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Flying the flag for crafts and products made in West Cork is a new stand just set up in The Loop, Cork Airport - so keep a look out for the *madeinwestcork* stand when passing through. Business is booming!

This breakthrough came about through the perseverance of Carol Gilbert in persuading the Airport Authority to introduce a new stand for locally manufactured goods. The *madeinwestcork* logo is Carol's idea and it will give local entrepreneurs an opportunity to display their wares under its umbrella.

The stand currently stocks the Clonakilty-based Gosling Games' cup cake and car cookie puzzles and greeting cards with recipes. From Courtmacsherry, there are Abbey Crafts' unique handmade and hand painted porcelain figures produced by husband and wife team, Philippe Orsatti and Gillian Nunan. There's also a selection of Carol Gilbert's photographs, images of West Cork, in mounts, all ready to frame and easy to carry on board.

Due to its success plans are already proceeding to place stands in airports and other spaces (hotels, etc.) in Cork and further afield.

Carol Gilbert is a member of the Carbery Enterprise Group, a voluntary group whose mission is to create sustainable jobs in rural communities. She is also the main driver behind the 1 year, full-time, UCC MSc Organic Horticulture



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Post-Graduate Diploma Course at Liss Ard Estate, Skibbereen. See more at www.carberyenterprise.com or follow events on [Facebook](#).

Other projects currently being pursued by the Carbery Enterprise Group include the connection of all businesses in Skibbereen to a Fibre Optic Cable (part of the MAN system) with a pilot scheduled to be started in January 2013. This breakthrough will give world class communications to the town but will not increase the telecommunications bills.

Another Carbery Enterprise Group member and Chairman of CCJ, John Kearney has started production on a new fish processing venture where locally caught fish are given added value and sold through Irish multiples. This project supports sustainable jobs both in the area of raw material supply and the production of the finished product. We wish John well in his endeavours.

Tallow Enterprise Group, Co. Waterford

Located in West Waterford on the Cork border, Tallow Enterprise Group was established in 1986 by Tallow Credit Union as an independent enterprise group.

The Credit Union has in the past and continues to provide it with strong support in servicing a community of 1,000 people. It is currently managed by a voluntary board of seven people, five businessmen, a housewife and a farmer. It has just completed two modules of a Tallow Futures Project with the aid of a professional facilitator.

The aim is to imagine Tallow in 2030 and the integrative measures required from 27 local voluntary organisations in the community to build a new and exciting "Tallow of the Future". Tallow Enterprise has developed an enterprise centre – a conversion from an old garage, a training centre, crèche, information office, staff offices and meeting rooms. It is named the 'Nora Herlihy Centre' to commemorate a founding member of the Irish Credit Union Movement.

The Enterprise Group has supported a range of developments including maintaining the Andrew Carnegie Library which was due to close in late 2011, assisting in a range of projects, mentoring individual entrepreneurs, contributing finance to the community hall and children's playground. It sees its main work as providing business supports to individuals and groups involved in startup enterprises and those involved in the various social and recreation groups in the community.

Since its inception it has helped eighty people to start companies. It has currently thirty people employed in five enterprise and work- training programmes (TUS, FAS, CES and Pobal). It is an outstanding example of social enterprise in action in rural Ireland today.

Tallow Enterprise Group under Chairman Sean Tobin, a successful local businessman, is a member of CCJ.

Meetings

Kells, Co. Meath was the venue for a well-attended meeting on 4th December 2012. Monaghan, Cavan, Louth, Westmeath and Longford as well as Meath were all well represented. The format for these get-togethers allows the CCJ to explain its mission and objectives in an informal way and there is a great sharing of experiences and ideas among the attendees. Presenters included Yvonne Crotty of DCU, Ciaran Lynch of Limerick IT and Donal Traynor of UCIT. UCIT has a site worth visiting on www.ucitltd.com The Kells meeting followed on from successful, well attended meetings in Mayo, Longford and Westmeath earlier.

Dates for the diary

- Workshop/Meeting Portlaoise **19th January**, Maldron Hotel 10-1pm
- Meeting in Castlebar February **19th 7pm** Venue TBA
- Meeting in Portlaoise in March

Interactions are continuing with the GAA and Government Agencies and we expect positive announcements relating to CCJ input and proposals.

CCJ members are candidates for short-listing in the Local Heroes TV series and any success there will help to raise the profile of the CCJ organisation.

CCJ Projects – For consideration and replication

Communities Creating Jobs Resources – For Evaluation/Replication

Organisation	Projects	Contact address
Dunhill Rural Enterprises Ltd Ballyphilip, Co. Waterford	Forming a community enterprise group Developing an enterprise centre Setting up an education centre Transforming a 36 acre bog into a national nature reserve Establishing a pre-school facility Constructing a recreation/wildlife trail	Senan Cooke senan@dunhillecopark.com
Turning Point, Kilkenny	C.A.T.S – Technology Company Medicare – Ambulance service Event Management Builders Care- co-operative	Adrian O’Keeffe Aok2603@gmail.com
Castlecomer Enterprise Co Kilkenny	Regenerating an enterprise centre	Martin Carroll manager@castlecomerenterprise.ie
Piltown Enterprise Co Kilkenny	Turning an old creamery into an enterprise centre	Gerri Hickey info@piltown.ie
Carbery Enterprise Group, Skibbereen, Co. Cork	An emergency response unit for every region UCC third level outreach centre	Donal Daly Ddaly88@hotmail.com
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Clonmel Jobs Factory Co. Tipperary	Job creation concept	Brendan McLoughlin thejobsfactory@live.ie
Local Switch Borrisokane	Local jobs in food and tourism	Michael.newham@localswitch.ie
Ballyhoura Development Partnership Co. Limerick	Establishing artisan food businesses IT training franchise	John Hassett jhassett@ballyhoura.org
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CCJ Mission and Objectives

Mission

Develop a voluntary community enterprise resource organisation with capacity to collaborate with public, private and community sectors in helping community enterprise groups and individuals create jobs at local level.

Objectives

- (1) Support the creation of ten jobs in every community and 20,000 countrywide by December 2016
- (2) Share ideas, experiences, solutions, funding sources, replicable projects, site visits and other relevant information free of charge.
- (3) Save community enterprise promoters, time, money, mistakes, waste, frustration and unnecessary hardship as they strive to create jobs.