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**FOCAL BROLLAIGH ÓN GCOMHAIRLEOIR J CORR, CATHAOIRLEACH,
COISTE GAIRMOIDEACHAIS CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ**



Ar dtús, ba mhian liom a rá gur mhór an onóir dom mo shuíochán a choinneáil ar an gComhairle Cathrach, agus gur athcheapadh mé ar an gCoiste Gairmoideachais agus gur mhian leis an gCoiste nua mé a thoghadh uair amháin eile mar Chathaoirleach ar an gCoiste Gairmoideachais.

Is mór an t-áthas dom an Tuarascáil Bhliantúil seo a chur ar fáil do 2009, lena dtugtar léargas den raon leathan de sheirbhísí den scoth, a chuireann an Coiste ar fáil don Chathair.

I dTuarascáil dá leithéid,ní fhéadtar ach léargas amháin a thabhairt, ní fhéadtar an díograis, an tiomantas agus an obair dhian d'fhoireann an Choiste agus atá seirbhísí oideachais agus foghlama an-fhorleathana á soláthar acu do mhuintir Chorcaí, go háirithe sna hamanna eacnamaíocha dúshlánacha.

Ba mhaith liom an deis seo a thógáil buíochas a ghabháil leis an POF agus leis an bhfoireann go léir den Choiste Gairmoideachais as an tseirbhís den scoth a chuireann siad ar fáil.

Jim Corr
Cathaoirleach

**FOCAL BROLLAIGH ÓN UASAL T. OWENS, PRÍOMHFEIDHMEANNACH,
COISTE GAIRMOIDEACHAIS CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ**

Gan amhras, ba bhliain an-dheacair í 2009 do Choiste Gairmoideachais Chathair Chorcaí, mar a bhí don tír i gcoitinne. Bhí deacrachtaí ann don Choiste mar gheall ar an méadú sa chóimheas dáltáí le múinteoir, toirmeasc ar earcaíocht fairne, caidhp ar áiteanna Breisoideachais agus buiséid laghdaithe.



Ach, áfach táim an-sásta leis an obair dhian a rinne ár bhfoireann agus an tiomantas a thug siad. Cé go raibh caidhp ar uimhreacha PLC, rollaíodh ár gColáistí beagnach 450 dalta breise, agus níor tugadh aon acmhainní. Lean ár bhfoireann riarracháin leis an nua-aoisiú dár seirbhísí, go háirithe Párolla, Acmhainní Daonna agus Scoláireachtaí & Deontais, cé gur chaill siad roinnt fairne ón gCeannoifig.

Le linn 2009, tháinig méadú mór ar an éileamh d'áiteanna FE, lena léirítear fírinne an scéil eacnamaíoch atá ag cur isteach ar go leor daoine inár bpobal agus nós a leanfaidh ar aghaidh is dócha. Ach, áfach tháinig laghdú ar na rolluithe i ranganna na hoíche, lar-Bhunscoil agus ALCE.

Ba mhaith liom an deis seo a thógáil buíochas a ghabháil leis an gCoiste Gairmoideachais dá dtacaíocht, díograis agus gairmiúlacht le linn ama an-dheacair.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy Owens". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Timothy" on top and "Owens" below it.

Timothy Owens

Príomhfheidhmeannach

COISTE GAIRMOIDEACHAIS CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ

BALLRAÍOCHT 2009

Baill ainmnithe ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
An Cmhlr. Jim A. Corr, Cathaoirleach

An Cmhlr. Tim Brosnan, Leaschathaoirleach

An Cmhlr. Terry Shannon

An Cmhlr. Catherine Clancey

An Cmhlr. Dave McCarthy

An Cmhlr. Jonathan O'Brien

An Cmhlr. Ger Gibbons

An Cmhlr. Emmet O'Halloran

An Cmhlr. Laura McGonigle

An tUas. Paddy Brown

An tUas. Joe O'Callaghan

Josephine Coffey Uas.

Maire Roycroft Uas.

Baill ainmnithe ag tuismitheoirí CG Chathair Chorcaí
Úna Ryan Uas.

An tUas. Gerard White

Baill ainmnithe ag foireann CG Chathair Chorcaí

An tUas. Sean Roberts

Catherine Cashin Uas.

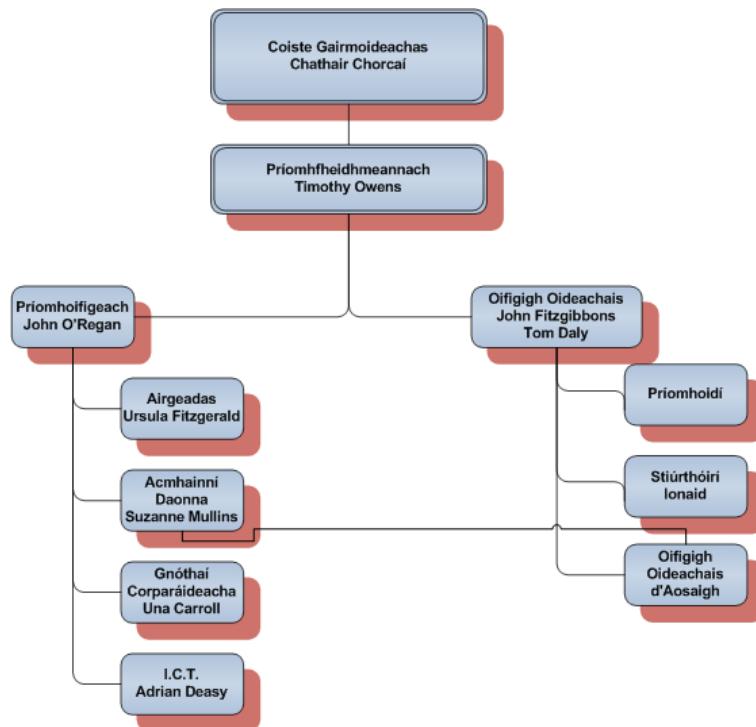
COISTE GAIRMOIDEACHAIS CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ STRUCHTÚR EAGRAÍOCHTÚIL AGUS FREAGRACHTAÍ

RÓL AN CG

Tá an coiste seo déanta suas de thrí bhall déag, atá ainmnithe go díreach ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí. Tá dhá bhall tofa ag foireann CG Chathair Chorcaí agus Toghann tuismitheoirí na ndaltaí (atá faoi 18 bliana d'aois) ó Scoileanna & Ionaid de Choiste Gairmoideachais Chorcaí. Istigh i bhfeidhmeanna an choiste, atá ina "bhFeidhmeanna Forchoimeádta" faoin Acht Gairmoideachas (Leasú) 2001, tá: forbairt pholasaí, pleanáil, monatóireacht, agus glacadh na tuarascála bliantúil agus na gcuntas. Tá an Coiste freagrach freisin as ceapachán a Phríomhfheidhmeannaigh.

RIALACHAS CORPARÁIDEACH

Ghlac CG Chathair Chorcaí, de réir riachtanas Imlitreach F11/05 na Roinne Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, le Cód Dea-Chleachtais do Rialachas Corparáideach. Cinntíonn an Cód go gcuireann an Coiste agus a n-oifigigh, atá i róil aonair agus comhróil agus in earnálacha freagrachta, prionsabail rialachais mhaith i bhfeidhm.



Cé go bhfuil freagracht iomlán ag an bPríomhfheidhmeannach do riachán ghnó an Choiste, tá an Príomhoifigeach freagrach as an bhfeidhm riacháin ó lá go lá. Tá feidhmeanna riacháin an Choiste roinnte i gceithre phríomhréimse:

- Airgeadas
- Acmhainní Daonna
- Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise & Cumarsáide

Seirbhísí Tacaíochta Oideachais

Tá gach limistéar riarcháin nó roinn maoirsithe agus comhordaithe ag Leas-Phríomhoifigeach.

Tá an freagrach as Airgeadas an CG a rialú agus a mhonatóiriú. I measc a freagrachtaí agus a sainchúraim tá:

- Rialú Airgeadais agus Tuairisciú
- Polasaithe agus Modhanna Oibre
- Cuntasáiocht bhainistíochta
- Tuairisceáin na Roinne Oideachais agus Eolaíochta (V.15)
- Bainistíocht Cistíochta
- Imréiteach Bainc
- Aistriú Cistí
- Párolla
- Pá
- Tuarastail
- Liúntas Mac Léinn
- Íocaíochtaí do Sholathróirí/Conraitheoirí
- Íocaíocht Taistil & Marthain
- Scoláireachtaí/Íocaíochtaí deontas

Tá freagrach as bainistíocht na foirne ó earcaíocht go dtí scor. Clúdaíonn sé seo an oiread seo de réimsí:

- Modhanna Oibre Earcaíochta
- Ceapacháin, coinníollacha seirbhíse, Conarthaí
- Comórtais Phostanna Ardaithe
- Caidreamh foirne (Aonar, Ceardchumann, Comhpháirtíocht)
- Leithdháileadh & Úsáid Foirne
- Córais Riarcháin AD
- Polasaithe agus Modhanna Oibre Foirne
- Cothabháil Thaifead Pearsanta
- Tuairisceáin staitistiúla
- Oiliúint & Forbairt na Foirne
- Aoisliúntas

Roinn na Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide

Cé go bhfuil an roinn TFC ina roinn is lú ó thaobh pearsanra laistigh d'eagraíocht an CG, is fairsing iad a sainchúram agus a freagrachtaí. Tá an roinn seo freagrach as deimhniú go dtugann crua-earrai, bogearrai, agus áiseanna TFC tacaíocht do sheachadadh seirbhísí sonraí feidhmiúla d'fhoireann agus cliant go léir an CG. Leag an roinn TFC bém ar thorbairt straitéis TFC a áiritheoidh seasmhacht chórás criticiúil agus ionracas sonraí, agus a cheadóidh comhtháthú gach seirbhíse sonraí faoi chreatlach choiteann. Ríthábhachtach don mhéid seo ná bainistíocht raon seirbhísí sonraí chun tacaíocht a thabhairt d'fheidhmeanna Airgeadas, Acmhainní Daonna, agus Tacaíocht Mhic Léinn an Choiste.

Tá an roinn TFC freagrach freisin as:

Cothabháil shuíomh Gréasáin

Tacaíocht teicneolaíochta agus comhairle do choláistí/ionaid

Oiliúint foirne TFC

Clúdaíonn an trí phríomhréimse:

Tacaíocht Chorparáideach

Scoláireachtaí & Deontais

Bainistíocht Eastáit.

