



Comhairle Contae Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary County Council



2015-2019 CORPORATE PLAN



QUALITY ENVIRONMENT
STRONG ECONOMY
QUALITY OF LIFE



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Foreword – Cathaoirleach



A significant milestone in the history of Local Government in County Tipperary was marked in June 2014 when 10 local authorities in Tipperary were merged into one unified organisation as Tipperary County Council.

This Corporate Plan, covering the period 2015 to 2019, provides a framework for the delivery of services by Tipperary County Council over the next five years. Tipperary, with a population of nearly 160,000 has a proud tradition with a strong national and international brand. The Plan seeks to build on our reputation as one county, one council and one team working in collaboration with all stakeholders to generate shared solutions.

The Plan highlights what is important to the people of Tipperary. The challenge over the life of the Plan will be to achieve the aims and objectives set out in the Corporate Plan while continually monitoring outcomes to ensure that the vision is being achieved and remains relevant to the needs of the people we serve.

The downturn in the economy presented us with significant challenges, and the new council has adapted accordingly by reducing our cost base, becoming more efficient and positioning Tipperary as 'open for business' as we return to economic vitality. There is therefore, a new challenge to identify and support ideas and opportunities, to remain as an outward looking county while maintaining our ability to be responsive to the needs of the people we serve. The Plan identifies how important it is that staff, elected members, and our citizens work to a common purpose and a shared vision; to generate a strong economy, to provide quality of life and to maintain an attractive environment for our communities.

I am pleased to present this first Corporate Plan for Tipperary County Council which provides a roadmap towards a positive future for Tipperary. The success of the Plan will be enhanced and measured by the contribution that all stakeholders make towards its delivery.

Cllr. Michael FitzGerald
Cathaoirleach

Foreword – Chief Executive



This Corporate Plan serves as Tipperary County Council's Strategic framework for action during the lifetime of this Council and will act as the driver for economic development, social inclusiveness and environmental sustainability within the County of Tipperary.

We have all experienced significant change during 2014 with the establishment of a unified Tipperary County Council and it is important that we work together as a team to achieve the vision set out in this plan. This vision is based around 4 central cogs that underpin all our work, (namely Tipperary as a brand; The Citizen; The Elected Member and Our Staff) and will act in unison to implement sustainable programs that improve the quality of life for all people in Tipperary.

As a Council, we are committed to an interagency approach to maximise the effective delivery of services. This Council will support the business community by working with other agencies to reduce the cost of doing business, encourage inward investment and facilitate employment through the newly established LEO's.

The objectives of the Corporate Plan will be delivered by the Cathaoirleach and Councillors in conjunction with the Council's staff and we will utilise all our resources to develop Tipperary as an excellent place to live, work and invest.

We seek to produce a written statement on what objectives we aim to achieve over the period of the plan, the supporting strategies adopted to achieve these aims and the mechanisms for implementing, monitoring, review and adjustment.

I am mindful of the unprecedented challenging time for our County, therefore it is important for our objectives to be realistic, achievable and focused on the needs of our customers.

Joe MacGrath,
Chief Executive

2.1 What is the Corporate Plan?



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ABOUT THE CORPORATE PLAN

The purpose of our Corporate Plan is to describe the main priorities for Tipperary County Council during the next five years, and to explain what that will mean in terms of benefits to our communities. This Plan sets out a clear vision for the kind of Tipperary we want to see in the future and what we will do as the County Council, together with all stakeholders, to deliver that vision.

It is important to note that our Corporate Plan does not cover everything that the council will do. We provide a wide range of services for our communities, and each of these

will have separate plans that support the achievement of the aims of the Corporate Plan. The Corporate Plan identifies the main priorities for the council as a whole during the next five years. This means that these areas will receive additional focus and resources in order to ensure they are delivered successfully. They have been identified as priorities for the council because our research and engagement work tells us that they are important to our communities, and that we need to do more in these areas to meet the needs and expectations of those communities.



2.2 Context of the Plan

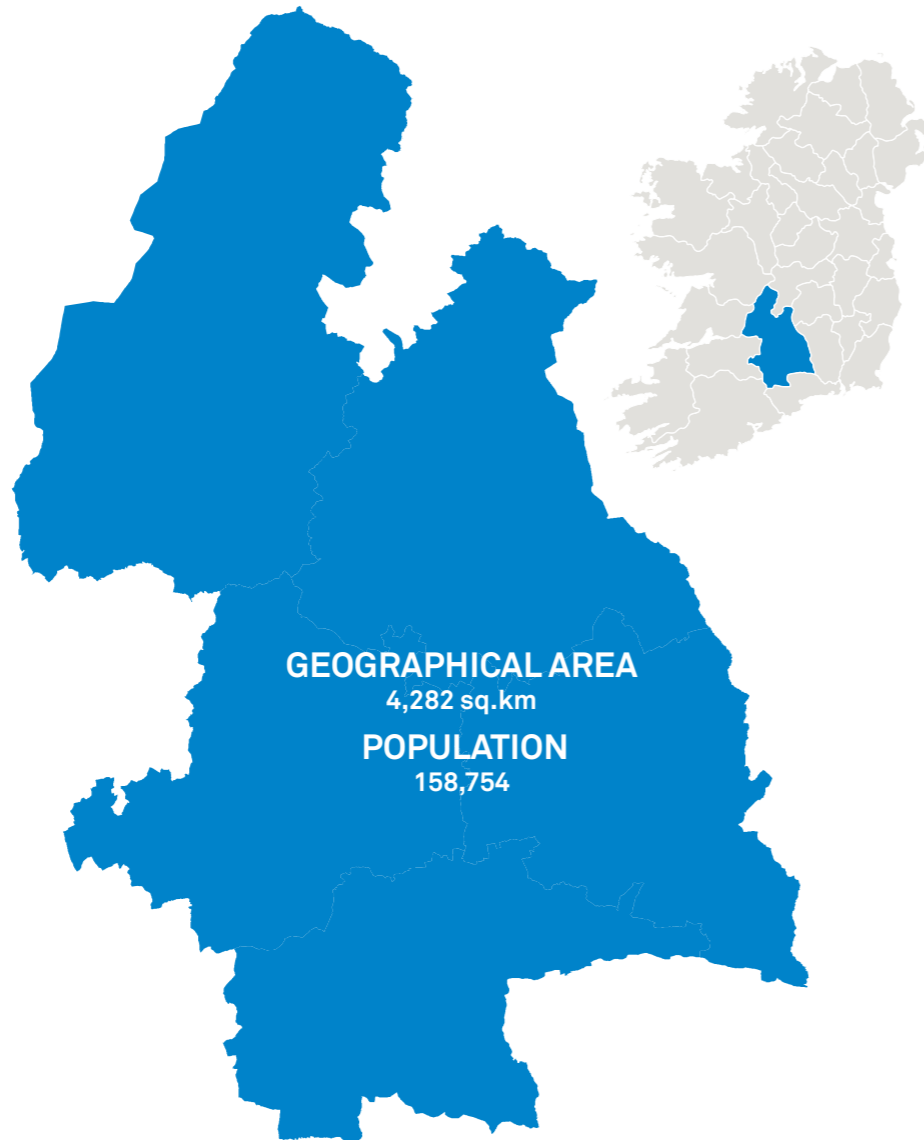
In July 2011 the government announced the establishment of a unified county council in Tipperary. In June 2014 the unification of North and South Tipperary, including the Borough/town council's of Clonmel, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel, Nenagh, Templemore, Thurles, Tipperary and the joint library committee came into effect following the local government elections.

