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INTRODUCTION

The ICOS Co-op Ireland Directory 2015 illustrates the diversity of co-operative types that are associated with ICOS. It also will continue to highlight the significance of dairy and livestock marts within the co-operative family.

This edition of the directory witnesses ongoing change in the numbers of dairy and livestock marts.

Dairy quotas will be abolished this year and livestock marts are being pushed by volatile meat prices and evolving technologies to examine their own business model. Additionally, dairy processing co-operatives have been investing to expand their operations to cope with increased supply of milk. These developments will bring with them new



and exciting challenges for co-operative members and management in respect of financing, technology, governance and leadership.

ICOS's commitment to assisting our member co-ops is further strengthened

as this edition marks the first inclusion of the Plunkett Institute. The Institute will provide a structure for the identification and promotion of best practice in cooperative governance in Ireland. The Institute focuses on the volunteer members of ICOS-supported boards and the board secretaries and training and support for those members will be delivered through the Institute.

The 2015 Directory should be of considerable assistance to executives and board members in providing them with up to date contact information on all ICOS associated co-operatives.

Bertie O'Leary President



FOREWORD

As Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine it gives me great pleasure once again to be associated with the ICOS Co-op Ireland Directory. This publication remains an essential source of information on Ireland's agri-food and rural development sectors.

The co-operative movement has played a pivotally important role in the development of the agri-business and rural-based industry in Ireland, having historical roots going back over a century-and-a-quarter. The technological advancements since then are of course unimaginable to farmers and processors of old, but Horace Plunkett's slogan of 'Better farming, better business, better living' holds equally true today as it did when the co-operative movement was founded.

Plunkett's great legacy was that he had a long-term vision for rural Ireland which went beyond short-term gain. As a representative umbrella organisation for the co-operative movement in Ireland, ICOS is focused on driving the evolution of the Irish co-operative sector through the promotion of best practice, change and helping to enhance the sustainability of member co-ops. In recent years it has successfully broadened its perspectives and scope, and provides a wide range of services to businesses in an increasingly challenging, competitive environment spanning across multiple sections of the Irish economy.

ICOS of course has a particular affinity, importance and relevance to the Irish dairy industry. The dairy sector remains, by a number of measures, the country's largest indigenous industry and dairy exports in 2013 were valued at over €3bn. Despite its reputation and significant global footprint, the dairy sector in Ireland retains significant future growth potential. The abolition of milk quotas with effect from April 1, 2015, marks an historic milestone in the development of Irish agriculture when the Irish dairy sector starts to fully realise its potential. In recent years, the industry has achieved great success in highlighting its excellent reputation with the pursuant success in export markets. As we gear up for increased production and exports in pursuit of the targets of Food Harvest 2020, we can see very clearly that what the co-operative movement is putting in place aligns seamlessly with that vision.

Looking to the future, forecasts for growth in global population and wealth are expected to stimulate strong demand for food generally, including dairy products. Those positive medium-term forecasts are what the Food Harvest 2020 report seeks to exploit in setting out the strategic vision for the future. I believe that the Irish dairy sector can continually adapt and respond to the prevailing market situation. Furthermore, I am certain that the co-operative movement has the flexibility and capacity for innovation to continue to change and adapt to meet the constantly changing needs and demands of its members.

The ICOS Co-op Ireland Directory is a very useful resource for anyone working in, or with an interest in, the agri-food sector or rural development. It contains a wealth of information on a broad range of organisations including their key personnel. It also provides information and contact details for Government departments, European Union institutions, and other organisations that are of importance to readers. I would strongly recommend it as a vital resource for anyone with an interest in the agri-food sector. I would like to acknowledge the contribution of all involved with this publication and I would like to wish them, and all its readers, a very successful year. I look forward, as I do each year, to working closely with ICOS in the exciting period ahead

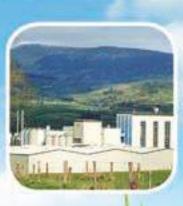
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ABOUT ICOS

The Irish Co-operative Organisation Society (ICOS) is a co-operative umbrella organisation that serves and promotes commercial cooperative businesses and enterprise, across multiple sections of the Irish economy.

ICOS started from agricultural co-op roots, and the vision of founding president, Sir Horace Plunkett in 1894.

Now, ICOS member co-operatives and their associated companies collectively have over 150,000 individual members, employ in excess of 12,000 people in Ireland (a further 24,000 abroad) and have a combined turnover of €14bn.

As a representative umbrella organisation for the co-operative movement in Ireland, ICOS is focused on driving the evolution of the Irish co-operative sector through the promotion of best practice, change and helping to enhance the sustainability of its member co-ops.

ICOS ENDEAVOURS TO:

- Advocate greater engagement with member co-ops and foster greater interaction between ICOS and its member coops
- Effectively use its collective voice and lobbying capabilities
- Challenge members to promote continuous improvement and competitive change, and be open for challenge within ICOS
- Promote the principles of the co-operative movement to ensure stronger governance, education, and co-operation
- Develop the membership base through the training and education of grass-roots membership
- Promote greater member participation within co-operatives, particularly with younger generations of members
- Deliver tangible value to members in the services ICOS provides, the initiatives it leads and the programmes it promotes



ICOS SKILLNET PROGRAMME



ICOS Skillnet is a network of member co-operatives nationwide. Members use the network to avail of grant-assisted training and networking opportunities for their owners, managers and staff.



ICOS believes that members need to improve the skills of their workforces if they are to grow and be successful in today's ever-changing business environment.

The aims of the ICOS Skillnet programme are:

- To provide industry-specific, customised and the most relevant training to member companies in order to improve their competitiveness
- To promote training as a viable strategic tool
- To improve the quality of training and development activities and provide real opportunities to employees of the member companies
- To assist in creating a long-term future for co-operative businesses in rural areas
- To contribute to the up-skilling of the unemployed

Since its inception, ICOS Skillnet has trained in excess of 9,000 participants and part-funded over 150 courses and programmes for the co-operative sector.

ICOS Skillnet provides training in the following areas: co-operative and industrial provident society director training; people management; planning and strategy; management development; communication skills; sales and marketing; finance; technical skills; health and safety; and, information technology.

In keeping with the current focus of Skillnets, ICOS Skillnet also offers free training places to eligible job-seekers or seasonal/part-time workers who are





training with those in employment. Spaces on all programmes are limited and will have to be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

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CONTRIBUTION OF CO-OPS TO IRELAND

In 1879 Horace Plunkett founded a small retail co-operative in Dunsany probably motivated by his exposure to the rapidly growing consumer co-operative movement in the United Kingdom. He founded his second co-operative retail store in Doneraile, Co. Cork in 1889. Thereafter Plunkett examined the rural Irish economy and identified production and distribution as the primary agricultural problems. [He quickly identified the cooperative organisation of Ireland's new landowners, the emerging small farmers, as potentially more fruitful subjects for the promotion of the co-operative business model than co-operative retail stores.] He founded his first agricultural creamery co-operative in Ballyhahill, Co Limerick in 1891.

Ireland's first Co-operative Agricultural Credit Society was set up in Co. Cork in November, 1894. It was based on the Raiffeisen System of farm credit that had been studied intensively and brought to Ireland by the Jesuit Fr Tom Finlay, an early collaborator with Sir Horace Plunkett, a pioneer in agricultural cooperation. In many respects, this was an early forerunner of the credit movement in Ireland.

Sir Horace Plunkett helped establish the forerunner to today's Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, when the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction (DATI) was formed in 1899.

With the advice and financial support of the Irish Co-operative Organisation Society (ICOS) (then the Irish Agriculture Organisation Society (IAOS)), the Society of the United Irishwomen was formed in 1910. In 1935 the Society of the United Irishwomen changed its name to the Irish Countrywomen's Association (ICA), which is still thriving today with over 11,000 members in rural Ireland.

Evolving from their small co-operative beginnings in Ireland, businesses like Glanbia, the Irish Dairy Board, Dairygold and the Kerry Group have established a global market presence. Marketed through the Irish Dairy Board and available in over 50 countries around the globe, the Kerrygold brand is one of Ireland's bestknown, international food brands.

In 1919, Sir Horace Plunkett started the Plunkett Foundation in Ireland and England. The Plunkett Foundation continued to promote and develop agricultural co-operatives and rural community enterprise. Its work today focuses on the development of cooperatives in the areas of community shops, co-operative pubs, and community food enterprises.

DAIRY

Milk quotas will be abolished in March 2015 and the Irish dairy sector, farmers and processors, will be given the opportunity to pursue efficiencies through increased volumes and hopefully assert themselves on the world stage.

Farmers and their co-ops are gearing up for an increase in milk supply of up to 50 per cent by 2020 and they are making the investments necessary to produce and profitably process and market this milk.

Given that the European population and its dairy consumption are largely stable, the additional production will mainly be targeted at the growing world market, particularly Africa and Southeast Asia. The challenge faced in these growing markets will be demanding. Many international competitors, particularly those from the southern hemisphere, benefit from low-cost milk production, on large farms, with enormous processing scale. However, Ireland's efficient, grassbased production system focuses on quality and sustainability and investment in value-added.

The fact that Ireland has a seasonality curve that almost exactly mirrors its main competitors should allow it to compete effectively in those emerging markets.

LIVESTOCK

Today, Ireland's livestock mart sector consists of over 60 co-operative mart centres across the country. Marts provide many services to the farmer shareholders, in addition to the primary function of a transparent method of selling and guaranteeing payment for livestock. Several marts have diversified their service offering into property sales, Single Farm Payment (SFP) entitlement trading, valuations, NCT centres and retail centres, to name a few.

ICOS member livestock marts employ 718 people in rural towns across Ireland that run the mart centres for nearly 30,000 members.

Together with livestock co-operative marts, in excess of 40 breed societies exist also, including cattle, sheep and horse societies. Such societies have several functions: they help promote their breeds; they help improve and safeguard their long-term production and genetic potential; and, they help educate the buying public on the economical and at times, social attributes of their breed.

In recent years, there has been an emergence of farmer producers coming together regionally to promote and cultivate marketing opportunities with geographically pasture-grazed stock. ICOS sees the emergence of Protected Designation of Origin (PDO)-type solutions as an opportunity for Irish livestock producers.

Each of these areas point towards greater potential for a co-operative business solution: through scaling up and developing economies of scale; sharing services, for example in marketing or distribution; or, reducing the capital burden on start-ups through co-operative share capital.

Plunkett's mission is today by no means complete or redundant. For the generation of Irish farmers now starting up in the post-quota era, the challenge of global competition and the challenge of extracting a fair margin from the marketplace is becoming more complex. These challenges demand that farmers must continue to combine and organise and have the leadership and management skills to do so in a manner that allows them to compete internationally with large investor-owned retail firms that now dominate the food supply chain.



FOCUS ON 2016

The agricultural sector is changing rapidly with fewer farmers working on bigger farm holdings. Farm partnerships, or farmers developing their businesses into limited companies, are also becoming more commonplace.

As milk quotas will be abolished in March 2015, dairy markets are no longer focused on the neighbours closest to us, and the beef sector is dealing with a challenging retail climate and changing mart-member needs. As a result, rural areas are also undergoing change.

Smaller farming families are entering into self-employment through small-scale food production, tourism, or timber production to increase their household incomes, supported greatly through the LEADER programme.

Traditionally the co-operative model has been the backbone of assembly, processing and marketing developments in agriculture production sectors.

As a business model, it continues to have a key role to play in assisting rural farmers and businesses to access more markets and sustainably develop their businesses.

DAIRY

Just over 17,000 Irish dairy farmers milk 1.1 million cows and supply 5.5bn litres of milk annually. About 85 per cent of Irish dairy products are exported, with around 20 per cent being traded outside the EU. Ireland's production only accounts for around 4 per cent of the EU milk supply, and less than 1 per cent of the world milk supply.

Importantly however, given that the vast majority (in excess of 90 per cent) of the global milk supply is destined for local markets, and does not get traded internationally, Irish dairy exports play an important role in the international dairy trade.

Irish milk is predominantly produced off fresh, green grass, with the majority of herds being calved in spring, and dried off in the autumn. This production system is quite unique in the northern hemisphere, and confers a great advantage to Irish dairy products in premium markets. The Irish Kerrygold brand commands a topthree position in 27 of the 50 markets in which it is sold. Ireland also produces over 15 per cent of the world's infant formula. As the dairy industry is gearing up for the post-quota regime, it is worth recalling that the regulations were introduced 30 years ago, with the expectation that they would last only a short few years.

At the time, there were exceptionally high levels of intervention stocks. The continuation of those regulations resulted in a whole generation of dairy farmers constrained by limitations on milk production. The dairy industry at the time benefited from price supports, strong export incentives, promotion schemes, and tariffs to reduce imports.

As a result, milk prices were maintained at stable, if modest levels. Nonetheless, milk supplier numbers reduced by around 75 per cent during the milk quota period.

During the period of the milk quotas, active farmers spent well over 1bn on buying, and leasing quota, through various measures available. They also paid a super levy bill of €149.5m in 16 of the 30 years of the regime to date. Despite production constraints, progressive milk producers adapted to the quota regime to increase the scale and efficiency of their operations.

On Tuesday, March 31, 2015, the Irish dairy industry will be subject to radical change. Farmers' production volume will no longer be restricted. Recent investments in processing capacity, value added technologies, and routes to market by Irish co-ops have left the sector in a positive state of preparedness.

Dairy markets will remain volatile. This is due to the ongoing global supply demand evolution, influenced by international trade developments. ICOS has been working on behalf of the Irish dairy co-ops and processors to ensure that any international trade agreements do not erode Ireland's competitive position in developing further sales channels for dairy products.

The recent dairy market weaknesses in price, now exacerbated by geopolitical issues in the East, brings volatility to the forefront of our minds again.

This year (2014) has been reasonably good for Irish milk producers, with exceptionally good prices paid for the majority of their annual production. But the outlook for 2015 is less certain.

Economists in DG Agri in Brussels have released their projections for European dairy production over the period, covering the abolition of quotas.

EU milk is projected to increase by 2.8 per cent in 2014. This equates to a four billion litre increase to 145.3 billion litres. Projections for 2015 are for 2.3 per cent growth. These estimates are conservative because of price projections, land and environmental constraints. There will be an increase in production of powders, which is a reflection of increasing exports. The key purchasing countries will be China, Algeria, Middle East and Nigeria.

Analysts are pointing out that the growth of Chinese stocks in powders could undermine price.