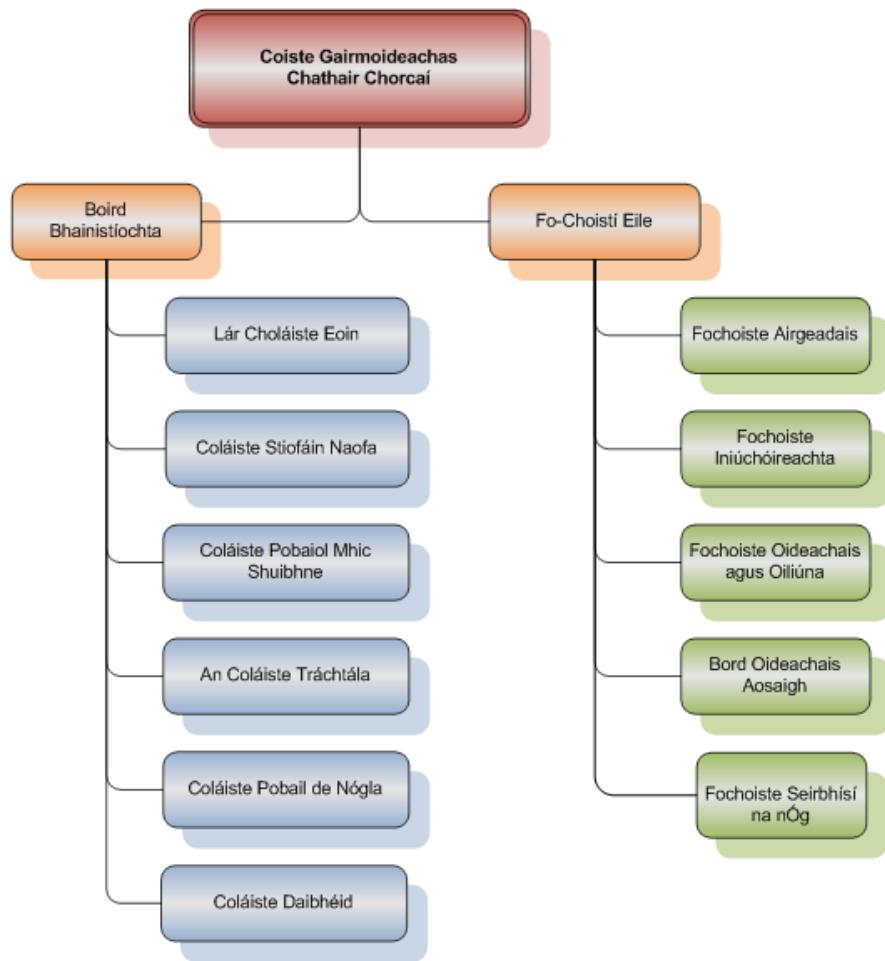
Bíonn Tacaíocht Chorparáideach ag gníomhú le fáiltiú & lasc-chlár an CG agus soláthraítear seribhísí rúnaíochta don Choiste agus do na Fo-Choistí, don CEO, do na hOifigigh Oideachais, Oideachais Aosaigh agus Óige agus don Éascaitheoir Oideachais Phobail. Táthar freagrach chomh maith as seirbhís do chustaiméirí agus iarratais agus nósanna imeachta Shaoráil Faisnéise.

Riarann an Rannóg Scoláireachtaí agus Deontas an Scéim Dheontas Ardoideachais agus proíseálann breis is 1,200 iarratas go bliantúil.

Soláthraíonn Bainistíocht Eastáit an saineolas chun déileáil le tionscadail chaipítíl, árachas, cúrsaí dlí agus soláthar.

FOCHOISTÍ AN CG

Bhunaigh CG Chathair Chorcaí, de réir soláthair an Acht Oideachais (1998) agus an Acht Gairmoideachais [Leasú] (2001) roinnt fochoistí le tacaíocht a thabhairt don Choiste chun a freagrachtaí a chomhlíonadh agus chun ceannaireacht agus bainistíocht éifeachtach agus sofhreagrach a sholáthar i seirbhísí an CG.



Boird Bhainistíochta

Bunaíodh Boird Bhainistíochta do gach scoil agus coláiste an CG, de réir riachtanais an Acht Oideachais 1998. Feidhmíonn an Príomhoide mar Rúnaí don Bhord Bainistíochta agus tá ballraíocht na mbord ionadaíoch de na geallsealbhóirí san ionad aonáin. Mar fhreagra ar chineál uathúil na dtrí choláiste Breisoideachais, cuireadh ainmnithe foghlaimeoirí in ionad ainmnithe tuismitheoirí do na Boird.

Táthar ag súil go dtiocfaidh gach Bord Bainistíochta le chéile cúig uair ar a laghad sa bhliain acadúil, agus go ndéanfaidh an Coiste breithniú ar chlár na gcrúinnithe sin ag a chruinnithe míosúla. Freastalaíonn an Príomhfheidhmeannach nó an Oifigeach Oideachais ar chruinnithe an Bhoird i ról tacaíochta agus comhairleach.

Foccoiste Airgeadais

Bunaíodh focoiste airgeadais ina bhfuil seachtar ball an choiste de réir riachtanas an Acht Gairmoideachais [Leasú] 2001. Tá an focoiste seo freagrach as:

- Ioncam agus caiteachas an choiste a mhonatóiriú
- Impleachtaí airgeadais na bpleananna Oideachais agus Seirbhíse
- Bronnadh na gconarthaí móra a athbhreithniú

Tagann an focoiste airgeadais le chéile ceithre uair sa bhliain. Soláthraíonn an Príomhfheidhmeannach agus an tOifigeach Airgeadais tacaíocht feidhmiúcháin.

Ballraíocht an Foccoiste Airgeadais

- An Cmhlr. J.A. Corr (Cathaoirleach)
- An Cmhlr. Emmet O'Halloran
- An Cmhlr. Ger Gibbons
- An tUas. Paddy Brown
- An tUas. Sean Roberts
- An tUas Timothy Owens, Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin

Foccoiste Iniúchóireachta

Tá seisear ball ar an bhfocoiste Iniúchóireachta. Bunaíodh in 2006 i gcomhlíonadh na riachtanas reachtúla, tagann sé le chéile idir dhá agus ceithre huaire sa bhliain chun monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar éifeachtach an Fheidhmiúcháin ina fhreagrachtaí agus cúraim a chomhlíonadh. Déanann an focoiste iniúchóireachta athbhreithniú agus monatóireacht ar na tuarascála iniúchóra go léir freisin.

Ballraíocht an Foccoiste Iniúchóireachta

- An Cmhlr. Terry Shannon(Cathaoirleach)
- An Cmhlr. Dave McCarthy
- An Cmhlr. T. Brosnan
- An Cmhlr. L. McGonigle
- An tUas. Joe O'Callaghan
- Maire Roycroft Uas.
- Catherine Cashin Uas.

Foccoiste Oideachais agus Oiliúna

Tá trí Ionad Ógtheaghmála agus Ionad Oiliúna Taistealaithe Sinsearacha faoi údarás CG Chathair Chorcaí. Tugann CG Chathair Chorcaí tacaíocht do raon comhlachas/seirbhísí eile trí sholáthar uaireanta Múinteoirreachta Páirtaimseartha. Tá na huaireanta seo soláthraithe ag an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faoin teideal "Comhoibriú le hInstitiúidí eile".

Bhunaigh an Coiste Fochoiste Oideachais agus Oiliúna chun struchtúr soiléir tuarascála a sholáthar dóibh siúd uile thuas, atá éifeachtach agus a chinntíonn comhtháthú agus comhordú le Seirbhísí cosúla agus bainteacha.

Le maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar oibriúchán éifeachtach na nlonad Oideachais, nó soláthar na seirbhísí mar is cuí, ar son CG Chathair Chorcaí.

Le comhordú/suimeáil éifeachtach a éascú idir Seirbhísí agus soláthróirí cosúla eile

Chomh maith le seisear ball de Choiste Gairmoideachais Chathair Chorcaí, iarradh ar ionadaithe freisin ó na heagraíochtaí a leanas, ag féachaint do na gníomhaíochtaí comhthreomhara a bhfuil baint acu iontu.

FÁS

Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

Feidhmeannacht Seirbhise Sláinte

An Roinn Gnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh

An Roinn Dlí (Gardaí)

Ionadaithe Fostóirí Aitiúla (Cumann Lucht Tráchtala Chorcaí)

Bord Oideachais Aosaigh

Tá an Bord Oideachais Aosaigh freagrach as pleanáil agus monatóireacht straitéiseach iomlán i soláthar na seirbhísí Oideachais Bhunata Aosaigh agus Oideachais Phobail. Tugann CG Chathair Chorcaí tacaíocht do 102 eagraíocht éagsúla, ina measc naoi gcinn de scéim litearthachta, ocht gcinn acu siúd atá comharsanachtbhunaithe, i soláthar na seirbhísí oideachais do bheis is 5,523 foghlaimeoir.

Fochoiste Seirbhísí na nÓg

Tá seirbhísí na nÓg soláthraithe ar son an Choiste ag ceithre eagraíocht deonacha na n-Óg – YMCA, Foróige, Ógra Chorcaí agus Cónaidhm Náisiúnta na nÓg. Tá a gcuid oibre tacaithe agus monatóirithe ag foireann an Choiste Gairmoideachais agus maoirsithe ag fochoiste Seirbhísí na nÓg, atá freagrach as pleanáil straitéiseach agus monatóireacht.

Tuarascáil Airgeadais 2009

Forbhreathnú ar Ioncam agus Caiteachas 2009

Tá ioncam agus caiteachas taifeadta ar bhonn fáltas airgid agus íocaíochta.

IONCAM

B'ionann an t-ioncam in 2009 agus €60,113,047, i gcomparáid le €60,709,974 in 2008. Léiríonn sé seo laghdú de 1% ó anuraidh.

Caiteachas

PÁ

Leis an ngné pá seo de chaiteachas an Choiste, léirítéar 64% den chaiteachas foriomlán.

NEAMHPHÁ

Bhí costais athfhillteacha neamhphá sa bhliain airgeadais 2009 0.5m níos lú ná anuraidh.

FORIOMLÁN

B'ionann an caiteachas foriomlán agus €59.9M, laghdú de €1.0m i gcomparáid le 2008. Cé go raibh roinnt réimse mar i gcéanna nó cé gur tháinig méadú beag orthu, bhí laghdú de 0.5m ar chaiteachas sa Phríomhscéim um Neamhphá. (Léiríonn an laghdú de 1.7m faoi theideal na nGníomhaireachtaí, nach raibh an Coiste ag próiseáil Cuntas agus Párolla a thuilleadh ar bhonn Gníomhaireachta don Dánlann Crawford agus níl aon tionchar aige ar an gCoiste).

Forbhreathnú ar Airgeadais na Príomhscéime

PÁ RIARACHÁIN	2008	2009
Íocaíocht do POF, Oifigigh Oideachais	250,135	257,148
Íocaíocht d'Eagraithe Oideachais Aosaigh	166,741	166,574
Íocaíocht d'Fhoireann Cléireachais/Riaracháin	2,059,513	1,985,447
IOMLÁN	2,476,389	2,409,169

PÁ TEAGAISC	2008	2009
Íocaíocht do Bhuanmhúinteoirí Lánaimseartha	18,731,471	18,841,649
Íocaíocht do Mhúinteoirí Sealadacha Lánaimseartha	123,437	267,837
do Mhúinteoirí Páirtaimseartha Pro Rata	4,605,765	5,323,689
Íocaíocht do Mhúinteoirí Páirtaimseartha eile	368,933	143,990
Luch Saothair Múinteoirí atá sainithe ar Chomhaontú	858,069	952,527

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Clúdach Neamhláitheachta íoctha	767,357	497,774
Maoirseacht & Ionadaíocht	596,142	706,566
Cúntóirí Riachtanas Speisialta	41,575	61,933
Oibrithe Acmhainní	450,605	485,730
Oideachas Aosach (Féinmhaoinitheach)	1,019,146	945,130
IOMLÁN	27,562,500	28,229,825

PÁ COTHABHÁLA	2008	2009
Íocaíocht d'Fhoireann Chothabhála	1,588,093	1,363,503
IOMLÁN	1,588,093	1,363,503

NEAMHPHÁ PRÍOMHSCÉIME	2008	2009
Ábhair ranga, teas, soilsíú, cíos etc	2,962,049	2,433,103
IOMLÁN	2,962,049	2,433,103

DEONTAIS RIALTAIS NACH DEONTAIS PHRÍOMHSCÉIME	2008	2009
Cothú Mhic Léinn PLC	4,068,906	4,074,266
Scéim Deiseanna Oiliúna Gairmoideachais (VTOS)	3,346,220	3,403,670
Gnóthaí Óige (go léir)	2,672,919	2,666,207
Ógtheaghmháil	2,011,392	2,035,942
Oideachas Aosach	2,543,649	2,326,054
Scéim Scoláireachtaí VEC	628,447	726,935
Ionad do Thaistealaithe Sinsearacha	548,908	562,511
Ionad Oiliúna San Prionsias	396,657	463,538
Cúram Leanaí	221,617	198,618
Treoir/Comhairleoireacht	78,391	65,548
IOMLÁN	16,517,106	16,523,289

