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Blackpool, Cork



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THE FOYER FEDERATION

chairman



During the first eighteen months of operation, we have focused our efforts towards turning an objective that was outlined in the 2005-2007 Homeless An Integrated Strategy into reality. The original objective has gone far beyond the simple provision of a residential building - in developing the Foyer the City Council embarked on a process of engagement with a broad range of stake-holders to construct an entirely new and focussed structure for the delivery of services to one of the most marginalised and vulnerable sectors of society.

That original objective is now making a significant difference to the lives of many young people who

have found themselves homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. We are extremely thankful to numerous Non-Government Organisations (such as the YMCA, ABLES, etc) who have also come on board to add a further layer to the response in the fight against social exclusion, providing many homeless young people in Cork with a complete bridge from dependence to independence.

We are able to reflect on 2007 with tremendous pride. The effectiveness and success of the Foyer are, perhaps, best confirmed by Cork Foyer receiving "Accredited Status" from the Foyer Federation, the national umbrella body of the UK Foyer Movement. Being accredited with distinction in such a short period, the Cork Foyer is now itself being highlighted as a unique showpiece throughout the Foyer movement, demonstrating examples of innovation and best practice within several areas of its service provision. And building from accreditation, Cork Foyer has moved to develop strong links with the Northern Ireland Foyer Network Group allowing for the development of expertise and the sharing of experience and knowledge on an all-Ireland basis.

In our pursuit of excellence, we believe the only way to provide a service that meets the needs of our customers is to involve customers at every level, helping to shape the service we provide. I am extremely delighted with the outcome of our first Annual Service Review, providing further evidence that we getting things right. With sound policies, quality practices and clear objectives in place, the Foyer is in a solid position to move forward through its 2008-2010 Development Plan.

Our achievements have derived through sound planning, responsible governance, the hard work and dedication of the Foyer staff team and the expertise and commitment of Board members. Of course, none of this would have been possible without the foresight and vision of Cork City Council and the Homeless Forum and more importantly the core funding provided by the Health Service Executive and Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

CHAIRMAN

A stylized, handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Cody".

Dave Cody
Chairman

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Foyers help young disadvantaged people, who are homeless or in housing need, to achieve the transition from dependence to independence. The approach to a young person's needs is holistic, with integrated access to, at a minimum, affordable accommodation, training, personal development, guidance and job search facilities. The relationship with young people is based on a formal agreement as to how the Foyer's facilities and local community resources will be used in making the transition to independence, a condition of continued residence in the Foyer.

Cork Foyer Celebrates Accreditation

Cork City Council's innovation and undeterred commitment to supporting vulnerable and homeless young people through the transition to social and economic independence has been recognised through receiving its first major accolade in the form of Accreditation by the UK Foyer Federation.

From its inception, the Foyer has worked tirelessly towards achieving "Accredited Status", striving to provide the highest standards possible through the ethos of the Foyer Federations Quality Framework. This has been reflected in the Foyers publicity material, during the Service Review process and in all aspects of day to day service at the Foyer. In addition, the Foyer Manager has proactively forged strong links with the Northern Ireland Foyer Network, undertaking Vice Regional Chair responsibilities whilst benefiting from like minded practitioners.

Cork City Council can rightly take pride in becoming the first organisation to achieve this status outside of the UK and for being highly commended in doing so - the Foyer achieved jointly second highest score ever recorded under the current accreditation system. The Foyer Federation Validator reported; "To have got the Foyer to this stage in such a short period.....is extremely impressive".

The Foyer also received special acknowledgement for signifying an example of innovation and best practice in three areas of the Accreditation process:

- Providing outstanding living and support environment with first-rate communal facilities and good quality resident accommodation
- Providing an exceptional range of learning and development opportunities within the Foyer through strong partnerships with the City of Cork VEC and organisations such as ABLES and the YMCA
- Providing a service which is responsive and committed to developing quality through a superb approach to performance monitoring



Accreditation Awards Ceremony 18 December 2007



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DSG International

Within weeks of the Foyer becoming Accredited, the Foyer was able to take advantage of funding provided through a national partnership between the Foyer Federation and DSG international (Curry's and PC World). The DSG international's 'Switched On Communities' programme supports disadvantaged groups in the community through the provision of technology and training. From goods in kind, the Foyer received a digital camcorder, 2 lap top computers, digital camera and accessories, a printer and a portable hifi system. These resources can be used in organised workshops or by individual residents themselves, assisting with college assignments, recording evidence, or simply maintaining memories of the good times they had whilst living at the Foyer. Using such equipment will enable service users to improve their communication skills both with their peers and professionals i.e. recording interview techniques and evaluating/learning from their recordings.