Geography

With a geographical area of 4,282sq. km, and a population of 158,754 Tipperary is the sixth largest of the 32 counties by area and the eleventh largest by population. The region is part of the central plain of Ireland, but the diversified terrain contains several mountain ranges: the Knockmealdown, the Galtee, the Arra Hills and the Silvermine Mountains. The southern portion of the county is drained by the River Suir; the northern by tributaries of the Shannon which widens into Lough Derg. No part of the county touches the coast. The centre is known as 'the Golden Vale', a rich pastoral stretch of land in the Suir basin which extends into counties Limerick and Cork.



The county is traversed by key national arterial routes such as M7, M8, N24, as well as train lines from Dublin to Cork and Limerick, and Waterford to Limerick.



Economy

The 'Premier County', as Tipperary is known has a diverse economy that includes:



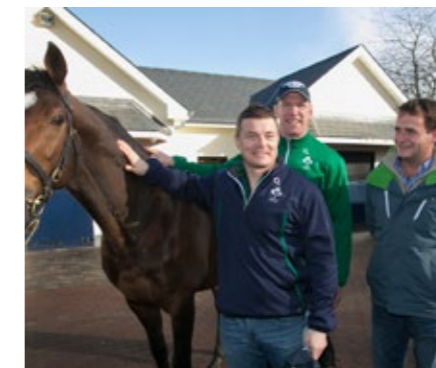
- The area around Clonmel is a medi-pharma hub that includes Abbott Vascular, Boston Scientific, Suir Pharma, MSD, and Pinewood Laboratories;
- Manufacturing such as Bulmers, Medite Ireland, Procter and Gamble, Carey's Glass and Lisheen mine, Tipperary Natural Mineral Water;
- Small and medium size enterprises are a key aspect of the counties diverse economy;



- Town centres play a significant role in providing retail and financial services, recreation and employment;



- The superb fertile land provides an ideal environment for food production and a growing reputation around artisan foods;



- Tipperary is famous for its horse breeding industry and is the home of many well know yards such as Coolmore Stud and Ballydoyle training yard;



- Tourism plays a significant role in County Tipperary including; Lough Derg, Upland areas, Rock of Cashel, Cahir Castle and Swiss Cottage, and venues such as Bru Boru Heritage Centre Cashel and Source Theatre in Thurles;
- Existence of 3rd level Education Facilities in Clonmel and Thurles with proximate linkages to other Colleges.

