysuckle, Jasmine, Rosa and other bee-friendly climbers to provide nectar for bees, butterflies and moths. Signage was also installed in the garden to educate the public on the creation of the garden.

Total Project Costs €12108.93 Grant Received €9081.70











Water Sustainability Project

The Community Centre was delighted to have secured funding from LEADER for a water sustainability project. This project which was completed in early 2021 allowed for the installation of an irrigation system to serve the soccer pitch and the Access for All garden, avoiding the dependence on mains water. As many of you are well aware, droughts have caused significant damage to the pitch and garden during the summer months over the last number of years and even after only a few months of use the results have been remarkable. The main costs of this project went into the initial installation of sourcing and pumping the water to the pitch, garden and crazy golf area. This installation will allow for further development if required in the future. A huge thank you to Rosslare Schoolboys/Girls and Rosslare Strand AFC who assisted with fundraising and for their generous donation.

Total Project Costs €53539.40 Grant Received €40000.00







Tennis Courts

In the Spring of 2021 work commenced on the installation of two tiger turf advantage pro tennis surfaces for the tennis courts. This came from funding that was awarded to the Community Centre under the 2017 Sports Capital Grant. To complete a full upgrade on these courts two new tennis nets and posts were installed. The courts have proved to be extremely popular over the summer holidays with bank holidays and weekends being full booked.

Total Project Costs €35248.56 Grant Received €31760.00











Playground

The Community Centre contracted an Irish company specialising in outdoor play equipment to complete repairs on the Community Centre Playground. This included the installation of new climbing nets, zip line wire and seat, repairs to the zip line frame and additional repairs to the seesaw and playhouses. The maintenance team at the Community Centre replaced the ramps on either side of the zip line. There will be a new carousel added to the playground and we are waiting on an installation date. A special thank you to the Community section of Wexford County Council for funding support in early 2021. We would not have been able to reopen the playground for the community without it.

Total Cost of the Project €7564.14*
Grant Funding Received €6837.75







*Costs to date

Automated External Defibrillator

In the interest of the health and safety of all who live and visit Rosslare we have been able to purchase an outdoor defibrillator storage unit giving everyone 24/7 access to life saving equipment. We relocated the defibrillator to the side of the community centre. Thank you to all who have made donations to the centre and assisted our fundraising initiatives, it has enabled Rosslare Community & Sports Centre to be able to make changes for the good of the community.

Total Cost €485.85



In August 2021 the Community Centre contracted an electrical company to begin work on replacing the lights at the all weather pitch and track. It was paramount that these lights were up and running for the darker evenings to ensure all groups could make full use of the facility. Over a number of years, these lights had been severly corroded by the sea salt air and the electrician was unable to replace the bulbs due to the damage caused. The new lights are suited to a coastal environment and are LED and energy efficient. No grant funding was received for these lights.

Total Project Costs €13829.98

CCTV

Another project, planned for 2020 but postponed due to Covid, was the installation of CCTV. With financial assistance provided by the Auction Fundraiser, security cameras were installed in the centre and around the grounds. This project has created a safer environment for all our visitors and staff and it gives the Board and staff the ability to protect the property from any vandalism that may occur. No grant funding was received for this project.

Total Project Costs - €7000.00

Thank You

A massive thank you goes to our Auction Fundraising Committee members, Anne Marie Kearns, Ann Mahon, Michael Kearns and Michael Dempsey who worked extremely hard to raise funds this year. Also huge thanks to Jim Hennessy for all his work on the Golf Classic. All funds raised were used towards all the projects that were completed this year.









Community Centre Office

At the start of 2021, work began on renovating the Community Centre office. This renovation was well overdue as it needed new LED lighting, flooring, electric points and a private office for meetings. While the community centre was closed work could be completed on this project. A new floor was installed, electrical trunking was installed around the walls to allow for safe access points for computers and phone system. A massive thank you to John Stewart of Wexford Communications who installed the phone system, Ger Thomas for looking after electrics, Paddy Hannon for the creation of the subdivision office and to our maintenance team for all their work in installing the floor and painting. Huge thank you to WLD for the donation of office furniture. It was a huge task to get this office completed in only a few short weeks but when everyone came together we got the job done!