Why Accreditation?

Young people housed and supported in Foyers are vulnerable; some are also potentially disruptive. To guarantee their security and provide effective support, Foyers need to be managed to high and consistent standards, taking into account the views of young people and with a motivated staff team who understand the totality of the Foyer's mission.

The Foyer Accreditation Scheme is designed to achieve this through a framework within which Foyers can assess their own practice, gain external validation and recognition, and improve performance. Although there are many quality standards, no other encompasses all the areas of a Foyer's work while taking into account the views and experiences of young people using the Foyer.

What are some benefits of Accreditation?

- Recognition from similar quality schemes and within the wider Foyer network
- Priority access to eligible funding, projects and promotional activities
- A strategic review of the Foyer's services and client group validated through experience and expertise of the Accreditation process
- Proof of accountability to local partners, stakeholders and young people, whose involvement in Accreditation also reinforces a sense of partnership
- Improved operational performance, with a comprehensive set of policies put into practice to sustain the development of the Foyer



Donated goods through DSG international's (Currys/PC World) 'Switched on Communities' programme

Cork Foyer is a service user led support provision that actively strives to promote continuous improvement, whilst meeting the flexible needs of homeless young people or young people at risk of becoming homeless. We recognise the value of service user participation and strive to empower young people to influence the decision making process at all levels, promoting an essential relationship between Service Users, Foyer Staff, Management, Key Stakeholders and the local community. Cork Foyer believes service user participation will encourage young people to value the Foyer service and make decisions which affect them directly, whilst developing valuable life skills in dealing and negotiating with the organisation.

Throughout 2007, the Foyer went to extraordinary lengths to gain the views and satisfaction of service users, staff, management and key stakeholders, helping us to understand their individual and collective needs, ultimately enhancing the lives of our residents and future service users.

The Foyer uses a variety of ongoing mechanisms to promote resident participation at various levels. These range from monthly resident meetings and arranging activities to representation on the Management Committee and completion of satisfaction surveys, ensuring that residents can become involved in a level that suits them. Residents have actively made decisions around new equipment and facilities, design of the Foyer logo, design of the Resident Handbook and compilation of a Foyer Cultural Diversity Statement. Residents also assisted in the compilation of health & safety risk assessments for the Foyer premises and reviewed the house rules, leading to substantial amendments.

In addition to the Foyer resident satisfaction surveys, The Foyer commissioned University College Cork to report on the levels of satisfaction amongst its service users. An independent survey was undertaken in April 2007 by Melanie Kennedy – a Masters student studying Social Policy. The quantitative research looked at all aspects of Foyer life, providing a thorough and rigorous analysis.

The Foyer was delighted to be informed that **91.67%** of residents who participated in the survey were satisfied or very satisfied with the overall service that the Foyer provides. The valuable feedback gained has been used to shape the Foyers 2008-2010 Strategic Plan.

Where next?

The Foyer is already working towards the targets outlined in its ambitious 2008 – 2010 Development Strategic Plan.

A sample of the targets outlined in the plan include:

- Build strong links with the wider business community, introducing young people to the world of work through employment or work experience opportunities
- Design and implement of Foyer specific website to reach a wider spectrum of citizens, allowing easy access to the application process
- Continue to develop the internal Foyer training programme, attaching recognised modular qualifications where possible
- Organise cultural, residential and non residential trips and activities, promoting awareness and raising self esteem/confidence amongst Foyer residents



Service Review Away Day 2nd May 2007



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Enhancing Lives Through Housing Supports

The reasons and pathways that lead to homelessness are well documented. For many young people, their experience of homelessness is merciful and short lived due to their family members or friends rallying around during difficult times. For others, something as straightforward as a rent deposit and some kit for their accommodation is all they require. However, for significant numbers, especially when they are young, the road back to a settled home is long and fraught with obstacles, both externally and within.

