Tipperary Supports Tidy Towns

TUS College Campus Thurles

Saturday 8th February 2025

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation Network Tipperary

Review of the 2024Results

- Tipperary Strong Tradition of Participation in Tidy Towns

- 66 National Winners, Tipperary achieved National honours 6 times

- Donegal has achieved highest national winners 8 National Titles (12%) Tipperary and Cavan with 6 national honours 9%

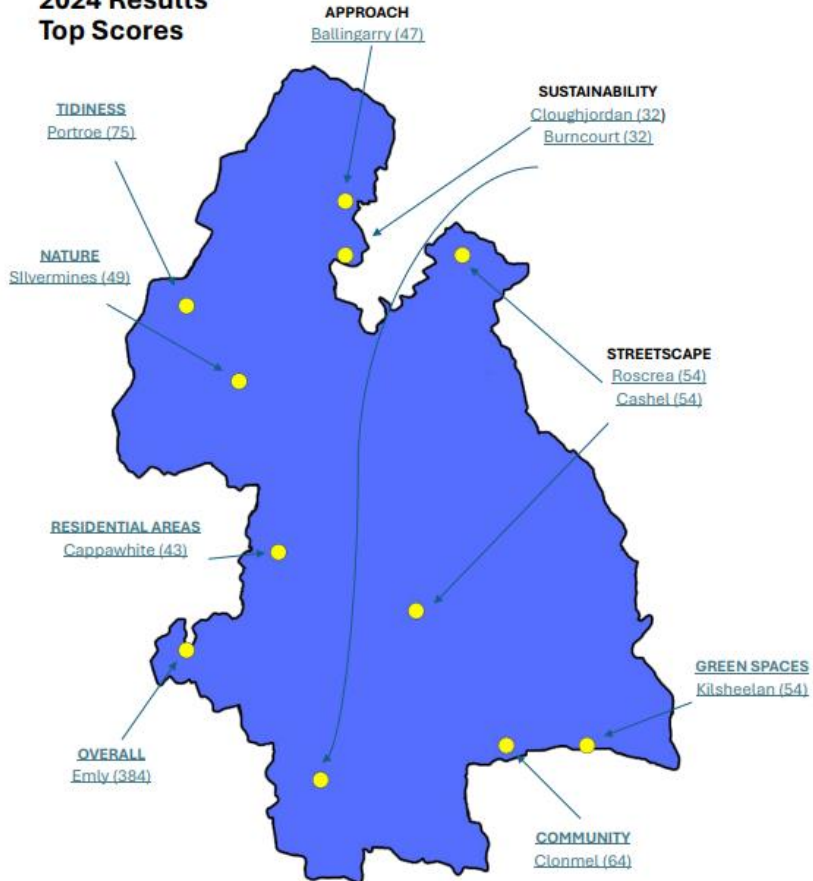- Tipperary had 80 Entries in 2024 – very high level of participation in the National Competition

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Tipperary
Volunteer Centre
Ionad d'Obair Dheonach Thiobraid Árann

National 2024 Results Top Scores also reflected by Population Category

RESIDENTIAL AREAS
Glenties (47)
Tullamore (47)
Malahide (47)

STREETSCAPE
Ballyvaughan (58)

NATURE
Rathangan (55)

TIDINESS
Ballyvaughan (76)
Ruan (76)
Quin (76)
Portmagee (76)

GREEN SPACES
Kill (58)
Kilcullen (58)

COMMUNITY
Newbridge (64)

SUSTAINABILITY
Abbeyleix (35)

APPROACH
Dungarvan (49)
Westport (49)
Rathbarry (49)

OVERALL
Ballincollig(384)

Maximum	80	80	80	55	55	90	55	55
Category	Community	Steetscapes	Green Spaces	Nature	Sustainability	Tidiness	Residential	Approach
A	58	58	55	50	30	76	42	49
B	60	56	57	53	34	76	47	48
C	60	54	55	51	35	74	44	47
D	61	57	58	55	32	73	41	48
E	60	56	56	52	34	67	46	49
F	60	56	56	52	31	70	42	47
G	64	56	57	48	34	70	47	47
H	61	55	55	50	31	66	42	43
Top - Bottom	6	4	3	7	5	10	6	6

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Within Tipperary we have highlighted the top 5 in each of the 8 categories – what lesson's can we learn from each other ?

TIPPERARY 2024 Results Top Scores

- APPROACH — Ballingarry (47)
- SUSTAINABILITY — Cloughjordan (32), Burncourt (32)
- TIDINESS — Portroe (75)
- NATURE — Silvermines (49)
- STREETSCAPE — Roscrea (54), Cashel (54)
- RESIDENTIAL AREAS — Cappawhite (43)
- GREEN SPACES — Kilsheelan (54)
- COMMUNITY — Clonmel (64)
- OVERALL — Emly (384)

	Lot	Location	Category	Community	Steetscapes	Green Spaces	Nature	Sustainability	Tidiness	Residential	Approach	Total
1				80	80	80	55	55	90	55	55	550
2												
5	South	Emly 641	B	58	49	49	45	27	73	39	44	384
6	South	Kilsheelan 559	C	57	48	54	39	25	74	41	45	383
7	North	Terryglass 626	A	54	49	53	39	26	70	40	45	376
8	North	Birdhill 587	A	56	48	53	43	29	66	34	43	372
9	North	Silvermines 624	B	47	50	53	49	25	72	37	38	371
10	South	Clonmel 516	G	60	50	47	38	24	66	41	41	367
11	South	Cahir 634	D	58	49	49	43	26	60	39	42	366
12	South	Cashel 325	E	54	52	51	34	25	66	38	44	364
13	North	Killoscully 525	A	52	51	50	40	23	71	35	40	362
14	North	Nenagh 726	E	55	51	50	34	21	66	40	45	362
15	North	Lorrha 863	A	52	48	50	32	25	69	40	43	359
16	North	Portroe 838	B	48	49	51	35	19	75	38	43	358
17	North	Roscrea 622	E	54	52	52	33	23	61	41	40	356
18	North	Ballina Boher -824	D	53	46	49	36	29	68	38	35	354
19	South	Tipperary 520	D	59	46	49	44	24	57	33	40	352

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann — Tipperary County Council

Tipperary Volunteer Centre — Ionad d'Obair Dheonach Thiobraid Árann

Tipperary Volunteer Centre have prepared a report on each entrant with 2023 comparison, National Top Sore and who achieved top in your category

Thank you for your commitment to making your local area a better place to live, work and play.

Please find below analysis we completed on your Tidy Towns Results over the past two years. We have also included the top scoring groups for each heading in your category for 2024.

Group Number and Name: 0641 Emly (South)

Competition Category: B

Category	2023 Score	2024 Score	Difference	National Top Score	Group achieving Top Score.
Community	56	58	2	60	Tallanstown 852 (Louth)
Streetscapes	48	49	1	56	Riverstown 417 (Sligo)
Green Spaces	47	49	2	57	Inistioge 394 (Kilkenny)
Nature	43	45	2	53	Mulranny 501 (Mayo)
Sustainability	25	27	2	34	Galbally 452 (Limerick)
Tidiness	72	73	1	76	Quin 85 (Clare)
Residential Areas	37	39	2	47	Glenties 702 (Donegal)
Approach	43	44	1	48	Clonbullogue 618 (Offaly)
Overall Score	371	384	13	384	Roscarbery 691 (Cork West)

Data Provided on all Tipperary results, and also all Gold, Silver and Bronze nationally

