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For the Year Ended 31st December 2015



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To the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport

In accordance with the National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003, Fáilte Ireland presents its report for the year ended 31 December 2015.

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Chairman's Statement

Michael Cawley **Chairman**

Irish Tourism continued to enjoy significant growth in revenue and visitor numbers during 2015 - with overseas visitors and spend both reaching record levels of 8 million and €4.3 billion respectively. While much of this growth can be attributed to benign factors such as improving economics in key source markets, favourable exchange rates and increased air access, we can justifiably identify the results of Fáilte Ireland's new focused strategy as a significant contributor.

2015 was encouraging in terms of the continued competitiveness of the Irish tourism sector. According to our annual survey of overseas visitors, Irish tourism businesses continued to provide excellent value for money – a trend which has been improving continuously since 2009. However, while it was very encouraging to see that perceptions of our value for money were positive during 2015, these ratings may require a health warning. We must be conscious that our competitiveness has been significantly enhanced by favourable exchange rates for British and American travellers during 2015. We need to avoid complacency and remain vigilant regarding value so we are not suddenly caught out by the recent weakness in sterling.

Beyond competitiveness, there are many things we can influence which are within our control. In this context Fáilte Ireland worked with all our partners in tourism during 2015 to facilitate growth which is 'evergreen' rather than cyclical. The key strategic development to position Ireland for sustained growth has been the creation and roll out of distinctive marketing brands which are based on the country's unique assets and based on what we know travellers from our overseas markets are seeking.

I am pleased to report that we made further progress during the year in the development of compelling reasons to come to Ireland – strengthening our 'pull' factor – with the introduction of two additional experience brands in Dublin and the East to join our existing brands, *The Wild Atlantic Way* in the west and the business tourism brand, *'Meet in Ireland'*.

While Dublin is performing relatively well in visitor terms, our own research tells us that the city has a tired brand image and needs a new approach. Following the work of the Grow Dublin Task Force established by Fáilte Ireland,

a new brand '*Dublin – a Breath of Fresh Air*' was launched along with an initial public/private €1m marketing campaign during 2015.

The south and east of the country presents a very different tourism challenge – that of increasing dwell time and effectively transforming the region from a 'transit' to a 'touring' zone. Following comprehensive research and market testing, a new experience brand, '*Ireland's Ancient East*' was launched by Fáilte Ireland in 2015, to leverage the unique depth and diversity of the region's heritage assets and the competitive advantage of the region's stories and its people's ability to tell these stories. Early indications of market response are encouraging and we are supporting the brand extensively in 2016.

Meanwhile *The Wild Atlantic Way* which was launched in 2014, has been a great success locally, even if its impact internationally during 2015 remained quite modest. However we believe awareness levels across key international markets will increase over the next few years and the Wild Atlantic Way will become a significant driver of tourism growth to the West of Ireland. As it develops, The Wild Atlantic Way will particularly prove to be transformative for those parts of the west coast north of Galway which traditionally have not experienced levels of activity evident in Kerry, Clare and Galway previously.

Our business tourism brand, '*Meet in Ireland*', turned in a particularly strong performance in 2015 with growth of 20% in international conferences and events won for Ireland and an 80% increase in conference leads identified and generated for future years. However, given that Dublin is now operating at high capacity, it became clear during 2015 that priority for the future needed to be a greater focus on winning events for regional conferences thus ensuring greater distribution beyond Dublin.

Our experience brands will be the key drivers for sustained tourism growth in Ireland and will provide the focus for all our investment strategy, marketing, sales and distribution plans and our training effort over the next 5-7 years.



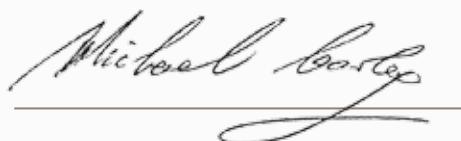
In addition, we also identified during 2015 a serious need to increase the bandwidth of tourism – in particular by lengthening the tourism season and creating a greater dispersal of visitors around the country. In short, there is an opportunity for sustainable tourism growth by addressing the issues of 'seasonality' and 'regionality'.