In cheese they are seeing a decline in EU exports to Russia, but the pressure may be offset by export rises to Middle East and North African markets. The recent good press about butter continues, with projections of increased demand - 3 per cent increase in 2014 for the EU domestic markets and 9 per cent for exports.

The rationale for this growth is attributed to consumer taste changes and the campaign against the use of palm oil. The good news about butter is somewhat counterbalanced by projections that EU yoghurt consumption will be down by 3 per cent in 2014 with a decline in perception of health benefits blamed.

LIVESTOCK

The livestock marts sector in Ireland is undergoing significant change also.

Ireland has over 6.5 million cattle, producing 2.2 million calves annually. This results in the slaughter of almost 1.5 million, of which almost 90 per cent is exported. Additionally, live exports figures range from approximately 200,000 to 300,000.

Ireland has been a provider of cattle for Northern Ireland (NI) and the UK for hundreds of years. Ireland consumes



approximately 10 per cent of what it produces and in 2013 it produced over 472,000 tonnes of beef meat for export.

The UK on the other hand, is only approximately 75 per cent self-sufficient in beef meat and must import approximately 350,000 tonnes of additional beef to satisfy national demand. Ireland supplies the vast majority of this imported beef. In 2013 Ireland produced and exported over 250,000 tonnes of beef meat to the UK, representing almost 70 per cent of the UK's total imports.

An ongoing critical situation is the effective ban by Irish-owned meat plants in NI, on killing live cattle that originate in the ROI.

ROI-controlled meat factories in NI either will not slaughter an animal, or they will impose a £150 fine per animal, if any farmer presents a ROI-born animal for slaughter.

In addition, ICOS believes that meat factories are using specific actions in respect of animal movements, number of residencies, or age and weight thresholds, in an arbitrary manner. According to ICOS this is being done to manipulate the way in which farmers rear and sell their animals in order to keep prices as low as possible.

onerous conditions The imposed by these meat plants regarding the movement of livestock have no basis in terms of regulation or meat quality, and no justification on animal welfare or veterinary grounds, ICOS believes, and are simply being used as a market control measure. The UK market is the only EU market where these effective barriers to the free trade of live cattle exist. Ireland is exporting 200,000 tonnes of live beef to continental Europe without the restrictive stipulations that have been introduced for exports to the UK, allegedly for quality and welfare reasons.

ICOS believes these are anti-competitive practices that restrict the movement of goods between the north and south of the island and are having profound impacts in farming families across the country.

The imposition of these specificities by meat factories has a knock-on effect for the types of sales that are going through livestock marts. Finished animals being sold at marts have declined substantially. Many livestock marts are now focusing on sales of breeding stock and weanlings. Farmers are now more focused on the value of their time and as a result there has been an increase in a demand for more time-efficient means of selling stock.

Marts are experimenting with new forms of sales to ensure both buyers and sellers continue to engage with them.

ICOS is also looking critically at the business case for some smaller marts and asking whether more marts need to amalgamate in order to provide their shareholders the best service.

Marts are looking to develop and run 'online sales' to ensure they are in line with evolving selling and buying trends of farmer.

RURAL BUSINESS

As mentioned at the outset, the LEADER Programme has been a great assistance to the development of rural businesses that complements mainstream agriculture. Sectors including small-scale food production or the development of renewable energy projects have been supported across the country. At the

other end of those sectors, Bord Bia and Enterprise Ireland are assisting companies in their first steps towards exporting their products. Ireland now has a reputation through international marketing and promotional campaigns by Bord Bia and Fáilte Ireland as a 'green' country which, in turn, has supported the food, tourism and renewable energy sectors to develop.

The co-operative model is ideal to assist the growth of small, rural and businesses. help them enter new markets through collaboration and co-operation. This supported is by the Department of Agriculture, which has called for

increased co-operation in the areas of food and timber production specifically.

Rural entrepreneurs with limited staffing have to deal with all elements of their businesses from production to distribution, from sales to marketing and from financial management to administration.

Also the trend of consumers looking for local products prepared in smaller, less industrial batches is one the supermarket multiples are keenly aware of.

The co-operative structure makes it possible for smaller producers to achieve certain goals. For example, a co-operative can help smaller producers to fill an order for a larger supermarket that they would not have been able to supply previously.

ICOS is working with development companies and national agencies to assist those interested in cooperation and collaboration develop co-operative enterprises, and will focus through to 2016 on the food and renewable energy sectors for co-operative development.



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ICOS SERVICES

ICOS works with its member co-ops to tailor services depending on their current and future needs and to meet the goals of the organisation. These services include the following:

1. Providing a Co-operative Voice

ICOS is a registered co-operative that has been representing and serving the cooperative sector in Ireland for close to 120 years.

2. Customer Service, Co-op Development and New Co-op Registration

ICOS's core business is to provide vision, leadership and value to the co-operative movement in Ireland. ICOS uses its collective voice to put the needs of the cooperative movement and member co-ops to the forefront of what it does.

3. Co-op Rules and Governance

ICOS is a leader in co-operative development. It is Ireland's leading organisation for registering new co-ops. It aims to deliver vision, leadership, and value to its members. For prospective co-op start-ups, ICOS follows a process whereby these co-operatives are evaluated for suitability, registered with the assistance of ICOS, and put through a two-year, startup development programme

4. Lobbying and Representation

ICOS lobbies and represents its members on nearly 50 boards, industry bodies and governmental institutions etc. It also maintains an active network across many departments of government. ICOS is one of the few Irish industry organisations that has a full-time office in Brussels since the early 1970s. The Brussels office maintains a network with over 150 groups and organisations across Europe. ICOS's reputation for openness, fairness, pragmatism and integrity advances its status both at home and abroad.

5. Sectoral Expertise

ICOS supports the creation of commercially viable co-operatives that are structured, and focused on the economic drivers promoted through co-operative principles. Co-operatives provide over 100 million jobs around the world, 20 per cent more than multinational enterprises. ICOS's expertise across many industry sectors, together with its lobbying activities and international networks help it to deliver tangible value for its members.

6. Training and Education

A policy pursued by ICOS is: 'educate to cooperate'. A primary focus for its education initiatives is on corporate governance. Through ICOS Skillnet, targeted training and personal development programmes are facilitated. The training offering from ICOS is further strengthened through the establishment of the Plunkett Institute of Co-operative Governance to channel training and support for the establishment and promotion of best practice in cooperative governance in Ireland. ICOS also provides targeted training across a broad number of co-operative industry sectors and fields of interest.

7. Networking and Synergy

ICOS actively promotes and supports the principle of 'co-operation amongst cooperatives'. ICOS facilitates networking and business opportunities amongst its member co-ops both in Ireland and internationally. When called upon, ICOS has always been the first to help facilitate and guide willing co-ops to forge new relationships, drive industry-wide initiatives, and pursue joint ventures and mergers.

8. Communication

In today's information age ICOS has focused on actively communicating with its members in a timely fashion. Its website, Twitter, and Facebook feeds, are updated regularly. Depending on the co-operative sector ICOS also sends targeted emails on a regular basis, organises networking events, seminars and conferences.

As always, its team of development managers are only a phone call away.

9. Promoting Overseas Development

Through the Irish Foundation for Cooperative Development (IFCD), ICOS aids in the advancement of the co-operative model in developing countries. Through its overseas networks and connections, it is always on the lookout for business opportunities for its members back home in Ireland.

10. Permanent Presence in Brussels

The Irish Co-operative Organisation Society is one of the few representative industry organisations to have a full-time office in Brussels spanning the history of Ireland's membership of the European Union.

The services and role provided by the ICOS Brussels office for co-operative members include:

- Lobbying and driving policy that promotes the aims of the Irish cooperative movement
- Representing ICOS members on European and international farming and co-operative organisations such as COPA COGECA
- Working with Irish government officials to ensure that cooperative objectives are reflected in international government policy
- Developing links with national representative and non-governmental groups to further its goals and objectives.

The ICOS Brussels office remains at the disposal of its members at all times and is a key element of the service that ICOS provides, especially in an era where cooperative interests are increasingly being shaped by international legislation and global trade.



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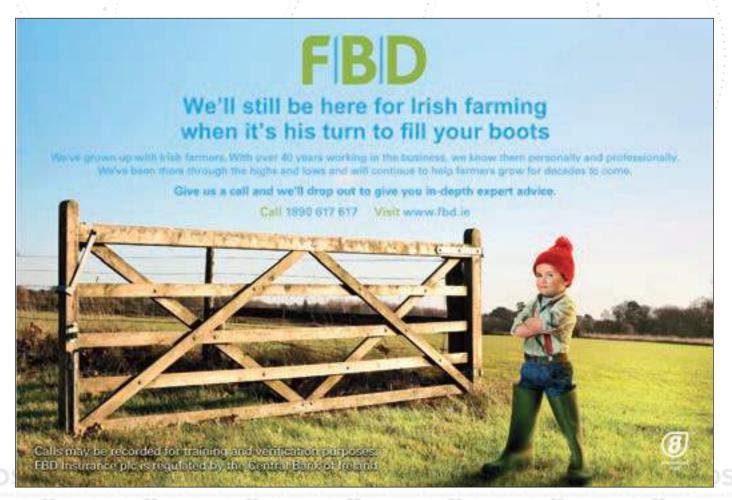
The Plunkett Institute for Co-operative Governance is dedicated to the establishment and promotion of best practice in co-operative governance in Ireland. Its main focus is to act as an expert body for the governance of cooperative organisations through the establishment of a set of principles and a code of ethics for co-operative societies in Ireland.

It provides recognised training and education for its members, and holds a register of those who are considered to have reached a particular level of competence (mainly a board member of a co-operative society).

It has a number of different membership categories, depending on the level of training and experience of applicants, and members can move from affiliate (entry) level to full member status, once they have undergone sufficient training, and gained an appropriate level of experience in the co-op boardroom.

The institute also operates a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme, with members committing to engage in ongoing training and development. CPD points are awarded for undergoing approved training and development, as well as participating in relevant industry events.

Through these structures and measures, the Plunkett Institute for Co-operative Governance aims to promote high standards in co-operative governance and to enhance the professionalism and status of those who are elected to serve on co-operative boards.





SETTING UP A CO-OP

The co-operative model is one of the most sustainable business models for new enterprise start-ups. Co-operatives provide over 100 million jobs around the world - 20 per cent more than multinational enterprises.

ICOS supports the creation and development of commercially viable co-operatives that are structured, and focused on the economic drivers promoted through co-operative principles.

ICOS is at the forefront of co-operative development in Ireland and it is the leading organisation for registering new co-operatives in Ireland.

ICOS also:

- Provides advice and guidance on cooperative start-ups and development
 Promotes co-operatives as a
- Promotes co-operatives as

stronger sustainable economic business model

- Lobbies and promotes best practice on behalf of the co-operative sector in Ireland
- Encourages networking and cooperation amongst co-operatives to drive economic growth in the sector
- Tries to make setting up a cooperative as easy as A-B-C

ICOS lists the following steps when assessing the viability and suitability of the proposed enterprise as a cooperative.

A - APPROACH

Do you have a minimum of seven people who have a common need and are willing to form a co-operative? Have you defined an economic need for that co-operative?



B - BUSINESS PLAN

Has a business plan for the proposed cooperative been drafted?

C - COMMERCIALLY FEASIBLE

On the basis of this business plan and the projections outlined within it, is the enterprise commercially viable? Will it at least break even annually?

D - DETERMINATION OF COMMITMENT

Are the members of the proposed cooperative willing to put forward finances to help start the proposed co-operative? A registered co-operative, like a company, is an incorporated legal entity with limited liability. It can act on its own initiative, it can enter contracts, can sue and be sued, but must also be responsible for its actions.

E - ENLISTING MEMBER SUPPORT

Discuss and agree the level of support (e.g. the percentage of member share capital in start-up funds) that the members are willing to commit to the enterprise.

F - FILE A REQUEST WITH ICOS

When the steps outlined above have been completed, please file a request with ICOS. ICOS may request a meeting with the group prior to registration.



ICOS Board

ARRABAWN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY

LTD Stafford Street, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary T: +353 67 41800 F: +353 67 32232 E: info@arrabawn.ie W: www.arrabawn.ie Employees: 300 Turnover: €150m CEO: Conor Ryan Chairperson: Sean Monahan Vice Chairperson: Edward Carr and John Ryan Secretary: Jerry Ryan Financial Controller: Michael O'Kelly

Auditors: Quinlan Holohan & Co. Solicitors: Patrick F. Treacy & Co. Board Members: Michael Kennedy, John Fletcher, Matt Cleary, John Moylan, Michael Egan, Patrick McLoughlin, Patrick Brennan, Sean Fahy, Sean Daly, John Woods, Sean C Ryan, Patrick Meskell, Sean Ryan, Seamus Finn, Michael Flaherty, Pat Donnellan, Martin Callanan, Gerard Hoade, Padraig Coughlan. Overview: Arrabawn Co-op produces a wide array of products which include dairy consumer products such as milk, butter, cream; dairy ingredients such as casein, skim milk powder, whole milk powder, whey; and animal feeds products.

ATHENRY CO-OPERATIVE MART LTD

Prospect, Athenry, Co. Galway T: +353 91 844072 F: +353 91 844343 E: athenrymart@eircom.net Chairperson: Martin Callinan Secretary: Michael O'Connell General Manager: Alan Barry Auditors: Michael F Dolan Solicitors: WP Shields

AURIVO CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Ballina Road, Tubbercurry, Co. Sligo **T:** +353 71 9186500 F: +353 71 9185239 E: info@aurivo.ie W: www.aurivo.ie Employees: 700 Turnover: €454m CEO: Aaron Forde Chairperson: Tom Cunniffe Vice Chairperson: Michael Brennan Secretary: Jim Kelly General Manager: Agri-business - John Daly, Marts - Martin Walsh, Dairy - Eoghan Sweenev Financial Controller: Donal Tierney Auditors: KPMG Solicitors: Rochford Gallagher & Co. Board Members: Raymond Barlow, Michael Brennan, Frank Butler, Tom Cunniffe, Pat Duffy, Jim Egan, Martin Gallagher,

Cathal Garvey, Padraig Gibbons, Patrick Henry, Robert Hosey, Albert Lawson, Billy McMahon, Tommy Shryane, Sean Sweeney, Tom J Tuffy.

Overview: Aurivo is the largest multipurpose, co-operative in the west of Ireland, with business in consumer foods, dairy ingredients, retail stores, animal feeds and livestock trading. Our business pillars of innovation, customer focus, operational excellence and investing in our people, are the platforms of our growth and customer experience.