2007 FOYER FACTS ABOUT APPLICANTS THE FOYER RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 59 HOUSING APPLICATION FORMS:

Applicants by Gender

37 Male 22 Female

Applicants by Age

11 aged eighteen 12 aged nineteen
12 aged twenty 7 aged twenty one
7 aged twenty two 9 aged twenty three
1 aged twenty four

Housing Applicants Status

32 successful 13 unsuccessful
11 withdrawn 3 pending

Applicants by Source

11 Edel House
9 Cork Simon Community
9 Out of home and temporarily living with friends
4 Out of home and temporarily living with a family member
3 Other Self Referrals
3 Cork Probation Service
3 North Lee Social Services
2 Liberty Street House
2 St. Vincents hostel
2 Your Equal Ltd
2 No Fixed Abode
9 Other organisations

Applicants by Last Known Area

6 City Centre 3 Blackpool
2 Blackrock 4 Mayfield
3 Mallow 2 Little Island
3 Waterford 2 Armagh
2 Dublin 3 Killmallock
2 Blarney 2 Farranree
3 Ballincollig 2 Douglas
20 Other areas

Applicants by Ethnicity

51 White Irish 5 White British
2 Eastern European 1 Black African

With stability and encouragement, residents are able to re-focus their lives and eventually grow in confidence and motivation. Working closely with project staff and numerous other specialist agencies such as the Drugs Task Force, Community Counselling Service and Youth Health Service, to name but a few, residents have a real opportunity to address their addiction, health issues etc, and even reunite with family members and make new friends.

story 1

It was on the 25th of September 2006 when I moved into the Cork Foyer. I guess I fitted in straight away due to the fact of moving around a lot in my life. I never really stayed in the same place for longer than 6 months for most of my life and the Foyer provides luxuries you wouldn't get anywhere else, like an IT room with internet access. They even set up weekly soccer which I think was a very good activity. Whilst up in the Foyer, I suffered from depression which is something I hid from everyone very well and stayed in my room a lot for the first five months.

A friend once told me "your friends make you what you are" and there's a lot of

truth to it. The friends I made at the Foyer helped me overcome my depression. The Foyer staff helped me budget my money and even set me up with a job, which I am grateful for. My time at the Foyer got me ready for my own flat. I had plenty of flats in the past, but it never worked out, and when I left the Foyer, I knew I was ready to leave.

I am still in work 9 months after leaving the Foyer and still play soccer for the Foyer nearly every week. "They say life is what you make it". Cork Foyer is for people who need help in life, but that person must want it, otherwise what's the point in being there. I guess it's better to learn late than never learn at all.

The Foyer service regularly attracts young people that have not had a permanent home or any stability for a period of time. They are usually 'bunking down' on friends or relatives sofas and over stayed their welcome in an attempt to maintain their self dignity and avoid using emergency homeless shelters.

2007 FOYER FACTS ABOUT RESIDENTS:
THE FOYER PROVIDED 34 NEW LETTINGS,
OF WHICH 13 RESIDENTS WERE
REGISTERED WITH A DISABILITY.

Residents by Gender

19 Male 15 Female

Residents by Ethnicity

26 White Irish
5 White British
2 Eastern European
1 Black African

Residents by Age

23 18-20 years old
11 21-25 years old

Some Core Issues on Entry

26 Experienced family issues/breakdown
11 History of drug use/misuse
11 Experienced mental health related issues
8 Past offending behaviour
8 Lived in care
8 Registered with a disability
5 History of alcohol misuse
4 Suffered physical/sexual abuse

Note: Some residents have been recorded under more than one category

story 2

I moved into the Foyer on the 3rd April 2006 because of problems in my life. I wanted to move out on my own but needed some support first because I wasn't ready at that time. I started a support plan with my Project Worker and set out goals to help me get where I wanted to be. These were reviewed every 2-4 weeks. The goals we set included training, voluntary work, resettlement and basic independent living.

I attended most classes and enjoyed them. These included the Breakfast Club, Cooking, Dion, Signposts, Healthy Eating ECDL, Creative Writing, Hip Hop, Preparation for Work, Job Zone Fashion, Art etc. I was voted Resident Representative with another resident and

attended Management Committee meetings which I enjoyed. I found the facilities at the Foyer very good with everything I needed.