DEONTAIS GHAOLMHARA	2008	2009
Deontas Caipitl PLC	693,881	600,939

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2009

Ciste Taca Seirbhísí Scoile	351,387	410,889
Mic Léinn faoi Mhíchumas	179,487	86,122
Scrúduithe forchúitithe na Roinne Oideachais	49,133	43,009
Sásamh na nInstitutiúidí Cónaithe	57,972	61,330
Deontas Leabhar – Daltaí i nGátar	52,195	12,183
Naisc Phobail Baile/Scoile	24,591	26,336
Idirbhliain, Taistealaithe, Clár Scoile an Teastais Shóisearaigh (JCSP) etc	73,280	64,542
IOMLÁN	1,481,926	1,305,332

EILE	2008	2009
Tionscadail Fhéinmhaoinitheacha	2,419,262	2,362,586
Gníomhaireachtaí	3,184,912	1,480,135
Cistí Tríú Páirtí	1,426,460	1,319,031
Tionscadal Chiste Sóisialta na hEorpa (E.S.F.)	125,532	161,974
Tascfhórsa Drugáí	315,848	327,490
Aisghabháil Pá ar lasacht	157,273	157,326
Comhairle Náisiúnta Spóirt	27,007	39,836
IOMLÁN	7,656,294	5,848,378

CAIPITIL	2008	2009
Coláiste Eoin - Síneadh	758,752	122,741
Oibreacha samhraidh – fuinneoga CC Thaolach Mhic Shuibhne	313,322	160,968
Crèche Shráid Dhúghlais	170,000	778,654
Síneadh Crèche Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa		602,957
Eile - Sláinte & Sábháilteacht, tarraingt deannaigh etc	406,975	146,617
IOMLÁN	1,649,049	1,811,937

Caiteachas Iomlán	61,893,406	59,921,536
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Tuarascáil Seirbhísí Tacaíochta Oideachais 2007

Tionscadail Chaipitiúla 2009

Leis an tabhairt isteach arís den Scéim Oibreacha Samhraidh in 2009, tháinig méadú ar líon na dtionscadal Caipitiúil a raibh páirt ag an gCoiste ann. Tá na sonraí maidir leo leagtha amach sa tábla thíos.

B'fhéidir nach raibh gach íocaíocht déanta sa bhliain airgeadais

Cur Síos ar an Obair	Luach
	€
Lár Choláiste Eoin - SWS 2009 - Ceamaraí CCTV	€51,756
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa - Páirc Uile-Aimsire	€685,819
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa - Síneadh Creise	€771,995
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa - Scéim um Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh - Insliú	€13,933
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa - SWS 2009 - Uasghrádú Téimh	€77,094
Coláiste Tráchtála Chorcaí - Deontas d'Oibreacha Éigeandála - Deisiú Dín	€32,975
Coláiste Tráchtála Chorcaí - SWS 2009 - Athchur Fuinneoge	€136,966
Coláiste Pobail Thraolach Mhic Shuibhne - Scéim um Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh - Insliú	€7,280
Coláiste Pobail Thraolach Mhic Shuibhne - SWS 2009 - Téamh	€25,338
Coláiste Pobail Nagle - Deontas d'Oibreacha Éigeandála - Díon Theach an Choire	€5,256
Iomlán	1,808,412

Achoimre Deontais na nDaltaí

Tháinig méadú ar líon na n-iarratas in 2009, mar thoradh ar an gcor chun donais eacnamaíoch is dócha. Tháinig méadú de bheagnach 20% ar iarratais faoi mhí an Mheithimh le linn na tréimhse céanna anuraidh, cé gur thit sé seo go méadú foriomlán de thuairim is 12%. Tá mionbhriseadh síos curtha ar fáil thíos.

Bliain Acadúil 2008/2009 ag Bealtaine, 2009

Iarratais a fuarthas	2008	2009
Líon na n-iarratas nua a bhfuarthas	948	1,180
Líon na n-iarratas athnuachana a bhfuarthas (athmheasúnuithe san áireamh)	302	340
Iomlán	1,250	1,520

Dámhachtainí Nua	2008	2009
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Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2009

Scoláireachtaí	79	117
TLT	149	152
PLC	317	269
Iomlán Bronnta	545	638

Iarratais Athnuachana	2008	2009
Scoláireachtaí	54	60
TLT	165	159
PLC	83	99
Iomlán Athnuachana	302	318

Bliain Acadúil 2008/2009 ag Nollaig, 2009

Iarratais a fuarthas	2008	2009
Líon na n-iarratas nua a bhfuarthas	1,127	1,283
Líon na n-iarratas athnuachana a bhfuarthas (athmheasúnuithe san áireamh)	342	319
Iomlán	1,469	1,602

Dámhachtainí Nua	2008	2009
Scoláireachtaí	98	68
TLT	120	89
PLC	269	159
Iomlán Bronnta	487	316

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2009

Iarratais Athnuachana	2008	2009
Scoláireachtaí	69	70
TLT	157	151
PLC	97	87
Iomlán Athnuachana	323	308

Stádas na n-iarratas	2008	2009
Iomlán próiseáilte	1,146	897
Ar feitheamh le doiciméid ó iarratasóirí	323	457
Ar feitheamh le tabhairt chun críche	0	113
Ar feitheamh próiseála	0	135
Iomlán	1,469	1,602

SCOILEANNA AGUS COLÁISTÍ CG CHATHAIR CHORCAÍ

Scoileanna Dara Leibhéal

Oibríonn CG Chathair Chorcaí trí scoil dara leibhéal:

Coláiste Pobail Traolach Mac Suibhne, Cnoc na hAoine

Coláiste Pobail de Nóglar, Machain

Colaiste Daibhéid, Ardán Theas

Soláthraíonn na scoileanna seo réimse leathan deiseanna oideachais agus cláracha do mhic léinn, ina measc:

Teastas Sóisearach

Clár Scoileanna an Teastais Shóisearaigh (JCSP)

Ardteistiméireacht

Ardteistiméireacht fheidhmeach (LCA)

Clár Gairme na hArdteistiméireachta (LCVP)

Idirbhliain

Soláthraíonn Coláiste Pobail Traolach Mac Suibhne agus Colaiste Pobail de Nóglar deiseanna PLC d'fhoghlaimeoirí ina bpobail.

Coláistí Breisoideachais

Tá trí Choláiste Breisoideachais faoi chúram CG Chathair Chorcaí:

Coláiste Tráchtala Chorcaí, Oileán Uí Mhuireasáin

Lár Choláiste Eoin, Sráid an Mhuilinn Shábhadoireachta

Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa, Bóthar na Trá Móire

Tairgeann na trí choláiste réimse leathan de chláirachá iar-Ardteistiméireachta, i gcomhar le réimse Cláracha Oiliúna agus Uillmhúcháin Ghairme (VPTP) atá deartha leis na scileanna riachtanacha a sholáthar d'fhoghlaimeoirí faoi choinne réimse leathan postanna agus slite beatha. Oibríonn an VTOS (Scéim Dheiseanna Oiliúna Ghairme) trí sholáthar "mhodh scaipthe" sna coláistí, a éascaíonn soláthar deiseanna oideachais dara seans d'fhoghlaimeoirí a fhaigheann leas sóisialta.

Cláruithe

Tá figiúirí cláraithe do sé choláiste an Choiste léirithe sa tábla seo a leanas. Tá na figiúirí seo bunaithe ar fhíorú na Ranna Oideachais agus Eolaíochta ar shonraí Thuairisceáin Dheireadh Fómhair na gcoláistí. Chun bonn a sholáthar do chomparáid, tá na sonraí comhfhereagracha ó thuairisceáin Deiridh Fómhair 2008 curtha ar fáil sa tábla fresin.

	Teastas Sóisearach		Idirbhliain		Clár Scoileanna an Teastais Shóisearaigh		Clár Gairme na hArdteistiméireachtreachta		An Ardteistiméireacht Fheidhmeach		Ardteistiméireacht		Iar Ardteistiméireacht		Iomlán	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Coláiste Pobail De Nóglar	31	37	0	0	44	39	0	0	0	0	84	90	63	61	222	227
Coláiste Pobail Traolach Mhic Shuibhne	30	0	0	0	91	116	0	0	26	30	46	38	173	173	366	357
Coláiste Daibheid	92	108	0	0	0	0	16	17	0	0	48	47	0	0	156	172
An Coláiste Tráchtála											209	283	1842	2037	2051	2320
Lár Choláiste Eoin													1132	1252	1132	1252
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa	8	9									20	21	815	926	843	956
Iomlán	161	154	0	0	135	155	16	17	26	30	407	479	4025	4449	4770	5284

Roinnt Ócáidí Tábhachtacha 2009

Coimpléasc Shráid Dhúghlais

Osclaíodh go hoifigiúil an athfhorbairt de 107/108 Shráid Dhúghlais, i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an gComhairle Chathrach, chun Áiseanna Creise, Litearthacht Aosach, Tacaíocht Mhic Léinn agus áiseanna cónaithe a sholáthar.



Ógtheaghmháil Mhachan

Tá Ógtheaghmháil Mhachan, atá suite i dTeach Rinn Mhachan trí na hoifigí maithe de Chomhairle Cathrach Chorcaí, i bhfeidhm go hiomlán.



Ógtheaghmháil an Gleann

Bogadh Ógtheaghmháil an Gleann go dtí na háitribh nua á soláthar ag Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí agus osclaíodh í go hoifigiúil.



Dul ar Scor den Uasal Tom Daly, Oifigeach Oideachais

I mí na Nollag 2009, d'éirigh an tUasal Tom Daly as a phost mar Oifigeach Oideachais, tar éis gairme fada agus dearscna i gCoiste Gairmoideachais Chathair Chorcaí.



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Ionad Oiliúna don Lucht Siúil Sinsearach (STTC)

I gcomhréir le beartas de chuid an Roinn Oideachais & Scileanna maidir le daltaí Lucht Siúil a chomhtháthú isteach i scoileanna phríomhshrutha, tháinig laghdú ar líon na n-áiteanna a chuir an Coiste ar fáil dá STTC.

Clár Breisoiliúna Modúlach

I bpáirt leis an Roinn Leasa Shóisialaigh, d'fhobair agus sheachaid an Coiste clár atá dirithe ar dhaoine ar chaill a phost le déanaí, agus ar mhian leo an deis a thógail a gcáilíochtaí atá acu cheana a nuashonrú nó ar mhian leo cáilíochtaí nua a fháil.

Cuireadh ar fáil an deis do rannpháirtithe trí mhodúl FETAC a dhéanamh ag Leibhéal 5 agus 6 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí agus ghlaic 279 duine páirt sa chlár a seachadadh i dtrí Choláiste Breisoideachais.

Cor chun donais Eacnamaíoch

Chuir na srianta ranna isteach ar obair an Choiste, srianta a tháinig chun cinn mar thoradh ar dhrochstad Airgeadais an Rialtais. Mar thoradh ar thoirmeasc fairne, bhí leagan as d'fhoireann shealadach, agus níor cuireadh aon duine in ionad Foirne Riaracháin agus Cothabhála ar éirigh as, a ndeachaigh ar scor, a thógann saoire fhadtéarmach nó atá tinn nó atá ar shaoire mháithreachais. Mar thoradh ar an méadú sa Chóimheas Dáltaí le Múinteoir (CDM) bhí Leithdháileadh Múinteora níos lú don Choiste. Laghdaíodh an maoliniú Neamhphá agus Deontais don Choiste.

Oideachas Féinmhaoinitheach Aosaigh

Soláthraítear cláracha féinmhaoinitheacha oideachais aosaigh sna trí Choláiste Breisoideachais. Cé go bhfuil cursaí fóillíochta ar fáil, chomh maith le deiseanna oideachais “dara seans”, tá cuid mhór cláracha ar fáil do bhrefisfhorbairt phroifisiúnta atá deimhnithe ag comhlachtaí aitheanta agus creidiúnaithe náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta, FETAC, HEA, City and Guilds, srl. san áireamh.