BALLINASLOE CO-OPERATIVE MART

Cleaghmore, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway **T:** +353 90 9642384 / 9642455 F: +353 90 9642437 E: mcostello@ballinasloemart.ie W: www.ballinasloemart.ie Employees: 24 (8 permanent) Turnover: €36m **CEO:** Martin Costello Chairperson: Michael Meehan Secretary: Damien O'Brien General Manager: Martin Costello Financial Controller: Geraldine Collins Auditors: DHKN Solicitors: Patrick Hogan & Co. Board Members: Nicholas Barrett, Austin Cooke, Seamus Coughlan, Jimmy Curley, Patsy Dillon, Kevin Dolan, Kevin Flynn, Jackie Grehan, Tom Hughes, Bernard Kelly, Kieran Kelly, James Kenny, Frank Laffey, Joe Leonard, Michael Meehan, Bernard Monahan, Michael Nash, Martin Naughton, Damien O'Brien, Sean O'Brien and Seamus Quigley.

BALLINTORMAN GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Community Office, Conor Crean Centre, Annascaul, Co. Kerry **T**: +353 86 6041475 **Chairperson:** Thomas Kennedy **Vice Chairperson:** Michael Courtney **Secretary:** Justin McCarthy **Auditors:** Christopher Griffin **Solicitors:** Reggie Griffin & Co **Board Members:** Thomas Kennedy, Justin McCarthy, Michael Courtney, Christopher Griffin, Patrick Rohan, Margaret Moriarty, Dora Kennedy, Padraig Campion. **Overview:** Supplying water.

BALLYBROPHY AREA GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Beechgrove, Doon, Borris-in-Ossory, Co. Laois Secretary: Conleith Wall

BALLYJAMESDUFF CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD

Ramonan, Ballyjamesduff, Co. Cavan T: +353 49 8544483 F: +353 48 8544748 E: bjamesmart1@eircom.net

Employees: 52

Turnover: €2.5m **CEO:** Danny Reilly Chairperson: Bernard Monaghan Vice Chairperson: Philip O'Reilly Secretary: Anna Smith General Manager: Danny Reilly Financial Controller: Danny Reilly Auditors: Con Dolan Solicitors: Patrick Cusack Smith & Co. Board Members: Patrick Wright, Christopher Reilly, Seamus Galligan, Louis Acheson, Sean McBride, Andrew Farrelly, Norbert Fitzsimons, Patrick McEnroe, Seamus McDermott, Sam Fagan, Leslie Smith, Jimmy Fitzsimmons, Sean Reilly, Paul Cosgrove, Bernard Monaghan, Dessie Boylan, PJ O'Reilly, Philip G O'Reilly, Donal Brady, Patrick Dowd, James Smith, Thomas Smith, Cathal Farrelly, Bernard Lynch.

BALLYMACHUGH CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Bracklagh, Finea, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath **T:** +353 43 6681947 F: +353 43 6681947 E: roisin.reynolds@hotmail.com Employees: 1 Chairperson: Terry Denneny Vice Chairperson: Jim Fitzsimons Secretary: Sean Sheridan General Manager: Sean Reynolds Financial Controller: KBG Accountants Auditors: KBG Accountants Solicitors: Damien Rudden Board Members: Terry Denneny, Jim Fitzsimons, Paddy Brady, Sean Sheridan, Roisin Reynolds, Peter Brady, Patrick Gill, Patsy Briody, Ned Flood, Tom Reilly, Sean Galligan.

BANDON CO-OPERATIVE

AGRICULTURAL & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD Watergate Street, Bandon, Co. Cork **T**: +353 23 8841409 F: +353 23 8844931 E: admin@bandoncoop.ie W: www.bandoncoop.ie Employees: 208 Turnover: €120m **CEO:** Gerard Brickley Chairperson: Dermot O'Leary Vice Chairperson: David Rice Secretary: Gus O'Brien General Manager: Gus O'Brien Financial Controller: John Looney Auditors: ODM Accountants & Auditors Solicitors: Murphy Long & Taaffe Board Members: Dermot O'Leary, David Rice, Ben Cottrell, Richard Forbes, Anne Keohane, Denis Lucey, Marie McCarthy, Donal Hurley, Vincent O'Donovan, Neil O'Riordan, John O'Sullivan, Stephen Shorten Paddy Sweetnam, Jeremiah Twomey, Cyril Draper.

Overview: Established in 1903. **Subsidiary company:** Bandon Vale. **Associates:** Carbery Group, Clona Dairy Society and Shinagh Estates Ltd. Provender milling, grain purchases and retail centre sales.

BARRYROE CO-OPERATIVE LTD

Lislevane, Bandon, Co. Cork T: +353 23 88 40000 F: +353 23 88 40148 E: barryroe@barryroeco-op.ie W: www.barryroeco-op.ie Employees: 215 Turnover: €122m **CEO:** Peadar Murphy Chairperson: Peter Fleming Vice Chairperson: John Murray Secretary: Peadar Murphy Financial Controller: Stephen O'Leary Auditors: Crowley McCarthy Solicitors: Collins Brooks Board Members: Michael Coleman, John J McCarthy, Daniel Whelton, Geoffrey Wycherley, Michael Sexton, Jeremiah Keohane, Angela O'Donovan, Peter Fleming, John M Ryan, Denis Cummins, Gerard McCarthy, Kieran Crowley, Patrick O'Brien, Daniel O'Mahony, Laurence Sexton, Liam Ryan, Patrick J Hayes, John G Kirby, John A Murray, Patrick Harte, John Michael Foley. Overview: Barryroe Co-op purchases milk, grain and pigs from its farmer shareholders, while supplying farm inputs. It operates a busy mill and is a major pork processor.

BELGIAN BLUE CATTLE BREEDERS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

Farney, Holycross, Thurles, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 504 43870 **F:** +353 504 43704 E: belgianblue@eircom.net W: www.ibbcs.com Chairperson: Cyril Martin Vice Chairperson: Jarlath Dugan Secretary: Mary Duggan Financial Controller: David Pearson Board Members: Trevor Ashmore, Nicholas Bergin, Richard Duff, Jarlath Duggan, John Duggan, Tommy Fitzgerald, Denis Foynes, Patrick Kent, Ian Kelly, Cyril Martin, Myles McDermott, Jim McDonnell, Sean O'Brien, David Pearson, Declan Ryan, Michael Scanlon, Michael Woods. Overview: The Irish Belgian Blue Cattle Society promotes the breeding of pedigree and commercial cattle in Ireland.

BLACKSTAIRS GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

c/o Conran's, Rathnure, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford **T**: +353 87 2365244 **E**: james.kehoe123@gmail.com **Chairperson:** Pat Sinnott **Secretary:** James Kehoe

Employees: 1

Financial Controller: Larry Sheahan Auditors: FM Cosgrave Solicitors: Frizelle O'Leary & Co. Board Members: Pat Sinnott, James Kehoe, Larry Sheahan, Richard Power, Douglas Deacon, Mike Reddy, James Hendrick, Mick Frayne, Denis Kennedy, Joe Dunphy, Tom Quigley, Colm Byrne, Percy Deacon, Des Furlong, Ned Lyng, Anthony Sinnott. Overview: To supply water to local area approx 1,588 houses and 200 farms on a not-for-profit basis.

BOHERBUE CO-OPERATIVE AGRI & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Boherbue, Mallow, Co. Cork **T:** +353 29 76004 F: +353 29 76027 E: declan@boherbuecoop.ie Employees: 43 Turnover: €20.5m CEO: Declan O'Keeffe Chairperson: Patrick Murphy Vice Chairperson: Noel O'Mahony Secretary: Declan O'Keffee General Manager: Declan O'Keeffe Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Hickey Fitzgerald Board Members: Patrick Murphy, Noel O'Mahony, Eugene O'Connor, Dominic Cronin, Hugh O'Connor, Danny Colling, Christopher McSweeney, Tadgh O'Leary, Denis Drew, Benny Joe O'Connor, Denis O'Mahony, Mary O'Riordan. **Overview:** Boherbue Co-op is a vibrant independent co-operative located in north west Cork. Its business is, primarily milk trading exclusively with Mondelez International, agri-retailing and food retailing.

BULGADEN GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Bulgaden, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick

BURTONPORT FISHERMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD Burtonport, Co. Donegal

CALLAN CO-OPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Callan, Co. Kilkenny T: +353 56 7725146 F: +353 56 7725780 E: callancoop@eircom.net W: www.callancoop.ie Employees: 33 Turnover: €16m Chairperson: Padraig Collins Vice Chairperson: Donnacha O'Sullivan Secretary: Liam Ryan General Manager: Liam Ryan Auditors: Duignan Carthy O'Neill Solicitors: Poe, Kiely, Hogan, Lanigan Board Members: Paul Croke, James Power, Tom O'Halloran, John Tobin, John Lynch, David Holmes, Donnacha O'Sullivan, Sean Bogue, Vincent O'Halloran, Philip Lynch, Gerald Walsh, Philip Kennedy, Padraig Collins, Michael O'Dwyer.

Overview: Farmer-owned co-op with 43 milk suppliers with milk intakes of 3.5m gallons. Manufacturer of coarse rations; filling station and forecourt shop; hardware shop/building/ DIY store.

CARAVAN, CAMPING & MOBILE HOME SOCIETY LTD

Kilshanny, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork **T:** +353 25 41895 F: +353 25 41895 E: info@camping-Ireland.ie W: www.camping-Ireland.ie Turnover: €172k Chairperson: Con Quill Vice Chairperson: Niamh Darcy Secretary: John O'Shea General Manager: Aideen Flynn Financial Controller: Joe Kenneally Auditors: Curran Moore & Associates Board Members: Con Quill, Niamh Darcy, Joe Kenneally, John O'Shea, Ashley Williams, Elaine Sexton, Derry Brosnan, Ken Nagle, Sean O'Malley, Stephen Bradshaw, Jane Murphy and John Breen. Overview: Representative society for owners of caravan and camping parks in Ireland.

CARBERY MILK PRODUCTS LTD

Ballineen, Co. Cork T: +353 23 8822200 F: +353 23 8847684 E: info@carbery.com W: www.carbery.com Employees: 531 Turnover: €318m CEO: Dan McSweeney Chairperson: Donal Tobin Vice Chairperson: Dermot O'Leary Secretary: Colm Leen General Manager: Dan McSweeney Financial Controller: Colm Leen Auditors: Ernst & Young Solicitors: Ronan Daly Jermyn Board Members: Donal Tobin, Dermot O'Leary, Gerard Brickley, Pat Moriarty, Peter Fleming, Peadar Murphy, David Connolly, Richard Connell, Joe O'Sullivan, Dan MacSweeney, Colm Leen.

CASTLEISLAND CO-OPERATIVE MART LTD

Convent Street, Castleisland, Co. Kerry T: +353 66 7141247 F: +353 66 7141881 E: info@castleislandmart.com W: www.castleislandmart.com Employees: 21 Turnover: €28.4m CEO: Richard Harnett Chairperson: James Roche Vice Chairperson: Timothy Twomey Secretary: Gerard Carmody Auditors: Kelliher O'Shea Solicitor: Galvin Broderick Board Members: John Brosnan, Tom Brosnan, Sean Brosnan, Paddy Browne, Denis Griffin, Dermot O'Leary, James Roche, Tommy Roche, Neily Shanahan, John Scanlon, Tim McAuliffe, Timothy Twomey.

CASTLEREA CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD.

The Fair Green, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon **T:** +353 94 9620300 F: +353 94 9620315 E: castlereamart@eircom.net W: www.castlerealivestockmart.com Employees: 38 Turnover: €33m Chairperson: Richard Finan Vice Chairperson: John McDermott Secretary: John Hurley General Manager: Brendan Egan Auditors: Russell Brennan Keane Solicitors: Claffey Gannon Board Members: R Finan, J Hurley, P Kelly, P O'Connor, R Thompson, JP O'Connor, MI O'Flanagan, J McDermott, M Higgins, P Creighton, P McGrath.

CASTLETOWNBERE FISHERMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE LTD

Dinish Island, Castletownbere, Co. Cork **T:** +353 27 70045 **F:** +353 27 70194 **E:** info@ctbfishcoop.eu

CBC GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD

Mount Hazel, Castleblakeney, Balinasloe, Co. Galway

CENTENARY THURLES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Templemore Road, Thurles, Co. Tipperary T: +353 504 91900 F: +353 504 22657 E: reception@centenarythurles.com W: www.centenarythurles.com Employees: 116 Turnover: €87.78m CEO: Joe Kerrigan Chairperson: Jim Russell Vice Chairperson: Philip Dwyer and Patrick Dalv Secretary: Joe Kerrigan Auditors: Russell Brennan Keane Solicitors: Butler Cunningham & Molony

Board Members: Jim Russell, Philip Dwyer, Paddy Daly, Patrick Blake, Jimmy Cummins, Seán Dunne, Thomas Doyle, Robert Hayes, John Hogan, Thomas Keogh, Pat Maher, Pat Cormack, Patrick Gleeson, Tom Maher, John Cronin, Roger Kennedy, Noel O'Connor, Brendan Ryan, John Bourke, Pat Hogan, Philip Kinane, Eamon Coady, Michael Maher, John Russell, Michael Hannon, Mervyn Stanley, Jerry Sutton, Patrick Whyte, Padraig Costigan, William Maher, Gerry Laffan, Tim Maher, Michael Egan, Pat Kennedy, Noreen Barry, Denis Brereton, Jackie Cahill, John Cahill, Con Callanan, Martin Dillon, James Finn, Bill Flanagan, Mary Purcell, Jerry Spillane. **Overview:** Founded in 1898 and based mainly in Co. Tipperary. Centenary Thurles has strong positions in milk, feed milling, agritrading and home and garden retail.

CENTRAL AUCTIONS SERVICES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Stafford Street, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 67 31360 F: +353 67 31849 E: info@centralauctions.ie W: www.centralauctions.ie Employees: 26 Turnover: €53m CEO: Matt Malone Chairperson: Ray Dempsey Vice Chairperson: John O'Brien and Desmond Dempsey Secretary: Matt Malone General Manager: Matt Malone Auditors: Quinlan Holohan & Co. Solicitors: PF Treacy & Co. Board Members: Raymond Dempsey, Desmond Dempsey, John O'Brien, Frank Doorley, Thomas Gunnell, Sean Cleary, James Haslam, John Ryan, Gerard Darcy, Michael Sheehy, Andrew Harty, Paul O'Brien.