With regard to seasonality, for example, half of our in-bound business outside of Dublin is concentrated in the peak summer months with relatively poor asset utilization over the rest of the year. We must focus on building activity within the shoulder periods (late spring and early autumn). Regionally, the West Coast accounts for 30% of overseas hotel nights and the east and south for just 20%. I believe that the practice of bringing overseas visitors in Dublin on day trips to different parts of the country is expensive and results in a poor experience for the customer. We will work to reverse this historical legacy to the benefit of both Dublin and the regions.

I want to pay tribute to the enthusiasm and professionalism of all of the staff in Fáilte Ireland and,

in particular, to Chief Executive, Shaun Quinn and his management team. I also wish to express my gratitude to my fellow Authority members for the time and dedication they have given to their roles. Throughout 2015, the benefit of their various backgrounds and skills has ensured relevant and significant contributions during all our deliberations.

Finally, I also want to pay tribute to the former Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport, Paschal Donohoe and former Minister of State in the Department, Michael Ring, for their strong support for the tourism sector throughout 2015. The government, despite competing demands on its resources, retained the reduced VAT rate in tourism services and the zero rate of Air Travel Tax during 2015 – two policy decisions which have been major contributory factors to the sector's growth and which continue to underpin its competitive advantage in international markets. Fáilte Ireland looks forward to working in a similar fashion with Minister Shane Ross and Minister of State Patrick O'Donovan to ensure that we have the best possible environment for the sector to flourish in the years ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Cawley". It is written in a cursive, flowing style with a horizontal line underneath it.

Michael Cawley - Chairman

Chief Executive's Review

"Our strategy of building compelling experience brands, capable of securing growth in international visitors and facilitating greater regional and seasonal dispersion of the 'tourism dividend' remained the cornerstone upon which most of Fáilte Ireland's development effort was concentrated in 2015"



Shaun Quinn
Chief Executive

The strong performance achieved by the tourism sector in 2015 demonstrated once again the capacity of tourism enterprises to successfully exploit external factors favouring growth as well as to leverage recent investments in the tourism offering. Continued growth in air access capacity and a favourable exchange rate environment were important factors facilitating further growth in 2015. The further development of our portfolio of experience brands (e.g. The Wild Atlantic Way) and the incorporation of these brands within the growth strategies of tourism enterprises was equally important.

A year of continued growth

The key performance indicators for the 2015 season were impressive. Total tourism spend (overseas and domestic) were estimated at €6 billion, up 13% compared with 2014 with growth recorded in both international visits and domestic trips. Of the total, some €1.8 billion directly benefited the Exchequer through taxation receipts.

Overseas visitors to Ireland over the year were estimated at 8 million, an increase of 13% on the previous year before. Overseas expenditure grew by an estimated 19% to €4.3 billion. Within the domestic market, the volume of trips taken by Irish residents was estimated at 9.1 million, up 1% on 2014 with a corresponding revenue growth of 1% to €1.7 billion.

The continuing growth in overseas visitors during 2015 was evident across all Ireland's key markets. North American visitor numbers rose by 13% - a fifth consecutive year of growth from that quarter. Indeed, 2015's performance represented an all-time high in terms of this market, with 1.3 million North Americans visits to Ireland during 2015.

Tourist arrivals from Mainland Europe numbered 2.9 million, a growth of 16%, well above the peak levels achieved before the downturn in 2008. In Britain, our biggest overseas market by volume - accounting for 42% of all overseas tourists - the growth recorded during 2015 was 11%, representing a step-up in the recovery experienced in 2014.

This growth across all key overseas markets in 2015 was evident in improved performances within the tourism accommodation sector. Four out of five (82%) paid serviced accommodation providers reported increased

visitor volumes in 2015 with 14% reporting similar levels to 2014. This positive performance in 2015 was reflected in both the domestic and the overseas markets. Most (79%) businesses received more visitors from overseas than in 2014 and a similar proportion (72%) received increased visitors from the domestic market.

Visitor volumes were up in the three main accommodation sectors – with the hotel sector performing particularly well with 84% of hotels reporting more visitors in 2015, followed by guesthouses (78%) and B&Bs (69%).

