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**Report of IRD Chief Executive Officer – Joe Kelly**



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- **Cairn Enterprise Hub DAC**
- **Cairn International Trade Centre Ltd.**
- **Mayo Celtic Holidays Ltd.**
- **Kiltimagh Community Employment Group CLG.**



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**Brogan Group Ltd.**

**EM Track Services Ltd.**

**HONE Distribution (Photonomi) Suites 1, 7, 8 7,000 sq. ft.**

**Vacant Suite 2 1,400 sq. ft.**

**GoKonnnect Suite 3 1,100 sq. ft.**

**TA Group Suite 4 1,100 sq. ft.**

**Cubbie Suites 5 & 6 2,200 sq. ft.**

**Costello Group. Suite 8A 1,000 sq. ft.**

**GoPower Suite 9 1,000 sq. ft.**

**Genfitt (Mayo) Ltd. Suites 10, 11 & 12 2,100 sq. ft.**

**Wills Bros. Ltd. Suites 13 & 14 3,400 sq. ft.**

**Current Occupancy = 94% (was 100% to August 2023)**



**BROGAN**  
**GROUP**  
SCAFFOLDING, HOISTS & MASTCLIMBERS

**Wills Bros Ltd**  
CIVIL ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS

**cairninternational**  
TRADE CENTRE

**GENFITT**

**TAGROUP**

**GO** konnect™



**ONE**  
Revolutionary Energy





## Enterprise House Workspace:

**90% Occupied**

- Some Hotdesk business over the Summer.



Enterprise House Station Road remains fully occupied.



## **Enterprise House Aiden St:**

### **Tenants as of November 2023**

**Kiltimagh Scouts**

**Kiltimagh Community Employment**

**SABOC**

**Mayo Celtic Holidays**

**Legal Aid Board**

**Culchie Print**

**Independent Customs and Logistics**

**Direct Book Keeping**

### **Tenants as of October 2022(Contd)**

**Timewise Systems**

**Patrick Browne Design**

**CECA Energy Ltd.**

**Victim Assistance.**

**Sealac Ltd.**

**Irish Farmers Journal.**



## **Enterprise House, Station Road:**

### **Tenants as of February 2022**

**Walsh Timber Flooring**

**HONE Distribution Ireland**

**Homecare Medical Supplies.**

### **Tenants in other IRD Workspaces:**

**Mayo School of Music**

**Mayo North East LEADER**

### **Current Leases / Licences**

**Business : 29**

**Housing: 35**

**Total : 64**



## Jobs Assisted by IRD

	Full Time	Part Time	Total
Current Jobs in IRD Space	<b>125</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>153</b>
Current Jobs – Ex Tenants	246	344	590
<b>Total Jobs as a result of IRD Space</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>743</b>
External Jobs Assisted in Kiltimagh	68	42	110
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>853</b>



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## Velorail – The First Season:

- 13 employees.
- 2,500 customers.
- €70k to local economy
- Tourist Project – Closed late September
- Still available for Group Bookings
- Re-opens for next Tourist Season
- Marketing and evolution of Project ongoing.





## Velorail – Thank you to:

- Mayo County Council.
- LEADER.
- Department of Comm. & Rural Dev
- CE and Rural Social Schemes.
- Failte Ireland.
- Commission for Rail Regulation.
- All those who helped and supported the project in a voluntary capacity.



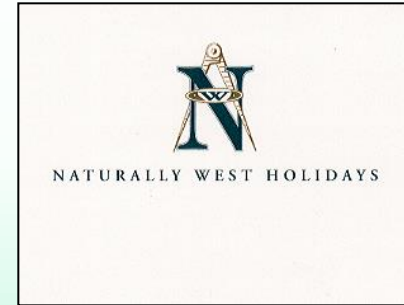


## Housing—

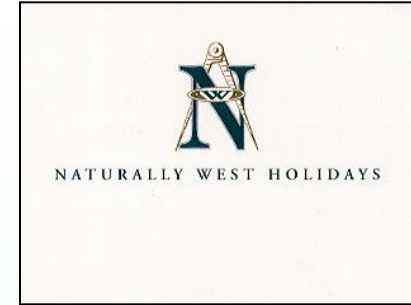
- **34 Social Housing Units leased and operating without significant issue.**
- **Circa 80 people living in IRD Housing – 7% of town population**
- **Schoolhouse - Private Letting.**