CHURCHILL/ORAM GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD.

Oram, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan T: +353 42 9757001 F: +353 42 9757001 E: churchilloram@yahoo.ie Employees: 2 Turnover: €60k CEO: Deirdre Davis Chairperson: Sylvester Armstrong Vice-Chairperson: Jimmy Creane Secretary: Avril Armstrong General Manager: Deirdre Davis Financial Controller: Leslie Creane Auditors: Pat Tomany Solicitors: Seamus Mallon Board Members: Sylvester Armstrong, Jimmy Creane, Leslie Creane, Avril Armstrong, Cecil Armstrong, Ivan Armstrong, Seamus Farnan, Tony McAree, Francle Morris Overview: Established in 1978 with four original Board Members still serving. Group Water Scheme supplying 500 members.

CLARAN GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD

Curraghmore, over Port Office, Co. Galway

CLARE MARTS LTD

Quin Road, Ennis, Co. Clare **T**: +353 65 6824411 F: +353 65 6829978 E: info@claremarts.ie W: www.claremarts.ie Employees: 9 full-time; 44 part-time Turnover: €66.6m **CEO:** Martin McNamara Chairperson: Liam Williams Vice Chairperson: Pat Hannon Secretary: Martin McNamara General Manager: Martin McNamara Financial Controller: Nollaig Barry Auditors: Mercury Partnership Solicitors: Michael Houlihan & Partners Board Members: Liam Williams, Pat Hannon, MJ O'Brien, Eamon Slattery, Rody Costello, Michael Shalloo, Pat Burke, Ger Crotty, Thomas McNamara, PJ Sammon, Michael Culligan, Michael Cussen, Tom Whelan, Pat Nagle, Seamus Murphy, Michael Lynch, Pat O'Halloran, William Normoyle.

CLOGHERHEAD FISHERMEN'S CO-OP

Port Oriel, Clogherhead, Co Louth **T:** +353 45 9881403 F: +353 41 9881405 E: cloghercoop@eircom.net W: www.cloghercoop.com Employees: 7 Turnover: €12m CEO: Paul Boyd Chairperson: Barry Faulkner Vice Chairperson: Jim Connolly Secretary: Gerard Sharkey General Manager: Paul Boyd Financial Controller: Paul Boyd Solicitors: Smyth & Co. Board Members: B Faulkner, N Connolly, G Sharkey, S Connolly, C Byrne, T Whelahan, T Kirwan, J Connolly. Overview: Fishing co-operative, specialising in Dublin Bay Prawns.

CLONLEIGH CO-OPERATIVE AGRI SOCIETY LTD

Castlefinn, Co. Donegal T: +353 74 9146700 F: +353 74 9146475 E: info@clonleigh.ie Employees: 23 Turnover: €23.5m CEO: Gareth Patterson Chairperson: John C Clarke Vice Chairperson: Robin Mackey Secretary: Gareth Patterson General Manager: Gareth Patterson Auditors: Stewart & MacLochlainn Solicitors: Garry Clarke

COMHAR CONRADH NA BOIRNE TEO

Kilfenora, Co. Clare

DIRECTORY OF IRISH CO-OPERATIVES

T: +353 65 7088030 F: +353 65 7088102 E: info@theburrencentre.ie W: www.theburrencentre.ie Employees: 16 Turnover: €400k Chairperson: Marie Kearns Vice Chairperson: John Morgan Secretary: Marian Kelly General Manager: Frances Conole Financial Controller: Timmy Keane and Jim Nagle Auditors: JW Williams & Co Solicitors: Brian M McMahon &

Associates

Board Members: Marie Kearns, John Morgan, Timmy Keane, Jim Nagle, Sean Shannon, Fr Ned Crosby, Annie McMahon, Michael Collins, JJ O'Dea, Sean Shannon, John Keane.

Overview: The Burren Centre is a visitor centre interpreting the unique Burren landscape. There is also a tea-room and craft shop and it is the primary visitor centre for the Burren.

COMHAR CUMANN NAOIMH FHIONAIN TEO

Keeneigh, Caherciveen, Co. Kerry T: +353 66 9474188 E: ccnf@eircom.net Employees: 7 part-time

COMHARCHUMANN CHLEIRE TEORANTA

Oileain Cleire, An Sciobairin, Co. Cork T: +353 28 39119 **F:** +353 28 39150 E: ccteo@iol.ie W: www.oilean-chleire.ie Employees: 15 Turnover: €700k Chairperson: Fachtna Ó Drisceoil Vice Chairperson: Judi Gilbert Financial Controller: Seamus O'Drisceoil Secretary: Niamh Ní Dhrisceoil General Manager: Mairtin O'Mealoid Auditors: Charles P Crowley Solicitors: Wolfe & Co. Board Members: Catherine Ryan, Niamh Ní Dhrisceoil, Tomás Ó Céadagáin, Sean Ó Drisceoil, Eileen Weadick, Shane O'Drisceoil, Fachtna Ó Drisceoil, Judi Gilbert.

Overview: Comharchumann Forbartha Gaeltachta ar Oileán Chléire, Contae Chorcaí provide services to the island including fuel services, liaising with state agencies on behalf of the island community, and it also runs an Irish college and club chléire.

COMHARCHUMANN COMHDHAIL OILEAIN NA HEIREANN TEO

Inis Irr, Oileáin Árann, Co. na Gallimhe **T:** +353 99 75096 **F:** +353 99 75103 **E:** fios@oilean.ie **Employees:** 5 **Chairperson:** John Walsh **Secretary:** Majella Ní Chríochain **General Manager:** Majella Ni Chríochain **Auditors:** Murtagh & Co. **Board Members:** Sean Ó'Tuairis, Michael Ó' hEanaigh, Jackie Sullivan, Michael Ó'Goill, Paddy Crowe, Paraic Ó'Conghaile, Seámus Ó'Chaimhsi, Simon Murray, Mairead Ní Flaharta, Geraldine Ní Ghoill, Michelle

Flaharta, Geraldine Ní Ghoill, Michelle Ó' Mahoney, Aisling Moran, Noreen Uí Mhaoldomhnaigh, Michael Diskin, Seosamh MacDonncha, Séamus Dreathnach, Tomas Ó'Glatharta.

COMHARCHUMANN FORBARTHA CHORCA DHUIBHNE TEO

Baile na Fheirtéaraigh, Trá Lí, Co. Chiarraí **T**: +353 66 9156100 **F**: +353 66 9156348 **E**: cfcd@cfcd.ie **W**: www.cfcd.ie **Chairperson:** Tomás MacGearailt **Secretary:** Pádraig Ó Lúing **Overview:** Comharchumann Forbartha Chorca Dhuibhne was established in 1967 to enhance the social, economic and cultural life of the community. Its head office is situated in Baile an Fheirtéaraigh, eight miles west of Dingle.

COMHARCHUMANN GAELTACHT LAR TIR CHONAILL TEORANTA

c/o Donegal Co-operative Creameries, Ballyraine, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

COMHARCHUMANN IASCAIRI GAILLIMH AGUS ARAINN TEO

The Pier, Rossaveal, Co. Galway T: +353 97 572161 F: +353 91 872134 E: j.smyth@galwayandaran.ie Employees: 8 Chairperson: Sean Flaherty Vice Chairperson: Stephen Joyce Secretary: Sean Griffin General Manager: Sean Griffin Financial Controller: Jim Smyth Auditors: Lillis, Egan, O' Byrne & Co. Solicitors: Forde & Co. Board Members: Sean Flaherty, Stephen

Board Members: Sean Flaherty, Stephen Joyce, Michael Flaherty, Steve Dirrane. Ciarain Powell, Padraic Gerard McDonagh, Tomas Connelly, Mairtin Connelly, Cliona Connelly.

COMHARCHUMANN SHAILEARNA TEORANTA

Na hAille, Indreabhán, Co na Gaillimhe **T:** +353 91 593017 **F:** +353 91 593715 **E:** cst@eircom.net **Employees:** 2 **Chairperson:** Máirtín Ó' Donnchadha **General Manager:** Morgan Ó'Conchubhair **Auditors:** Murtagh & Co. **Board:** Seamus Ó' Fátharta, Caitlin Uí

Fátharta, Seosamh Ó'Cuinn, Barry Ó'Fátharta, Brian Ó'Cuiv.

Overview: Comharchumann Shailearna Teoranta is a Community Development Association working in the communities between Spiddal to Rossiveal Co. Galway since 1984.

COMMERCIAL MUSHROOM PRODUCERS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD (CMP)

Newgrove Industrial Estate, Ballinode Road, Co. Monaghan T: +353 4738733 F: +353 4784832 E: info@mushrooms.ie W: www.mushrooms.ie Employees: 12 Turnover: €213,843,453 Chairperson: Michael McGovern Vice Chairperson: Gerry Reilly Secretary: Cathal Reilly Financial Controller: Jim Hand Auditors: McArdle Cassidy & McQuaid Solicitors: Matheson Board Members: Derek Speares, Michael Costello, Tom Sweeney, Jim Hickey, Peter Connolly, Sam Condell, Joe Gorman, Michéal McGovern, Gerry Reilly, Cathal Reilly. Overview: CMP is one of Europe's leading horticultural producer organisations representing 90% of Irish mushroom production and growers. The business is focused on developing a quality, sustainable and competitive industry in Ireland. It has a passion for excellence and determination to achieve a sustainable future for those involved with the mushroom industry. CMP offers technical advice and assistance, packaging, training and on farm investment.

CO-OPERATIVE ANIMAL HEALTH

Tullow Industrial Estate, Tullow, Co. Carlow T: +353 599181300 W: www.cahl.ie Employees: 70 Turnover: €33m CEO: Donal O'Sullivan Chairperson: Michael Keane Secretary: Martin Gillespie Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: William Fry Overview: Manufacturers and wholesalers of input products for livestock husbandry.

CORCAGHAN CO-OPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Stranooden, Co. Monaghan T: +353 429744802 F: +353 429744234 E: corcaghan.coop@gmail.com Employees: 9 Chairperson: Jack Hanna Vice Chairperson: Tom Thornton Secretary: Mary Clerkin General Manager: Seamus McCarvill Auditors: Gerard Kelly Overview: Corcaghan Co-op employs five people and Ballybay Livestock Sales employs four full-time employees.

CORDUFF CORRAHARRA GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD

Corduff, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan

CORK CO-OPERATIVE MARTS LTD

2A Market House, Macroom, Co. Cork **T**: +353 2641001 **F**: +353 2642555 **E**: info@corkmarts.com **W**: www.corkmarts.com **Employees:** 100 **Turnover:** €107.6m CEO: Sean O'Sullivan Chairperson: PJ English Vice Chairperson: Gus Murphy Secretary: Sean O'Sullivan General Manager: Sean O'Sullivan Financial Controller: Jerry Moynihan Auditors: Ernst & Young Solicitors: PJ O'Driscoll & Sons Board Members: Dan Dennehy, PJ English, Pat Fitzgerald, Ivor Jeffery, Gus Murphy, Michael Murphy, Michael O'Donnell, John O'Riordan, Neil O'Riordan, Michael Ryan. Overview: Livestock and property auctioneers.

COROHAN GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Carnageehy, Milltown, Tuam, Co. Galway

COUNTRY MARKETS LTD

9-13 Blackhall Place, Dublin 7 T: +353 1 7994534 F: +353 1 7994501 E: admin@countrymarkets.ie W: www.countrymarkets.ie Employees: 1 Turnover: €2m Chairperson: Margaret Sweeney Vice Chairperson: Josephine Lynch Secretary: Catherine Dunleavy Treasurer: David Curran

Auditors: Cooney Parle

Board Members: Margaret Sweeney, Josephine Lynch, Catherine Dunleavy, David Curran, James McCrudden, Catherine Ryan, Kathleen Dempsey, Anna Tolan and Jackie Quinn.

Overview: The aim of Country Markets Ltd is to market good, fresh, quality farm, garden and home produce and traditional crafts, using native materials where possible.

CUDS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Aughrim Street Credit Union, 44/44A Manor Street, Dublin 7 T: +353 1 8721066 F: +353 1 8720677 E: info@aughrimstreetcu.ie

DAIRYGOLD CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Clonmel Road, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork T: +353 25 24411 F: +353 25 44114 E: info@dairygold.ie W: www.dairygold.ie Employees: 1,150 Turnover: €850m CEO: Jim Woulfe Chairperson: Bertie O'Leary







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Vice Chairperson: James Lynch Secretary: Eamonn Looney General Manager: James Woulfe Financial Controller: Michael Harte Auditors: Deloitte

Solicitors: Arthur Cox & McCann Fitzgerald Board Members: Donal Buckley, Thomas Feeney, Dan Flinter, Richard Hinchion, Edmund Lynch, James Lynch, John Malone, John F O'Gorman, Pat O'Keeffe, Bertie O'Leary, John McKeogh, John O'Sullivan. Overview: Ireland's largest farmer-owned, food ingredients and agri-business company. Its range of business includes: dairy processing; animal feed manufacturing; grain trading; agri-retailing; the supply of farm inputs; and the provision of a comprehensive range of farm services.

DERRYCORRIB/DOOHOMA GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP LTD

Doohoma Post Office, Doohoma, Ballina, Co. Mayo

DOAPEY CA & DS LTD

DIRECTORY OF IRISH CO-OPERATIVES

Aghabog, New Bliss, Co. Monaghan T: +353 47 54089 F: +353 47 54089 Chairperson: Peter Kierans Vice Chairperson: Brian Clerkin

DONAGHMORE GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Donaghmore, Portlaoise, Co. Laois T: +353 87 6572536 E: patsytreacy@live.co.uk Chairperson: William Moylan Vice Chairperson: James Delaney Secretary: Patsy Treacy Auditors: Thomas Bergin Solicitors: Nash Board Members: W Moylan, P Treacy, M Bergin, J Delaney, W Carroll, J Whelan, D Ryan. Overview: Water scheme servicing 45

members, including domestic and farm connections.