Meanwhile, tourism attractions also performed strongly during 2015, with almost three quarters of operators (73%) reporting increased visitor volumes.

Results from restaurants in areas of good tourist footfall indicated that the sector recovered well in terms of tourism trade. Three out of five (60%) reported more tourist custom in 2015 than in the previous year. As with all other sectors, the overseas market was given a welcome boost, with 57% of restaurants seeing an increase in visitors from outside the island of Ireland.

More than six out of ten businesses reported improved profitability in 2015, rising to 86% among hoteliers. Nearly seven in ten (69%) businesses anticipate turnover and profitability growth over the next few years. With business performing well and a renewed optimism in the industry, 64% of businesses indicated during the year that they were planning to increase investment in the next two to three years.

A Winning Brand Strategy

Our strategy of building compelling experience brands, capable of securing growth in international visitors and facilitating greater regional and seasonal dispersion of the 'tourism dividend' remained the cornerstone upon which most of Fáilte Ireland's development effort was concentrated in 2015. Our research indicates that this is the most appropriate approach with which to broaden the overall appeal of Ireland as a visitor destination. The key challenge is not so much to merely generate awareness of Ireland amongst potential visitors but rather to offer compelling holiday propositions of scale and singularity to encourage potential visitors to choose Ireland.



Despite its apparent early success within the domestic market, this experience brand strategy will require sustained investments in both marketing and experience development over many future seasons.

Wild Atlantic Way

The Wild Atlantic Way continues to be received very positively amongst tourism businesses, local communities, stakeholders and the public at large across the country and remains a significant strand in Fáilte Ireland strategy to develop in-bound tourism along the West Coast and in turn bolster tourism revenues and employment within local communities.

In 2015, we produced and published the Wild Atlantic Way Operational Programme to set out a strategy, implementation framework and programme for the sustainable implementation of the Wild Atlantic Way over the period 2015-2019. This Operational Programme is the first in a series of strategies which will set out a vision for the continued evolution of the Wild Atlantic Way over the decades to come.

The installation of the Wild Atlantic Way branding and interpretation programme commenced in Q3 2015 and was due to be completed in time for the 2016 tourist season. This included the installation of the architecturally designed Wild Atlantic Way Photo Point sculptures to encourage visitors to capture and share photographs and digital content from their visit to the Discovery Points. In addition, accompanying interpretation panels were installed to engage visitors with local stories and things to discover - to encourage a longer dwell time in coastal communities and villages. Three Wild Atlantic Way capital projects received grant aid in 2015 namely; Fanad Head Lighthouse Visitor Centre, Derrigimlagh in Connemara (the site of the Marconi Wireless Station and the Alcock & Brown Landing) and the Connemara Cultural Centre in Rosmuc in the heart of the Connemara Gaeltacht. These projects were due to be completed in 2016 and will add to the variety of visitor experiences along the Wild Atlantic Way.

The Wild Atlantic Way dedicated consumer and trade website (www.wildatlanticway.com) was launched at the end of March 2015 in time for the tourist season. By the end of the year the site had received 500,000 unique visits and won two prestigious awards at the eir Golden Spider Awards 2015. The Wild Atlantic Way

social media sites also continued to grow their fan base with strong growth from international fans and followers.

The Wild Atlantic Way was promoted by Fáilte Ireland throughout the year through a mixture of familiarisation trips for overseas journalists and travel agents as well as trade events such as our annual trade fair Meitheal. Coming off the back of the very successful Adventure Travel World Summit in 2014, Fáilte Ireland hosted a Wild Atlantic Way dedicated Youth & Adventure Buyers workshop in October in Galway. Over 60 international buyers experienced the Wild Atlantic Way first-hand in a series of familiarisation trips before a very successful workshop with 120 Irish trade partners from along the Wild Atlantic Way.

As the initiative is at an early stage in its evolutionary cycle, international visitors to Ireland in 2015 had a low awareness of the brand prior to arrival but were captivated by the experience on the ground. Accordingly, a priority now is to aggressively promote the brand internationally in conjunction with Tourism Ireland and ensure that the investments committed to date are fully exploited for the benefit of tourism in the West and indeed for the country overall.