Lot	Location	Category	Community	Steetscapes	Green Spaces	Nature	Sustainability	Tidiness	Residential	Approach	Total
	Max Available		80	80	80	55	55	90	55	55	550
Mayo	Westport 366	E	57	54	51	45	28	65	36	49	385
Cork West	Rathbarry 689	A	57	47	52	41	21	74	35	49	376
Waterford	Dungarvan 230	E	54	51	53	39	24	67	34	49	371
Monaghan	Carrickmacross 586	E	51	53	52	44	24	58	46	48	376
Offaly	Clonbullogue 618	B	56	52	48	46	26	58	40	48	374
Cork West	Bantry 666	D	56	53	51	42	24	66	39	48	379
Kildare	Kill 374	D	50	48	58	44	27	70	38	48	383
Offaly	Tullamore 727	G	58	54	51	40	25	53	47	47	375
Wexford	Wexford 458	G	58	53	54	36	26	57	44	47	375
Kildare	Straffan 385	C	51	46	51	47	23	74	43	47	382
Dublin	Shankill 1101	F	50	47	54	45	24	65	41	47	373
Carlow	Leighlinbridge 41	C	55	49	51	44	27	70	38	47	381
Longford	Newtowncashel 485	A	52	51	52	38	25	68	38	47	371
Waterford	Ardmore 647	B	55	49	49	46	30	65	38	47	379
Cork South	Youghal 600	E	52	55	54	46	23	64	38	47	379
Cork West	Roscarbery 691	B	54	52	51	47	29	67	37	47	384
Longford	Abbeyshrule 473	A	56	50	52	44	28	72	35	47	384

Lot	Location	Category	Community	Steetscapes	Green Spaces	Nature	Sustainability	Tidiness	Residential	Approach	Total
			80	80	80	55	55	90	55	55	550
South	Emly 641	B	58	49	49	45	27	73	39	44	384
South	Kilsheelan 559	C	57	48	54	39	25	74	41	45	383
North	Terryglass 626	A	54	49	53	39	26	70	40	45	376
North	Birdhill 587	A	56	48	53	43	29	66	34	43	372
North	Silvermines 624	B	47	50	53	49	25	72	37	38	371
South	Clonmel 516	G	60	50	47	38	24	66	41	41	367
South	Cahir 634	D	58	49	49	43	26	60	39	42	366
South	Cashel 325	E	54	52	51	34	25	66	38	44	364
North	Killoscully 525	A	52	51	50	40	23	71	35	40	362
North	Nenagh 726	E	55	51	50	34	21	66	40	45	362
North	Lorrha 863	A	52	48	50	32	25	69	40	43	359
North	Portroe 838	B	48	49	51	35	19	75	38	43	358
North	Roscrea 622	E	54	52	52	33	23	61	41	40	356
North	Ballina Boher -824	D	53	46	49	36	29	68	38	35	354
South	Tipperary 520	D	59	46	49	44	24	57	33	40	352

Breakdown by Category Tipperary & National

Category	Population	Tipperary (81)		National Gold Silver Bronze including Tipperary (160)	
A	Under 200	38	48%	23	14%
B	201 to 1,000	29	36%	33	21%
C	1,001 to 2,500	4	5%	19	12%
D	2,501 to 5,000	3	4%	18	11%
E	5,001 to 10,000	5	6%	23	14%
F	10,001 to 15,000	0	0	14	9%
G	15,001 to 25,000	1	1%	19	12%
H	25,001 and over	0		11	7%

Data resources

- Data, maps will be uploaded next week to www.tipperarycoco.ie
- Slide Deck and any other resources will also be uploaded to the website

Thank you

Fiona Crotty, Administrative Officer, Economic Community and Rural Development

Fiona.crotty@tipperarycoco.ie

Tipperary Supports Tidy Towns 2025

Tipperary Heritage – Supporting and Showcasing Heritage in your application

What is Heritage ?

- Monuments, archaeological objects, heritage objects, architectural heritage, flora, fauna, wildlife habitats, landscapes, seascapes, wrecks, geology, heritage gardens and parks and inland waterways.

- *Heritage Act 1995*

- *Cultural and Intangible heritage music, dance, traditions, folklore, oral history, industrial and agricultural heritage*

Heritage is important because....

It is our inheritance-what we chose to give value to

Biodiversity is an essential component in the functioning of our environment

It is shared among all citizens and is fully inclusive

Provides a sense of place and pride for residents and local communities.

Interaction with heritage provides physical and mental health benefits and contributes to wellbeing

It is a factor that makes a place attractive to set up a business

Tipperary's heritage encourage domestic and overseas visitors to come, to stay and to return

Heritage and Tidy Towns

- Streetscapes and Public Spaces

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder!

Bantry Library: National rating on National Inventory of Architectural Heritage

Detached Modernist Style irregular plan double height library built c 1975

National Inventory of Architectural Heritage

- www.buildingsofireland.ie

Contacts in Local Authority Streetscapes Public Spaces

- Municipal Districts
- Area Engineer
- Conservation Officer
- Town Regeneration Officer
- Planning Department
- Environment Section
- Biodiversity Officer
- Heritage Officer

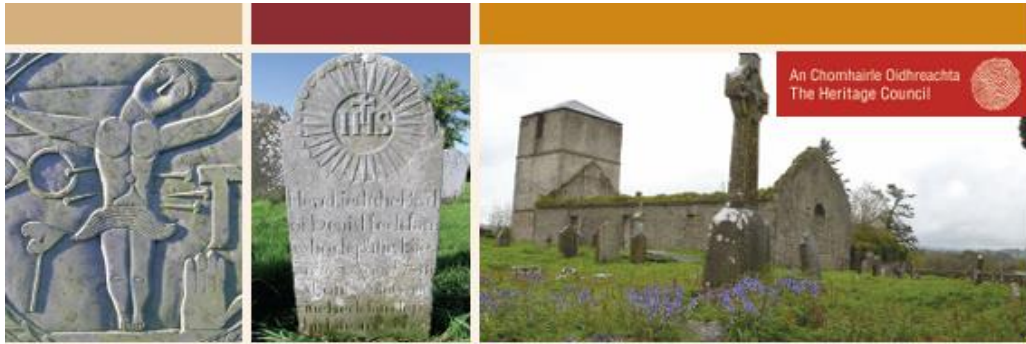Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Artwork on boarded up buildings and hoardings
by South Tipperary Arts Group
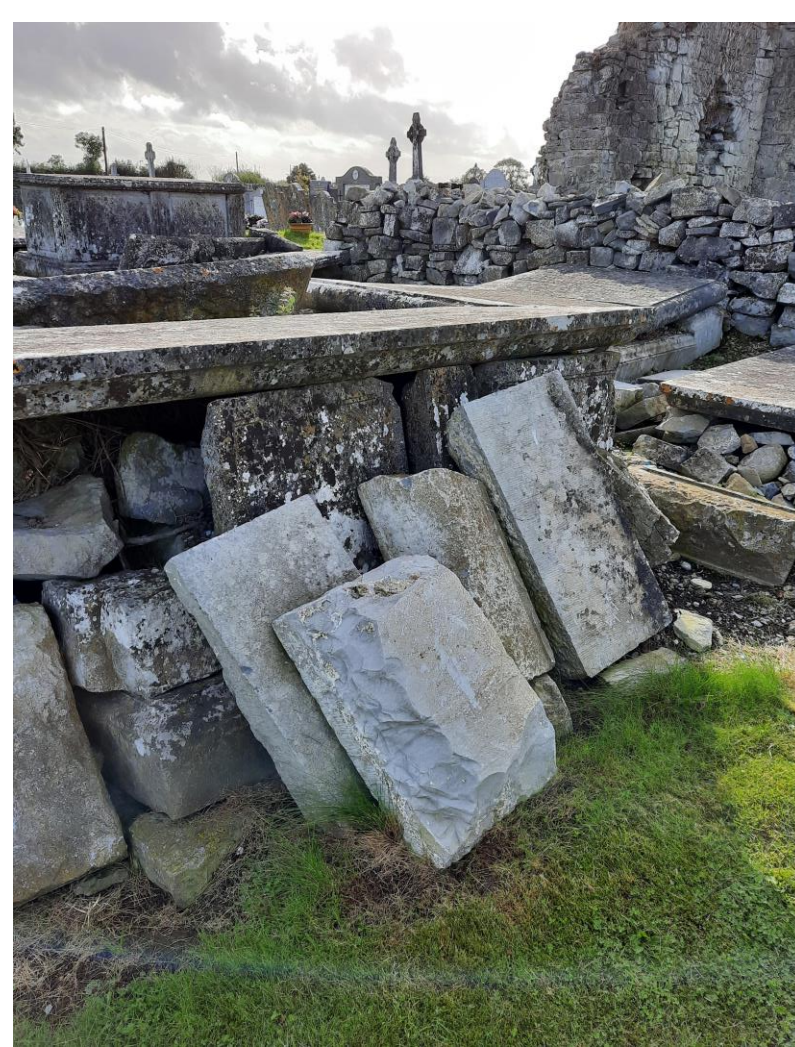
Graveyards