DONEGAL CO-OPERATIVE FISHERIES

Killybegs, Co. Donegal **T:** +353 74 9731094

DRINAGH CO-OPERATIVE LTD

Drinagh, Dunmanway, Co. Cork T: +353 28 30800 F: +353 28 30266 W: www.drinaghcoop.ie Employees: 270 Turnover: €119m CEO: Joe O'Sullivan Chairperson: David Connolly Vice Chairperson: Richard Connell Secretary: Joe O'Sullivan Financial Controller: Gavin Murphy Auditors: Crowley & McCarthy Solicitors: Murphy Long & Taaffe **Board Members:** David Connolly, Derry Connolly, Patrick McCarthy, Ian Kingston, Jerry O'Neill, Patrick Burke, Timothy John O'Sullivan, Jerry Hegarty, Mary Hayes, Michael Leahy, James O'Donovan, John O'Mahony, Richard Connell.

DROIMFHIONN CATTLE BREEDING SOCIETY LTD

Ivy Rock, Glencar. Co. Kerry T: +353 87 7923629 E: droumbrain@yahoo.com Employees: 1 part-time Chairperson: Michael Keane Vice Chairperson: Liam Byrne Secretary: Padraig Murphy Financial Controller: Louis Barton Solicitors: Murphy Long & Taaffe Board Members: Michael Keane, Liam Byrne, Padraig Murphy, Michéal Ó Sé, Louis Barton, Dan O'Sullivan. Overview: To ensure the conservation of the Driomfhionn breed of cattle. To compile, keep, maintain, edit, issue and publish a herd book of suitably qualified cattle and to encourage, promote and improve the breeding of Droimfhionn cattle in Ireland.

DROMBANE CO-OPERATIVE & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Drombane, Thurles, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 504 54136 F: +353 504 54136 E: drombanefeeds@gmail.com Employees: 9 Turnover: €8.1m CEO: Michael Bourke Chairperson: Eamon Butler Vice Chairperson: George Bourke Secretary: Michael Bourke Financial Controller: Bridget Murphy Auditors: Quinlan Holohan & Co Solicitors: Michael Collins & Co Board Members: Jerry Long, John Ryan, George Bourke, John Bourke, John O'Dwyer, Padraig Hynes, Seamus Davern, John O'Dwver.

Overview: Drombane Co-op sells its milk to Tipperary Co-op. It has its own feed mill and grain intake facilities and agri hardware store.

DUBLIN MEATH GROWERS

Kilshane Cross, The Ward, Co. Dublin **Secretary:** John Gormley

EAST DONEGAL CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD

Raphoe, Lifford, Co. Donegal T: +353 74 9145250/9145385 F: +353 74 458385 E: raphoemart@gmail.com Employees: 22 Turnover: €21,755,800 Chairperson: Ian Maxwell Secretary: Ann Harkin General Manager: Ann Harkin Financial Controller: Ann Harkin

Auditors: Stewart & MacLaughlin Solicitors: PA Dorrian

Board Members: Colin Tait, Sam Fletcher, Vincent McNamee, W J Marrow, Wade McCrabbe, John Friel, Liam Reynolds, Geoffrey Vance, Ray Craig, Charlie Tinney, Thomas Tinney, Ivan Glenn, Matthew Graham, Norman Gibson, Robin Craig, Ian Maxwell, Seamus McMenamin, Austin Stevenson, Marcus Wallace.

FARM DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATIVE

FDC House, Wellington Road, Cork T: +353 21 4509022 F: +353 21 4509272 E: info@fdc.ie W: www.fdc.ie Turnover: €314,572 CEO: Jack Murphy Secretary: Jack Murphy Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Cadogan O'Regan Board Members: Tim Leader, Vincent Hayes, Jimmy O'Brien, Oliver Broderick, Peter Breen, Jim Galvin, John Murphy, Denis O'Driscoll Jnr, Robin Smith. Overview: The co-op is now 41 years in

existence and is a service organisation providing tax consulting, auditing, management accounting, consultancy, bookkeeping and IT solutions.

FEALESBRIDGE & HEADLEYS BRIDGE CO-OPERATIVE DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick T: +353 68 31101 F: +353 68 31969 CEO: Maurice O'Connor Chairperson: M Mangan Vice Chairperson: T Cotter Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Board Members: M Mangan, L Hickey, D Lane, P Corridan, J Shearan, P O'Connor, C Quirke, B Herlihy, E O'Conor, B Brosnan, L Keane, M Moynihan, T Cotter.

FOYLE FISHERMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

The Pier, Greencastle, Co. Donegal **T**: +353 74 9381170 **F**: +353 71 9381200 **E**: johnd@foylefishermensco-op.com **General Manager:** John O'Kane

FRS NETWORK AMALGAMATED CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES LTD

Derryvale, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary T: +353 505 22100 E: info@frsnetwork.ie W: www.frsnetwork.ie Employees: 764 Turnover: €15.2m CEO: Peter Byrne Chairperson: Francis Fitzgerald Vice Chairperson: Tim Maher Secretary: Siobhan Dooley General Manager: Peter Byrne Financial Controller: Siobhan Dooley Auditors: O'Donovan & Co. Solicitor: Michael J Breen

Board Members: Tim Maher, Dan O'Riordan, Thomas Cooney, Francis Fitzgerald, Richard Hegarty, Leo Collins, Richard O'Dowd, John Dunne, James Fox.

Overview: FRS Networks provides expertly skilled people to meet customer requirements in farm services and fencing.

FRS RECRUITMENT SOCIETY

Derryvale, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary T: +353 505 22100 E: info@frsnetwork.ie W: www.frsnetwork.ie Employees: 29 Turnover: €6.6m **CEO:** Peter Byrne Chairperson: Francis Fitzgerald Vice Chairperson: Tim Maher Secretary: Peter Byrne General Manager: Colin Donnery Financial Controller: Siobhan Dooley Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: Michael J Breen & Co. Board Members: Tim Maher, Jimmy Scott, Francis Fitzgerald, Richard Hegarty, James O'Donnell, Ned Dunphy, Kate Fogarty, Niall Greene, Gerard Brickley, James Fox. Overview: Founded in 1998, FRS Recruitment has a network of 10 nationwide offices delivering specialist IT, industrial, commercial and professional recruitment services

GALWAY TAXI CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

57 Lower Dominic Street, Galway **T:** +353 91 561111 **F:** +353 91 563333 **E:** info@galwaytaxis.com **W:** www.galwaytaxis.biz **Employees:** 12 **Chairperson:** Fergal Cash **Secretary:** Jerry Gore **Treasurer:** Kieran Donoghue

GLANBIA CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Glanbia House, Kilkenny T: +353 56 7772200 F: +353 56 7772222 E: info@glanbia.ie W: www.glanbia.com Employees: 3,750 Turnover: €2.4bn CEO: Siobhán Talbot Chairperson: Liam Herlihy Vice Chairperson: Martin Keane and Henry Corbally Secretary: Michael Horan Financial Controller: Mark Garvey Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Arthur Cox

Board Members: Liam Herlihy, Martin Keane, Henry Corbally, William Carroll, Jer Doheny, David Farrell, Pat Gleeson, Brendan Hayes, Michael Keane, Matt Merrick, John G Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Eamon Power, Robert Prendergast, John Moloney.

Overview: Established in the early 1960s, it includes the business of Glanbia PLC, which is an integrated global nutritionals and large-scale global dairy business.

GLENCAR GWS CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Drumahon, Gurteen Post Office, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim

GURTEEN/CARROWKEEL GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

c/o Nestor & Co Accountants, Dalgan House Abbey Street, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo

ICS EUROPAKS LTD

Galvone Business Park, Galvone, Co. Limerick T: +353 61 402500 F: +353 61 410633 E: info@icseuropaks.ie W: www.icseuropaks.ie Employees: 82 Turnover: €14m **CEO:** Liam Mackessy Chairperson: John Cremin Vice Chairperson: John McKeogh Secretary: Liam Mackessy Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Board Members: Hugo Maguire, Joe O'Sullivan, Pat Duffy, Jerry Ryan, John Hunter, John Ahern, Martin Keane, Gerard Melia.

Overview: ICS Europaks Ltd is one of the leading suppliers of corrugated packaging in Ireland, serving customers nationwide.

INISHOWEN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Moville Road, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal T: +353 74 9374178 F: +353 74 9374654 E: info@inishowencoop.com W: www.inishowecoop.com Employees: 50 Turnover: €16m Chairperson: Anthony McColgan Vice Chairperson: Tommy Mulllin Secretary: Seamus Gorman General Manager: Paddy Gallen Financial Controller: Seamus Gorman Auditors: Gilroy Gannon Solicitors: Catherine O'Doherty & Co. **Overview:** The co-op currently comprises four retail stores situated in: Carndonagh, Buncrana and Movilee in Co. Donegal and Drumcliffe in Co. Sligo. It also owns the

Livestock Mart situated in Carndonagh and has a share in Inisleigh Farm Foods Ltd. Newtowncunningham, Co. Donegal.

IRISH ANGUS CATTLE SOCIETY LTD

24 Hawthorn Crescent, Boyle Road, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Roscommon T: +353 71 9620253 F: +353 71 9620406 E: office@irishangus.ie W: www.irishangus.ie Employees: 2 Turnover: €250k Chairperson: Michael Cronin Vice Chairperson: John Farrell Secretary: Patsy Keenan Auditors: McGrath & Co. Solicitors: O'Grady & O'Neill Solicitors Board Members: Michael Cronin, John Farrell, Joe Moran, Kevin Diffley, Derek Lovell, Cathal McCormack, Jim Dockery, WJ O'Grady, Padraigh O'Connor, Donal Spring, David Holland, Gerard Hogan, Gerard Kilgallan, Michael J Horan, John Applebey, Hugh McGowan, Norman Little, Aidan Moloney, Patrick O'Donnell, Michael O'Connell, Richard Smith. **Overview:** Promotion of the Angus breed in

Overview: Promotion of the Angus breed in Ireland and the registration of pedigree Angus cattle.

IRISH CHAROLAIS CATTLE SOCIETY LTD

Irish Farm Centre, Bluebell, Dublin 12 **T:** +353 1 4198050 F: +353 1 4080640 E: info@charolais.ie W: www.charolais.ie Employees: 5 Turnover: €684,370 Chairperson: Martin O'Connor Vice Chairperson: Jerry O'Keeffe Secretary: Nuala Hourihane Treasurer: Joe Gilfillan Auditors: Kieran Marum, Auditors & Accountants Solicitors: Kevin P Kilrane & Co. Council Members: Martin O'Connor, Jerry O'Keeffe, John McGLynn, Joe Clancy, Michael McGirl, Kevin Maguire, Jon Regan, Joe Gilfillan, Oliver Connolly, Jim Nally, Adam

Woods. Club Representatives on Council: Oliver Mason, Anthony McColgan, John Searson, David Johnson.

Overview: Registration and promotion of pedigree Charolais cattle in Ireland.

IRISH CHAROLLAIS SHEEP SOCIETY LTD

Duiske, Newtownhortland, Donadea, Co. Kildare E: icss.sec@gmail.com W:www.irishcharollaissheep.net Chairperson: Frank Barrett Vice Chairperson: Sarah O'Neill Secretary: Dympna Grogan

IRISH DAIRY BOARD CO-OPERATIVE LTD

DIRECTORY OF IRISH CO-OPERATIVES

Grattan House, Mount Street Lower, Dublin 2 T: +353 1 6619599 E: info@idb.ie W: www.idb.ie Employees: 3,064 (globally) Turnover: €2.124bn CEO: Kevin Lane Chairperson: Aaron Forde Vice Chairperson: Jim Russell Secretary: Anne Randles Group Finance Director: Donal Buggy Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Board Members: Aaron Forde, Jim Russell, Jim Bergin, John Comer, Michael Hanley,

Jim Bergin, John Comer, Michael Hanley, Martin Keane, Dan MacSweeney, Ted O'Connor, Sean O'Leary, Bertie O'Leary, Pat Sheahan, Conor Ryan, Donal Tobin, Jim Woulfe. **Overview:** The Irish Dairy Board is an

agri-food, commercial, co-operative that markets and sells dairy products to some 100 countries on behalf of its members, Ireland's dairy processors and their farmer shareholders.

IRISH FARM ACCOUNTS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

(IFAC Accountants) Irish Farm Centre, Bluebell, Dublin 12 **T:** +353 1 4551036 F: +353 1 4551053 E: info@ifac.ie W: www.ifac.ie Employees: 140 Turnover: €13m CEO: Willie Fahey Chairperson: Seumas O'Brien Vice Chairperson: Sean Clarke Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: O'Riada Solicitors Board Members: David French, Tim O'Learv. Michael Flynn, Brian O'Reilly, James Walsh, Brendan Lawlor, Sean Clarke, John Kehoe, Eddie Flanagan, Michael Kiernan, Seamus O'Reilly, Owen Kearney, Seumas O'Brien, James Kane, Sean Reilly, Michael Garvey, Flor

O'Gorman. **Overview:** IFAC Accountants is a co-operative owned by farmers, run by farmers (18 board, 12 elected, six co-opted - IFA, ICOS, Macra, FBD). Nationwide - 23 offices.

IRISH FOUNDATION FOR CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT LTD (IFCD)

The Plunkett House, 84 Merrion Square, Dublin 2 T: +353 1 6764783 F: +353 1 6624502 E: tom.millane@icos.ie

Secretary: Tom Millane

IRISH HORSE BOARD CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Millenium Park, Osberstown, Naas, Co. Kildare T: +353 45 850800 F: +353 45 850850 E: info@ihb.ie W: www.ihb.ie CEO: Mark Bolger

IRISH LIMOUSIN CATTLE SOCIETY LTD

Kilglass, Mitchelstown, Co. Cork T: +353 25 85036 **F**: +353 25 85060 E: accounts@irishlimousin.com W: www.irishlimousin.com Employees: 5 Turnover: €695,217 CEO: Paul Sykes Chairperson: Kevin Bohan Vice Chairperson: Dan O'Mahony Secretary: Paul Sykes Financial Controller: Michael Gunn Auditors: O'Fingleton Peters & Tyrell Solicitors: John Power Board Members: Kevin Bohan, Dan O'Mahony, Michael Gunn, John McInerney, Frank Buckley, Brendan Curtin, Sharon Rothwell, John Connell, Jimmy McHugh, John Green, Tom Finnerty, Des Joyce, Sarah McElligott. **Overview:** Beef-breed cattle society to

oversee the day-to-day running of the breed and its members.

IRISH MILK QUALITY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD (IMQCS)

The Plunkett House, 84 Merrion Square, Dublin 2 **T**: +353 1 6131343 **F**: +353 1 6624502 **E**: info@icos.ie **W**: www.milkquality.ie **Chairperson**: Jerry Long **Secretary**: George Kearns **Auditors**: Duffy Cleary **Board Members**: Jerry Long, Kieran Collins, Gerry Cronin, Seamus Daly, Pat Dillon, Seamus Goggin, Edmond Harty, Joe McCutcheon, Paul O'Connell, Sean Reid, Tom Ryan, John Upton.