Ireland's Ancient East

In parallel with our work to firmly establish the Wild Atlantic Way brand, the Fáilte Ireland Executive in partnership with industry stakeholders also continued to develop the fledgling Ireland's Ancient East brand. Building on international consumer research and preliminary brand development work undertaken by Fáilte Ireland in 2014, a clear and compelling brand proposition was defined and collaboration with trade partners laid a solid foundation on which to launch the brand internationally.

Our work with trade partners resulted in a distinctive 'story-based' approach to bringing the brand alive for visitors and ensuring the visitors' experience of Ireland's culture, history and heritage is brought to life by the stories found at its tourism offerings. Workshops designed to support tourism businesses located in Ireland's Ancient East to develop their story in a unique and compelling way that would attract international visitors also took place throughout the year, and a story framework for Ireland's Ancient East was created.



The brand was launched to 400 international travel buyers in time for the 2016 tourist season. As part of this launch, overseas operators already planning their programmes for 2016 were given a showcase of Ireland's Ancient East before, during and after the event through group fact-finding trips and onsite presentations. Aside from this keynote event, Fáilte Ireland also showcased Ireland's Ancient East to 270 overseas media from 14 different countries and 300 additional overseas buyers during the year.

Considerable effort was also invested in the development of the Ireland's Ancient East marketing and digital Strategy in 2015 with a number of projects undertaken to curate imagery and video footage that would be used in the overall marketing of the brand.

To assist visitors navigate experiences associated with the brand, Fáilte Ireland invested in a new programme orientation signage. The signs are designed to improve visitor awareness of the wide range of attractions within the region, initiate greater cross-selling across the region, and enable visitors to navigate across and plan their route with greater ease. The signage tested very positively in research amongst international consumers. In addition to the orientation signage, county boundary signage was also developed. Both types of signage will be fully installed during 2016.

Significant grant funding of €2.3m was also provided by Fáilte Ireland under its 'New Ideas in Ancient Spaces' scheme to support the new brand in 2015. Twenty five projects across Ireland's Ancient East benefitted under this scheme which was designed to encourage the development of compelling visitor experiences and deliver the core elements of the Ireland's Ancient East brand.

The early indications are that the new brand is resonating well with consumers and trade across our key markets and with sustained investment we are confident that it will bring about the desired transformation in tourism fortunes associated with evolving from a transit zone to a touring zone.





Repositioning Dublin

Dublin remains a pivotal component of the Irish tourism offering, attracting visitors as part of a multi-centre holiday and also those seeking a city break in a vibrant city. Two issues currently face the development of tourism to Dublin, accommodation capacity and image.

In October 2015, Fáilte Ireland worked with its trade partners on both fronts. An independent assessment of the future visitor accommodation needs was commissioned to guide future investment and identify any barriers to expansion. This assessment will be finalised in 2016.

Also in 2015, Fáilte Ireland launched a new brand for Dublin, ('Dublin. A Breath of Fresh Air.') in tandem with inaugural destination marketing campaign which focused on GB, Germany and France in addition to an outdoor campaign in Dublin.

The brand had its genesis in a detailed review of the existing Dublin brand by the Grow Dublin Taskforce, a collaborative Public/Private Sector grouping established by Fáilte Ireland. A successor to the taskforce, the Grow Dublin Tourism Alliance took over responsibility for rolling out the new brand in 2015.



In parallel, Fáilte Ireland's ongoing work to enhance the Dublin visitor experience continued during 2015, with a strong focus across 4 key themes: A City of Wit & Words; The Living Bay; Extraordinary Days & Happening Nights; and Dublin Stories Hidden & Untold.

As part of the Dublin Stories Hidden & Untold strand, Fáilte Ireland in partnership with Dublin City Council continued to develop the Dubline, an orientation route through the city centre to provide easier ways to explore some of the city's most interesting sites and attractions. Fáilte Ireland also launched a new mobile app which houses four new themed self-guided walking trails allowing visitors to explore and uncover the stories of Dublin. Furthermore, 12 new information panels were erected along the Dubline to improve the overall visitor journey.