Total Project Cost €6591.89 Grant Funding Received €700.00







Water Sports Centre

The Water Sports Centre is under the management of the Community Centre. Sadly Swing and Spin will be closing in December and Clara will be moving her classes online to "Coached by Clara", and will run a fitness class at the Community Centre every Thursday evening from January 2022. In the last number of months, the building has undergone some renovations such as roof repairs, replacement of gutters and brand new doors. This will make a massive difference to the centre. We aim to reopen with water sport activity rental as well as some other exciting additions in the new year.

Total Project Costs €5675.00









Help Support the Community Centre in their fundraising activities. We look after the development of the community centre, the water sports centre and we maintain and cut the grass of the public areas around the village and the main road into Rosslare. Funds raised go towards the community facilities for all to enjoy. You can simply make a personal donation by logging on to www.idonate.ie/rcda or you can also set up your own fundraiser to raise money for our community organisation. Please remember we are a registered charity so if you are a business you can help us by donating. For anyone who makes a donation of over €250 in one year you can complete a CHY4 Form and we will submit this to Revenue to receive a further reimbursement on your generous donation.

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Jersey Raffle €2915.00

Black Friday Weekend Sale

Online Auction €22765.18



















Golf Classic €8900.00

Rosslare Strand Schoolboys/girls Rosslare Strand AFC €5500.00

€1500.00

Quick Overview from Jan – Dec 21

- Auction Fundraising Committee formed.
- Submission of Emergency Covid- Grant (R2).
- Submission of Sports Capital Grant.
- Community Centre Office renovation begins.
- Gas pump fitted to improve the heating system at the Community Centre.
- Rosslare Community Development Association Clg – Annual General Meeting conducted via Zoom
- Auction goes Live.
- Grass cutting commences in all public areas.
- Playground closes.
- Auction Closes with €22000+ raised.
- Staff Induction for reopening safely.
- Reopening of Community Centre.
- New 2 U Boutique Reopens.
- Playground grant received from Wexford County Council €6837.75.
- Biodiversity project completed.
- Tennis Courts Resurfaced.
- Water Sustainability Project Completed
- Community Centre team joined with RDA and Cois Barry House in a village clean up.
- Audited Accounts completed for 2020.
- Playground painted and refurbishments begin.
- Event plan submitted to Wexford County Council for Dip in the Nip.
- New Coffee Machine purchased for shop.
- Repairs completed on Crazy Golf Course.
- Summer Camps begin .
- Defibrillator installed outside the building.
- Pathways installed between track and garden and along the side of the track.

- Full maintenance and infill of rubber completed on All Weather Pitch.
- CCTV installed.
- Golf Classic Fundraiser €8900.00 raised.
- Jersey Raffle Fundraiser, raised €2915.00.
- Donation of Office Desks donated by Sram Corporation that will be used for future work hub.
- Dip in the Nip.
- · Biodiversity Course completed with WLD.
- New lighting installed at the all weather pitch and track.
- Minister Joe O' Brien visits Community Centre with Wexford Local Development
- Wexford Floral and Garden Club visit Access for All Garden.
- Taoiseach Micheál Martin visits Community Centre.
- Mowers that cut the grass around the village and the grounds of the centre are serviced and blades replaced.
- Retirement celebration for long term employees Theresa Healy and Joan O' Meara.
- · Smart Village Training Programme.
- Wexford Volunteer Open Day.
- Community Tractor serviced and repaired.
- 5 Transition Year students volunteer at the centre as part of their community work experience week.
- Black Friday Weekend Sale Fundraiser.
- Christmas Garden at Access for All Garden.
- Christmas Trees erected in the car park and Access for all Garden.

A massive thank you to all the groups, volunteers and everyone who visits the Community Centre each year. Your acts of kindness and support really make a huge difference.











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