Overview: The objectives of the IMQCS are to improve milk quality standards in Ireland and to provide training and registration for milking machine technicians and to provide any services that will benefit the members.

IRISH SHORTHORN SOCIETY LTD

Templemore Road, Thurles Co. Tipperary T: +353 504 26806 E: shorthornsoc@eircom.net W: www.irishshorthorns.com Employees: 2 Turnover: €55,000 Chairperson: Michael McKeon Vice Chairperson: Michael Conway Secretary: Mary Purcell General Manager: Mary Purcell Treasurer: John Clare Auditors: Nestor & Co Solicitors: Harrison O'Dowd Board Members: Jim Foley, Noel Dowd, Kenny Smyth, Michael Conway, Michael McKeon, Peter Luttrell, Patrick Brady, Joe Doherty, George Carter, John Clarke, Kieran Flatley, Andy O'Donoghue. **Overview:** Provide herdbooks services to its members. Promote the attributes and qualities of the shorthorn breed of cattle dairy and beef.

IRISH SIMMENTAL CATTLE SOCIETY LTD

44 Church Street, Tullamore, Co. Offaly T: +353 57 9324577 F: +353 57 9324596 E: simmental@eircom.net W: www.irishsimmental.com Employees: 2 Chairperson: Tom Maloney Vice Chairperson: Roger Gibbons General Manager: Peadar Glennon Board Members: Elizabeth Ormiston, Tom Maloney, Roger Gibbons, Garret Behan, Sean McCarry, Gerry Lenihan, Jennie Ahearn, Gordan Slater, Gareth Behan, Tony O'Leary.

IRISH SPECKLE PARK CATTLE SOCIETY

Greenhills, Tower, Blarney, Co. Cork T: +353 87 7388501 E: irishspecklepark@yahoo.ie W: www.irishspecklepark.com Employees: 1 Turnover: €5k CEO: Michael Daly Chairperson: Michael Fitzgerald Vice Chairperson: Andrew Nicholson Secretary: Michael Daly Board Members: Michael Fitzgerald, Andrew Nicholson, Denis Carey, Ivan Ryall, Edward Walsh, Oliver Mason, Vincent Motherway, Pat Morrison, Vicky Maynard. Overview: Irish Speckle Park Society Ltd. exists to register pedigree calves in Ireland and Britain and to promote same.

IRISH TEXEL SHEEP SOCIETY

Kellistown Farm, Kellistown, Carlow T: +353 87 3552922 E: info@irishtexel.com W: www.irishtexel.com Chairperson: Michael Bird Vice Chairperson: Arthur O'Keeffe Secretary: Sinéad Brophy Financial Controller: Sinéad Brophy

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IVERAGH CO-OPERATIVE FARMER MART SOCIETY LTD

Cahirciveen, Co. Kerry **T:** +353 66 9472195 **F:** +353 66 9473378 E: iveraghcoopmartltd@eircom.net Employees: 2 full-time, 8 part-time Turnover: €6m CEO: Mike Kissane Chairperson: Neily O'Shea Vice Chairperson: John Michael Sugrue Secretary: Eoin Ryan General Manager: Mike Kissane Auditors: Curran & Co. Ltd Solicitors: Harrison & O'Dwyer Board Members: Conn O'Shea, Muiris O'Donoghue, John H Casey, John Connell, Michael O'Connor, Kevin O'Sullivan, Jack Quirke.

KANTURK CO-OPERATIVE MART

Percival Street, Kanturk, Co. Cork T: +353 29 50081 F: +353 29 50291 E: kanturkmart@eircom.net Employees: 20 Turnover: €467,336 Chairperson: John Cott Vice Chairperson: Joseph Noonan Secretary: Colette O'Connell General Manager: Seamus O'Keeffe Auditors: O'Donoghue Accountants Solicitors: James Lucey & Sons Board Members: John Cott, Joe Noonan, Seamus O'Keeffe, William Ahern, Noel Corkery, Liam Moynihan, Dermot McCarthy, JJ Curtin, Denis O'Connell, Timothy O'Connell, Denis O'Connor, Timothy Buckley, John Stokes, Kieran O'Callaghan, Jerome O'Sullivan, Denis Carroll.

KENMARE LIVESTOCK MART CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Gortamullen, Kenmare, Co. Kerry **T:** +353 64 6642210 F: +353 64 6642002 E: kenmaremart@eircom.net Employees: 2 full-time, 14 part-time Turnover: €11.5m Chairperson: Michael O'Sullivan Vice Chairperson: Denis McCarthy Secretary: Christy Hussey General Manager: Dan McCarthy Financial Controller: James O'Farrell & Patrick Doyle Auditors: Kevin O'Reilly & Co. **Solicitors:** Conor Murphy/Vincent Coakley Board Members: Michael O'Sullivan, Denis McCarthy, Patsy Dineen, Patrick Randles, Arthur O'Connor, John Joe O'Brien, Paudie O'Shea, John J O'Sullivan, Joe Riney, Daniel J O'Sullivan, Dan McCarthy, George O'Neill, Michael O'Shea.

KERRY CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERIES

Princes Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry **T:** +353 66 7182000 E: brian.durran@kerry.ie **CEO:** Stan McCarthy Chairperson: James Doyle Vice Chairperson: John O'Leary Secretary: Brian Durran Auditors: Deloitte Board Members: James P Doyle, John O'Leary, Michael Ahern, James Barry, Patrick Breen, Sean Bugler, John Casey, Paddy Casey, John Cremin, Thomas Cummins, James Devane, Michael A Doody, Mundy Hayes, Anthony Horan, David Horan, Michael Kelliher, Patrick Landers, Cornelius Murphy, Denis O'Connell, Dermot O'Connor, John Joseph O'Connor, Michael O'Connor, Gerard O'Hanlon, Con O'Sullivan, Patrick O'Sullivan, Patrick G O'Sullivan, Denis Wallis.

KILALLY & BALLINRUSH GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD

WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LID
'Cuan', Kilally, Kilworth, Co. Cork
T: +353 86 3680654
Turnover: €8k
Chairperson: John Walshe
Secretary: Tom O'Brien
Treasurer: Johnny Hogan
Auditors: O'Sullivan Lewis
Solicitors: Matt Bermingham
Board Members: JJ Walsh, Dinny Twomey
Overview: The Group Water Scheme pumps
water to 55 houses and 12 farms. It uses
15,000 gallons per day and charges €50 per house per year and €4 per acre.

The volunteers involved are about to extend the pump house and install PH correction equipment.

KILBARRON GWS SOCIETY LTD

Carrigagown, Carney, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary

KILGALLIGAN GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD.

Kilgalligan, Carrowteigue, Ballina, Co. Mayo

KILKENNY CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART

Cillin Hill Centre, Cillin Hill, Dublin Road, Kilkenny T: +353 56 7721407 F: +353 56 7721509 E: m.lynch@kilkennymart.ie W: www.cillinhill.com Employees: 40 Turnover: €43m CEO: Michael Lynch Chairperson: Michael Parsons Vice Chairperson: Michael Parsons Vice Chairperson: Michael O'Carroll Secretary: Laurence Cantwell General Manager: Michael Lynch Financial Controller: Michael Lynch Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Martin Crotty & Sons Board Members: Michael Parsons, Laurence Cantwell, Michael O'Carroll, William Harper, James Lynch, Liam Byrne, Pat Walton, Noel Moore, Michael Rice, Edward Fennelly, Edward Murphy, John Bryan, Jim Doyle, Francis Carroll, Frank Grace, Edward Butler, Michael Power, Seamus Ryan, Donnacha O'Sullivan.

KILLASNETT CO-OPERATIVE A & DS LTD

Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim **T**: +353 71 9855006 F: +353 71 9856025 E: killasnett@eircom.net Employees: 14 Turnover: €3m Chairperson: Hugh Harte Vice Chairperson: John F Rooney Secretary: Patricia Gilligan General Manager: Patricia Gilligan Auditors: Gilroy Gannon Solicitors: Kelly Ryan Board Members: Paddy O'Hara, Eugene Gilligan, Sean McPartlan, Willie Sharpe, Benny McGourty, John P Rooney, James Durneen

KILLATURLEY WATER CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Killaturley Office, Killaturley, Swinford, Co. Mayo **T**: +353 87 7961903 E: mike1devaney@eircom.net Chairperson: Tony Morley Vice Chairperson: John Gallagher Secretary: Bernard Burns General Manager: Michael Devaney Financial Controller: Liam Gavaghan Auditors: Burleigh Accountants Solicitors: P O'Connor Board Members: Tony Morley, Liam Gavaghan, Bernard Burns, Barry O'Neill, Noel Gallagher, Michael Lynskey, Brendan McIntyre, John Gallagher, Michael Devaney. **Overview:** Group Water Scheme serving houses, farms, schools and nursing homes.

KILMOVEE/URLAUR GWS CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Kilmovee, Ballaghadereen, Co Mayo T: +353 907 49012 Chairperson: Joseph Smith Secretary: Alex McDonnell General Manager: Michael Tiernan Financial Controller: Michael Tiernan

KINGDOM CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART

Carrigeendaniel, Tralee, Co Kerry **T**: +353 66 7121738 **F**: +353 66 7128487 **E**: kingdommart@eircom.net **Employees:** 8 **Turnover:** €5.69m Chairperson: Brian Walsh Vice Chairperson: Brendan Blackwell Secretary: John Kearney General Manager: Philip Healy Auditors: Reggie Griffin & Co. Solicitors: Cadogan O'Regan Board Members: Thomas Carroll, Ronan Savage, Brian Walsh, John Slattery, Kenneth Jones, John O'Sullivan, Aidan Dillon, Brendan Blackwell, Douglas Fitzelle, Brian Brassil, Dan Shanahan, Seamus McEnnery, Barney Dowling, John Kearney, Gerard Collins, James O'Driscoll, Ted McCarthy, John Rohan, Ted Horgan, John Kearney.

KYLEMORE-ABBEY GWS CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Abbey, Loughrea, Co. Galway

LAKELANDS DAIRIES CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Killeshandra, Co. Cavan **T**: +353 49 4364200 F: +353 49 4364201 E: info@lakeland.ie W: www.lakeland.ie Employees: 627 Turnover: €545m **CEO:** Michael Hanley Chairperson: Pádraig Young Vice Chairperson: Gerard Melia Secretary: Michael Ryan Financial Controller: Peter Sheridan Auditors: KPMG Solicitors: McCann Fitzgerald Board Members: Padraig Young, Gerard Melia, Séamus Brennan, James Lynch, Aloysius Duffy, John Farrell, Vincent Farrelly, Seán M Finnegan, Seán Glennon, David Hannon, Colin Kelso, Oliver Neville, Peter Quinn, John Taylor, Alan Thompson. Overview: With a heritage spanning over 100 years in co-operative dairying, Lakeland Dairies is an internationally recognised supplier of superb dairy food ingredients and food service products.

LEE STRAND CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY LTD

Ballymullen, Tralee, Co. Kerry **T:** +353 66 7121084 F: +353 66 7125698 E: info@leestrand.ie W: www.leestrand.ie Employees: 100 Turnover: €29m CEO: John O'Sullivan Chairperson: Brendan Walsh Vice Chairperson: Kieran Savage Secretary: Donal Pierse General Manager: John O'Sullivan Financial Controller: Michael Mangan Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Galvin Broderick Board Members: John Foley, Declan Roche, Richard Lenihan, Tommy Moynihan, John O'Connor, Tim Brick, Tim Horgan, Eric O'Brien, Ronan Savage.

LEINSTER CO-OPERATIVE MARTS LTD

Killeshin Road, Co. Carlow **T:** +353 59 9131617 F: +353 59 9142282 E: leinstermarts@gmail.com W: www.leinstermarts.com Employees: 13 Turnover: €19m CEO: Jimmy Walsh Chairperson: Gerald Smith Vice Chairperson: William Cassidy Secretary: Michael Kelly General Manager: Jimmy Walsh Auditors: PGL Solicitors: Malcolmson Law Board Members: Gerald Smith, Michael Kelly, Pat Breen, William Cassidy, Billy Cole, John Wallace, John O'Reilly, JJ McDonald, Thomas Lawlor, James Doyle, Peter Rose, Liam Nolan Overview: Sales yard at Carlow and Kilcullen. Seasonal sales at Borris.

LISAVAIRD CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY LTD

Lisavaird, Clonakilty, Co. Cork T: +353 23 8833334 F: +353 23 8834379 E: info@lisavairdco-op.ie W: www.lisavairdco-op.ie Employees: 92 Turnover: €69.5m Chairperson: Donal Tobin Vice Chairperson: John Hourihan Secretary: Pat Moriarty General Manager: Pat Moriarty Financial Controller: Martin Dineen Auditors: Crowley McCarthy Solicitors: Collins Brooks Board Members: Fergal Harte, Kevin O'Brien, James Fitzpatrick, Finbarr Hayes, Michael O'Hea, Conor Murphy, Ronald Shorten, John Clancy, Denis McCarthy, Michael Coughlan, Tom O'Riordan, Tadgh Healy, Colm O'Sullivan, Joseph Walsh, Paddy Ryan, Robert Shannon, Michael Dullea, Stephen Collins, Pat O'Brien, Martin O'Driscoll, John Hourihane, Michael O'Sullivan, Dominic O'Mahony, Donal Tobin, Domhnall Mehigan, Sean Tobin, John O'Donovan.

MARGLANN AN DAINGEAN TEO (DINGLE MART)

Spa Road, Dingle, Co. Kerry T: +353 66 9151586 F: +353 66 9151586 E: dinglemart@gmail.com Employees: 14 Turnover: €4.2m CEO: Anton Ó Sé Chairperson: Michael Kelliher Vice Chairperson: John Galvin Secretary: Padraig Ferriter General Manager: Nelius McAuliffe Auditors: Sean Sullivan Solicitors: Seamus Cadogan **Board Members:** James O Dowd, Eoin Moriarty, Pat Flahive, Tony Ó Sé, Michael Rohan, Fionnan Lynch, Seamus Leahy, Michael A Rohan.