Guidance for the Care, Conservation and Recording of Historic Graveyards

An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council

Historic graveyards places of significant human activity

- Resting place for departed and places of remembrance
- Heritage value in archaeology, architecture, folk art
- Wildlife habitats
- Repositories of local genealogy

Top Tips for caring for your Historic Graveyard

MASONRY AND MEMORIALS

- **Get the necessary expert advice** for repair or conservation of structural remains.
- **Keep pathways clear of vegetation**.
- **Boundary walls should be maintained with care** e.g. by reusing original stone, keeping original features like stiles and using recessed pointing.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

- Always consult your **Local Authority Heritage Officer** for advice on best practice.
- **Check ownership of the graveyard** and seek the owner's permission.
- Carefully consider the impact of what you are planning. **Work should enhance the character and setting**, taking into account both built and natural heritage value.
- Works that may involve **ground disturbance or work to built fabric** require consultation with National Monuments Service. The necessary guidance can be found **HERE**.
- **Make a plan!** A plan should describe the condition of the various features in the graveyard and what work is required. A useful template prepared by **HISTORIC GRAVES** can be found **HERE**.

THINGS TO AVOID

- **Excessive mowing and use of herbicides** as these impact native plants, insects and animals.
- **Removal of ivy** from ruins without expert advice and supervision.
- **Power washing, sand blasting or chemical treatment of headstones**. Modern recording methods can now be used to read many difficult to decipher inscriptions.
- **Attempts to flatten the 'humps and bumps'** of the surface and unnecessary removal of headstones (e.g. to place against a wall). This seriously affects the character of the graveyard.
- **Using tarmac or concrete** on new or existing pathways.

NATURAL HERITAGE – BIRDS, BEES AND BATS

- Consider leaving part of the graveyard **unmown to benefit pollinators** like bees.
- **Boundary walls** are important habitats for many insects, interesting flora and even small animals and birds.
- **Let the dandelions bloom!** They are an important early food source for pollinators. You can find out more about the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan **HERE**.
- If carrying out works on towers, roofs or crypts, **consider carrying out a bat survey**.
- **Hedges and trees** should only be trimmed between 1st September and 1st March.
- **Deep rooted trees** like sycamore can cause damage to boundary walls and other structures. Get advice on cutting back or removing larger trees and remove saplings.

ADOPT A MONUMENT

An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council

ENHANCED BY Google

National Monuments Service

Archaeological Survey of Ireland **Monument Protection** **Planning** **Underwater Archaeology** **Archive Unit**
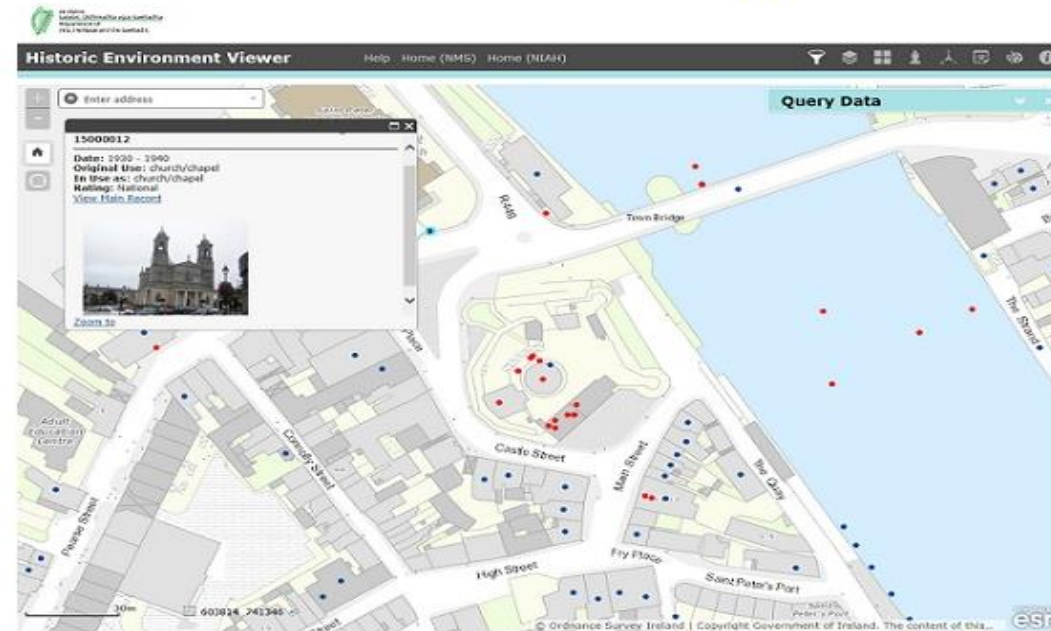
Home > Archaeological Survey of Ireland > Historic Environment Viewer application

- ˅ **Historic Environment Viewer application**
- › **Notes on downloading and accessing data**
- › **Legal Protection**

Historic Environment Viewer application

The Historic Environment Viewer is a free-to-use digital service provided by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. It has been developed to enhance the user's experience by facilitating access the datasets of the National Monuments Service and the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH) in a seamless one-stop point of access. The viewer is capable of being accessed on the majority of browsers and platforms, including smart phones.

Launch Historic Environment Viewer application

There is also an Historic Environment Viewer – Help document available.