When I decided to move out of the Foyer, I felt more than ready and had been looking for suitable accommodation for a while. The Foyer really helped me become more independent and I also learned more living skills from the training provided. I found accommodation through an agency and my Project Worker wrote a reference for me. The staff in the Foyer are extremely helpful and try their best to help you with what ever problems you have or will find other people who can.

story 3

I was in Pathways for 2 months and then I went to Cara Lodge to get off drugs and stuff. I was there for about 3-4 months. It helped me a lot. After Cara, I moved to Waterford Probation Hostel, but it was too far from Cork. My Probation Officer helped me apply to Cork Foyer. I find it good at Cork Foyer.

You have your own room like a flat. Now I am in Cork, I can see my addiction counsellor every week and attend training at St Francis Training Centre. I really like the metalwork, woodwork and computer classes there. In the future, I would like to keep clean and go on to do an apprenticeship.

Through effective governance, the Foyer commits to provide quality affordable housing, training and support, whilst maintaining value for money. At the beginning of 2007, the Foyer introduced an adapted version of the Balanced Scorecard Performance Monitoring System, allowing the Management Committee to monitor all key areas of service provision at a glance. The Management Committee has initially agreed to monitor seventeen performance indicators ranging from residents achievements to formal complaints.

Life beyond the Foyer

Resettlement is an integral part of each residents support plan whilst living at the Foyer. In preparation for life beyond the Foyer, Project staff encourages all residents to be proactive and realistic with their move on aspirations.

During 2007, 32 residents moved on from the Foyer, 22 of which were planned with the support of the Foyer staff. The average length of stay at the Foyer was 6.2 months.

Where did the residents move too?

12	Private landlord	4	Other homeless service provider
4	Return home	9	Sharing with family members or friends
2	Hospitalisation	1	Unknown



“I’m really pleased to get a flat that I can live in long term and in an area which I know really well. There are good local amenities and it’s close to the City. I can now concentrate on my future plans”.



“I’m grateful to the Foyer and Sophia Housing for providing such a good quality flat. After being unsettled and sharing accommodation with 18 other people for so long, it’s great to get your own place!”

In response to the Homeless an Integrated Strategy for Cork – Objective 2, Cork City Council and managing agency, Sophia Housing, allocated two ‘move on’ apartments specifically for use by former Foyer residents who used the Foyer service positively and to their advantage. In partnership with Sophia Housing, the Foyer is able to ensure that a range of decreasing tenancy supports are in place for these residents, should they be required. The apartments are an excellent continuance of service and provide two former residents with long term sustainable housing.

Towards the end of 2007, the Foyer also secured 3 units of accommodation through Cork City Council Rental Accommodation Scheme. RAS is a government initiative run by local authorities.

It is designed to improve the quality and standards of private rented accommodation. The scheme promotes longer term housing stability and housing supports for people who have been receiving rent supplement for 18 months or more. The five residents identified are planning to move into their properties in early 2008 and are to be included in the 2008 figures.

Enhancing Lives Through Opportunities

The Foyer provides a stimulating and supportive environment for eighteen young single adults aged 18 – 25. Positive developments are encouraged both personally and academically, equipping young adults with the skills needed to progress from dependence to independence.

Although twelve residents elected to access external education and training during 2006, it is also essential to continue to develop and deliver innovative internal training programmes to address the diverse learning needs of those residents who are not engaging in any form of education or training, often through their lack in confidence or low self esteem, therefore

naturally underachieving. To ensure that residents have the opportunity to achieve their full potential, the Foyer works in close partnership with a variety of specialist organisations and facilitators to deliver in house training sessions and activities on a wide range of subjects. All residents receive a training schedule outlining the current activities on offer at the Foyer. An individualised training schedule is then agreed with the Foyer that takes into account any external commitments the resident may already have.

“foyers are a place to live and learn”

Internal Programmes offered by ABLES during 2007

Supported and funded by the City of Cork VEC, ABLES is based in the heart of the Glen and provide advocacy literacy training and basic education in response to the need(s) of 'Adult' residents of the area inclusive of members of other organisations or institutions that may wish to avail of this service. ABLES linked up with the Foyer in the early part of 2007 to provide further education, especially accredited FETAC courses, for the Foyer's young adult residents.