In order to improve the experience even more and to enhance cross promotion between Dublin trade, two new industry groups were formed. Dublin's Northside Attractions which features 11 businesses who worked together to develop a new trail for Dublin and the





Adventure Dublin group which consists of 15 activity providers from the city and county promoting the wide range of outdoor activities available in Dublin.

Fáilte Ireland continued to support and develop key Dublin festivals, particularly in the shoulder seasons, as a means of attracting greater numbers to Dublin on city breaks. The development of the Dublin Festival Calendar continues to be a key focus and has delivered successional festivals such as Bram Stoker Festival, New Year's Festival and Tradfest. There were some new additions to the festival calendar in 2015 including Dublin Gallery Weekend.

On the digital front, Fáilte Ireland exceeded its 2015 target with 2.2m visitors to its dedicated consumer website for Dublin, VisitDublin.com. Our social channel communities also grew with almost 12m engagements across the different social platforms.

Finally, our industry engagement programme remained a key pillar of our strategy and Fáilte Ireland worked closely with individual businesses, tourism groups and other influential groups, including initiatives to foster a culture of greater cooperation via a series of networking events and breakfast briefings which attracted over 1,200 members of the Dublin trade.

Lakelands

During 2015 Fáilte Ireland, with the support of key industry and stakeholder groups, commissioned a strategic review of the Lakelands region with a view to identify a sustained growth opportunity that best optimises the potential for the future development of the area. This work will be completed in 2016 and may result in a fundamental reappraisal of the tourism offering and depending on market assessment may result in a further developmental activity in the area of experience brands.

In parallel to this review, two domestic marketing campaigns were also initiated throughout 2015 (summer and autumn) targeting families and young travellers which resulted in businesses reporting growth in visitor numbers for the year. A number of international initiatives promoting angling in the region also took place including a promotion with Sky Sports and a presence at the International "World Pairs" Angling competition in the UK.

A range of new updated marketing materials for the area were produced in 2015 which was distributed to visitors through the Tourist Information Office Network and a new "Lakelands Treasures" app was also developed and launched in 2015 providing visitor information for over 30 key visitor attractions, accommodation, and food providers.

Stellar Growth in Business & Events Tourism

Business and Events Tourism remain an incredibly important component of the overall tourism industry, generating well above average yields, out-of-season visitation and regional growth. During 2015, Fáilte Ireland's Business and Events team continued to generate a significant impact with the generation of new business leads along with a significant number of new international conferences confirmed for Ireland by the team.

During the year, Fáilte Ireland successfully identified and generated over 500 international business tourism leads which delivered €128m in confirmed conferences for Ireland due to take place over the next 5 years.

The business tourism pipeline (bids in progress) was also very strong heading into 2016, with a potential €750m worth of international conferences to be won for Ireland up to 2024.

During the year, Fáilte Ireland in conjunction with Tourism Ireland (under our Meet in Ireland brand) also organised and supported 38 key worldwide promotions to assist Irish businesses to meet overseas MICE (meetings, incentives, conferences and events) buyers.

During 2015, a hugely successful "Meet in Ireland 2015" campaign was executed which brought 111 top international meeting planners to Ireland to experience our business tourism product. During their five days in Ireland (which incorporated visits to sites in Dublin and along the Wild Atlantic Way), the overseas buyers participated in the biggest international corporate meeting and incentive workshop to ever take place in Ireland. Approximately 100 Irish business tourism providers, including top hotels, venues and destination management companies, also participated in a workshop with the buyers. Ultimately, 90% of the international buyers expressed (in an exit survey) an



interest in bringing their meeting to Ireland in the next two years.

In addition, our business & events team organised and supported 145 site inspections for clients considering Ireland for a specific international event with an 80% conversion rate.

The Event Ireland team, newly established in 2014 to bid for international events of scale, also had a good year with the delivery of nine significant international events guaranteed over the next few years including the U19 World lacrosse Championships, the JKA European Karate Championships, the Venture Cup and the World Field Archery Championships. The Event Ireland team also provided key sponsorship for the College Football Classic, Boston College v Georgia Tech, to be held in September 2016. In all, the Event Ireland team delivered 90,000 international bed nights worth approximately €11m.