Please read the following information links to get more information on the datasets included in the Historic Environment Viewer, their legal significance and how to query them in the Viewer application:
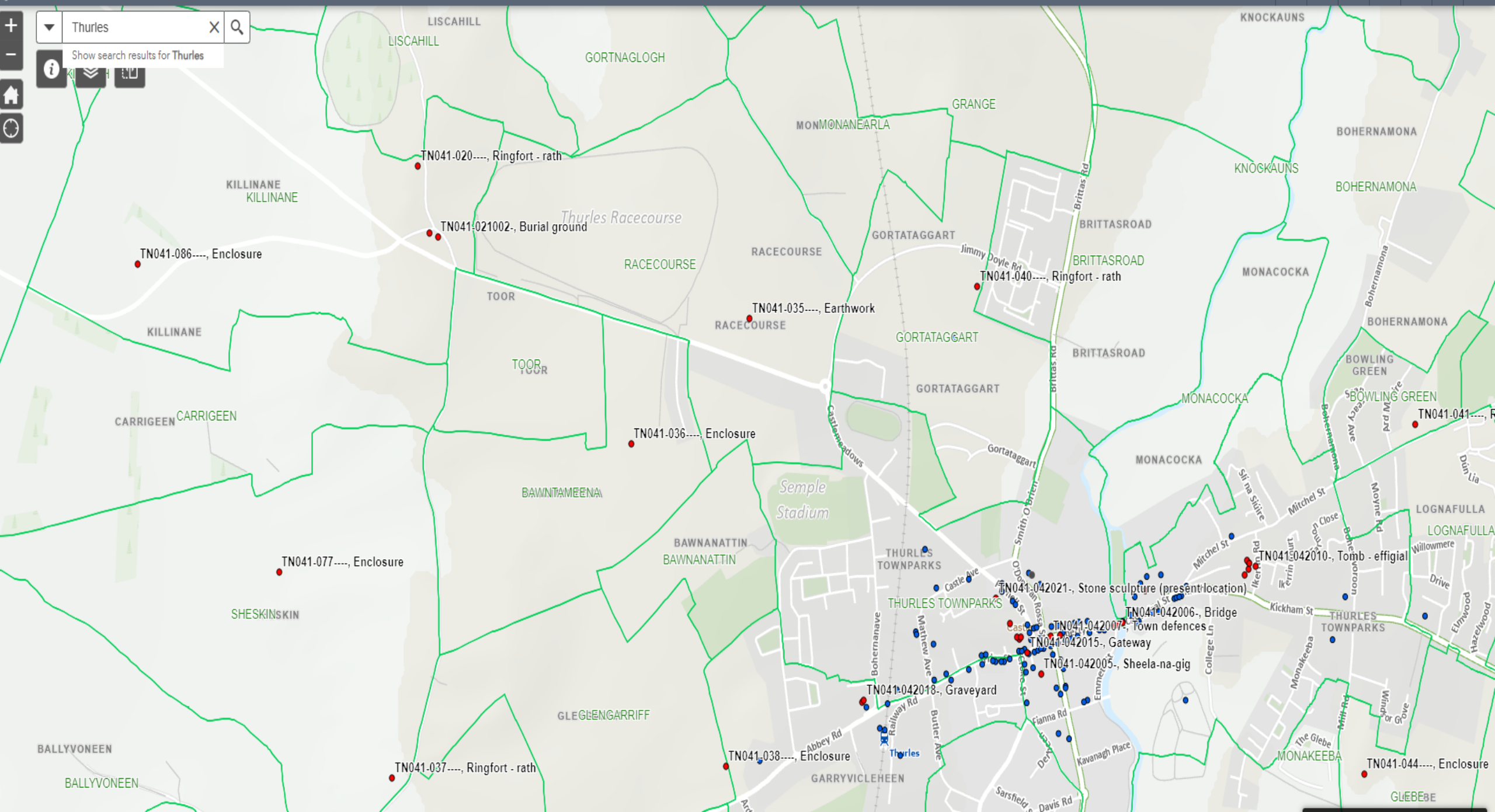
Archaeological Survey of Ireland
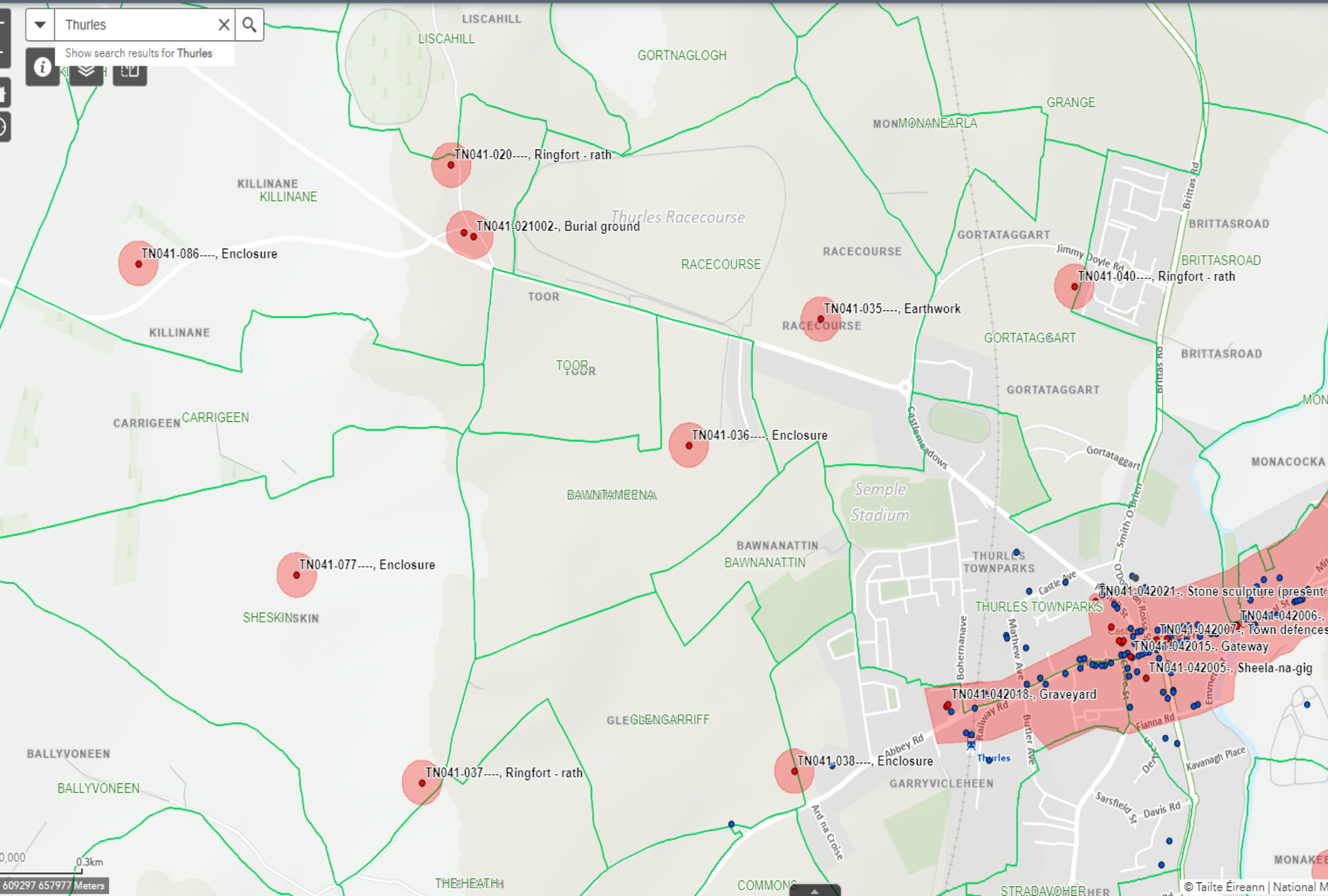
National Inventory of Architectural Heritage

Thurles

Show search results for **Thurles**

LISCAHILL
LISCAHILL
GORTNAGLOGH
KNOCKAUNS

GRANGE

MONMONANEARLA

KNOCKAUNS

BOHERNAMONA

KILLINANE
KILLINANE

TN041-020----, Ringfort - rath

Thurles Racecourse

GORTATAGGART

BRITTASROAD

BOHERNAMONA

TN041-021002-, Burial ground

Jimmy Doyle Rd

BRITTASROAD

TN041-086----, Enclosure

RACECOURSE

RACECOURSE

MONACOCKA

TOOR

TN041-035----, Earthwork

TN041-040----, Ringfort - rath

BOHERNAMONA

RACECOURSE

GORTATAGGART

TOOR
TOOR

GORTATAGGART

BRITTASROAD

BOWLING
GREEN

CARRIGEEN   CARRIGEEN

TN041-036----, Enclosure

MONACOCKA

BOWLING GREEN

CARRIGEEN

TN041-041---

*Semple
Stadium*

MONACOCKA

LOGNAFULLA

BAWNTAMEENA

LOGNAFULLA

BAWNANATTIN
BAWNANATTIN

THURLES
TOWNPARKS

TN041-042010-, Tomb - effigial

TN041-077----, Enclosure

THURLES TOWNPARKS

TN041-042021-, Stone sculpture (present location)

THURLES
TOWNPARKS

SHESKINSKIN

TN041-042006-, Bridge

TN041-042007-, Town defences

TN041-042015-, Gateway

TN041-042005-, Sheela-na-gig

GLEGLENGARRIFF
GLENGARRIFF

TN041-042018-, Graveyard

BALLYVONEEN

TN041-038----, Enclosure

Thurles

BALLYVONEEN

TN041-037----, Ringfort - rath

TN041-044----, Enclosure

BALLYVONEEN

GARRYVICLEHEEN

MONAKEEBA

GLEBE
GLEBE

Thurles

Show search results for Thurles

LISCAHILL
LISCAHILL
GORTNAGLOGH
GRANGE
MONMONANEARLA

KILLINANE
KILLINANE

TN041-020----, Ringfort - rath

Thurles Racecourse

RACECOURSE

GORTATAGGART

TN041-086----, Enclosure

TN041-021002-, Burial ground

RACECOURSE

BRITTASROAD
BRITTASROAD

Jimmy Doyle Rd

TN041-040----, Ringfort - rath

RACECOURSE

TN041-035----, Earthwork

TOOR

GORTATAGGART

BRITTASROAD

TOOR
TOOR

RACECOURSE

GORTATAGGART

CARRIGEEN
CARRIGEEN

MONACOCKA

KILLINANE

TN041-036----, Enclosure

Semple
Stadium

BAWNTAMEENA

TN041-077----, Enclosure

BAWNANATTIN
BAWNANATTIN

THURLES
TOWNPARKS

SHESKINSKIN

TN041-042021-, Stone sculpture (present lo...