Initially, twelve of the sixteen residents signed up and eight achieved certification at level 3 in the first four months. Throughout 2007, ABLES introduced three other FETAC modules and now have as many as fifteen completed portfolios awaiting accreditation.

ABLES programme includes:

- Preparation for Work
- Personal and Interpersonal Skills
- Communications
- Numeracy
- Assessment and Intensive Tuition in Adult Basic Education

This growth and development has derived as a result of the very close working relationship of the tutors and Foyer staff and the relaxed open approach to student participation in the courses. Very often the residents just drop-in to the training room for a chat or a bit of 'craic' and very often they end up with a sheet of paper and a biro, **'THEN THE WORK JUST HAPPENS'**. ABLES like to call it learning by choice!

ABLES are soon to have four tutors active in the Foyer and through them it is intended in 2008 to introduce at least three other FETAC modules to compliment the ones already on offer at the Foyer. The tutors Imelda, Loraine and Patsy would also like to express thanks to the students for their effort and for adding enjoyment and satisfaction to their work.



YMCA Fast Forward Lifeskills Programme

Internal Programmes offered by the YMCA during 2007

The YMCA has been a consistent part of the life of Cork City, since 1888. Over the years it has found many ways to express its non-denominational Christian vision. Cork YMCA is located at 11-12 Marlborough Street and has been working with disadvantaged young people in the City for the past 30 years.

The YMCA is supported and funded by the City of Cork VEC and has worked with the Foyer since it opened in 2006, delivering youth-centered lifeskills and personal development training courses to the residents. The two YMCA projects that delivered this training are the Díon Project (independent living skills) and the Youth Information Centre (Signposts). The emphasis of this work is to enable young people to make better decisions in their lives and to provide them with the skills and information to live independently. Part of the service is to familiarise the participants with the broad range of appropriate services available to them i.e. (Threshold, Youth Health Service etc).

Early in 2007, the Foyer successfully engaged with Blackpool Shopping Centre, who kindly provided two successful employment opportunities, bringing the total number of residents to secure full/part time or voluntary employment to sixteen. We now wish to build on the Foyer's early successes by engaging with the wider business community, building positive synergies and providing real opportunities for Foyer residents.

Other Fun & Activities

The Healthy Food Made Easy programme is funded by the Health Promotions Department and is facilitated twice a year over six weeks by Susan Edwards. The emphasis throughout this programme is on group learning rather than formal teaching. The six sessions consist of; a Fresh Look at Food, Focus on Fats, Fibre Providers, Family Food, Sensible Shopping and Bringing it All Back Home.

Those who complete the six sessions receive certificates from the "Health Promotion Department". Six Foyer residents received their certificates for completing the first "Healthy Food Made

Easy" programme in April 2007 and another four received their certificates in October 2007. We are starting the programme again in March this year and we hope to provide a second programme later on in the year.



Healthy Food Made Easy programme



Cooking sessions
Facilitated by the YMCA



Soccer
Facilitated by Paul Carroll

The Foyer's soccer team has been playing every week for the past 18 months. The players consist of current residents, former residents, weary Foyer staff and the odd guest. During 2007, the Foyer linked up with Liberty Street Services for Young People, which resulted in some great competitive games. The Foyer has now entered a strong team into a six aside street soccer tournament planned to start in February 2008. Best of luck lads!



Tennis/Basketball

Facilitated by Susan Edwards & Trish Jones

Tennis & basket ball sessions have evolved into another healthy past-time at the weekends, with Foyer residents, friends and staff regularly visiting the Glen Resource Centre to shoot some hoops and thrash some balls.



Music

Through Triskel Arts Centre, Donal took part in a music workshop in Liverpool. The rappers, singers, beat boxers, freestylers and producers recorded a track and played in front of a large audience.

With the help of a friends music studio, Brian became the first Foyer resident to cut his own CD. Brian bases his music around rap and hopes to promote his CD wherever he can.



Art

Facilitated by Dawn Manning

Residents have explored their artistic talents in a variety of ways, including fashion, drawing, painting and collage work. This has been a very successful provision, proving popular with many residents. During May, residents were participating in the preparations for the Festival of the Bulls, one aspect of this was to create life size stencils of bulls and make creative collages that were on display at the festival.