Cláruithe

	2007/2008	2008/2009
Coláiste Tráchtala Chorcaí	4,695	5,926
Lár Choláiste Eoin	1,017	790
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa	1,032	1,303
Iomlán	6,744	8,019

Bhí fáltais ó oideachas féinmhaoinitheach aosaigh i 2009 €1,034,304, sé sin i gcomparáid le €1,257,464 i 2008.

Ionaid Ógtheaghála

Tá an Coiste go díreach freagrach as oibriúchán cheithre Ionad Ógtheaghála agus Ionad Oiliúna Taistéalaithe Sinsearacha. Socraíodh suíomh agus méid na trí n-ionad seo i ndlúthchomhairliúchán le FAS, a sholathraíonn do dheiseanna comhthreomhara i roinnt Ionad Oiliúna an Phobail, ina bhfuil seirbhísí teagaisc áirithe soláthraithe ag an gCoiste Gairmoideachais.

Tá na hionaid agus a gcumas le feastal ar fhoghlaimeoirí thíos:

	Líon na bhFoghlaimeoirí
Sráid Dean	25
An Gleann	25
Cnoc na hAoine	25
Mahon	25
Seirbhís Thacaíocht Foghlama Chorcaí	24
STTC	56

Solathraíonn na hionaid cláracha Teastais Shóisearaigh, an Ardteistiméireacht Fheidhmeach (LCA) agus FETAC do dhaoine óga idir 12-19 bliana d'aois. Cuireann an Bord um Leas Oideachais, an Bord Sláinte agus scoileanna Chathair Chorcaí mic léinn ar aghaidh chuig an tseirbhís.

Lean na hionaid Ógtheaghála orthu lena ngníomhacht le linn 2008 i gcur i bhfeidhm Thionscnamh Creatlach Cáilíochta d'Ógtheaghála agus d'ionaid Oiliúna do Thaistéalaithe Sinsearacha. Cuireadh cur chuige comhordaithe i bhfeidhm le cáilíocht agus oriúnacht idirghabhála do dhaoine óga a fheabhsú, trí Phleanáil Fhorbartha Ionaid, Measúnú Ionaid Inmheánaigh agus Measúnú Ionaid Sheachtraigh.

Seirbhís Oideachais Phríosún Chorcaí

Thosaigh an Coiste seirbhís oideachais a chur ar fáil do Phríosún Chorcaí in 1978 ar bhonn páirtaimseartha ag an túis agus fairsingíodh í coiscéim le méadú i ndaonra na bpríosúnach.

Tógadh aonad oideachais saintógtha in 1983, ina bhfuil sainseomraí ealaíne, adhmadóireachta, agus eacnamaíochta baile. Is fireannach amháin daonra na mac léinn, an chuid is mó acu a d'fhag oideachas foirmiúil gan creidiúnú ar bith, agus a mbeadh saolta deacra agus fadhbacha acu. Tá deiseanna oideachais curtha ar fáil do na príosúnaigh go léir ar theacht isteach sa phríosún dóibh; tá glacadh athraitheach, agus leanúnachas ina fadhb áirithe mar gheall ar nádúr neamhbhuan agus athraitheach daonra an phríosúin.

Tá na Cláracha seo a leanas curtha ar fáil agus soláthraithe sa tSeirbhís Oideachais an Phríosúin.

Teastas Sóisearach

Ardteistiméireacht

FETAC

An Ollscoil Oscailte

Ghlac 382 príosúnaigh páirt sna cláir oideachais le linn na scoilbhliana 2008/09 lena n-áirítear 54 iarratasóir ar chreidiúnú Chomhairle na nDámhachtainí Breisoideachais agus Oiliúna (F.E.T.A.C.), 9 daltaí Teastais Shóisearaigh, 4 Daltaí Ardteistiméireachta agus 4 daltaí a raibh cursaí Ollscoile Oscailte á ndéanamh acu.

Tá clár iar-scaoilte á oibriú i gcomhar leis an tSeirbhís Promhaidh do chiontóirí ar theacht amach as príosún dóibh. Tugann sé deiseanna faoi na cláir FETAC agus Tionscnamh Filleadh ar an Oideachas (BTEI)

An Tionscnamh um Fhilleadh ar an Oideachas (BTEI)

Is clár páirtaimseartha é an Tionscnamh um Fhilleadh ar an Oideachas ina ligtear do dhaoine óga agus do dhaoine fásta pilleadh ar oideachas a cheangal lena gcuid dualgas teaghlaigh agus eile. Cuirtear BTEI ar fáil trí réimse seirbhísí CG, ina measc Coláistí Breisoideachais, seirbhís Oideachais Phobail agus an tseirbhís Bunoideachais um Dhaoine fásta (Litearthacht).

Cuireadh leithdháileadh de €581,566 ar fáil i 2008 faoin gclár seo. Mar gheall ar sholúbthacht an chláir ligeadh do na seirbhísí soláthraithe réimse clár solúbtha agus nuálach.

Fuair 709 rannpháirtí san iomlán áit ar 114 modúl aonair. B'fhir é 40.1% de na rannpháirtithe, méadú de bheagnach ocht faoin gcéad ar leibhéal rannpháirtíochta 2008. Leis an soláthar BTEI in 2009, leanadh ar aghaidh le hobair i dtreo múnla soláthair a fhorbairt lena n-éascaítear do rannpháirtithe dámhachtainí iomlána a fháil ag leibhéal 2, 3 agus 4 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí.

Tionscadail Speisialta Seirbhísí na nÓg

Tá seirbhísí na n-óg soláthraithe ar son an Choiste ag ceithre eagraíocht deonacha na n-óg – YMCA, Foróige, Ógra Chorcaí agus Cónaidhm Náisiúnta na nÓg.

Tá a n-obair ag fáil tacaíocht agus monatóireacht chomh maith ó fhoireann an Choiste Ghairmoideachais agus déanann fochoiste CG maoirseacht uirthi, fochoiste atá freagrach as pleánail agus monatóireacht straitéisearch agus a fhaigheann tuarascálacha go rialta ó agus a bhuaileann go foirméalta le gach ceann de na ceithre heagraíochta gach bliain.

- 14 Tionscadal (ina measc OUTREACH)
- Leithdháileadh 2009 - €1,261,350
- Leithdháileadh Uaireanta Páirtaimseartha Teagaisc - €446,844
- Líon na Rannpháirtithe – 1,576

Bhí laghdú suntasach freisin i líon na rannpháirtithe a tuairiscíodh in 2009 (1,576) i gcomparáid le figiúirí 2008 (4,302). Tá an laghdú seo mar thoradh ar na hathruithe a rinne an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta maidir le riachtanais agus treoirlínte agus ní léiríonn an laghdú seo laghdú sa tseirbhís sa chaoi is a infeirítear ó chomparáid láithreach.

In 2009, tháinig laghdú beag ar líon na bhfoghlaimeoirí ar ghlac páirt sa tseirbhís.

- B'ionann líon na rannpháirtite (na trí shruth go léir) agus 5,523 in 2009, síos ó 5,770 in 2008.
- B'ionann cóimheas teastasaithe (sna trí shruth maoinithe) agus 37% de 507 cúrsa in 2009, síos i dtéarmaí céatadáin ó 40% de 467 cúrsa in 2008.

An Ciste um Áiseanna agus Seirbhísí do Dhaoine Óga

Bunaíodh an Ciste um Áiseanna agus Seirbhísí do Dhaoine óga i 1998 mar chuid de straitéis fhoriomlán an rialtais le dul i ngleic le mí-úsáid drugaí. Tá sé mar aidhm ag an gCiste cuidiú le forbairt áiseanna do dhaoine óga, ina measc áiseanna spóirt agus áineasa, agus seirbhísí i gceantair atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste ina bhfuil fadhb shuntasach drugaí nó ina bhfuil féidearthacht ann go bhforbrófar fadhb.

Is é cuspóir an Chiste daoine atá “i mbaol” i gceantair faoi mhíbhuntáiste a mhealladh isteach sna háiseanna agus sna gníomhaíochtaí seo agus chun iad átreorú ó chontúirtí mí-úsáide substainte. Is iad spriocghrúpaí an Chiste daoine atá 10-21 bliain d'aois agus atá ar an imeall mar gheall ar roinnt fachtóirí áirithe a bhaineann le cúlra an teaghlaigh, cúinsí timpeallachta, míbhuntáiste oideachais, baint le coireacht agus/nó drugaí, srl. Bhí príomhfhócas an Chiste go nuige seo i gceantair na dTáscfhórsaí Áitiúla Drugaí.

Tionscadail Phríomhshrutha (tríd an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta)

- 14 Tionscadal
- Leithdháileadh - €753,981

Neamh-Phríomhshrutha (tríd an Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta)

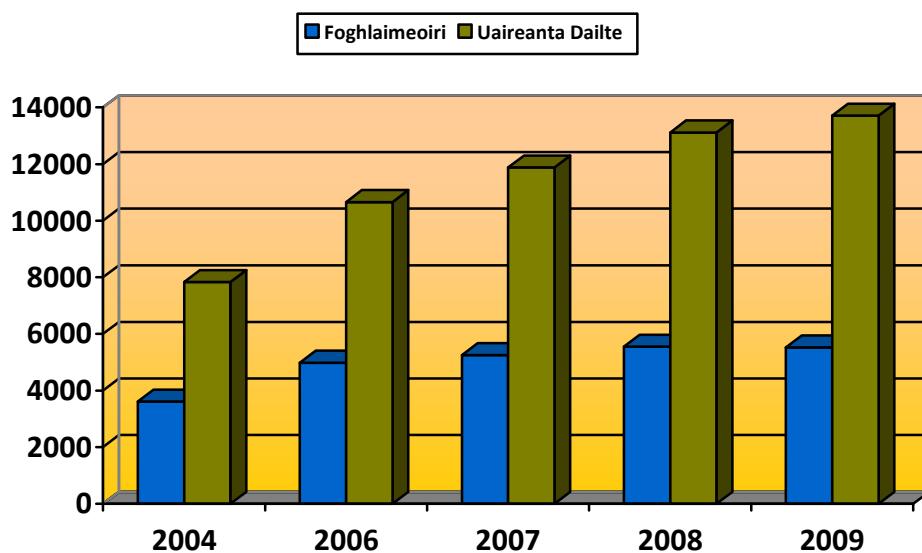
- 4 Thionscadal
- Leithdháileadh - €735,400

Oideachas Pobail

Achoimre ar thorthaí 2007

Tá Seirbhís Oideachais Phobail CG Chathair Chorcaí (CCVEC) curtha ar fáil i gcomhpháirtíocht le comhchiste tiomanta de 102 soláthraí bunaithe sa phobal tríd an chathair.

D'fhan struchtúr na seirbhísí chun coimeád leis an Samhail Forchéimnithe Struchtúrtha, agus is é seo an réasúnaíocht atá faoi bhun Straitéis Oideachais Phobail CCVEC. Tá cistiúchán do Litearthacht Aosaigh & Oideachas Pobail (ALCE) fós dírithe don chuid is mó ar fhoghlaimeoirí Céim 1, faoi mar a bhíonn cistiúchán de chuid an Tionsnaimh um Fhilleadh ar an Oideachas (BTEI)/Comhpháirtíocht Chathair Chorcaí (CCP) dírithe go sonrach ar Céim 2 den Samhail Forchéimnithe Struchtúrtha.