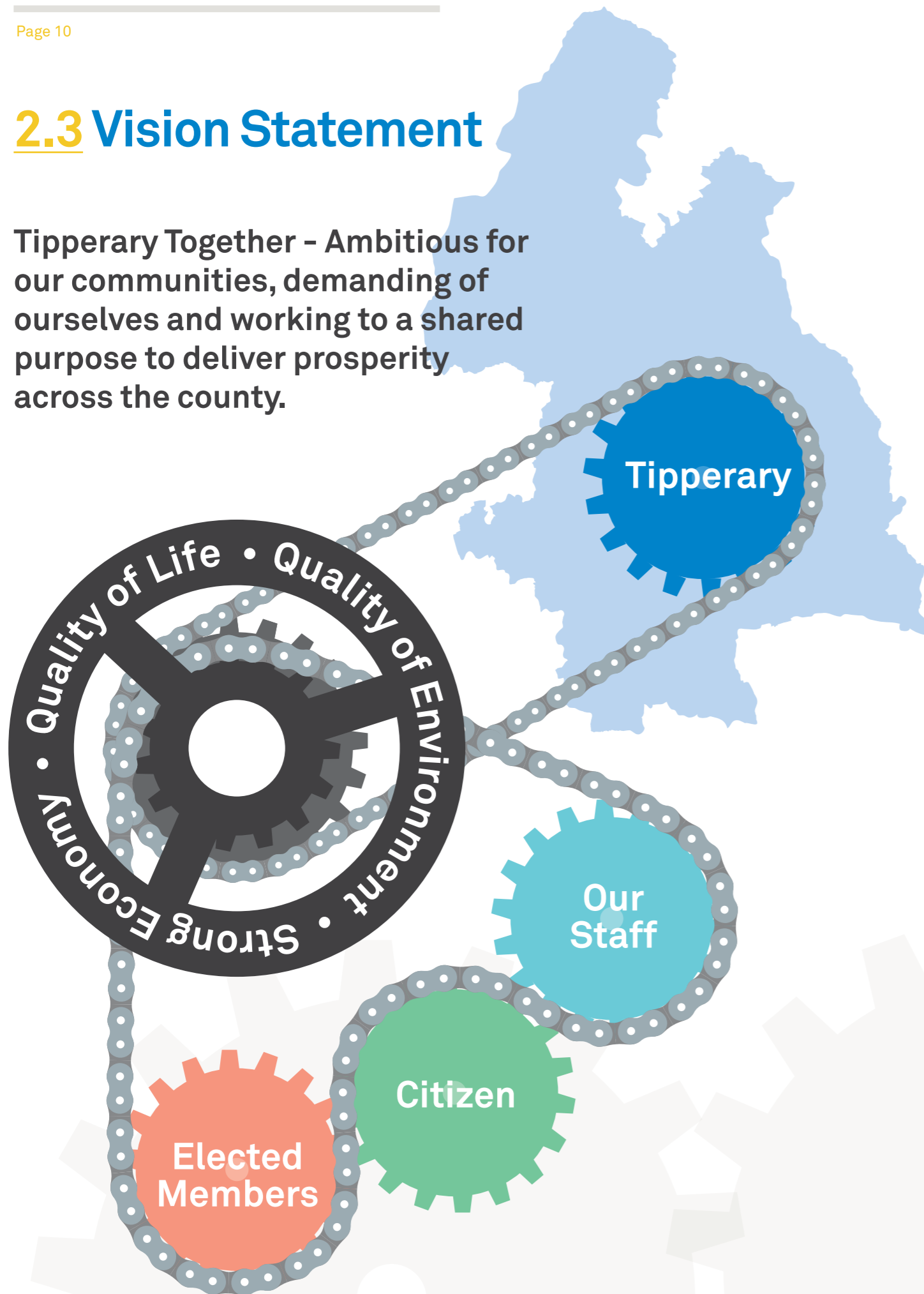
For example

The Plan, while recognising the key role all these sectors play, will seek to support all sources of sustainable employment. For example, the Council, in partnership with LIT, has recently developed 'Questum' an adaptable space building to support start up enterprises located at Tipperary Science and Business Park, Clonmel.



2.3 Vision Statement

Tipperary Together - Ambitious for our communities, demanding of ourselves and working to a shared purpose to deliver prosperity across the county.



The plan provides a vision for how we propose to deliver our services. It includes the following symbiotic elements that work in unison:

Citizen

We are ambitious for our residents and communities and we are demanding of ourselves as an organisation. The Council will seek to encourage residents to make a more active contribution to their local areas, working with elected representatives and other community activists to tackle local issues and ensure that council services are more responsive to their priorities and ambitions;

- Put people of Tipperary at the centre of all we do
- Encouraging public participation
- Building sustainable communities
- Improving quality of life
- Promoting Social Inclusion

Elected Members

Working with elected members to give a stronger voice and civic leadership to the people of Tipperary on the issues that matter to them, not just those issues we have a statutory responsibility to deliver.

- Providing leadership in the community
- Informed and supported
- Making policy and shaping the future
- Responding to the needs of the community

Our staff

As a new and progressive local authority, staff will work to provide a dynamic, flexible, quality-driven organisation committed to achieving excellent customer services. We will endeavour to work with all local and national agencies to ensure that citizens experience coherent, integrated and effective public services.

- Safe work practices
- Dynamic 'Can-do' approach
- Caring and customer focused
- Empowered to take responsibility
- Governance to match ambition

Our 3 strategic themes

Strong Economy: Positioning the County to be 'Open for Business' remains critical within our Corporate Plan. The economic vitality of Tipperary and the success of our businesses are fundamental factors in shaping the quality of life and prosperity of local residents.

Quality of life: Tipperary will continue to be a **desirable place to live**, with lively and attractive towns and picturesque and vibrant villages, surrounded by beautiful countryside. Future growth in population will be accommodated in sustainable urban extensions and through sensitive development of our rural areas. The infrastructure to support this growth will be delivered in a timely fashion to ensure sustainable and inclusive communities.

Quality Environment: To protect the unique identity of Tipperary, and to ensure that development is designed and managed in a way that ensures the protection and enhancement of the **local distinctive character** and identity of the built, historic and natural environment in Tipperary towns, villages and countryside for future generations.

Tipperary

Tipperary as a brand: Tipperary is already a great place to live, work and invest and there is much that we should rightly be proud of. The Plan seeks to build on that reputation as one county, and one council working to a shared purpose;

- Driving economic development
- Proud of the past and ambitious for the future
- Making opportunities
- Building a Tipperary identity

Elements will act in unison to implement sustainable programs that improve quality of life for all people in Tipperary by enhancing the Environment in which we live, developing a vibrant economy whilst maintaining an excellent customer service across the Organisation.

2.4 How Do We Work

Despite the challenging economic backdrop, Tipperary County Council has a very clear aspiration not only to maintain the quality of its services, but also to improve them. We will be ambitious for our county and support an environment that will enable more investment and more good quality jobs for local people.



This is how we will deliver a better quality of life for all. We can only do this by working closely with all service providers to get a more joined up approach, locally, and corporately, to meet local needs more effectively. We will also provide supports for communities and encourage the further development of volunteering and community activities in all areas.

We have streamlined our processes and made better use of technology to improve accessibility and service delivery.

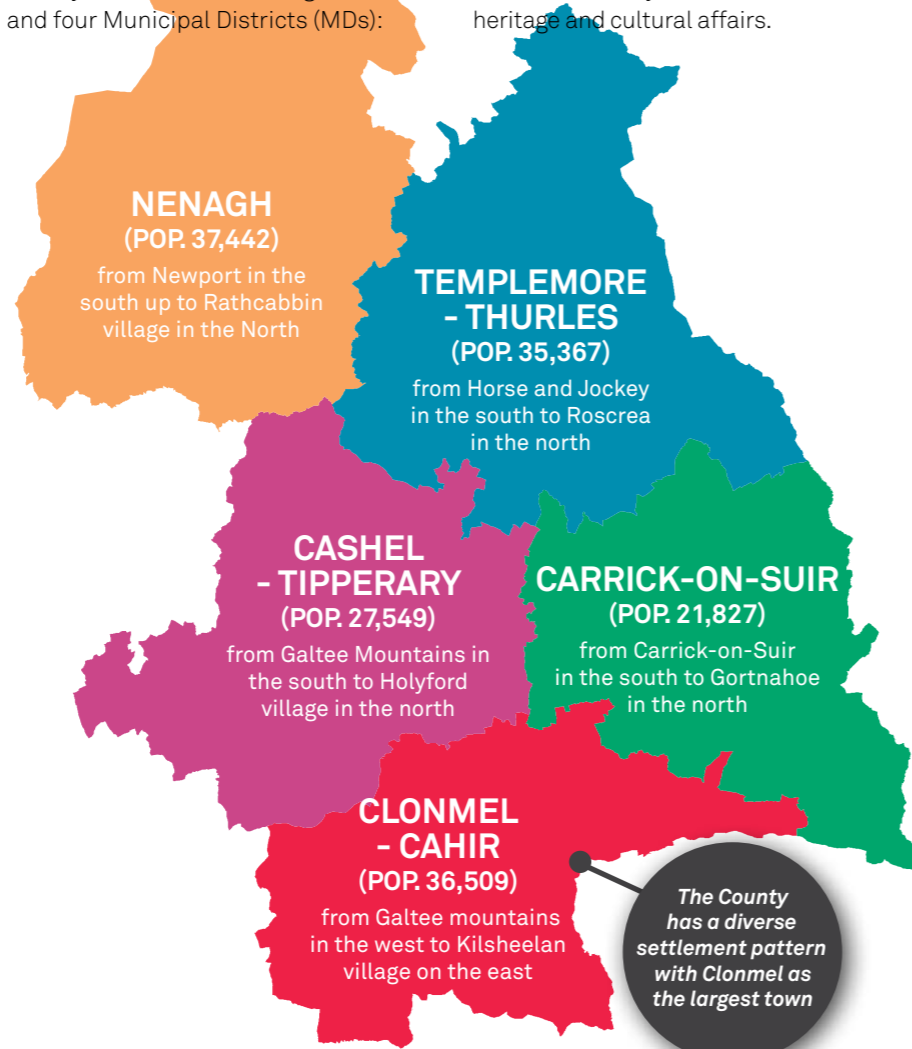
We will promote, encourage and foster the prevention of accidents, dangerous occurrences and personal injury at work, in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions and to make adequate arrangements for the enforcement of the relevant statutory provisions.

