

## TARBERT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION . THE YEAR IN REVIEW.

1. Application to charities regulator emailed on 01/04/2016. Queries received from them re Trustees in Sept and revised application completed and returned on 22/11/2016.
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> April was Kerry County Clean up day. Few volunteers showed up, yet we collected about 40 bags of rubbish thanks to those who turned out on the day.
3. 4<sup>th</sup> April Niall Fitzgerald presented his ideas in relation to workings within the organisation and how this might bring in new members for certain events.
4. 6<sup>th</sup> April we met with Ian Mc Gregor to formulate a Biodiversity Plan for Tarbert. We had 3 further meeting with him.
5. 13<sup>th</sup> April submitted application for funding for work on the Memorial Plaza using Kerry Community Support Fund 2016.
6. 20<sup>th</sup> April. Attended the Kerry Tourism Network Seminar in Killarney. Met Joan Mc Carthy, Tourism Officer KCC, there and spoke to her about the inaction in the Picnic area.
7. 25<sup>th</sup> April. Three members met Johnny Sheehan at the Picnic area. He promised that work would begin on 3<sup>rd</sup> May. We gave Johnny a list of our immediate priorities which were 1 Picnis Area 2. Manhole repair at Memorial Plaza. 3. Would like to replace crazy paving at the Memorial plaza. 4. Straighten the leaning light pole on the L1010. 5. Would the council supply gravel for the Island road beds where the shrubs had been removed?
8. 26<sup>th</sup> April. Area at back of fire station cleaned up and a raised bed planted there
9. 28<sup>th</sup> April. Work begins at the Picnic area.
10. 29<sup>th</sup> April Launch of Cuckoo Walking Festival. The festival continued for the next two days.
11. 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Road works begin on the N 69
12. 5<sup>th</sup> May. Two members travelled to Kilfinane to Just Roses to buy roses for the Memorial Plaza.
13. 6<sup>th</sup> May. A member attended a seminar on the WAW in Manor West, Tralee.
14. 14<sup>th</sup> May. Roses were planted in the beds of the Memorial Plaza.
15. 16<sup>th</sup> May. Painting of tubs in the Square begins.
16. 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May working on Tidy Towns application. Posted on the 18<sup>th</sup>.
17. 1<sup>st</sup> June. 10.30 am met with Joe Coolahan in the church grounds to do a Biodiversity audit. A water butt will be installed at the back of church, some clearing in the orchard, compost pile in the adjoining field. 7 pm meeting in the John F Leslie Wood to mark out Fairy Trail.
18. 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Meeting with politicians and LNG to discuss gas pipeline to Listowel. Where does our LNG project stand now?
19. By 24<sup>th</sup> June the work on the Fairy trail is almost complete.

20. 8<sup>th</sup> July. Road works held up as we fight to get ducting put in now. After many phone calls we have an agreement with EirGrid that they would release the 30K promised in 2012. Council still don't want to do this as there would be an 11K shortfall for the job. We made contact with all the councillors to get their support in the matter.
21. 13<sup>th</sup> July. Council agree to fund the 11K and get undergrounding done.
22. 26<sup>th</sup> July. Agreement reached to order bronze plaque for Memorial supported by Historical and Heritage Society.
23. 16<sup>th</sup> August. Meeting with Paddy Power SNN LNG, who tells us that the landbank is going to be put up for sale.
24. 19<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> Aug. Tarbert Heritage Festival
25. 21<sup>st</sup> Aug. Afternoon of poetry, song, drama at Leslies for Heritage week.
26. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. Road works finish
27. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. FLAG presentation in Community Centre
28. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. Attended Kerry Volunteer Centre for talk on garda vetting for volunteers.
29. 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. Attended information evening in Listowel re new round of LEADER funding
30. 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. Meeting to discuss LEADER funding – 4 projects identified for this round.
31. 18<sup>th</sup> Oct. Meeting to discuss Tidy Towns report and identify what can be done now.
32. 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. LEADER expression of interest forms arrive.
33. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. Expression of interest forms submitted.
34. 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. Attended a WAW meeting in Killarney.
35. 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. Meeting with Brian Carey at Memorial Plaza to discuss what would be included in the plan for LEADER funding of ground works.
36. 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas lighting turned on. Town looking very good.
37. 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Meeting with Mary Stack to discuss two LEADER applications.
38. 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Unveiling bronze plaque in commemoration of 1916.
39. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017. Community Support Fund 2017 application submitted.
40. 27<sup>st</sup> Jan. Leader Applications submitted for (1) Memorial Plaza (2) Information Panels
41. 1<sup>st</sup> Feb. Inaugural Cuckoo festival 2017 meeting.
42. 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. Submitted our Biodiversity Plan for Kerry Community Award 2017
43. 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. FLAG information event in Community Centre.