## Mayo Celtic Holidays:



- **Rascals Playcentre:**
  - **Difficult 2 years due to COVID.**
  - **Trading more normally now with turnover and usage numbers up in 2022 and even moreso in 2023.**
  - **To date in 2023, we have had:**
    - **3413 Walk ins**
    - **200 Birthday Parties – 3063 children attending (Almost 100% inc.)**
    - **13 School Tours in June with 300 children – a small decrease on 2022.**



## Mayo Celtic Holidays:

- **Support of Kiltimagh Tourism Association.**
  - **St. Patricks Festival 2023.**
  - **Coillte Come Home Festival – Over 5500 people attended.**
  - **Race 2 Glory – over 300 participants**
  - **Spooky Walk and Fireworks – 27<sup>th</sup> October.**
  - **Christmas Market 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023**
  - **Thank you to Ann Moran and all in Kiltimagh Tourism.**
  - **Thank you also to Martin Byrne who retired in Aug, 2023**





## **Kiltimagh Community Employment Group:**

- **Kiltimagh CE Scheme:**
  - **Currently we have a Supervisor and 17 Participants**
  - **Supports a range of local organisations.**
  - **Supports the town, business, residents.**
    - **Keeping Voluntary Housing and Enterprise Workspaces up to standard.**
    - **Playground,**
    - **Tidy Towns**
    - **Infrastructure Projects - Footpaths, Mini Greenway, Velorail**



## Tidy Towns:

- Grateful thanks to David Mc, Henry Kelly, Mick Dundee and all the TT Volunteers.
- Kiltimagh Literary Trail launched in 2023 also.
- Painting of buildings like the Raftery Rooms contributes greatly.
- Planting and maintenance of the embankment at the station supports the Velorail project.





## Some Challenges:

- **Retail.**
  - Seems to be less appetite than ever to establish anything retail on our streets.
  - Ongoing pull to bigger towns which must be resisted.
  - We risk losing the critical mass of retail outlets.
- **Derelict / unused properties.**
  - **Raftery Room**
  - **Community Centre**
  - **Other Privately owned premises.**
  - **Assistance needed from Mayo Co. Co.**





## **Some causes for optimism:**

- **Park Hotel - Re-development of the Bar and Dining room area earlier this year and planned new developments to the front.**
- **Cill Aodain Hotel.**
  - **Great to have 2 top class hotels that are thriving and optimistic for their futures.**
  - **Visiting Tour buses show that Kiltimagh can have a substantial tourism trade.**
  - **Be the first and the best and you can survive and prosper anywhere!**
- **Velorail is the first of its kind anywhere in Ireland or the UK and has shown that it can operate as a Community Business and attract significant Tourists**
- **Ongoing Investment by the GAA in their facilities will create a new level of Infrastructure for the coming generation.**
- **Almost all IRD workspace almost occupied and creating jobs and economic activity.**



## **Thank You to.....**

- **The Directors of IRD and the other subsidiary Companies in the group.**
- **All the other organisations that make Kiltimagh tick, most notably:**
  - **Kiltimagh Tidy Towns,**
  - **Kiltimagh Tourism Association & Race2Glory Committee.**
- **Kiltimagh Community Employment Scheme Staff & Supervisor Brian Raftery**
- **Dept. Social Protection staff– particularly Lorraine Lee**
- **Mayo Celtic Holidays particularly Fionn Mulroy and Martin Byrne.**
- **Special thanks to Brendan O Shea and the Supervisors and Participants on the TÚS and RSS programmes in the Kiltimagh Area.**



## **Thank You to.....**

- **The Staff of Mayo County Council who help us on an ongoing basis, Tourism Section staff: Anna Connor, David O Malley & Peter McCormack, the Claremorris / Swinford Area Staff : Anne Daly, Conrad Harley and Austin Meehan as well as the local outdoor staff.**
- **Our Staff in IRD – Beatrice & Marie and Mary in the KCEG office.**
- **A special word of thanks and appreciation to Thomas and Brian, Chair and Secretary of IRD respectively who go well beyond the call of duty, always on hand to help.**
- **Last but not least, our new Auditor John McCarthy MC Partners, for all your hard work and patience, across IRD and the 4 linked companies. Thanks also to Tracey Glacken who retired as IRD Group Auditor earlier this year**