We are committed to acting in an open, honest and ethical way and respect the value and diversity of others in everything we do.

Municipal Districts

The Municipal District structure was established under the Local Government Reform Act 2014, and replaces the earlier sub-county structure of Borough/town councils and local area committees. Tipperary County Council has a Borough District and four Municipal Districts (MDs):

Municipal Districts, through offices in Clonmel, Carrick-on-Suir, Nenagh, Thurles and Tipperary, will provide a large range of infrastructural services for their communities, and play an active role in the development of the Municipal District's industry, business, social, arts, heritage and cultural affairs.



Local Community Development Committees (LCDC)

The newly established LCDC will bring a more strategic, focused and joined-up approach to local and community supports, and will provide greater coherence to local and community development activity in the county. It is intended to facilitate a greater devolution or localising of responsibility for what is being done and spent in this area.

The LCDC, like the CPG and SPCs, is a committee of the local authority and unlike the CPG and SPCs, it is independent from the local authority in the performance of its functions. The LCDC comprises both public and private sector socio-economic partners and to maintain its community orientation, there must be at least one more private person when decisions of the LCDC are made.



Public Participation Network (PPN)

A PPN will be developed to enable community and voluntary, social inclusion and environmental groups to take a more active and formal role in relevant policy making areas of the Local Authority.



Local Enterprise Offices (LEO)

LEOs have a broadened economic role which will provide a more coherent approach to enterprise support locally, with the LEOs delivering the micro-enterprise function undertaken heretofore by County and City Enterprise Boards as well as the support functions previously undertaken in the local authority's own Business Support Units.



Regional Structure

The Council will support and work in cooperation with the Southern Regional Assembly towards the preparation of a Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy and implementation of projects and programmes at regional level.



Relevant Plans and Strategies:

- Putting People first – Action Programme for Effective Local Government 2012
- National Disability Strategy
- Making Ireland's Development Sustainable



- Strategy for Public Libraries 2013-2019
- North and South County Development Plans 2009 and 2010
- National Spatial Strategy 2002 - 2020
- Homeless Policy Statement 2013 - 2016
- Traveller Accommodation Programme 2014 - 2018
- Keeping Communities Safe – Fires Services Framework 2013

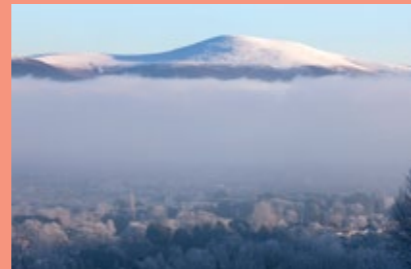
- National Climate Change Adaptation Framework 2012
- Social Housing Strategy 2014
- Borough and Town Development Plans
- Local Area Plans and Enhancement Schemes
- Development Contribution Schemes
- County Heritage Plans
- Transport 21 – 2006-2015



- Smarter Travel – A Sustainable Transport Future
- Delivering Homes, Sustaining Communities
- National Disability Strategy
- 20 Year Strategy for the Irish Language



- Southern Region Waste Management Plan
- South Eastern River Basin Management Plan
- Shannon International River Basin Management Plan



- National Landscape Policy
- Major Emergency Plan



VISION FOR TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL

3.1 Strong Economy



Strategic Statement 1

Tipperary will be an economically prosperous area, with a strong and diverse employment base. It will be home to both multi-national and indigenous companies, and a large number of small and medium enterprises and will continue to benefit from its strategic location and supportive environment.



Aim:

Positioning the County to be **'connected, responsive and competitive'** remains critical within our Corporate Plan. The economic vitality of Tipperary and the success of our businesses are fundamental factors in shaping the quality of life and prosperity of local residents. Our Community and Economic Development Staff, in close collaboration with our Local Enterprise Office will work closely with all stakeholders to tackle the long term effects of the economic downturn and avail of the opportunities arising from economic recovery.