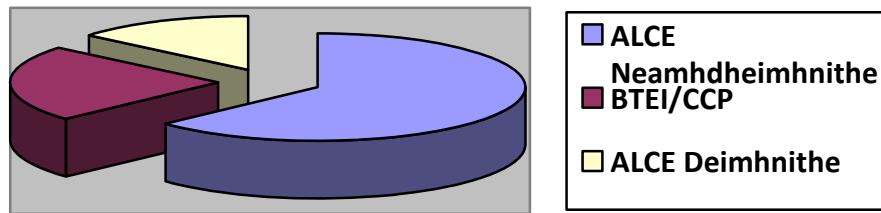
Is iad na príomhréimsí laistigh d'Oideachas Pobail ná:

Litearthacht Aosach agus Oideachas Pobail (ALCE) Oideachas Pobail Cistithe (Ag Díriú ar Fhoghlaimeoirí Chéim 1 don Chuid is Mó)

Tionsnaimh um Fhilleadh ar an Oideachas (BTEI) agus Comhpháirtíocht Chathair Chorcaí (CCP), Oideachas Pobail Deimhnithe cistithe (ag díriú go heisiach ar fhoghlaimeoirí Chéim 2)

Pictiúr foriomlán deimhniúcháin in Oideachas Pobail

Nuair a chuirtear líon na gcúrsaí deimhnithe a fhaighean cistiúchán faoin ALCE agus BTEI/CCP le chéile, an cóimheas deimhniúcháin san Seirbhís Oideachais Phobail i 2009 in iomlán ab ea 37%. Seasann sé seo do laghdú ar 2008 nuair a bhí an cóimheas 40% agus nuair a bhí líon na gcúrsaí níos ísle.



Leithdháileadh 2009 agus úsáid uaireanta

Bhí leithdháileadh de 13,708 uair múinteoirreachta, ag costas de thart ar €631k, soláthartha trí Ionaid Acmhainní Teaghlaigh, Scéimeanna Idirchaidrimh Phobail um Scoileanna Baile, grúpaí/eagraíochtaí Míchumais agus Scoir, Scéimeanna Oideachais don Lucht Siúil agus tionscnaimh eile atá treoraithe ag an bpobal.

Soláthar Cúrsa 2008

I 2009 sholáthair seirbhís Oideachais Phobail CG Chathair Chorcaí 507 cúrsa – meadú 8.5% ar 2008. Bíonn na cúrsai ar siúl go tipiciúil thar 10 go 12 seachtain, le seisiúin ranga de dhá uair in aghaidh na seachtaine.

Seirbhís Litearthachta ABE

Tá ról ar leith ag an tSeirbhís Litearthachta ABE maidir le cúnamh a thabhairt do dhaoine a scileanna litearthachta agus uimheartachta a forbairt. Agus iomarcaíocht á déanamh ar go leor daoine nó iad leocheileach ó thaobh a gcuid jabanna, tuigtear gur féidir le litearthacht cuidiú leis an scéal a réiteach. Spreagann seirbhís litearthachta VEC Chathair Chorcaí feasacht ar roghanna teagaisc atá ar fáil go háitiúil agus spreagtar páirtithe leasmhara eile chun daoine a bhfuil fadhbanna litearthachta acu a chuimsiú.

Tá Seirbhís (Litearthachta) ABE ina cuid lárnach de na pobail ina n-oibríonn siad. Agus an tseirbhís litearthachta á cur ar fáil d'fhoghlaimeoirí, bíonn scéimeanna feascach i gcónaí ar na deacrachtaí a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ag foghlaiméoirí, agus iad ag tosú ag foghlaim nó ag glacadh páirt inti. Tá an tseirbhís seo iomlán faoi rún.

Soláthar

Soláthraíonn ocht Seirbhís Litearthachta ABE an tseirbhís i gceantar sa chathair ina gclúdaítear limistéir faoi mhíbhuntáiste lena n-áirítear ceantair RAPID. Cuireann Scéim

Litearthachta eile, an naoú ceann, seirbhís ar fáil ar fud na cathrach do dhaoine den Lucht Taistil.

Grúpa Atreoraithe

Tá Grúpa Atreoraithe áitiúil ag gach scéim, a bhfuil baint aige le teagmhálaithe a aimsiú agus cruinnithe rialta a reáchtáil le gníomhaireachtaí cosúil le FAS, an tSeirbhís Fostaíochta Áitiúil (LES), Comhpháirtíochtaí Ceantair, Seirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh, Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhise Sláinte (HSE), na Gardaí, an tseirbhís promhaidh, Scoileanna agus Seirbhísí Ógra etc.

Teagasc Foghlaimeoirí & Cláir

Is trína teagascóirí Litearthachta oilte a sholáthraíonn an tSeirbhís Litearthachta um Oideachas Buanta Aosach [ABE] oideachas buanta faoi rún lena n-áirítear léitheoireacht, scríbhneoireacht agus scileanna Uimheartachta d'aoساigh nach leor a scileanna litearthachta ná Uimheartachta le dualgas a chomhlíonadh sa saol sóisialta agus eacnamaíoch. Tugtar túis áite dóibh siúd is mó riachtanas, go háithe dóibh siúd a bhfuil leibhéal litearthachta leibhéal 3 FETAC nó níos lú ná sin acu.

Tosaíonn go leor foghlaimeoirí ina n-aonair le “teagasc duine le duine” agus a luaithe agus a fhobraitheann siad féinmhuijnín agus scileanna litearthachta is féidir leo dul isteach i ngrúpaí agus dul chun cinn breise a dhéanamh.

Tosaíonn daoine eile amach ag foghlaim i ngrúpaí i gcúinsí éagsúla ina gcasann siad i suíomh faoi rún lena leithéidí féin, daoine fásta eile atá ag gabháil d'oideachas athdheise.

Rannpháirtíocht Foghlaimeoira

Sna figiúirí rannpháirtíochta seo a leanas níl na rannpháirtithe ar na cláir ESOL agus ITABE san áireamh.

Rannpháirtíocht Foghlaimeoira 2009	Fir	Mná	Iomlán
Litearthacht san Ionad Oibre	5	5	10
Filleadh ar an bhFoghlaim	10	0	10
Filleadh ar an Oideachas	24	51	75
Litearthacht Eile san Ionad Oibre	0	0	0
Scileanna d'Obair	7	4	11
Litearthacht Príomhshrutha	377	609	986
Litearthacht Teaghlaigh	23	132	155
	446	801	1247

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2009

Tá lín na rannpháirtithe i gcláir ESOL in 2009 léirithe thíos

Rannpháirtíocht Foghlaimeora 2009	Fir	Mná	Iomlán
Lín iomlán na r	92	132	224

In 2009, sheachaid Coiste Gairmoideachais Chathair Chorcaí 16 chlár ITABE le leibhéal rannpháirtíochta iomlán de 96 foghlaimeoir aonair.

Treoirsheirbhís Aosaigh Chathair Chorcaí

Tá Treoirsheirbhís Aosaigh Chathair Chorcaí maoinithe faoin Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta (DES) faoin bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta agus tá sé comhtháite isteach i soláthar oideachais aosaigh faoi CG Chathair Chorcaí. Bunaíodh é i mBealtaine 2006 faoi Phas IV den Tionscnamh Treorach Oideachais Aosaigh (AEGI), a bhí bunaithe i 2000 ag DES agus a bhfuair comhairliúchán ón Ionad Náisiúnta do Threoir in Oideachas (NCGE). Soláthraíonn an AEGI treoir réamh-dhul isteach, leanúnach, agus réamh-dhul amach do ghrúpaí sprice ar leith:

- Eolas ar chúrsaí, gairmeacha, cistiúchán, etc don phobal i gcoiteann
- VTOS
- BTEI
- Litearthacht
- Oideachas Pobail
- Bord Airgeadais Oideachais

Bíonn an fhoireann threorach ag obair ó áitreabh ar an Meal Theas. Mar gheall ar an suíomh áisiúil seo is féidir le claint bualach isteach chun eolas a fháil nó freastal ar choinne dune le duine le Treoirchomhairleoir. Oibríonn an tseirbhís i láir na cathrach uaireanta buail isteach ón Luan go dtí an Déardaoin 10.00 a.m. go dtí 12 meán lae agus 2.30 p.m. go dtí 4.30 p.m.

Soláthar Seirbhíse

Iomlán na dTairbhithe – 2,193

Fiosrúchán ón bPobal i gCoitinne – bhí 618 duine aonair i dteagmháil leis an seirbhís ag iarraidh eolais, rinne siad an méid seo thar fhón, trí rphost agus teacht isteach.

Treoir Ghrúpa – buaileadh le 70 grúpaí nua do theoir ghrúpa.

Treoir duine-le-duine – buaileadh le 578 daoine aonair ar bhonn duine-le-duine do threoir

Oideachas Pobail – bhí 458 duine aonair den 571 feicthe do threoir duine-le-duine bunaithe i bpobail áitiúla.

In 2009, d'fhorbair an tseirbhís roinnt príomhthionscnamh chun obair ghrúpa ní ba dhoimhne a chur ar fáil. San áireamh tá samplaí dóibh siúd:

Ócáid de Scéalta Ratha d'Foghlaimeoirí Aosaigh sa Mheal Theas le linn Féile Foghlama ar feadh an tSaoil. Labhair rannpháirtithe faoina dtaithí an-dearfach maidir le teagmháil leis an litearthacht agus oideachas pobail agus roghanna eile a spreag daoine eile dul i dteagmháil leis an tseirbhís chun a ndeiseanna oideachais a fháil amach.

Seisiún iarratais CAO i bpáirtíocht leis na leabharlanna

Seimineár Maoinithe i bpáirtíocht leis an gCoiste Gairmoideachais agus deontais
foirne Comhairle Chathrach, foireann VTOS, Foireann an Leasa Shóisialaigh agus
Lár Choláiste Eoin.

Féadfaidh an cur síos de bhliain lán d'athrú a thabhairt ar an tseirbhís in 2009 sa chomhthéacs níos leithne den chúlú eacnamaíoch. Bhí tionchar aige seo ar roinnt leibhéal ón bhfoireann (neamh-athchur forrne ar leibhéal reachtúla) go méadú suntasach ar éagsúlacht, castacht agus líon na n-aosach atá i dteagháil leis an tseirbhís agus ar chaill a bpost le déanaí. Agus a aithníodh an gá le freagraí cruthaitheacha in amanna dúshlánacha, chomhoibrigh an tseirbhís ar roinnt ócайдí, ón bhfóram i bpobail áitiúla go ceardlanna ag an taispeántas Oideachais Aosaigh agus teagháil a dhéanamh le daoine aosaigh ar chaill a phost le déanaí.

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FOREWORD BY CLLR. J CORR

CHAIRMAN

**CITY OF CORK VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
COMMITTEE**



At the outset, I wish to say that I am deeply honoured to have retained my seat on the City Council, to have been reappointed to the VEC and to have the new Committee see fit to elect me, once more, as Chairman of the VEC.

It gives me great pleasure to present this Annual Report for 2009, which gives an overview of the wide range of excellent services provided to the City by the Committee.

A Report such as this can only give an overview, it cannot truly reflect the dedication, commitment and hard work of the staff of the Committee in the provision of very extensive education and learning services to the people of Cork, particularly in these trying economic times.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the CEO and the entire VEC staff for the excellent service they provide.

Jim Corr

Chairperson

INTRODUCTION FROM MR T. OWENS

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CITY OF CORK VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
COMMITTEE



Without doubt, 2009 has been a very difficult year for the City of Cork Vocational Education Committee, in common with the country in general. An increase in the pupil-teacher ratio, a staff recruitment embargo, a cap on Further Education places and reduced budgets have all posed difficulties for the Committee.

However, I am delighted with the hard work and dedication of our staff. Even though PLC numbers were capped, our Colleges enrolled almost 450 additional pupils, for which no resources were forthcoming. Our administrative staff continued with the modernisation of our services, in particular Payroll, Human Resources and Scholarships & Grants, even while losing a number of staff from Head Office.