THURLES TOWNPARKS

TN041-042006-, E...

TN041-042007-, Town defences

TN041-042015-, Gateway

TN041-042005-, Sheela-na-gig

GLEGLENGARRIFF

TN041-042018-, Graveyard

BALLYVONEEN

TN041-037----, Ringfort - rath

TN041-038----, Enclosure

Thurles

BALLYVONEEN

GARRYVICLEHEEN

MONAKEEL

THE HEATH
THE HEATH

COMMONS

STRADAVOHER

© Tailte Éireann | National Mo...

Layer List

Layers

- ☑ Sites and Monuments Records (SMR)   •••
  - •
- ☑ National Inventory of Architectural Heritage (NIAH)   •••
  - •
- ☑ SMRZone   •••
- ☐ Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) Map Sheets   •••
- ☐ Counties (Tailte Éireann)   •••
- ☐ Gaeltacht (Tailte Éireann)   •••
- ☑ Townlands (Tailte Éireann)   •••
- ☐ Local Authorities (Tailte Éireann)   •••
- ☐ UNESCO World Heritage Property Sceilig Mhichíl   •••
- ☑ UNESCO World Heritage Property Bru na Boinne   •••
- ☑ UNESCO World Heritage Property Bru na Boinne Buffer   •••

App State

Click to restore the map extent and layers visibility where you left off.

609297 657977 Meters

0.3km
0,000

Community Monuments Fund

Creative Ireland

Thank You ☺

roisin.ogrady@tipperarycoco.ie

052- 6166213

Biodiversity - Tidy Towns

Ann Marie Fleming (TCC)

08th Feb 2025

Recap – What is Biodiversity?

- Biodiversity or biological diversity is the variety of all living things on earth and includes

➢ Genetic diversity (genes)

➢ Specific diversity (species)

➢ Ecological diversity (ecosystems)

- Biodiversity, therefore, includes everything from bacteria, insects, birds, mammals, amphibians, plants and fungi, to larger habitats and ecosystems such as woodlands, grasslands, Wetlands etc.

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council
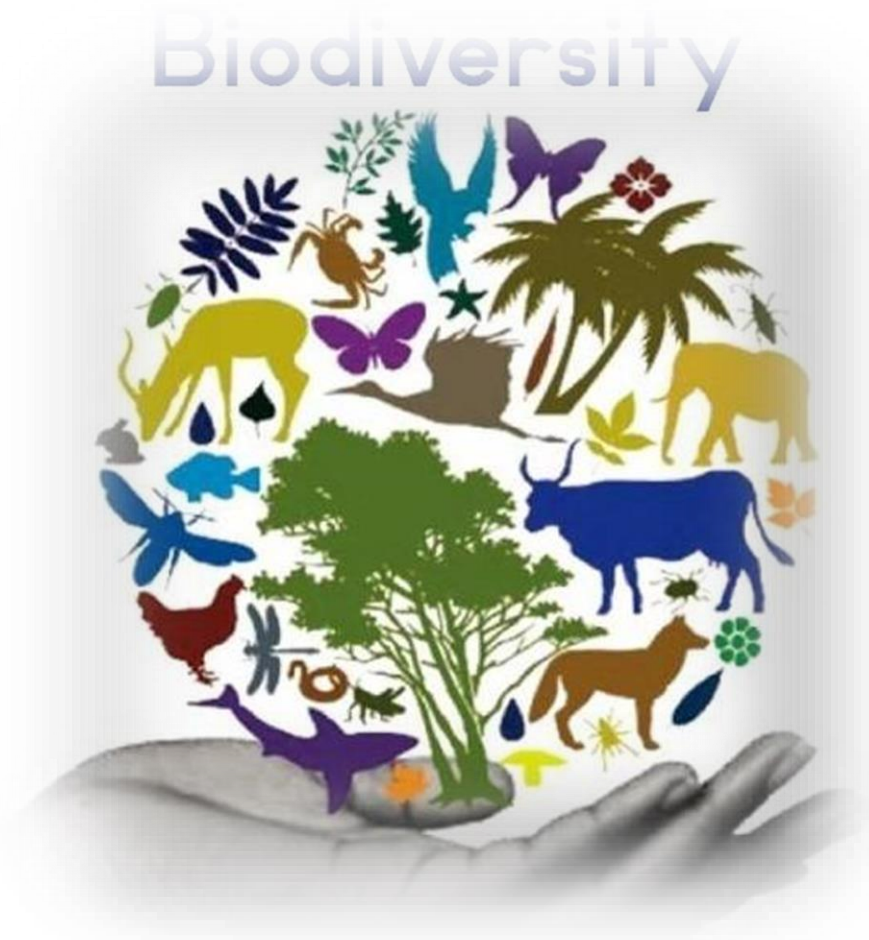
Why does biodiversity matter?

- It provides us with <u>essential</u> ecosystem services such as clean air, water purification, climate regulation, pollination, pest control, fuel., recreation, medicine……………
- The value of ecosystem services in Ireland alone is €2.6 billion annually!!

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

POLLINATION | CLEAN WATER SOURCE | CARBON SEQUESTRATION TREE | SOIL FERTILITY | BIODIVERSITY

FLOOD REGULATION | CLIMATE STABILITY | NUTRIENT CYCLING | CULTURAL SERVICES | FOOD PROVISION

PEST CONTROL | EROSION PREVENTION | HABITAT | AIR QUALITY | RAW MATERIALS

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Understanding Biodiversity Scoring

- Key Criteria –   Each entrant is assessed under eight criteria with a total of 470 marks available as follows :

Criteria	Marks
Community-Your Planning & Involvement	60
Streetscape & Public Places	60
Green Spaces & Landscaping	60
Nature & Biodiversity in your Locality	50
Sustainability-Doing more with less	50
Tidiness & Litter Control	90
Residential Streets & Housing Areas	50
Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes	50

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Adjudication for Biodiversity

- Knowing and understanding Nature in your local area

- Habitats and Species in your local area

- Actions for Nature and Biodiversity

- Education and Awareness

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Know and understanding your local area

- What habitats are present? - Rivers, lakes, grassland, woodland, stonewalls, parks etc….

- First step is habitat survey and mapping – Community Foundation of Ireland Grants available

- Are there protected areas? – PNHA's, NHA's, SAC's, SPA's, Nature Reserves

- Legislation – Wildlife Act 1976- 2023, The Habitats Directive, The Birds Directive

- Species in your local area (may influence some or your Actions)

Maps - Biodiversity Maps

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Habitat Management

- Looking at habitats in local area and how to improve management

➢ Grass management (long-flowering meadow, 6 week meadow)

➢ Hedgerow management

➢ Removing non-native species (may need to seek expert advice, legislation)

➢ Avoid clearance of ivy, lichens, mosses from stonewalls/buildings

- Be aware of areas within SAC's, SPA's, NHA's (legislative requirements)

- Avoid use of pesticides

- Be aware of effects of lighting on sensitive species

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Habitat Creation

- Start small
- Planting native hedgerow
- Banks for solitary bees
- Small pond
- Orchard or small urban woodland
- Meadows
- Ecological networks

Keep it simple!!!!