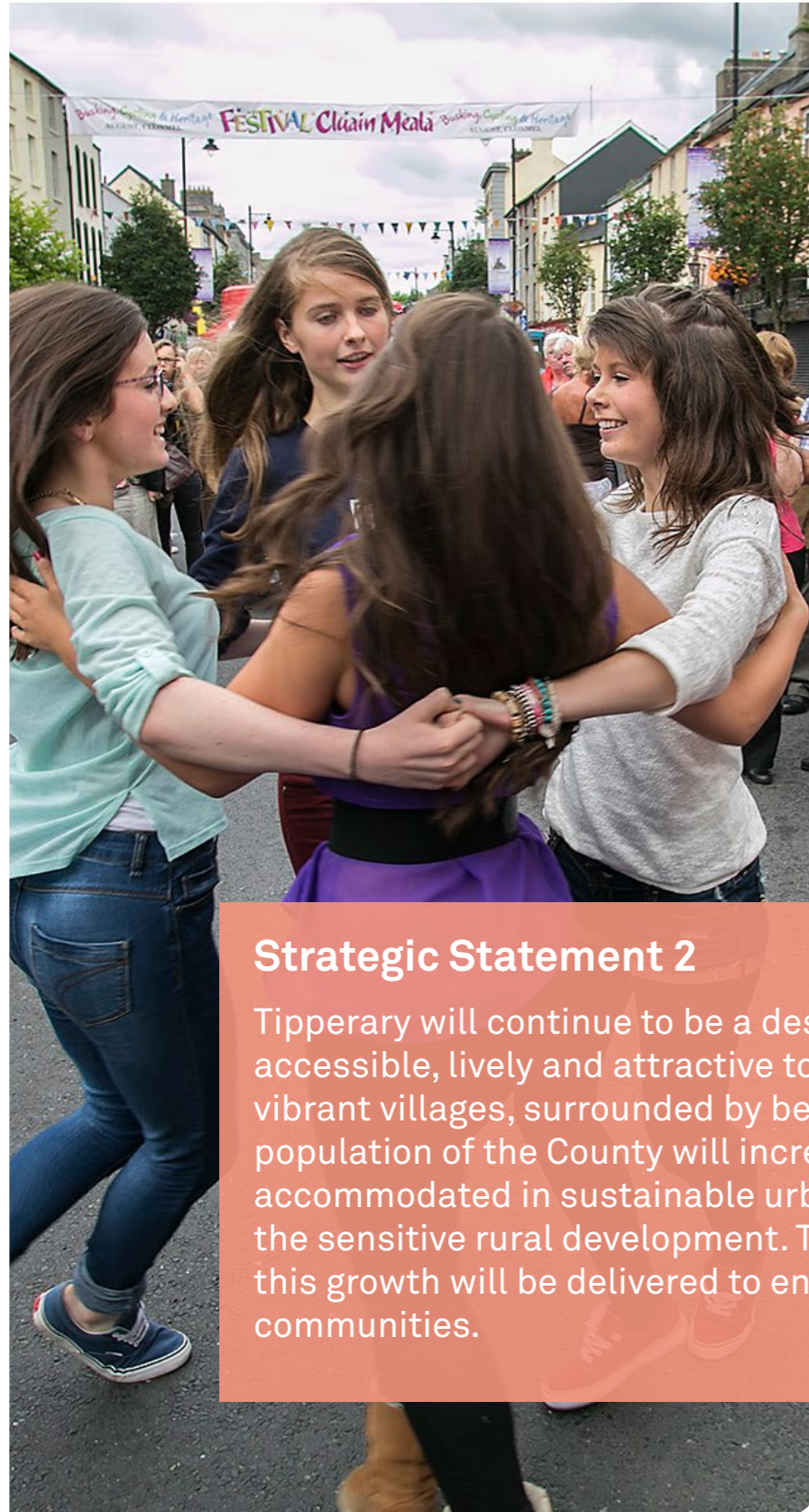
Our proposed approach for economic expansion is built around three core strategic aims:

- **Competitive:** developing an outward facing agenda which positions, promotes and showcases the County on the national and international stage, to help attract inward investment;
- **Responsive:** targeting investment and responding to changing business needs;
- **Connected:** by improving ICT and physical infrastructure and to internal and external communications.

Objectives:

- Promote and facilitate an accessible infrastructural network throughout the county in order to achieve balanced social and economic development and competitiveness;
- Ensure that sufficient zoned land is available in the right locations to accommodate both inward and outward investment and the growth of existing business;
- Support the start up and incubation of innovation led, high growth and knowledge based businesses at appropriate locations;
- Promote attractive places in which to work, shop and recreation;
- To support the growth in retail activity and consequent increase in the vitality and vibrancy of town centres;
- Build and develop relationships with agencies such as Enterprise Ireland, Department of Social Protection and LCDC, to ensure a cohesive response to the business community's needs;
- Support existing business infrastructure through co-ordinated thinking;
- Acting as a catalyst and facilitator for promoting enterprise and employment;
- Support existing economic enterprises, and build on the success of the medi-care pharma hub that exists in the County;
- Provide Council services in a cost effective manner;
- Continue to foster linkages with educational institutions, business and public sector to promote enterprise in Tipperary;
- Develop EU project capabilities around inter regional and strategic projects that will benefit the county;
- Focus on developing networking opportunities between individuals to nurture new ideas and promote knowledge sharing;
- To support the provision of high speed broadband throughout the county.

3.2 Quality of Life



Strategic Statement 2

Tipperary will continue to be a desirable place to live, with accessible, lively and attractive towns and picturesque and vibrant villages, surrounded by beautiful countryside. The population of the County will increase, and this growth will be accommodated in sustainable urban extensions and through the sensitive rural development. The infrastructure to support this growth will be delivered to ensure safe and inclusive communities.

Aim:

We will build a County which is pro-community, pro-learning and pro-business, where citizens enjoy a high quality of life. We recognise the many areas that will deliver sustainable quality of life such as Arts, Sports and Recreation opportunities, life-long learning and Community development initiatives.

Delivering Quality of life in towns and villages will require improvements in pedestrian routes and cycleways, leading to active lifestyles benefiting from improved access to sporting facilities, high quality open spaces and the open countryside. Town centres will be accessible and attractive retail and leisure destinations, reducing the need to travel to larger centres. Smaller centres will provide a range of shops and services catering for local needs in the suburban and rural areas.

Objectives:

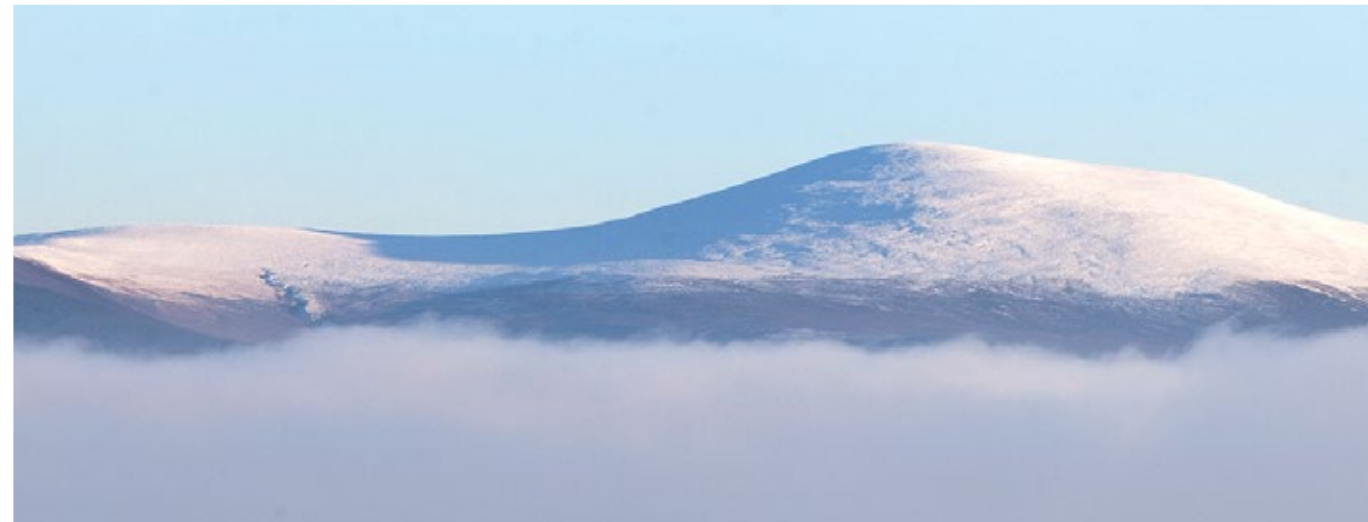
- To ensure that development over the Plan period is designed and managed in a way that ensures the protection and enhancement of the local distinctive character and identity of the built, historic and natural environment in Tipperary towns, villages and countryside;
- Maintain the county's infrastructure to a consistently high standard in a professional, planned and systematic way;
- Promote integrated, accessible and co-ordinated infrastructural maintenance and improvement programmes in consultation and co-operation with relevant stakeholders;
- Place sustainability and Climate Change strategies at the core of infrastructural planning and Council operations;
- Continue to develop our town and village centres as attractive and vibrant places to shop, live and visit;
- To ensure that Tipperary contains a strong network of well-connected and multi-functional green infrastructure which provides an attractive environment to live, work and spend leisure time, providing benefits for health and opportunities for formal and informal recreation;
- Develop and build on the concept of Social Capital, and to establish a Public Participation Network as a mechanism for the Local Authority to link with and communicate with the community, voluntary and environmental organisations in Tipperary;



- To establish and support the Tipperary Local Community Development Committee for the county;
- To develop the Tipperary Local Economic and Community Plan for the county;
- To support Social Inclusion Actions in the county in relation to positive ageing, mental health, connecting young people, children services and family supports;
- To support the provision of quality childcare services to young families throughout Tipperary;
- Empower communities to assist the local authority to create and maintain a high quality public realm which is attractive and safe;
- Continue to develop and implement sustainable inclusive and appropriate Housing policies, which meet the changing needs of all citizens throughout their lifetime;
- Promote social integration through managed tenure mix;
- Adopt best practice in Housing Estate Management;

- Promote safer communities by working in partnership with communities, Gardai and other organisations;
- Encourage people to experience the cultural richness and pride of Tipperary through collecting, caring, interpreting and displaying the material history of our county for the enjoyment, education and benefit of all our Museum users;
- To build connections, programmes and policies to improve the artistic and cultural life of our communities;
- Provide a quality library service which caters for the Lifelong learning need, both Educational and Recreational for all communities;
- Promote the facilities and amenities in Parks, by supporting a healthy lifestyle through active and passive recreation;
- Encourage Sport and Recreation by developing tailored programmes to target specific groups of the community;
- Support the development of allotments and community gardens;
- Facilitate all customers who choose to deal with the Council in Irish;
- Agree and implement the Irish Language Scheme;
- Adopt and Implement an Age Friendly Ireland Programme.

3.3 Quality of Environment



Strategic Statement 3

Tipperary's environment provides clean air and water, food, fuel, raw materials, carbon storage, flood control, and pollution filtering. It provides a sense of place, offers recreation and relaxation, and is crucial to the county's tourism. It also offers rich assets and resources through which significant opportunities exist to develop new industries and create employment. The quality of the environment is a major factor in influencing quality of life, and attracting and retaining businesses and employees.



Aim:

Tipperary is rich in local heritage and natural environmental facilities, parks and amenities and the council will protect and develop our built and natural heritage because of their importance to the social and economic wellbeing of the whole community;

The impact of climate change and the need to exploit alternative energy resources makes it imperative for the Council to develop an energy efficient County.



Objectives:

- The Council will work through its community leadership role to develop a low-carbon economy using its unique mix of planning, economic, community and environmental drivers and its proven ability to leverage progress through partnership working arrangements;
- Influence the provision and maintenance of high quality infrastructural standards through relevant legislative frameworks;
- Expand the use and sharing of spatial data to enable more effective and integrated service and infrastructural planning;
- Protect the County's environments, habitats and species and consider the developing national landscape policy;
- Develop and promote a biodiversity plan;
- Increase knowledge and awareness of the existing landscapes, habitats, architecture, archaeology and culture resources;
- Continue to develop the collection and services of the Local Studies Section of the Library Service and make the collection accessible;
- Developing a plan for the setting up of a County wide Archive;
- Prioritise the development of green corridors and spaces in order to facilitate the County's green network for people and for wildlife;
- Promote sensitive use of existing landscape for walking and cycling;
- Promote sustainable energy systems and the benefits of alternative energy strategies while protecting existing landscapes and structures;
- Protect and enhance food security in the county by supporting the further expansion of local food production;
- Support the continued development of agriculture and equine industries.



4.0 Monitoring & Implementation

It is essential that we are able to monitor whether we are delivering the expected benefits for our communities. We will put mechanisms in place to ensure that Councillors and the public are able to track our progress throughout the lifetime of the Corporate Plan.



If we are successful we expect to see;

- Increased public satisfaction with the simplicity and ease of their interaction with the council;
- More cost effective services;
- Fewer complaints from the public;
- More on-line transactions carried out through the council's web site;
- High levels of staff satisfaction;
- Safe working environment;

The Council will use customer surveys, mystery shopper surveys, performance indicators, engagement with the PPN and direct feedback to monitor the above. We will keep the public informed on the above and endeavour to provide good quality information to its customers at all times.

The Corporate plan will be displayed on the local authority's website and made available to:

- Elected members and staff of the council;
- Members of the Local Community Development Committee;
- SPCs;
- Other local authorities around the country;
- The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government;
- The local media and disseminated to groups registered with the PPN through the PPN secretariat;
- NOAC Secretariat.