2009 saw a huge increase in the demand for FE places, a reflection of the economic realities affecting many in our community and a trend that is likely to continue. However, there has been a decrease in enrolments in the night-class area, Post-Primary and ALCE

I should like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the staff of the VEC for their support, dedication and professionalism during a most difficult time

Timothy Owens

Chief Executive Officer

**CITY OF CORK VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2009**

Members nominated by Cork City Council

Cllr. J.A. Corr,

Cllr. Tim Brosnan,

Mr. Paddy Brown,

Cllr. Catherine Clancy,

Cllr. Ger Gibbons,

Cllr. D. McCarthy,

Cllr. Laura McGonigle,

Cllr. Jonathan O Brien,

Mr. Joe O Callaghan,

Cllr. Emmet O Halloran,

Ms. Maire Roycroft,

Cllr. Terry Shannon,

Ms. Josephine Coffey,

Member elected as Parent Representatives

Mrs. Una Ryan,

Mr. Gerard White

Members elected as Staff Representatives

Ms. Catherine Cashin,

Mr. Sean Roberts

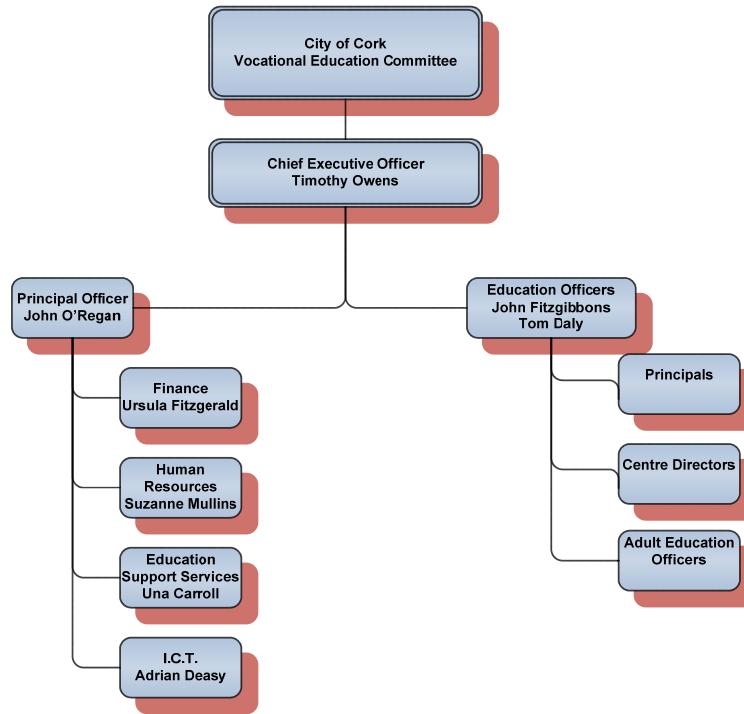
CITY OF CORK VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

THE ROLE OF THE VEC

The committee is comprised of thirteen members who are nominated directly by Cork City Council. Two members are elected by the staff of the City of Cork VEC and two members are elected by the parents of students (under the age of 18 years) of the City of Cork VEC Schools & Centres. The functions of the committee which are “Reserved Functions” under the Vocational Education Amendment Act (2001) include: policy development, planning, monitoring, and the adoption of the annual report and accounts. The Committee is also responsible for the appointment of its Chief Executive Officer.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The City of Cork VEC has, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Education and Science Circular Letter F11/05, adopted a Code of Best Practice for Corporate Governance. This Code ensures that the principles of good governance are applied by the Committee and its officers in individual and collective roles and areas of responsibility.



While the Chief Executive Officer has overall responsibility for the administration of the Committee's business, the day to day administration function is the immediate responsibility of the Principal Officer. The Committee's administrative functions are divided into four main areas:

- Finance
- Human Resources
- Information & Communication Technology
- Educational Support Services

Each administrative area or department is overseen and coordinated by an Assistant Principal Officer.

The Finance Department

is responsible for controlling and monitoring the VEC's Finances. Its responsibilities and remit includes:

- Financial Control and Reporting

- Policies & Procedures
- Management accounting
- Department of Education and Science returns (V.15)
- Treasury Management
- Bank Reconciliation
- Funds Transfers
- Payroll
- Wages
- Salaries
- Student Allowances
- Payments to Supplier/Contractors
- Travel & Subsistence payment
- Scholarships/Grants payments

The Human Resources Department

is responsible for the management of staff from recruitment through to retirement. This covers a number of areas:

- Recruitment procedures
- Appointments, conditions of service, Contracts
- Promotional Posts competitions
- Staff relations (Individual , Union, Partnership)
- Staff Allocation & Utilization
- HR Administration Systems
- Staff Policies & Procedures
- Maintaining Personnel Records
- Statistical returns
- Staff Training & Development
- Superannuation

Information and Communications Technology Department

While the ICT department is the smallest in terms of personnel within the VEC organization, its remit and responsibilities are extensive. The department is responsible for ensuring that the ICT hardware, software and facilities across the scheme support the delivery of efficient data services to all VEC staff and clients. The ICT department has focused on the development of an ICT strategy that will ensure the stability of critical systems, ensure data integrity and allow the integration of all data services under a common framework. Key to this has been the management of a range of data services to support the Finance, Human Resource and Student Support functions of the Committee.

The ICT department is also responsible for:

- Website maintenance
- Technical support and advice to colleges/centres
- Staff ICT training

The Educational Support Service covers three main areas:

- Corporate Support
- Scholarships & Grants
- Estate Management.

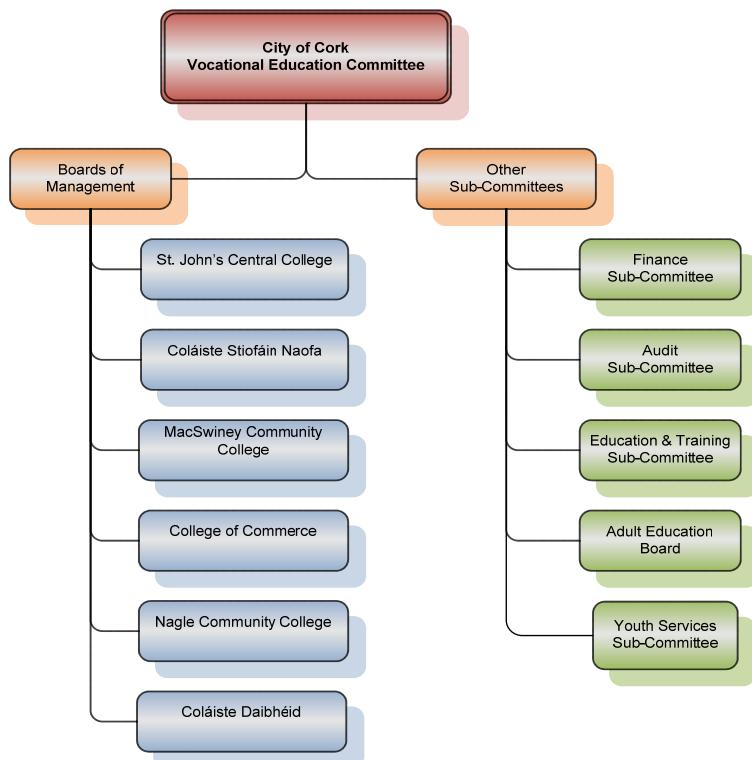
Corporate Support operates the VEC reception & switchboard and provides secretarial services to the Committee & Sub Committees, the CEO, Education, Adult Education and Youth Officers and the Community Education Facilitator. It also has responsibility for customer service and Freedom of Information requests and procedures.

The Scholarships & Grants Section administrates the Higher Education Grants Scheme and process over 1,200 applications annually.

Estate Management provide the expertise for dealing with capital projects, insurance, legal affairs and procurement.

SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE VEC

The City of Cork VEC has, in accordance with the provisions of Education Act (1998) and the Vocational Education Amendment Act (2001), established a number of sub-committees to support the Committee in meeting its responsibilities and to provide effective and responsive leadership and management throughout the services of the VEC



Boards of Management

Boards of Management have been established for each of the VEC's schools and colleges, in accordance with the requirement of the Education Act 1998. The Principal acts as Secretary to the Board of Management and the membership of each board is representative of the stakeholders in the individual centre. In response to the unique nature of the three Further Education colleges, the parent nominees to the Boards have been replaced by learner nominees.

Each Board of Management is expected to meet on at least five occasions in the academic year and the minutes of these meetings are considered by the Committee at its monthly meetings. The Chief Executive Officer or the Education Officer attends Board meetings in a support and advisory role.

Finance Sub-Committee

A finance subcommittee comprising seven committee members has been established in accordance with the requirements of the Vocational Education Amendment Act 2001. This subcommittee is responsible for:

- Monitoring committee income and expenditure
- The financial implications of the Education and Service Plans
- Reviewing the awarding of major contracts

The finance subcommittee meets four times a year. Executive support is provided by the Chief Executive Officer and the Finance Officer.

Membership of the Finance Sub-Committee

- Cllr. J.A. Corr (Chairman)
- Mr. Sean Roberts
- Cllr. Emmet O'Halloran
- Cllr. Ger Gibbons
- Mr. Paddy Brown
- Mr. Timothy Owens, Chief Executive Officer

Audit Sub-Committee

The Audit sub-committee is comprised of seven members. Established in 2006 in compliance with legislative requirements, it meets between two and four times a year to monitor the effectiveness of the Executive in carrying out their responsibilities and duties. The audit subcommittee also reviews and monitors all audit reports.

Membership of the Audit Sub-Committee

- Cllr. T. Shannon (Chairman)
- Cllr. T. Brosnan
- Cllr. D. McCarthy
- Cllr. L. McGonigle
- Mr. Joe O'Callaghan
- Ms. M. Roycroft
- Ms. Catherine Cashin

Education and Training Sub-Committee

The City of Cork VEC has four Youthreach Centres and a Senior Traveller Training Centre under its jurisdiction. The City of Cork VEC supports a range of other bodies/services through the provision of Part-Time teaching hours. These hours are provided by the Department of Education and Science under the heading "Co-operation with other Institutions".

In order to provide a clear reporting structure for all the above that is both efficient and effective and that ensures integration and co-ordination with similar and related Services, the Committee established an Education and Training Sub-Committee:

- To oversee the efficient and effective operation of Centres of Education or the provision of Services as appropriate, on behalf of the City of Cork VEC
- To facilitate effective co-ordination/integration between other similar Services and providers

In addition to six members of the City of Cork Vocational Education Committee, representatives were also invited from the following organisations, in view of the parallel activities in which they are involved:

- FÁS
- Cork City Council
- Health Service Executive
- Department of Social protection
- Department of Justice (Gardai)
- Representatives of Local Employers (Cork Chamber of Commerce)

Adult Education Board

The Adult Education Board is responsible for overall strategic planning and monitoring of provision in the Adult Basic Education and Community Education services. The City of Cork VEC supports 102 different organizations, including nine literacy schemes, eight of which are neighbourhood based, in the delivery of education services to more than 5,523 learners.

Youth Services Sub-Committee

Youth services are provided on the Committee's behalf by four voluntary youth organizations – YMCA, Foróige, Ógra Chorcaí and the National Youth Federation. Their work is supported and monitored by Vocational Education Committee staff and is overseen by the Youth

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Services sub-committee, which is responsible for strategic planning and monitoring.

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Income & Expenditure 2009 Overview

Income and expenditure are recorded on a cash receipts and payment basis.

Income

Income in 2009 was €60,113,047, compared to €60,709,974 for 2008. This represents a 1% decrease on the previous year.

Expenditure

Pay

The pay element of this Committee's expenditure represents 64% of the overall expenditure.

Non Pay

The non pay recurrent costs in the 2009 financial year were 0.5m below the previous year.

Overall

Overall expenditure was €59.9m, an decrease of €1.0m over 2008. While many areas remained static or even showed minor increases, expenditure on Main Scheme Non-Pay fell by 0.5m. (The decrease of 1.7m under the Agencies heading reflects the fact that the Committee was no longer processing Accounts and Payroll on an Agency basis for the Crawford Art Gallery and has no real bearing on the Committee).