MAUDABAWN CO-OPERATIVE & DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Clonraw, Maudabawn, Cootehill, Co. Cavan T: +353 49 5552504 F: +353 49 5556276 E: liz@maudabawncoop.ie Employees: 6 full-time, 2 part-time Turnover: €9.9m **CEO:** Patrick McCabe Chairperson: Hugh Fitzpatrick Vice Chairperson: Lucas Foy Secretary: Jim Vogan General Manager: Patrick McCabe Accounts: Elizabeth Boyle Auditors: Duignan Carthy O'Neill Solicitors: O'Reilly Dolan Board Members: Jim Vogan, Hugh Fitzpatrick, Bernard O'Hare, Eugene McCabe, Noel O'Brien, Michael Hand, Andrew Chambers, Gerry McEnroe, Patrick Reburn, Patrick Shalvey, Lucas Foy, Anthony Farrelly, Eric Ritchie, John McDermott. **Overview:** Providing groceries, fuels and hardware, animal feed and fertilisers.

MAYO ABBEY CO-OPERATIVE A&DS LTD

Summerhill, Ballyglass, Claremorris, Co. Mayo T: +353 94 9360035 E: tom@mcfinance.ie Employees: 1 Turnover: €1m Chairperson: Michael Boyle Vice Chairperson: Joe Nestor Secretary: Tom Connolly General Manager: John Sloyan Financial Controller: David O'Sullivan Auditors: DA O'Sullivan & Co Solicitors: Maguire & Brennan

MAYO SLIGO CO-OPERATIVE MART LTD

Crossmolina Road, Ballina, Co. Mayo **T**: +353 96 22555 F: +353 96 22694 E: ballina@auctionmarts.com W: www.mayosligomart.com Employees: 32 Chairperson: Alan McCormick Secretary: Joe Neary General Manager: Billy Loftus Financial Controller: Marion Byron Auditors: Bourke Quinn O'Mara Board Members: Alan McCormick, Michael Horan, Joe Neary, Mattie Moran, Denis Michael, Seamus Flynn, Jackie Herbert, Hugh Lynn, Alan Wood, Henry Lawlor, Eddie Brennan, Robert Morrow, Dominic Herbert, Sean McDonnell, Michael Henry, Eamonn Murphy, Peter Naughton, Gerry Gough.

MID KERRY CO-OPERATIVE MART LTD

Milltown, Co. Kerry T: +353 66 9767309 F: +353 66 9787643 Employees: 10 Turnover: €297k Chairperson: James Daly Vice Chairperson: Sean Devane Secretary: Donal Counihan General Manager: Denis Sheehan Financial Controller: Donal Counihan Auditors: Joan O'Sullivan Solicitors: Crowley & Ahern & Co Board Members: PJ Nagle, Pat Quirke, Sean Devane, James Daly, Donal Counihan, Tom Blennerhassett, David Gleeson, Kieran O' Shea, Paud O' Sullivan, Joe Daly. Overview: Small mart in mid-Kerry. Profitable, with sheep sales as the main source of business, and building a good weanling trade.

MID TIPPERARY CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK SOCIETY LTD

Ballycurrane, Thurles, Co. Tipperary T: +353 504 21499 F: +353 504 21714 E: thurlesmart@gmail.com W: www.midtippmart.com Employees: 3 full-time, 23 part-time Turnover: €30m CEO: Martin Ryan Chairperson: Francis Burke Vice Chairperson: Liam Hackett and Gerry O'Regan Secretary: Sean Treacy General Manager: Martin Ryan Auditors: Spain, Fewer & Quinlan . Solicitors: John P Carrigan & Co. Board Members: Sean Treacy, Francis Burke, Patrick Clohessy, Richard Stanley, Gerry O'Regan, Thomas Butler, Timmy Dwyer, John Egan, Liam Hackett, Thomas Horan, John Kelly, James Maher, TJ Maher, Edward Morrissey, Martin Purcell, Ernest Ruttle, Pat Buckley, Conor Ryan, PJ Ryan (Con), Tadgh Vaughan.

Overview: Mid Tipp Mart (Thurles) is the premier centre of cattle trading in Tipperary and surrounding counties. Our mission is to provide sellers and buyers of cattle with a fair trading platform.

MILLTOWN COMMUNITY GROUP WATER SCHEME LTD

Milltown, Tuam, Co. Galway T: +353 93 51876 F: +353 93 51876 E: milltowngws@eircom.net Employees: 3 Chairperson: Michael Rhatigan Secretary: Petrina McDonagh Financial Controller: Liam Glynn Auditors: McDonald Walsh Board Members: Michael Rhatigan, Liam Glynn, Petrina McDonagh, Jarlath Farragher, Michael McHugh, Howard Smyth, Eoin Goodwin, Martin Monaghan. **Overview:** Group water scheme in Milltown, Co Galway. Currently 525 members with both domestic and non-domestic connections.

MIZEN TOURISM CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Main Street, Goleen, West Cork T: +353 28 35000 E: info@mizenhead.ie W: www.mizenhead.ie Employees: 8 Turnover: €535k Chairperson: Brian O'Connell Vice Chairperson: William Buckley Secretary: Dermot Sheehan General Manager: Stephen O'Sullivan Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Paudie O'Mahony Board Members: Sue Hill, Diarmuid Kenneally, Maureen Newman, Michael McCarthy, Michael Barnett, Brian O'Connell, William Buckley.

Overview: Formed to develop a rural employment initiative and visitor centre at the former Irish Lights Signal Station at Mizen Head.

MONTBELIARDE CATTLE SOCIETY OF IRELAND LTD

Deerpark Farm, Carrick-on-Suir, Co. Tipperary. Chairperson: Billy Somerville Secretary: Tony Hawkes Treasurer: Robert Forrest Board Members: Alan Hanbridge, Mick Sheehan, Pat Carroll, Thomas Butterly, Cathal Furey, Nickey Carolan, Martin McQuaid, George Tanner.

MULLINAHONE CO-OPERATIVE DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Mullinahone, Thurles, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 52 9153900 F: +353 52 9153289 E: info@mull-coop.ie W: www.mullinahonecoop.ie Employees: 75 Turnover: €27m **CEO:** Gerard Flynn Chairperson: Ray Cody Vice Chairperson: Patrick O'Dwyer Secretary: James White General Manager: Gerard Flynn Financial Controller: Sean McGowan Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Poe, Kiely, Hogan Board Members: Ray Cody, Patrick O'Dwyer, Derek Ryan, Edward Lyons, James Rowan, Seamus O'Brien, Tony Barrett, Liam O'Dwyer, Noel Guiry, Kyran Vaughan, Liam Egan, James White, Roger Carey. **Overview:** Supplier of animal identification

ear tags, wholesaler of animal equipment, milk processing, cheese-making and oil distribution.

NARIN PORTNOO ROSBEG COMMUNITY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Kilclooney, Portnoo, Co. Donegal **T**: +353 74 9545010 F: +353 74 9545010 E: dolmencentre@eircom.net W: www.dolmencentre.com Turnover: €40k Chairperson: Patsy Harkin Vice Chairperson: Michael Classon Secretary: Honora Gyo Financial Controller: Siobhan McGinley Auditors: Bonner & O'Donnell Solicitors: Moya O'Donnell Board Members: MJ Nicholson, Siobhan McGinley, Siobhan McHugh, Johnny Gavigan, Tony Kitterick, Tommy Barrett, Honora Gyo, Patsy Harkin, Michael Classon, Joseph Sharpe, Conal Shovlin, Martin Shovlin, Leonard Molloy.

Overview: The co-op operates from its base at the Dolmen Centre, which aims to provide a focal point for all the community with special reference to culture, ecology, education, environment, health, heritage and leisure.

NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE FARM RELIEF SERVICES LTD

Derryvale, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 505 22100 E: info@frsnetwork.ie W: www.frsnetwork.ie Employees: 10 Turnover: €5.1m CEO: Peter Byrne Deputy CEO: Donal Slattery Chairperson: Francis Fitzgerald Vice Chairperson: Tim Maher Financial Controller: Siobhan Dooley Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: Michael J Breen & Co. Board Members: Tim Maher, Jimmy Scott, Francis Fitzgerald, Richard Hegarty, James O'Donnell, Ned Dunphy, Kate Fogarty, Niall Greene, Gerard Brickley, James Fox. **Overview:** FRS Network is a co-op organisation established in 1980 for the provision of skilled people to meet customer requirements. Through growth and diversification, FRS has expanded into five distinct divisions intrinsically linked through the supply of expertly skilled people - farm services, fencing, recruitment, homecare and training, with a network of 20 offices nationwide.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF GROUP WATER SCHEMES CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

23 Old Cross Square, Monaghan, Co. Monaghan **T:** +353 47 72766 **F:** +353 47 72788 **E:** colm@nfgws.ie W: www.nfgws.ie Employees: 11 Turnover: €626,194 CEO: Colm Brady Chairperson: Brendan O'Mahony Secretary: Anthony Prenderville General Manager: Colm Brady Financial Controller: Paddy Ward and Vincent Farrelly

Auditors: McArdle Cassidy McQuaid Accountants & Business Advisors Board Members: Brendan O'Mahony, Anthony Prenderville, Paddy Ward, Vincent Farrelly, John Heslin, Jimmy Walsh, Tom Burke, John O'Donnell, Joe Harte, Mike Reddy, Aidan McNabola, Hugh O'Reilly, Michael Keavney.

Overview: The National Federation of Group Water Schemes Co-op Society Ltd (NFGWS) is the representative and negotiating organisation for community-owned rural water services in Ireland.

NEWTOWNDALY GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Cill Mhic Craith, Newtowndaly, Loughrea, Co. Galway T: +353 87 2339957 Employees: 1 Turnover: €10k Chairperson: John Dillon Secretary: Patrick Lyons Auditors: Frank McDonagh & Co. Solicitors: Sheils Solicitors Board Members: Patrick Lyons, Michael Burns, Michael Murphy, Sean Kenny, John Dillon, Michael Murphy, Sean Kenny, John Dillon, Michael Stapleton, Michael Hardiman. Overview: This well-run, water scheme co-op operates on mostly volunteer basis.

NEWTOWNSANDES CO-OPERATIVE DAIRY SOCIETY LTD

Moyvane, Listowel, Co. Kerry **T:** +353 68 49354/+353 68 49303 F: +353 68 49431 E: newtownsandescoop@yahoo.ie Employees: 10 Turnover: €14.3m CEO: Dominic O'Connell Chairperson: Robert Nolan Vice Chairperson: Tom Hanrahan Secretary: Michael Liston Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Dundon Callanan Board Members: Michael Carmody. Jeremiah Kennelly, Robert Nolan, Pat Walsh, Patrick Fitzgerald, Michael Ahern, John Scanlon, Patrick Shanahan, Sean Shine, Martin Kennelly, Thomas Hanrahan, Tim O'Flaherty, Con Nolan, Timothy Kennelly, William Sheehan, Con Carmody, Patrick Hanrahan, Denis Flaherty.

Overview: This small co-op is conscious of its pivotal role in the community, and its importance now more than ever before.

NORTH CORK CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERIES LTD

Dromalour, Kanturk, Co. Cork T: +353 29 50003 F: +353 29 50860 E: info@northcorkco-op.com Employees: 60 Turnover: €65m CEO: Pat Sheahan Chairperson: Martin O'Keeffe Vice Chairperson: Neily O'Sullivan Secretary: Pat Sheahan Financial Controller: Chris Caulfield Auditors: PricewaterhouseCoopers Solicitors: Tom O'Sullivan & Co. Board Members: Martin O'Keeffe, Neily O'Sullivan, John Ahern, Greta O'Leary, Denis O'Leary, Denis O'Riordan, Seamus O'Sullivan, Tim Twomey, Pat O'Sullivan, Denis Gayer, Eamonn Buckley, Denis O'Connor. Overview: Farmer-owned dairy co-op producing liquid milk, casein and milk products. Two agri-trading stores.

OLDCASTLE CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY LTD

The Railway Yard, Oldcastle, Co. Meath **T:** +353 49 8541333 F: +353 49 8541740 E: oldcastlecoop@eircom.net Employees: 8 Turnover: €2.5m Chairperson: Hugh Gilsenan Secretary: Pat Fitzpatrick General Manager: Derek Hetherton Financial Controller: Derek Hetherton Auditors: Amatino Partners Solicitors: John Prior & Co. Board Members: Hugh P Gilsenan, Bernard O' Reilly, Robert Cassidy, Patrick Skelly, Philip O'Brien, Peter Smith, Enda Smith, Tom Finnegan, Andy Sheridan, Bernard McCabe, Thomas Brown. Overview: Hardware and general farm

Overview: Hardware and general farm building supplies store. Located at the old railway yard in Oldcastle. Trading on a good widespread reputation of being well-stocked and competitively priced for all products.

PETERSWELL/CASTLEDALY GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OP SOCIETY LTD

Cloghaun, Kilchreest, Loughrea, Co. Galway T: +353 86 8075477 F: +353 91 840462 E: johntfahey@gmail.com Turnover: €104k Chairperson: Colm Burke Vice Chairperson: John Burke Secretary: John Fahey Financial Controller: Tom Devine Auditors: O'Donnell Keane & Co. Solicitors: Sadlier Lynch Pierse Board Members: Colm Burke, John Fahey, Tom Devine, Aidan Murray, John Burke, Aidan Holland, Martina Brady, Josie Lynskey, Liam Caulfield, Patrick Fitzgerald.

ROSCOMMON CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD

Circular Road, Roscommon **T:** +353 90 6626352 F: +353 90 6625689 E: roscommonmart@gmail.com W: www.roscommonmart.ie Employees: 4 full-time, 25 part-time Turnover: €27.54m **CEO:** Maura Quigley Chairperson: Jimmy Murray Vice Chairperson: Gerry Farrell Secretary: Maura Quigley General Manager: Maura Quigley Financial Controller: Maura Quigley Auditors: Kearney Naughton & Co. Solicitors: Patrick J Neilan & Sons Board Members: Thomas Gunning, Mary Conry-Candler, Gerry Farrell, Gerry Kelly, Eamon Leonard, Thomas Mannion, Michael McCormack, Donal Mee, James Murray, Michael Hennigan, Michael Spellman. Overview: Roscommon Mart has held a central role in farming in County Roscommon for over 55 years. The mart has a tradition and reputation for selling good quality cattle and sheep. It attracts buyers from across Ireland and Northern Ireland. See website for further details.