Application of Resources

The Council is committed to good financial management and value for money and will endeavour to match resources to priorities as identified in the Corporate Plan. The Council also needs to be responsive to circumstances and changing events, and any changes in priorities or risks will be highlighted through this process. While the council will allocate resources to service areas as set out in the annual budget, a reallocation of resources may be required to adjust priority areas.

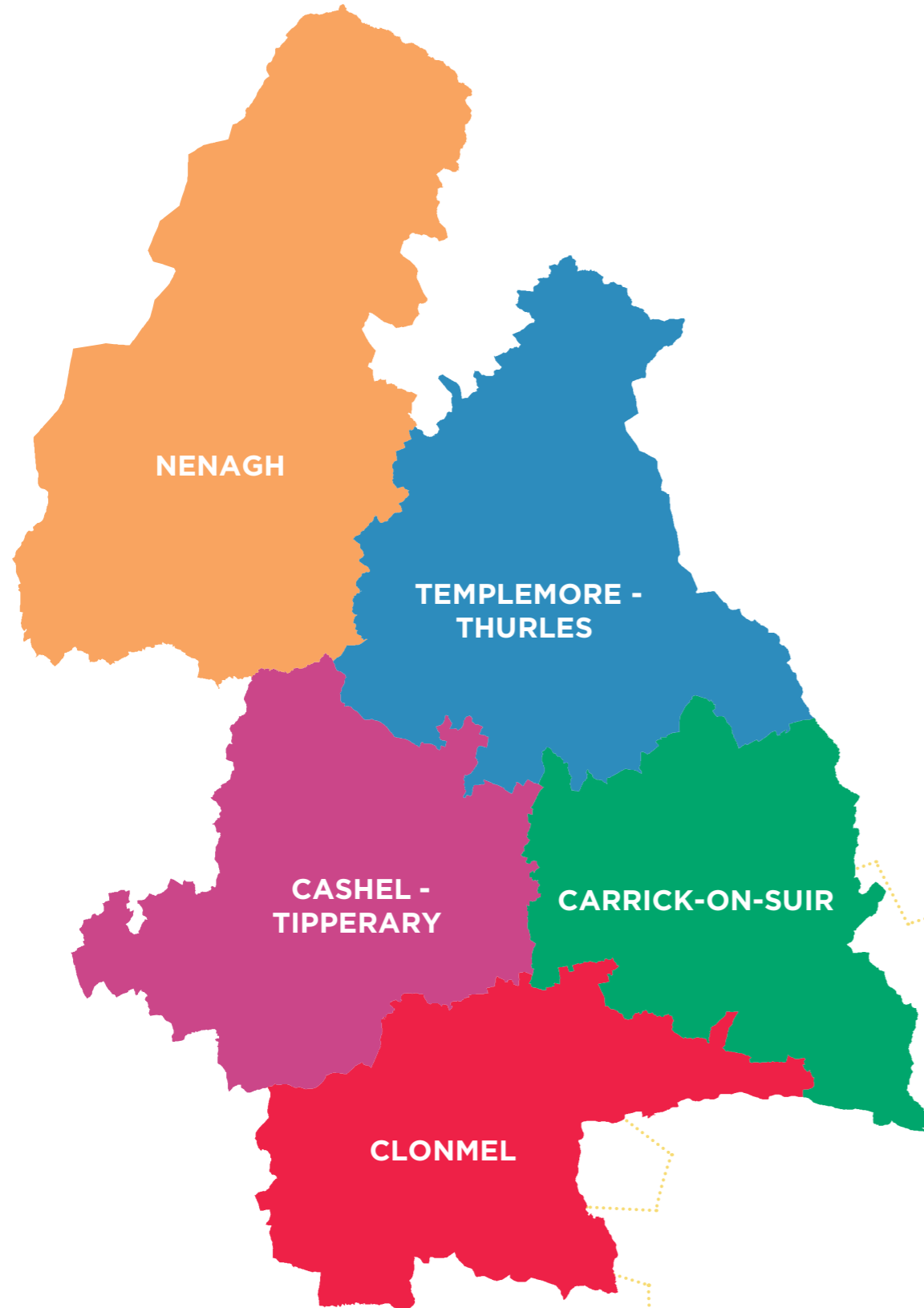
Value for money reviews and audits will also underpin this process by regularly assessing expenditure programmes in order to provide an evidence-based approach to making decisions for allocating available resources in the light of the priority areas identified.

An annual Service Delivery Plan will be prepared to provide a statement of the principal services to be provided, a list of the key objectives and priorities, include performance standards to be met and how we propose to assess performance in respect of service delivery.

Progress on the delivery of the Corporate Plan will be reported through the (a) Annual Report, which will provide a summary of the progress on the implementation of the corporate plan submitted to elected members, and (b) monthly Management Reports to the Council. The annual report will take account of any observations of NOACs in its function of evaluating the implementation of corporate plans.

In addition to the above, the council will review all performance indicators and seek to review and improve services accordingly, and to reflect same in annual service delivery plans;