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Overview of Main Scheme Finances

ADMINISTRATION PAY	2008	2009
Remuneration of CEO, Education Officers	250,135	257,148
Remuneration of Adult Education Organisers	166,741	166,574
Remuneration of Clerical/Administrative Staff	2,059,513	1,985,447
TOTAL	2,476,389	2,409,169

INSTRUCTION PAY	2008	2009
Remuneration of Permanent Whole-time Teachers	18,731,471	18,841,649
Remuneration of Temporary Whole-time Teachers	123,437	267,837
Remuneration of Pro Rata Part-Time Teachers	4,605,765	5,323,689
Remuneration of Other Part-Time Teachers	368,933	143,990
Remuneration of Teachers assigned on Cooperation	858,069	952,527
Paid Absence cover	767,357	497,774
Supervision & Substitution	596,142	706,566
Special Needs Assistants	41,575	61,933
Resource Workers	450,605	485,730
Adult Education (Self-Financing)	1,019,146	945,130
TOTAL	27,562,500	28,226,825

MAINTENANCE PAY	2008	2009
Remuneration of Maintenance Staff	1,588,093	1,363,503

MAIN SCHEME NON-PAY	2008	2009
Class materials, heating, lighting, rent etc	2,962,049	2,433,103

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NON-MAIN SCHEME DEPARTMENT GRANTS	2008	2009
PLC Student Maintenance	4,068,906	4,074,266
VTOS	3,346,220	3,403,670
Youth Affairs (all)	2,672,919	2,666,207
Youthreach	2,011,392	2,035,942
Adult Education	2,543,649	2,326,054
VEC Scholarship Scheme	628,447	726,935
Senior Traveller Centre	548,908	562,511
St. Francis Training Centre	396,657	463,538
Childcare	221,617	198,618
Guidance/Counselling	78,391	65,548
Total	16,517,106	16,523,289

ASSOCIATED GRANTS	2008	2009
PLC Capitation grant	693,881	600,939
School Services Support Fund	351,387	410,889
Students with Disabilities	179,487	86,122
Department of Education recoupable exams	49,133	43,009
Residential Institutions Redress	57,972	61,330
Book Grant - Needy Pupils	52,195	12,183
Home/School Community Links	24,591	26,336
Transition year, Travellers, JCSP etc	73,280	64,524
Total	1,481,926	1,305,332

OTHER	2008	2009
Self Financing Projects	2,419,262	2,362,586
Agencies	3,184,912	1,480,135
Third Party funds	1,426,460	1,319,031
E.S.F. Projects	125,532	161,974
Drugs Task Force	315,848	327,490
Seconded Pay Recoupment	157,273	157,326
Irish Sports Council	27,007	39,836
Total	7,656,294	5,848,378

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OTHER	2008	2009
St. John's College - Extension	758,752	122,741
Summer works – Window Terence Swiney CC	313,322	160,968
Crèche Douglas Street	170,000	778,654
Crèche Extension Colaiste Stiofain Naofa		602,957
Other -Health & Safety, dust extraction etc	406,975	146,617
Total	1,649,049	1,811,937
Overall Expenditure	61,893,406	59,921,536

Education Support Services Report

Capital Projects 2009

With the reintroduction of the Summer Works Scheme in 2009, there was an increase in the number of Capital projects undertaken by the Committee. Details of these are outlined in the table below.

All payments may not have been made in the financial year

Description of Work	Value
	€
St. John's Central College - SWS 2009 - CCTV Cameras	€51,756
Colaiste Stiofain Naofa - All Weather Pitch	€685,819
Colaiste Stiofain Naofa - Creche Extension	€771,995
Colaiste Stiofain Naofa - Energy Efficiency Scheme - Insulation	€13,933
Colaiste Stiofain Naofa - SWS 2009 - Heating Upgrade	€77,094
Cork College of Commerce - Emergency Works Grant - Roof Repairs	€32,975
Cork College of Commerce - SWS 2009 - Window Replacement	€136,966
T. McSwiney Community College - Energy Efficiency Scheme - Insulation	€7,280
T. McSwiney Community College - SWS 2009 - Heating	€25,338
Nagle Community College - Emergency Works Grant - Boiler House Roof	€5,256
Total	1,808,412

Student Grants Summary

There was an increase in applications in 2009, probably as a result of the economic downturn. Applications were up by nearly 20% by June 2009 over the same period in the previous year, although this fell back to an overall increase of around 12%. A detailed breakdown is given below.

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2008/2009 Academic Year at June, 2009

Applications Received	2007/08	2008/09
Number of new applications received	948	1,180
Number of renewals received (including re-assessments)	302	340
Total	1,250	1,520

New Awards	2007/08	2008/09
Scholarships	79	117
TLT	149	152
PLC	317	369
Total Awarded	545	638

Renewals	2007/08	2008/09
Scholarships	54	60
TLT	165	159
PLC	83	99
Total Renewed	302	318

2008/2009 Academic year at December, 2009

Applications Received	2008	2009
Number of new applications received	1,127	1,283
Number of renewals received (including re-assessments)	342	319
Total	1,469	1,602

New Awards	2008	2009
Scholarships	98	68
TLT	120	89
PLC	269	159
Total Awarded	487	316

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Renewals	2008	2009
Scholarships	69	70
TLT	157	151
PLC	97	87
Total Renewed	323	308

Status of applications	2008	2009
Total processed	1,146	897
Awaiting documents from applicants	323	457
Waiting to be finalised	0	113
Awaiting processing	0	135
Total	1,469	1,602

CITY OF CORK VEC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Second Level Schools

The City of Cork VEC operates three second level schools:

- Terence MacSwiney Community College, Knocknaheeny
- Nagle Community College, Mahon
- Coláiste Daibhéid, South Terrace

These schools provide students with a broad range of education opportunities and programmes, including:

- Junior Certificate
- Junior Certificate Schools Programme (JCSP)
- Leaving Certificate
- Leaving Certificate applied (LCA)
- Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)
- Transition Year

Terence MacSwiney Community College and Nagle Community College also provide PLC opportunities for learners in their communities.

Further Education Colleges

Three Further Education Colleges come under the remit of the City of Cork VEC:

- Cork College of Commerce, Morrison's Island
- St. John's Central College, Sawmill Street
- Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa, Tramore Road

The three colleges offer a broad range of Post Leaving Certificate (PLC) programmes, in conjunction with a range of Vocational Preparation and Training Programmes (VPTP) that are designed to provide learners

with the skills necessary for a wide range of occupations and careers. The VTOS (Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme) operates through “dispersed mode” provision in the colleges, allowing second chance education opportunities to be provided for learners in receipt of social welfare.

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Enrolments

Enrolment figures for the Committees six colleges are presented in the following table. These figures are based on the Department of Education and Science's verification of the colleges October Returns data. In order to provide a basis for comparison, the corresponding data from the 2008 October returns is presented in the table.

Enrolments on 30/9/2009

	Junior Certificate		Transition Year		Junior Certificate Schools Programme		Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme		Leaving Certificate Applied		Leaving Certificate		Post Leaving Certificate		Total	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Year:	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Nagle Community College	31	37	0	0	44	39	0	0	0	0	84	90	63	61	222	227
Terrence MacSwiney Community College	30	0	0	0	91	116	0	0	26	30	46	38	173	173	366	357
Coláiste Daibhidé	92	108	0	0	0	0	16	17	0	0	48	47	0	0	156	172
College of Commerce											209	283	1842	2037	2051	2320
St John's Central College													1132	1252	1132	1252
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa	8	9									20	21	815	926	843	956
Totals	161	154	0	0	135	155	16	17	26	30	407	479	4025	4449	4770	5284

Some Notable Events 2009

Douglas St. Complex

The redevelopment of 107/108 Douglas St., in conjunction with the City Council, to provide for Crèche Facilities, Adult Literacy, student Support and residential facilities was officially opened



Mahon Youthreach

Mahon Youthreach, housed in Ringmahon House through the good offices of Cork City Council, became fully operational

Glen Youthreach

The Glen Youthreach was relocated to new premises provided by Cork City Council and was officially opened.



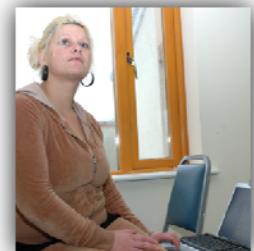
Retirement of Mr. Tom Daly, Education Officer



December 2009 saw the retirement of Mr. Tom Daly as Education Officer, after a long and distinguished career in the City of Cork Vocational Education Committee

Senior Traveller Training Centre (STTC)

In line with the Department of Education & Skills policy to integrate Traveller students into mainstream schools, there was a reduction in the number of places made available to the Committee for its STTC



Modular UpSkilling Programme

In collaboration with the Department of Social Welfare, the Committee developed and delivered a programme aimed at newly unemployed individuals who wished to avail of the opportunity to update their existing qualifications or to gain new qualifications. Participants were offered the opportunity to take three FETAC modules at Levels 5 and 6 on the national Framework of Qualifications and 279 people participated in the programme which was delivered in the three Further Education Colleges.

Economic Downturn

The operations of the Committee have been affected by departmental restrictions arising from the poor state of Government Finances. A Staff embargo has resulted in the lay-off of temporary staff and the non-replacement of Administrative and Maintenance Staff who resign, retire, take long-term leave or who are on sick or maternity leave. An increase in the Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) also resulted in a smaller Teacher Allocation to the Committee. Grants and Non-Pay funding to the Committee was also reduced.

Self Financing Adult Education

Self-financing adult education programmes are provided in the three Further Education Colleges. While the range of provision encompasses hobby and leisure type courses, as well as “second chance” education opportunities, a significant proportion of the programmes on offer are for further professional development and are certified by nationally and internationally recognized and accredited bodies, including FETAC, HEA, City and Guilds.

Enrolments

	2007/2008	2008/2009
Cork College of Commerce	4,695	5,926
St John’s Central College	1,017	790
Coláiste Stiofáin Naofa	1,032	1,303
Total	6,744	8,019

Receipts from self financing adult education in 2009 were €1,034,304, compared to €1,257,464 in 2008.

Youthreach Centres

The Committee is directly responsible for the operation of five Youthreach Centres and one Senior Travellers Training Centre. The location and size of these centres was determined in close consultation with FÁS which provides for parallel opportunities in a number of Community Training Centres within which the Vocational Education Committee provides certain teaching services.

The centres and their capacity to cater for learners are given below:

	No. of Learners
Dean St.	25
The Glen	25
Knocknaheeny	25
Cork Learning Support Service	24
STTC	56
Mahon	25

The centres provide Junior Certificate, Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA) and FETAC programmes to young people between the ages of 12-19. Students are referred to the service by the Education Welfare Board, the Health Board and the schools of Cork City.

The Youthreach centres have continued to engage throughout 2009 in the implementation of the Quality Framework Initiative for Youthreach and Senior Traveller Training Centres. Through Centre Development Planning, Internal Centre Evaluation and External Centre Evaluation, a coordinated approach to improving the quality and appropriateness of interventions for young people has been implemented.

Education Service Cork Prison

The Committee began providing an education service to Cork Prison in 1978 on a part-time basis initially and has expanded to keep pace with the increase in prisoner population.

A purpose built education unit was constructed in 1983, with specialist art, woodwork, and home economics classrooms. The student population is an exclusively male one, the vast majority of which would have left the formal education setting with no accreditation, and would have had problematic and difficult lives. Education opportunities are made available to all prisoners on their entry to the prison; uptake is variable, with continuity a particular problem due to the transient and variable nature of the prison population.

The following Programmes are offered and delivered within the Prison Education Service:

- Junior Certificate
- Leaving Certificate
- FETAC
- Open University

382 prisoners participated in education programmes during the 2008/09 school year, including 54 candidates for F.E.T.A.C. accreditation, 9 Junior Certificate students, 4 Leaving Certificate student and 4 students studying Open University courses.