ROUGHTY VALLEY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Kilgarvan, Co. Kerry **T**: +353 64 6685319 E: rvcoop@eircom.net Employees: 7 Turnover: €2.6m Chairperson: Patrick Randles Vice Chairperson: Thomas Randles Secretary: Conor O'Sullivan General Manager: Christy Hussey Auditors: Curran, Moore & Co. Solicitors: Michael Larkin Board Members: Patrick Randles, Conor O'Sullivan, Dermot Coffey, Thomas Randles, Michael Murphy, Michael Riordan, John Twomey, John Joe O'Brien, Robert Harrington, Christy Hussey.

SHEEPGRANGE GROUP WATER SCHEME SOCIETY LTD

c/o Jack Martin, Littlegrange, Drogheda, Co Louth T: +353 41 9836255/+353 86 8878590 E: jackpjmartin@gmail.com Chairperson: John McAllister Secretary: Jack Martin Board Members: John McAllaster, John Martin, Pat McCarthy, Larry Markey, Tommie Markey, Alan Martin, Owen Russell

SICÍN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY

c/o IFAC, 31 High Street, Monaghan **T:** +353 47 84292 F: +353 47 84891 E: monaghan@ifac.ie Chairperson: Patrick McCormick Secretary: Martin Connolly General Manager: Séamus Dolan Board Members: Patrick McCormick, Martin Connolly, Andy Boylan, David Murray, Nigel Renaghan, Frank McConnon, Paddy Reilly. Overview: Sicín Co-operative Society Ltd is a poultry farming co-op with 60 poultry-rearing farmer members. The ethos of the co-op is to provide structured trading to bring economies of scale and a joint forum to its poultry farming members.

SOUTH EASTERN CATTLE BREEDING SOCIETY LTD

Dovea, Thurles, Co. Tipperary **T:** +353 504 21755 F: +353 504 22768 E: info@dovea-genetics.ie W: www.dovea.ie Employees: 38 Turnover: €5.03m CEO: John Nugent Chairperson: John Nugent Vice Chairperson: Padraig Collins Secretary: Dr Ger Ryan General Manager: Dr Ger Ryan Financial Controller: Mary Quinlan Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: Patrick J O'Meara Board Members: John P Nugent, Padraic Collins, Mervyn Stanley, Anthony Doorley, Thomas Heffernan, James Walsh, PJ Malone, Michael Parsons, Sylvester Ryan, James Walsh, John Egan, Jerry Long, John Kiersey, John Regan, Noreen Barry, Sean Fahy, Anthony Keogh, Patrick O'Dwyer, John Walsh, Mary Purcell.

Overview: One of Ireland's leading companies in artificial insemination and bovine semen sales.

SOUTH EAST SHELL FISH CO-OPERATIVE

Duncannon Fort, Duncannon, New Ross, Co Wexford

SRAHEEN GROUP WATER SCHEME CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Sraheen, Foxford, Co. Mayo **T:** +353 94 9256387

TEMPLECRONE CO-OPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY LTD

Main Street, Dungloe, Co. Donegal **T**: +353 74 9521022 **F**: +353 74 9567100 **E**: info@thecope.ie **W**: www.thecope.ie **Employees:** 91 **Turnover:** €11m CEO: Mark Sharkey Chairperson: Pat Dunleavy Vice Chairperson: Kevin Bonner Secretary: John Paul Gorman General Manager: Mark Sharkey Financial Controller: John Paul Gorman Auditors: Bonner, Gill & Co Solicitors: VP McMullin Board Members: Breda Sweeney, Denis Ward, Jimmy Durnin, Tony Cannon, Hugh McGee, Connie Devenney, Anne Boyle, Johnny Doherty, Mark Sharkey, Patrick Dunleavy, Kevin Bonner, John Paul Gorman. Overview: Estabished in 1906, it prides itself on its diverse product offering. Retail portfolio: Builders' providers, hardware and household, supermarkets,

convenience stores, menswear, sopermarkets, ladies-wear, furniture and flooring, children's play centre, IT sales and services and a cycle store.

TEMPLEMORE CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD

Bank Street, Templemore, Co. Tipperary T: +353 87 2607585 Employees: 12 part-time Turnover: €6.5m Chairperson: Tom Berkery Vice Chairperson: Tom Connelly and Pat Kennedy Secretary: Sean Cleere General Manager: John O'Sullivan Auditors: RBK Solicitors: James J Kelly & Son

THE KERRY BOG PONY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

c/o Rosetown Lodge, Newbridge, Co. Kildare **T**: +353 45 432007 **E**: info@kerrybogpony.ie **W**: www.kerrybogpony.ie **Chairperson**: Mary McGrath **Vice Chairperson**: Anna McCarthy **Secretary**: Barry Bonar **Financial Controller**: Tony Culkin **Board Members**: John Mulvihill, Mary McGrath, Anna McCarthy, Maurice O'Sullivan, John O'Shea, Barry Bonar, Tony Culkin, Sean Flannery. **Overview:** To preserve and promote the Kerry Bog Pony.

TIPPERARY COMMUNITY RADIO CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

St Michael's Street, Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary T: +353 62 52555 F: +353 62 52671 E: tippmidwest@eircom.net W: www.tippmidwestradio.com Employees: 7 Turnover: €264k Chairperson: Michael Maguire Vice Chairperson: Mike Maher Secretary: Mairead Horan General Manager: Anne Power Treasurer: Denis Harnett Auditors: LV Hogan Solicitors: KT Flynn & Co. Board Members: Michael Maguire, Mike Maher, Denis Hartnett, Jim Fitzgerald, Mairead Horan, Breda Ryan, Larry Breen,

Mary O'Brien, Tim Cooney, Maurice Crotty, Daniel Hogan, Joe Power, Teresa Lowry, Vincent Devitt, Gobnait Long, Pat O'Brien, Sean Murphy, Eileen O'Brien, Nora Samworth, Joe O'Connell.

Overview: This community radio station has been in operation since 1990. It has two studios - the main one is in Tipperary Town, and another one is in Cashel. It broadcasts live, daily from 8am to midnight. Repeat programmes are broadcast overnight. It is run with a very small staff and a huge number of volunteers.

TIPPERARY CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY LTD

Station Road, Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary **T**: +353 62 33111 **F:** +353 62 51963 **E:** info@tipperary-coop.ie W: www.tipperary-coop.ie Employees: 185 Turnover: €168.5m CEO: Ted O'Connor Chairperson: Matthew Quinlan Vice Chairperson: Richard Donovan Secretary: William Ryan Assistant Manager: John Hunter Financial Controller: Michael Dunlea Auditors: Deloitte Solicitors: Nash McDermott & Co. Board Members: Richard Donovan, John Hennessy, Kevin Murray, Seamus Tynan, Matthew Quinlan, William Dee, William Meagher, Thomas O'Neill, William Ryan, Patrick Fahey, Patrick Merrick, Michael Ryan. **Overview:** Founded in 1908, it now has 384 milk suppliers and manufactures continental cheeses, milk powders and butter. Retail business - farm inputs, hardware, DIY and supermarket. Cheese-packing/distribution subsidiary in Dijon, France.

TOWN OF MONAGHAN CO-OPERATIVE

Coolshannagh, Monaghan T: +353 47 81400 F: +353 47 82940 E: office@tmc.ie W: www.tmc.ie Employees: 150 Turnover: €220m CEO: Gabriel D'arcy Chairperson: Hugo Maguire Vice Chairperson: John Bole & Mervyn Agnew Secretary: Vincent Gilhawley General Manager: Joe Watters Financial Controller: Jim Kennedy

Auditors: Duignan Carthy O'Neill

Board Members: H Maguire, J Bole, M Agnew, D Boyd, B Brady, PJ Connolly, P Hughes, P Larmer, JJ Lavelle, B McAfee, A McConkey, P McVerry, G Sherlock, B Stewart, B Treanor, PJ Connery.

Overview: A cross-border dairy co-operative processing c.500 million litres of milk at its two production sites in Monaghan (butter, consumer dairy products) and Artigarvan (WMP and SMP).

TUAM CO-OPERATIVE LIVESTOCK MART LTD

Vicar Street, Tuam, Co. Galway T: +353 93 24353 F: +353 93 24601 E: tuammart@eircom.net Employees: 20 Turnover: €20m Chairperson: Gerry Hoade Vice Chairperson: Stephen Canavan Secretary: Denis Joyce General Manager: Marion Devane Financial Controller: Seamus Flaherty Auditors: Michael Cosgrove Solicitors: Bruen Glynn & Co. Board Members: Gerry Hoade, Val Flattery, Stephen Canavan, F McGrath, Gary Murray, J charles, D Dunleavy, W Keady, F Quinn, E Joyce, J Fahy, W Warde.



Seamus O Donohoe, CEO ICOS, Minister Simon Coveney T.D.; Bertie O' Leary, President ICOS

UNITY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

c/o Firhouse Credit Union, Ballycullen Ave., Firhouse, Dublin 24 T: +353 1 9052920 E: admin@ucos.ie Chairperson: Margaret Ryan Secretary: Miriam Whittle General Manager: Martin Morris Treasurer: Des Morrissey

WATERFORD ROSS CO-OPERATIVE MART LTD

Rosbercon, New Ross, Co Wexford **T**: +353 51 421624 **F**: +353 51 422412 **E**: waterfordrossmart@gmail.com **Secretary:** Sean Cleere **General Manager:** Richard Kirwan

WEXFORD FARMERS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Old Dublin Road, Blackstoops, Enniscorthy, Co Wexford T: +353 53 9233606 F: +353 9234386 E: info@wfc.ie W: www.wfc.ie CEO: Frank Devoy Secretary: Gerald Dunne General Manager: Tommy Harrington

WEXFORD MILK PRODUCERS LTD

c/o Kirwan & Kirwan, 4-5 Cornmarket, Wexford T: +353 53 9142088 Turnover: €60m Chairperson: Marty Murphy Vice Chairperson: Paddy Breen Secretary: Alan Simmons Solicitors: Kirwan & Kirwan Board Members: Marty Murphy, Alan Simmons, Paddy Breen, Harry Doran, Padraig Doyle, James Grannell, Padraig Hayes, Michael Murphy, Thomas Nunan, Michael O'Neill, Ken Chapman, Michael Vaughan, Eamon Devereux.

North Cork Co-op

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SALES CENTRE	FIRM	PHONE NUMBER	MANAGER/CONTACT	SALES DAYS	TYPE OF STOCK
Athenry	Athenry	+353 91 844072	Alan Barry	Mon Tues (w) Fri (eve)	Sheep Cattle: dairy cows, heifers, dry cows, weanlings, bullocks, calves and suckl
Balla	Aurivo	+353 94 62068	Michael John Walsh	Sat Tues (Sept-Oct)	General cattle sales Weanlings
Ballina	Mayo / Sligo	+353 96 22555	Billy Loftus	Mon (w) Tues (w)	Weanlings (Sept-Dec), suckler calves bullocks, heifers, cows, sheep
Ballinrobe	Aurivo	+353 92 41140	Martin Walsh	Wed (w)	Bullocks, heifers, cows, weanlings, stor and factory lambs and culled ewes Breeding sheep sales (Aug-Oct)
Ballybay	Corcaghan	+353 42 9741785/ +353 42 9741769	Sean Grenan	Wed (w)	General cattle sales
Ballyjamesduff	Ballyjamesduff	+353 49 8544483	Danny Reilly	Mon (w) Tues (w)	Sheep Cattle
Ballymote	Aurivo	+353 71 9183364	Thomas Jordan	Thurs (w) Wed	General cattle sales and sheep Weanlings (Sept-Dec)
Bandon	Cork	+353 23 88 41151	Tom McCarthy	Mon (w) Thurs (w)	Calves Cattle, sheep
Birr	Central Auctions	+353 57 9120136	Matt Malone Michael Harty	Mon (w) Thurs (w)	Cattle Sheep
Borris	Leinster	+353 59 9131617/ +353 59 9173168	Jimmy Walsh	Thurs (w) Sat (w)	Sheep (seasonal) Cattle (seasonal)
Caherciveen	lveragh	+353 66 9472195	Michael Kissane	Tues Jan-March every 3 weeks April-Dec (f)	Cows, bullocks, heifers and weanlings
Cahir	Cork	+353 52 7441307	Sean Leahy	Wed (w) Fri	Cattle, calves and sheep Sheep (seasonal)
Carlow	Leinster	+353 59 9131617/ +353 59 9173168	Jimmy Walsh	Mon (W) Thurs (eve)	Sheep, cattle Weanlings (Sept-Dec)
Carndonagh	Inishowen	+353 74 9374154	Harry Molloy	Mon Sat Sat	Cattle (1st, 3rd) Sheep (2nd, 4th) Weanlings (1st, 3rd) seasonal
Castleisland	Castleisland	+353 66 7141247	Richard Harnett	Mon Wed (w) Fri (f)	Calves, weanlings Bullocks, heifers, cull cows, suckler sto Dairy in-calf heifer sales (seasonal)
Castlerea	Castlerea	+353 94 9620300	Brendan Egan	Mon (w) Thurs (w)	Bullocks, sheep cows, calves, heifers, weanlings
Corrin Fermoy	Cork	+353 25 31611	Sean Leahy	Mon (w) Tues (w) Fri (w)	Sheep Cattle, calves dairy, weanlings (seasonal)
Dingle	Dingle	+353 66 9151586/ +353 66 9151096	Nelius McAuliffe	Sat (f) Wed	General cattle sales Sheep sales
Dungarvan	Cork	+353 58 41611	Ger Flynn	Mon (w) Thurs	Cattle, calves weanlings (seasonal)
Ennis	Clare	+353 65 6824411	Martin McNamara	Tues (w) Thurs (w)	Weanlings, dairy and suckler stock calves, sheep, bullocks, heifers, dry co
Enniscorthy	Wexford	+353 53 9233606	Tommy Harrington	Mon (w) Tues (w) Wed Thurs (w)	Sheep, lambs/hoggets, cast ewes brood ewes and rams Bullocks, heifers, dry cows dairy, suckler sale (second Wed of mo calves, weanlings only),

w = weekly

f = fortnightly

eve = evening sale

SALES CENTRE	FIRM	PHONE NUMBER	MANAGER/CONTACT	SALES DAYS	TYPE OF STOCK
Kanturk	Kanturk	+353 29 50081	Colette O'Connell Seamus O'Keeffe	Mon Tues Sat	Sheep General cattle sales, calves and weanlings Dairy cattle (Jan-April)
Kenmare	Kenmare	+353 64 42210	Dan McCarthy	Mon (w) Thurs (w) Thurs (f)	Sheep (June-Dec) Cattle, weanlings Cattle (Jan-July)
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