Student Placement Opportunities

Besides enhancing the lives of residents through various training programmes and activities, Cork Foyer has also provided opportunities for students in the Cork vicinity who were seeking practice placements for their college courses. In 2007 the Foyer offered a placement for eight students studying courses such as Bachelor of Social Science (Youth and Community Work) at University College Cork, Bachelor of Arts in Social Care at Cork Institute of Technology and Occupational Therapy at University College Cork. Thus, the Foyer enabled them to experience a setting that strives to equip young adults with the skills needed to progress from dependence to independence, and facilitated them putting some of the skills they learnt from theory, into practice.

Placement Experience

“My placement has provided the insight of the importance of structured protocol and policies that in place can make the transition for someone easy and provide a feeling of established security. I have seen the success that Cork Foyer has had in resettling residents into their own permanent accommodation, and the positive effect and increased self confidence that experience has had for the young people.”

Tanya O’Sullivan

What has been most beneficial for me is working closely with the Project Workers, who have been very encouraging and supportive. From my time at the Foyer, I have concluded that I would like a career in this type of environment.”

Sally Murphy

“Attending support sessions and interacting with current residents has given me great practical experience. The Foyer has benefited me in both my professional and personal development aspirations, and has further increased my interest of preventing homelessness in the future.”

Aoibhinn Devery

Engaging the Community

The Foyer strives to be more than a place that helps young people during a difficult period of their lives. We aim to be at the nucleus of the community, making best use of our resources to help the Foyer positively engage with community groups and individuals that live within the community, ultimately reducing social exclusion and eliminating misconceptions of the Foyer.



Blackpool Prayer Group

We have adapted the Foyer garage into a workshop that is currently being used by Cork Community Bikes. Garrett Blake (co-ordinator) and his team work on a totally voluntary basis, providing a range of training and learning activities for local youth groups and schools that include; a Bicycle Maintenance and Earn Your Own Bike programme. They are currently extending their service to include a DIY Bicycle Workshop for the community that is aimed at salvaging and recycling unwanted bicycles, whilst promoting sustainable development for the wider City.

Cork Community Bikes were asked to construct several bulls sculptured from waste material with the intention of reconstructing an annual and historic Bull Run in Blackpool. The sculptures received a second run out during the St Patrick's Day Parade.



St Patrick's Day Parade

The Foyer has taken its first big steps towards this aim by proactively establishing a positive relationship and reputation within the local Community. We are represented on a variety of local forums and groups including; the Mayfield Inter-Agency Network Group and Cathedral, Shandon, Blackpool Education Network.



Foyer Toddler Play Park

The toddler play park and seating area that is soon to be opened at the rear of the Foyer will not only provide a respite place in a community that is experiencing heavy commercial and residential regeneration, but will provide the Foyer with further opportunities to engage with the local community and make best use of the green area. Without replicating existing services, and ensuring that we keep in focus with overall Foyer ethos, productively

increasing the number of people who use the Foyer and its facilities from the local community and other organisations remains a challenge for the future.



Blackpool Bull Run

Income and Expenditure Summary

as of 31 December 2007

Foyer General Account:

Rent	€103,064
Funding from Health Service Executive	€300,877
Department of Environment Heritage & Local Government	€199,490
Other Income	€1,061
Total Income	€604,492

Expenditure

Payroll	€382,470
Capital Replacement/Development Fund	€133,442
Establishment Costs	€45,930
Security	€1,169
Repairs & Maintenance	€19,117
Advertising	€5,955
Miscellaneous	€1,783
Professional Fees	€3,635
Non Capital Equipment	€1,203
Printing & Stationery	€4,512
Housing Management Cost	€5,276
Total Expenditure	€604,492

Foyer Resident Hardship/Participation Account:

Balance as of 1st January 2007	€13,991
Total Income	€13,793
Total Expenditure	€6,310
Balance as of 31 December 2007	€21,473

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The Chair, members of the Board and Cork City Council would like to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of the Board members who left during 2007. It is without doubt, the Foyer greatly benefited from their wide experience and expertise;

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Deputy Manager

Administrator

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Ruairi O'Farrell**Susan Edwards****Richard Meagher**

Project Worker

Project Worker

Night Premises Supervisor

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