A post-release programme operates in conjunction with the Probation Service for offenders on their release from prison. It offers opportunities under both FETAC and BTEI programmes

Back to Education Initiative (BTEI)

The Back to Education Initiative is a part-time programme that allows young people and adults to combine a return to education with their family and other commitments. BTEI is provided through a range of VEC services, including the Further Education Colleges, Community Education service and the Adult Basic Education (Literacy) service.

An allocation of €506,881 in 2009 was provided under this programme. The flexibility of the programme allowed the providing services to develop and deliver a range of flexible and innovative programmes.

A total of 709 participants availed of places on 114 individual modules. 40.1% of participants were male, an increase of almost eight per cent over 2008 participation levels. BTEI provision in 2009 continued to work towards developing a model of provision that enabled participants to gain full awards at levels 2, 3 and 4 on the National Framework of Qualifications.

Special Youth Services Projects

Special youth services are provided on the Committee's behalf by four voluntary youth organizations – YMCA, Foróige, Ógra Chorcaí and Youthwork Ireland (formerly known as the National Youth Federation).

Their work is also supported and monitored by Vocational Education Committee staff and is overseen by a VEC sub-committee which is responsible for strategic planning and monitoring and which receives regular reports from and meets formally with each of the four organizations on an annual basis.

- 14 Projects (including OUTREACH)
- 2009 Allocation - €1,261,350
- Part-time Teaching Hours Allocation - €446,844
- No. of Participants – 1,576

The number of participants reported in 2009 (1,576) shows a significant decrease when referenced to 2008 figures (4,302). The decrease is due to changes made by the Department of Education and Science in reporting requirements and guidelines and does not reflect a reduction in service to the extent that immediate comparison might infer.

Young Peoples Facilities and Services Fund

The Young Peoples Facilities and Services Fund was established in 1998 as part of the Government's overall strategy to tackle drug misuse. The Fund aims to assist in the development of youth facilities, including sport and recreational facilities and services in disadvantaged areas where a significant drug problem exists or has the potential to develop.

The objective of the Fund is to attract "at risk" young people in disadvantaged areas into these facilities and activities and divert them away from the dangers of substance abuse. The target groups for the Fund are 10-21 year olds who are marginalized through a

combination of risk factors relating to family background, environmental circumstances, educational disadvantage, involvement in crime and/or drugs, or other factors. The main focus of the Fund to date has been in Local Drugs Task Force areas.

Mainstreamed Projects (through Department of Education and Skills)

- 14 Projects
- Allocation - €753,981

Non-Mainstreamed (through Department of Community, Equality and Gaeltacht Affairs)

- 4 projects
- Allocation €735,400

Community Education

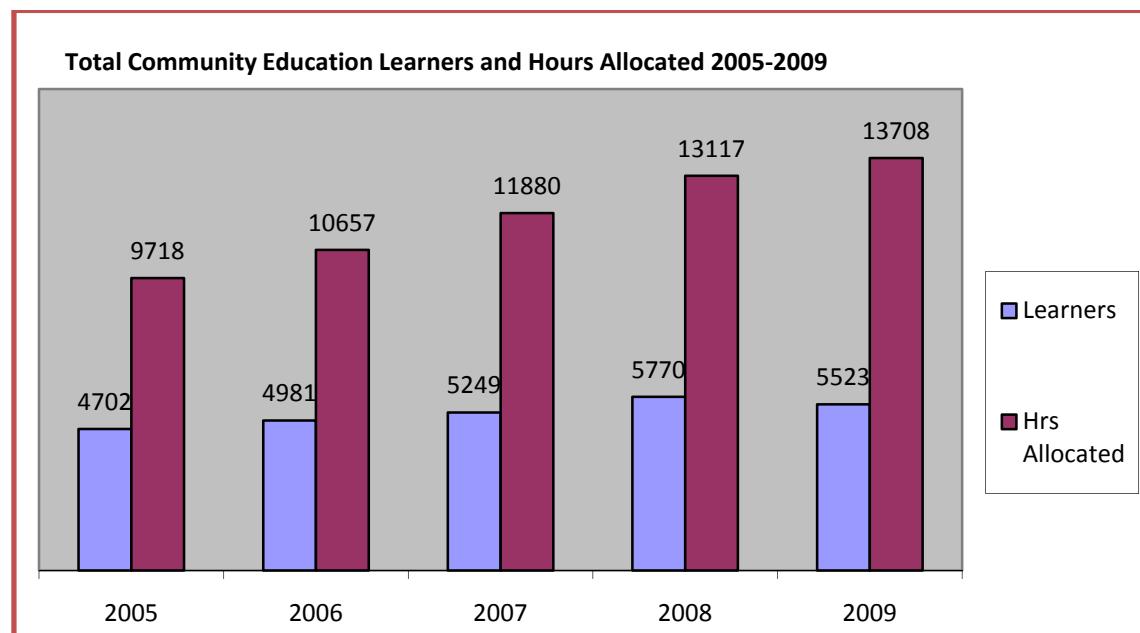
Summary of outcomes in 2009

The Community Education Service of City of Cork VEC (CCVEC) is delivered through a partnership with a committed pool of 102 community based providers throughout the city.

The structure of the service has remained in keeping with the Structured Progression Model, which is the rationale underlying the CCVEC Community Education Strategy. Adult Literacy & Community Education (ALCE) funding remains largely targeted at Stage 1 learners, while Back to Education Initiative (BTEI)/Cork City Partnership (CCP) funding is specifically focused on Stage 2 of the Structured Progression Model,

In 2009 the service experienced a slight decrease in the number of learners participating.

- Numbers participating (all three streams) was 5,523 in 2009, down from 5,770 in 2008.
- The ratio of certification (across all three funding streams) was 37% of 507 courses in 2009, down in percentage terms from 40% of 467 courses in 2008.

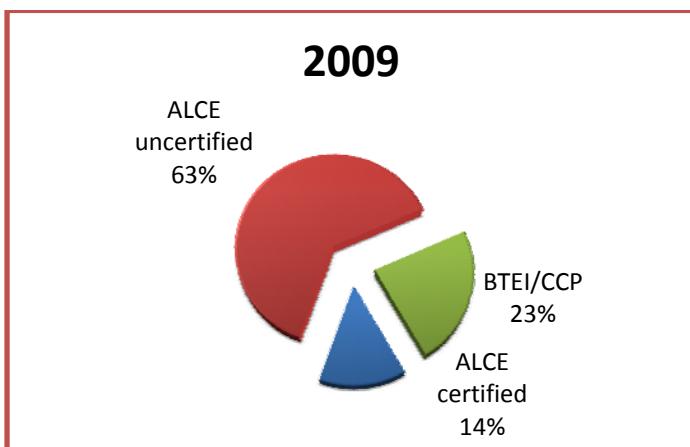


The principal areas within Community Education are:

- Adult Literacy and Community Education (ALCE) Funded Community Education (Primarily Targeting Stage 1 Learners)
- Back to Education Initiative (BTEI) and Cork City Partnership (CCP) funded Certified Community Education (exclusively targeting Stage 2 learners)

Overall picture of certification in Community Education

When the number of certified courses funded under ALCE and BTEI/CCP are combined, the ratio of certification in the Community Education Service overall in 2009 was 37%. This represents a decrease from 2008 when the ratio was 40% but the number of courses was lower.



2009 Allocation and utilisation of hours

There was an allocation of 13,708 teaching hours, at a cost of approximately €631k, provided through Family Resource Centres, Home School Community Liaison Schemes, Disability and Retired groups/organizations, Traveller Education Schemes and other community led initiatives.

2009 Course Provision

In 2009 the City of Cork VEC Community Education service provided 507 courses –an increase of 8.5% on 2008. Courses typically run over 10 to 12 weeks, with class sessions of two hours per week.

Adult Basic Education Service (Literacy)

The ABE Literacy Service has a unique part to play in assisting people develop their literacy and numeracy skills. As many people are made redundant or are vulnerable in their jobs, literacy is seen as part of the solution. The City of Cork VEC literacy service raises awareness's of tuition options available locally and encourages other stake holders to be inclusive of adults with literacy difficulties.

The ABE (Literacy) Service is an integral part of the local communities in which they operate. In making the literacy service available to learners, schemes are always aware of the difficulties a

learner may have, in coming to or in participating in learning. The service is totally confidential.

Provision

Eight ABE Literacy Schemes provide the service in a district of the city covering disadvantaged areas, including the RAPID areas. A ninth Literacy Scheme provides a citywide service for members of the Travelling Community.

Learners Tuition & Programmes

Adult Basic Education [ABE] Literacy Service through its trained Literacy tutors provides confidential basic education including reading, writing and Numeracy skills, to adults whose literacy and Numeracy skills are inadequate for functional participation in social and economic life. Priority is given to those most in need, in particular those possessing a literacy level at or below FETAC level 3.

Many learners start in an individual setting of “one to one tuition” and having developed their confidence and literacy skills may then join a group and progress further.

Others begin their learning journeys in a variety of group-learning situations where, in a confidential setting they encounter other adults, who like themselves, are engaging in second chance education.

Learner Participation

The following participation figures exclude participants on ESOL and ITABE programmes

Learner Participation 2009	Male	Female	Total
Workplace Literacy	5	5	10
Return to Learning	10	0	10
Return to Education	24	51	75
Other Workplace Literacy	0	0	0

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Skills for Work	7	4	11
Mainstream Literacy	377	609	986
Family Literacy	23	132	155
	446	801	1247

The numbers of participants in ESOL programmes in 2009 are presented below

Learner Participation 2009	Male	Female	Total
Total number of participants	92	132	224

In 2009 the City of Cork VEC delivered 16 ITABE programmes with a total participation level of 96 individual learners.

Cork City Adult Guidance Service

The Cork City Adult Guidance Service is funded by the Department of Education and Science (DES) under the National Development Plan and is integrated into adult education provision within the City of Cork VEC. It was established in May 2006 under Phase IV of the Adult Education Guidance Initiative (AEGI) which was established in 2000 by DES and advised by the National Centre for Guidance in Education (NCGE). The AEGI provide pre-entry, on-going and pre-exit guidance to the following specific target groups:

- Information on courses, careers, funding, etc. to the general public
- VTOS
- BTEI
- Literacy
- Community Education
- Education Finance Board

The guidance team works from a premises on the South Mall. This convenient location enables clients to drop in for information or attend a one-to-one appointment with a Guidance Counsellor. The city centre service operates walk-in times from Monday to Thursday 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon and 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Service Provision

- Total Beneficiaries - 2,193
- General Public Enquiries – 618 individuals contacted the service seeking information, they did so via phone, email and drop-in.
- Group guidance – 70 new groups were met for group guidance.
- One-to-one guidance – 578 individuals were met on a one-to-one basis for guidance, a 31% increase over 2008 activity.
- Community Education – 458 individuals of the 578 seen for one-to-one guidance were based in local communities.

A significant number of guidance clients are referred by local communities and women in general tend to be more active in their local environments which may explain the gender breakdown, with almost 70% of referred clients being female.

In 2009 the service developed a number of key initiatives to deliver more in-depth group work. Examples of these include:

- Adult Learners-Success Stories event in South Mall during the Lifelong Learning Festival. Participants spoke about their very positive experiences of engaging with literacy and community education and other options which encouraged others to engage with the service to explore their education opportunities.
- CAO application session in partnership with the libraries
- Funding Seminar in partnership with VEC and City Council grants staff, VTOS staff, Social Welfare Staff and St. John's Central College

2009 was a year for the service which can be described as one of transition and change in the wider context of the economic recession. This had impact on many levels from staffing (non-replacement of staff on statutory leave) through to a significant increase in the numbers, diversity and complexity of adults engaging with the service who had recently lost their jobs. Recognizing that challenging times require creative responses, the service collaborated on many events, ranging from fora in local communities to workshops at the Adult Education exhibition, to engage newly unemployed adults.