Actions for Biodiversity

- A Local Biodiversity Action Plan (LBAP) – written by an ecologist (usually) - sets objectives and actions for specific habitat/area within your locality (Community Foundation of Ireland)

- Habitat Management and creation – Grass management, vegetation management, planting

- Surveys and monitoring – Wildflowers, insects, birds, mammals

➢ Can show how what you currently have and how previous biodiversity enhancements have positively impacted biodiversity,

➢ Pollinators – Actions should follow All – Ireland Pollinator Plan

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Actions for Biodiversity

- Tree/ hedge planting – Right trees in right place, native trees of Irish provenance

- Create ecological networks – Create a map of areas currently managed for pollinators, look to extend

- Community engagement and awareness – Social media, community events, engaging schools

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Showcasing your application

- Clearly present your achievements, projects and community engagement!!

- Clearly present or outline each of the elements (Green spaces and landscaping, Nature and Biodiversity, Residential areas etc…)

- Keep in concise, use bullet points where possible

- Use good visuals

➢Short videos

➢Before and after photos (improvements and public spaces, pollinator planting, sustainability).

➢6 photos per page

Showcasing your application

- Map and plans for projects – Ecological networks, pollinator planting, tree planting

- Highlight Community Involvement – Keep track of no. of volunteers participating, take photos

- Highlight partnerships with local schools, businesses, LA

- Include photos from events

- Showcase any data you may have gathered – biodiversity project (this is where surveys are useful).

- Cleary show Social media platform and include links and use hashtags

Showcasing your application

- Outline any planned projects and the benefits for biodiversity

- How will future projects improve your town/village

- If issues are present, such as an invasive species, outline a plan for management

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Thanks for your attendance
Any questions???

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Contact me

Ann Marie Fleming (Biodiversity Officer)

Ballingarrane House, Cahir Road, Clonmel, E91E183

annmarie.fleming@tipperarycoco.ie

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Some useful resources

National Biodiversity Data Centre – Documenting Ireland's Wildlife

Ireland's invasive species - Invasives.ie

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan » All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

Home Page - Hedgerows Ireland

Irish Bats - Bat Conservation Ireland

Home Page - BirdWatch Ireland

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council
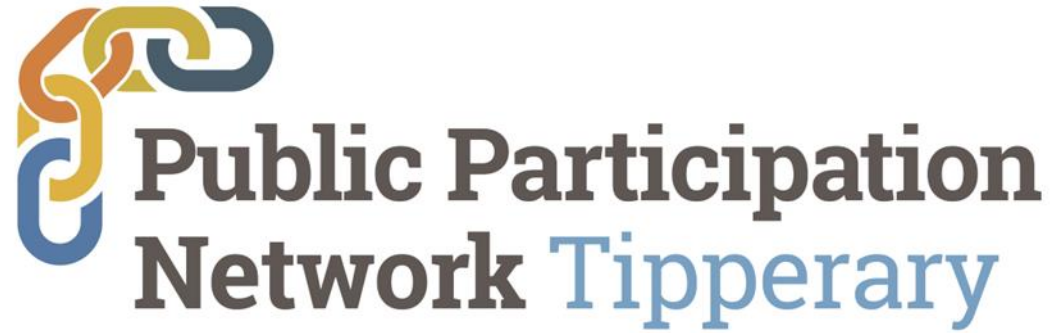
UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
Act Local
Think Global