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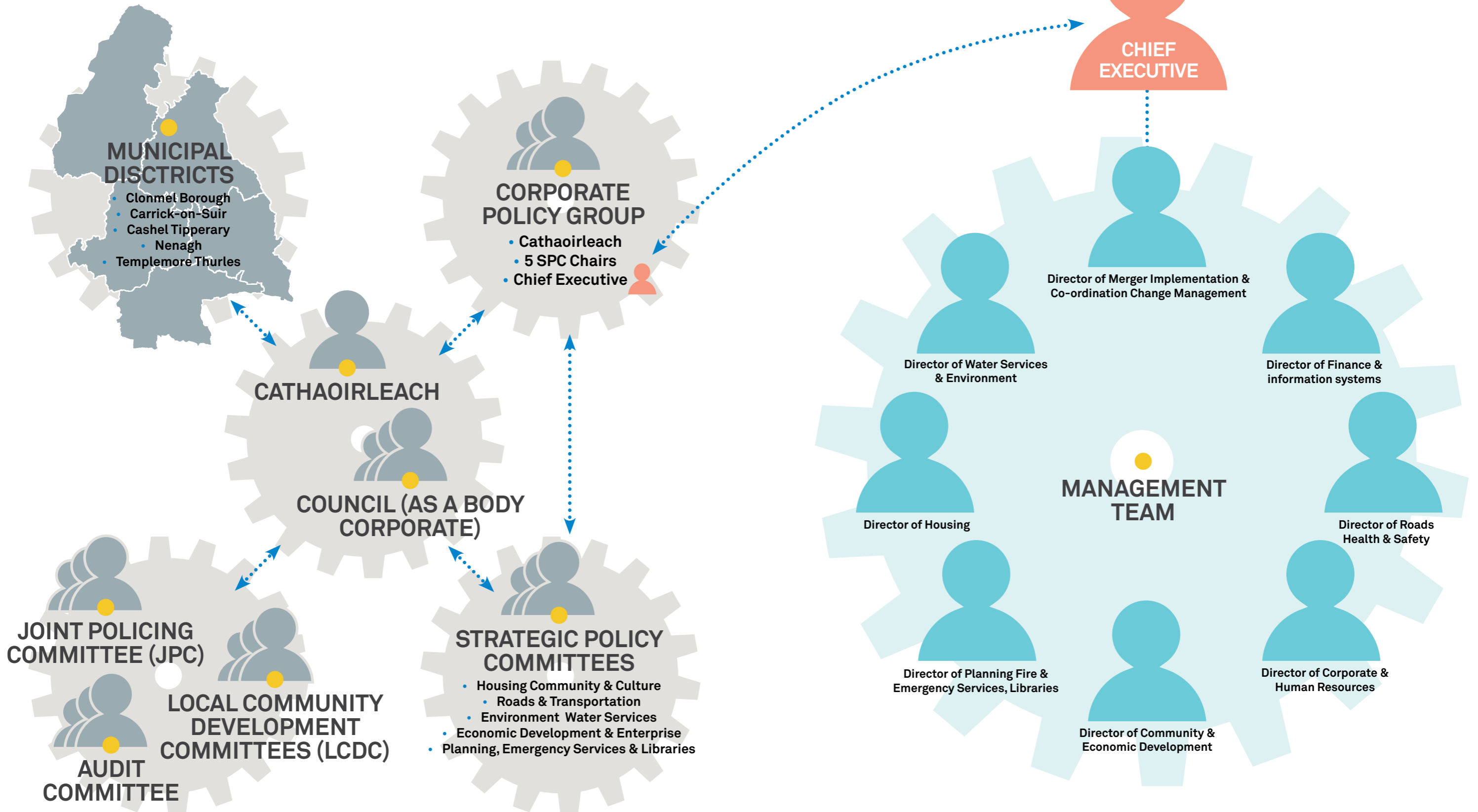
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** Additional Reps to be nominated.

Appendix 3: Organisational Structure – Political & Senior Management



Appendix 4: Achievements



- Merger of ten local authorities to form "one County, one Council, one Team";
- Election of 40 members to Tipperary County Council as the local democratic forum;
- Five new municipal Districts established to deliver local services;
- Appointment of Chief Executive for County Tipperary;
- Projected annual savings of €5m p.a. with over €2.5m p.a. achieved to date;
- Establishment of Customer Service Desks in Clonmel and Nenagh and enhanced customer service through introduction of out of hours emergency service;
- Launch of new website www.tipperarycoco.ie;
- Tipperary fire service wins award as best public service in recent national safety awards 2014;
- Provision of new Cycle Routes on the R445 Nenagh to Limerick and Inner Relief Road in Clonmel under the Smarter Travel Project 2011;
- 4,823 person training days delivered through Roscrea Regional Training Centre in 2013;



- Opening of the two sections of the M7 Motorway – Nenagh/ Limerick and Nenagh/Castletown 2010;

- Main Civil Works completed on Newport Regional Water Supply Upgrade and Mechanical & Electrical Contract brought to commissioning stage;



- There were 640,000 visits to the library network in 2012 and for the first time over half a million books were issued, and library Internet usage increased by 54% to 60,000 sessions in 2012;
- 77 eligible applicants provided with work experience opportunities under the Gateway Scheme in Tipperary 2014;
- Continued commitment to new technology with the introduction of CORE HR Payroll & Superannuation system, and new Customer Services CRM system;

- Local Enterprise Offices established in Clonmel and Nenagh civic offices;
- Destination Development Plan and development of an i-phone app by the Lough Derg Marketing Group in 2011 with information on trails in the area;
- Music in Childcare Settings – NTCC ETB childcare committee research, design, delivery 2013;
- Upgrade of 648 buildings under the SERVE Project between 2007 and 2011;



- Installation of 800 solar panels on nine council buildings in 2014, to achieve a reduction of 11% in annual energy bills – in conjunction with Tipperary Energy Agency (TEA) & the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI);



- Tipperary County Council – Council of the Year award winner for 2015 - LAMA Community and Council Awards 2015 .

Towns

- Completion of €2m Phase 2 regeneration of Ballylynch in Carrick-on-Suir;
- Major refurbishment of Carrick-On-Suir Library in 2011 and Roscrea Library in 2014;
- Carrick-on-Suir - Refurbishment of Town Park in 2014;
- Cashel, undergrounding of all cables on Friar Street Newly refurbished;
- Nenagh Town Hall project, costing €1.6 million, opened to the public in 2010 including a new 214 seat theatre, a fully rebuilt stage and a number of rooms for public use;



- Nenagh Castle was officially opened by the President of Ireland, Michael D. Higgins on 6th June 2013 and over 11,000 people visited it during 2012;



- New Nenagh Town Park opened October 2014;

- Nenagh Leisure Centre refurbished in October 2014;



- Clonmel - Development of Questum, in partnership with LIT, at Ballingarrane. €3.25m development. Completed October 2014;



- Clonmel – Completion of cycle track along N24 Inner relief road;

- Tipperary – opening of new €20m Government Department and Municipal District offices at Rosanna Road, Tipperary in 2012;

- Birdhill - National Category Winner in the 2012 All-Island Co-Operation Ireland Pride of Place Competition;

- Cloughjordan Eco Neighbourhood - Gold Medal at the Liv-Com awards in Xiamen, China in 2013;

- Emly - previous winner of Tidy Towns, was awarded Best Kept village in 2014;



- Clonmel – Completion of €40m Flood Relief Scheme, and comprising 3.8 km of flood walls, 3.5 km of embankments, 850 m of demountable defences, 5.9km of storm water sewers, 12 pumping stations and two fish passes;



- Terryglass - awarded runner-up status in the All-Ireland Pride of Place Competition.





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