The PPN
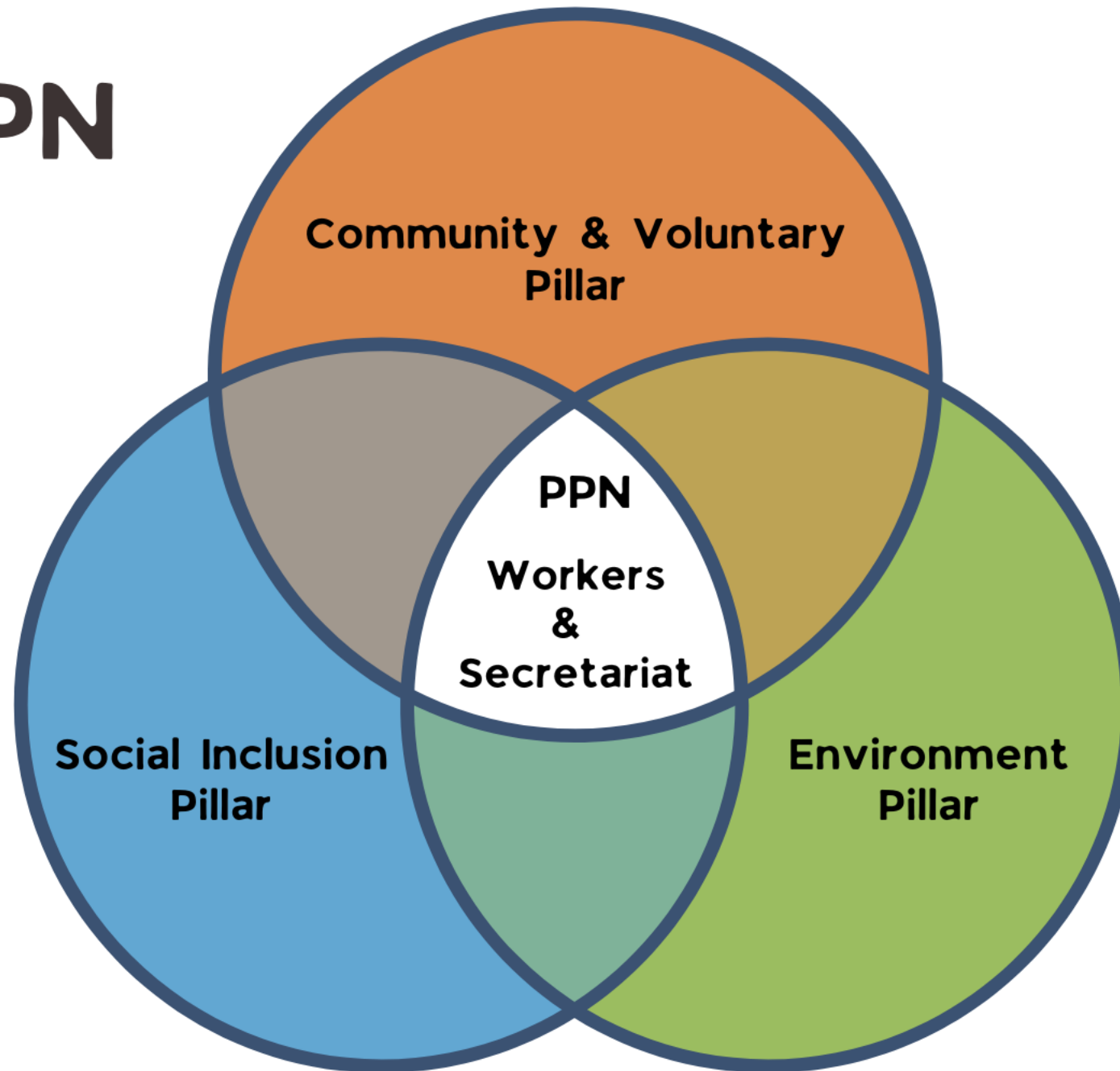
Groups by Municipal District
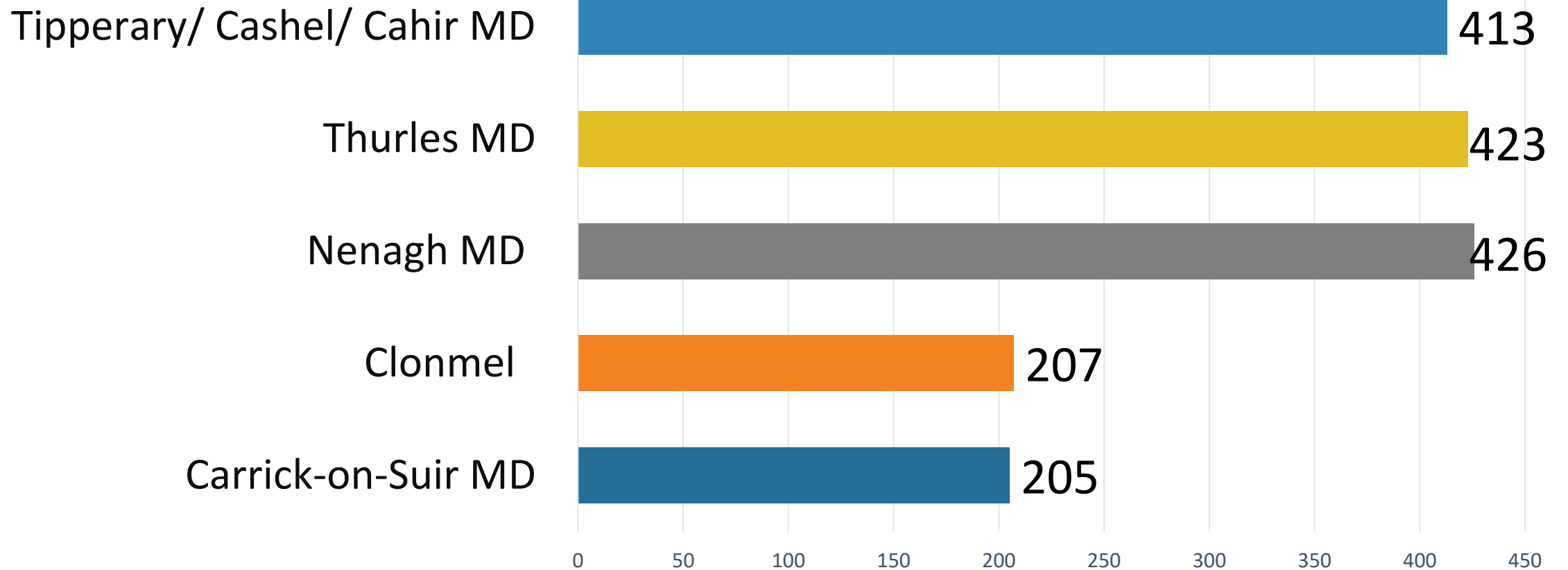
PPN groups as of January 2025 (1,671)
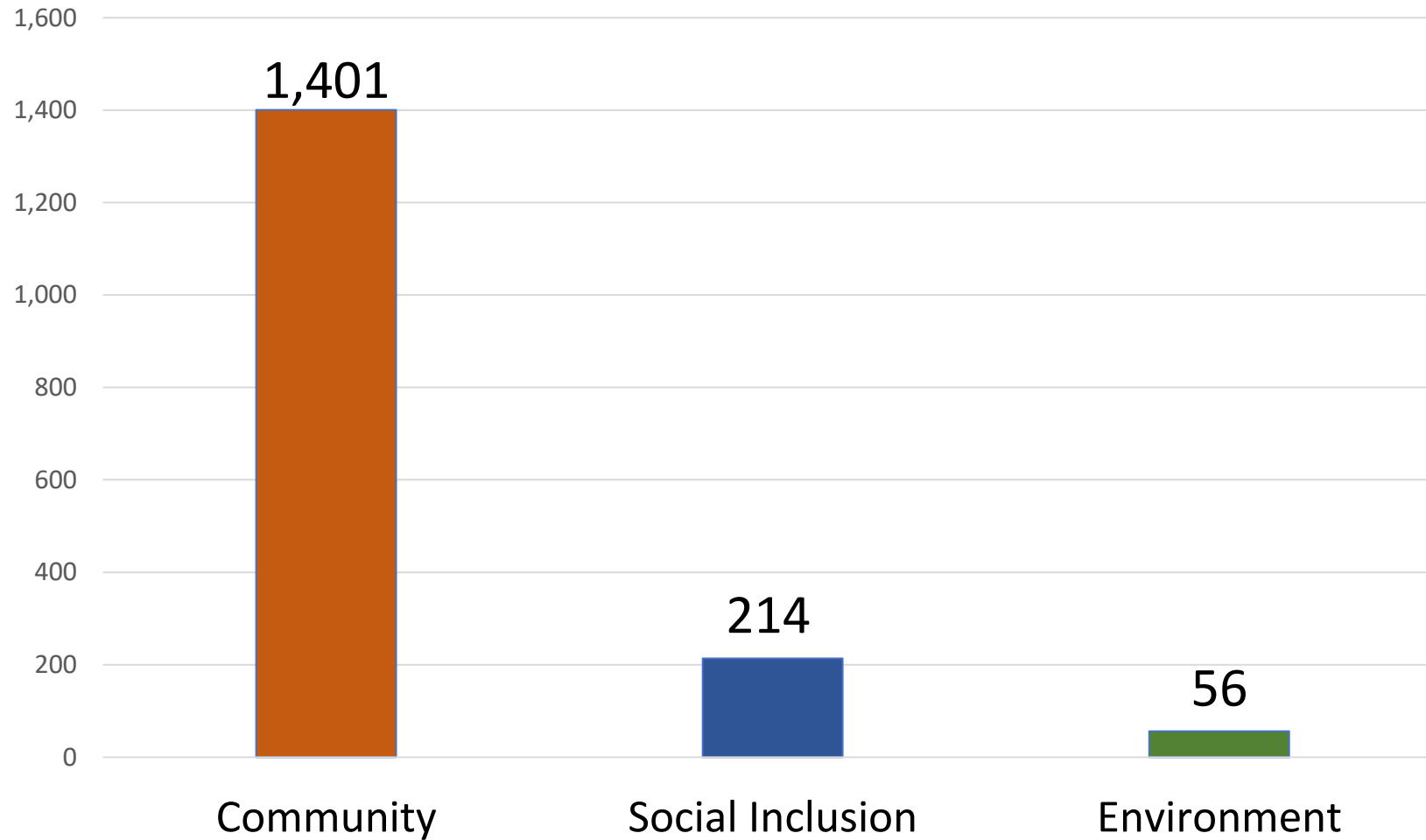
How Is Your Group Doing with the More Environmentally Aware Aspects of the Tidy Towns Competition?

- How environmentally friendly is your Tidy Towns group?

- Would you like to be more aware of climate actions you can do?

- Would you like to improve in the Tidy Towns competition sections, such as, **Nature and Biodiversity in your locality** and **Sustainability - Doing more with less?**

- Have you any idea how to apply the Sustainable Development Goals to your application in the best way?

- Do you use chemical pesticides but would like to know of other effective types?

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation
Network Tipperary

Break Out Session

Break out Session to work on Sustainable Development Goals

Lunch Canteen 12.45-1.30

Return 1.30 for Fran Igoe Local Authority Waters Programme

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation
Network Tipperary

Tipperary Supports Tidy Towns

08/02/25

Sara Bourke

Rural Development STDC

About the Local Development Companies

Independent companies who work to advance community-led local development to address social, economic and environmental challenges for the benefit of all in North and South Tipperary

Key Programmes

SICAP
Social Inclusion &
Community Activation
Programme

- Supports for individuals who may be socially excluded
  - Jobseekers
  - People with disabilities
  - New Communities
  - People who are isolated
- Supports for community groups working with these issues.

South Tipperary
Development CLG

NTDC
North Tipperary
Development Company

Key Programmes (contd)

- Work placements within communities

Potential Sources of Funding

- Town and Village Renewal
- Rural Regeneration Fund
- CLAR
- Community Centres Investment Fund
- SEAI
- Just Transition Fund
- Sports Capital
- Local Enhancement
- CoCo operations
- LEADER

LEADER
Development led by local communities

- EU Grant scheme
  - Revitalisation of Towns and Villages
  - Rural Tourism
  - Social Inclusion
  - Environment / Sustainability / Biodiversity
  - Economic / Enterprise

South Tipperary Development CLG

NTDC
North Tipperary Development Company

Types of funding

Project Type	Max Grant rates	Max Grant Non profit
Capital eg Building works, equipment, landscaping, planting and marketing	75%	€5k to €200k
Feasibility studies, Research	90%	€5k to €30k
Training	100%	€5k to €200k

► Typically, 3 months from submission of application to signing contract and project start

► Works carried out before contract signed are NOT eligible

Environmental Projects

- Improve biodiversity;

- Restore and develop habitats, including eradicating invasive species;

- Community Gardens

- Improve water quality on lakes, rivers and streams, and conserve water resources;

- Facilitate energy conservation, and renewable energy initiatives.

- Support waste reduction, upcycling and the circular economy

South Tipperary Development CLG

NTDC
North Tipperary
Development Company

What is NOT Eligible under LEADER:
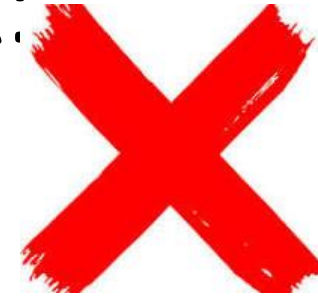
- Conventional Retail Operations

- Running costs / maintenance / salaries

- Conventional Motor Vehicles (inc. Farm/Industrial/Construction)

- Improvements/Refurbishments to Private Residential Property / Mainstream Tourist Accomodation

- Planning application fees

- Support for Mainstream Activities of Mainstream Sporting Organisations

- Primary Agriculture, Horticulture & Fisheries

- Housing, Healthcare & Education

LEADER application process

▶ Requires time and effort

▶ Detailed Application form

▶ Supporting Documents

   ▶ Planning Permission

   ▶ Ownership / Formal Lease /Formal Agreement

   ▶ Seek 3-5 quotations for the work based on detailed specification

   ▶ Accounts / Bank statements / Governing Documents etc

South Tipperary Development CLG

NTDC North Tipperary Development Company

Conclusion

- LEADER funding can support your project
- Application process requires time
- We are here to help and support

- For further information contact a project development officer
- Contact details via:

- **www.ntdc.ie   (067 56676)**

- **www.stdc.ie (052 744 2652)**

Sensory Planting & Community Memories Project

Fiona Crotty Economic Community and Rural Development

Sensory Planting Guide

Helpful Planting List

- Eunymous Alatus
- Cordyline Australis
- Mespilus Germanica
- Wisteria Sinensis
- Hydrangea Petiolaris
- Trachelospermum Jasminoides
- Thuja
- Frangula Alnus
- Prunus Spinosa
- Crataegus
- Quercus Petraea
- Ligustrum Vulgare

- Polygonatum
- Crocosmia
- Leucanthemum Vulgare
- Echium Candicans
- Stipa Gigantea
- Stachys Big Ears
- Lavatera Bredon
- Alchemilla Moonshine
- Lilium Regale
- Thalictrum Angelica
- Nepeta Kit Kat
- Digitalis Purpurea

Sensory and Reminiscence Gardening and Horticulture for people with Dementia

dementia
understand together
inclusive community

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan
www.pollinators.ie
I'm pledging my garden for pollinators

Tipperary Understand Together
Sensory Planting

dementia
understand together
inclusive community

TIPPERARY
Age Friendly

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Tipperary Understand Together

Community Memories Project

- Photo Book
- Use of images has been shown to improve recognition, understanding, and recall in people with dementia
- Pictures can trigger fantastic memories and interests. One image can take the person on a journey down memory lane and bring out associated stories about work, school, family life, travel an social events

- Local Project – intergenerational
- Local Showcase at local shop, community centre
- Can submit evidence or copy to be part of the Tipperary County collated project for showcase during Positive Ageing Week 2025 29/09 to 03/10

TIPPERARY
Age Friendly

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Community Memories Project – Then and Now

Dementia Awareness Training

- In March and April Tipperary Age Friendly will host Dementia Awareness training in Tipperary

- This training will be for 1-1.5 hours duration, it is free to attend

- You can support those living with dementia living in your community

- Dates will be promoted through Tipperary PPN, Tipperary Age Friendly, through local libraries and local dementia cafe

- For more information visit www.tipperarycoco.ie

- Contact agefriendly@tipperarycoco.ie

The Power of Place & People in Tipperary - a Survey

Connect: Building a Stronger Community Together

Fiona Crotty, Economic Community and Rural development

Building Blocks of Community

Ref.	Action	KPIs	Convenor	Type	Partner Bodies	Commencement
SCO1.2	Undertake a **Community Capacity and Community Organisation Audit** to determine the sector's social capital and capacity gaps.	• Implementation of Community Capacity and Community Organisation Audit. • Publication of baseline profile of the C&V sector organisations. • Publication of baseline profile of the individual C&V sector organisations capacity.	PPN TCC (ECRD)		NTDC PPN STDC TUS TVC	2024-2025

- Tipperary LECP Action to undertake Community Capacity and Community Organisation Audit

- There are 1756 number of community Groups registered with Tipperary Public Participation Network in County Tipperary (The planned survey will exclude Burial Ground and Residents Associations in the first round)

- This audit will reflect the physical infrastructure and fabric of the community facility

- This audit will also reflect the social capital of the community group

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation Network Tipperary

The tapestry of Community

- The survey/audit is currently being finalised with input from Climate Action, Health and Wellbeing, Tipperary PPN and other stakeholders.

- Tipperary PPN will be a full partner on this project

- Each physical community facility will be visited. Each of these facilities will have photos of entrances, disability access, video conferencing, green infrastructure, energy upgrades completed or required captured with their records

- They will also be engaged to ascertain their social capital, their current capacity, their capacity and volunteer requirements, areas of interest, areas to develop, training required

- Each community group without a facility will also be engaged and their social capital will be recorded.

- We will also ascertain their ability and willingness to engage in Community/Emergency Response

- The survey questionnaire will be built in www.submit.com portal.

- Each property or group will be identified by the PPN ID Number.

- The location for each audit will have an EIRCODE for mapping

- Tipperary County Council Website to host this information

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation
Network Tipperary

Local Links

- We will be able to identify areas of interest/clusters of interest and work with Tipperary ETB, Tipperary PPN, Tipperary Volunteer Centre, Tipperary Sports Partnership etc to provide targeted training

- The audit will provide the staff within the Local Development Companies with groups that need support and mentoring

- We will also ascertain what activities that currently take place at the premises and showcase these on https://whatsonintipp.ie/

- The audit will provide each physical location with a sign with their EIRCODE and QR code. The QR Code will lead back to Tipperary County Council website portal.

E91 E183

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation
Network Tipperary

Understanding Our Community's Needs

- A dedicated team of staff from Tipperary Public Participation Network and Tipperary Community Team will conduct the surveys.

- Each survey engagement could take 2-3 hours

- We plan to commence end of Q1 2025

- We will begin with the Carrick on Suir MD, followed by Thurles MD, followed by Nenagh MD, Tipperary Cahir Cashel MD and Clonmel BD

- We anticipate that it will take potentially 12 to 18 months to fully conclude the project

- This information will support Tipperary County Council and LCDC and inform us of community needs within the county

- The website portal will be populated at intervals as areas are concluded

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation Network Tipperary

For further information on this project contact

Fiona Crotty, Administrative Officer, Economic Community and Rural Development

☎ 087 1252938 ✉ fiona.crotty@tipperarycoco.ie

Anna Ryan, Staff Officer, Economic Community and Rural Development

☎ 052 6166198 ✉ Anna.ryan@tipperarycoco.ie

Ruth Smith, Coordinator Tipperary Public Participation Network

☎ 0504 61014 ✉ ccoordinator@ppntipperary.ie

Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council

Public Participation
Network Tipperary

Event Close

- Feedback Forms for completion
- Copy of Slide Deck will be emailed
- Engagement through Dementia Awareness Training
- Engagement through Community Mapping

- Mary MacMahon Chair Tipperary Age Friendly Older Peoples Council