Domestic Market

Once again, our domestic market campaigns ran throughout the year promoting DiscoverIreland.ie as part of its #thisisliving campaign. The full budget allocation in 2015 was €2.9m.

The campaign focused on the best prospects in the domestic market – targeting three audience segments and utilized a combination of radio, press, online display, and partnerships as well as social media targeting and search buys to promote Ireland. Visits to DiscoverIreland.ie increased 5% year on year, while the fan-base increased on the DiscoverIreland.ie Facebook page by more than 66%.

Additionally, the Wild Atlantic Way was promoted in the domestic market with a cinema campaign in Spring, followed by a digital campaign in October 2015. Innovative publicity opportunities were also sourced, including a partnership with Ryan Tubridy and 2FM which led to a weeklong broadcast of a tour along the Wild Atlantic Way.

Supporting Initiative

Providing tailored business supports to ensure tourism enterprises are fully equipped to take advantage of opportunities offered by our leisure and business brands remains a key element of our service offering. In 2015, Fáilte Ireland provided a variety of direct supports to

tourism businesses throughout the country. The prime focus of most of these interventions was to enhance the sales, digital and marketing capability of tourism operators, especially within the context of growing their international market share. Mentoring supports were provided directly to businesses and a range of digital and sales related training supports, (both online and face to face) were delivered to over 24,005 tourism employees.

Some 171 businesses attended our Revenue and Distribution Workshops in 2015. Enrolments in our digital and sales related webinars and podcasts totalled 24,005. Additionally, 1,450 operators attended formal workshops on digital and sales topics.

Fáilte Ireland also provided trade engagement opportunities with overseas buyers with 240 Irish businesses participating in market sales activity at 40 different events in the US, Germany, Great Britain, Netherlands, France, Canada, Spain, Developing Markets, Italy.

Sales platforms and workshops were also delivered at home in Ireland with opportunities for sales provided through 20,420 individual appointments for 893 Irish Industry members.

Our International Publicity programme designed, hosted and managed itineraries for 1,271 media from 20 markets in conjunction with Tourism Ireland. Itineraries focused on our experience brands; the Wild Atlantic Way, Ireland's Ancient East and Dublin as well as many food focused itineraries.

Our research and policy work for 2015 included the introduction of a brand tracker covering Ireland's three tourism experience brands, i.e., Dublin, the Wild Atlantic Way and Ireland's Ancient East. The study aims included benchmarking awareness and better understanding the brands' appeal.

In addition, a range of surveys and insights projects were completed during the year to help track the industry's performance and visitors' satisfaction with their 'in Ireland experience'. Our biggest single project involved 7,000 face-to-face interviews with departing overseas visitors. On the trade side, we undertook monthly accommodation occupancy surveys and seasonal performance barometers.



In 2015 Fáilte Ireland continued its investment in tourism infrastructure with capital grant funding of over €6.6m allocated to 31 projects. This included the investment of €2.5m towards a new literary visitor attraction, The Ulysses Centre, in Newman House on St Stephen's Green along with €750,000 awarded to Údarás na Gaeltachta's Connemara Cultural Centre. In addition some €2.2mn was allocated to 25 projects in Ireland's Ancient East through the Small Grants Scheme. Four other projects (Malin Head, Activity Services Centre Mulranny, Achill Deserted Village and Maritime Centre and Fanad Head Lighthouse) were allocated over €1m.

Grants with a total value of €2.7mn were approved for 31 significant festivals under Fáilte Ireland's National Festivals and Participative Events Programme for 2015. As in past years, the flagship St. Patrick's Festival was awarded the largest single festival grant of €1 million. We continued our work to grow two newer festivals – NYF Dublin (the New Year's Festival) and the Bram Stoker festival – and to leverage their significant potential to draw visitors in off-peak periods.

Beyond large scale events, Fáilte Ireland financially supported 188 regional festivals with grant of €569,000. Following on from 2013, which was the year of The Gathering, in 2015 Fáilte Ireland continued its joint partnership with IPB Insurance, providing funding of €1m to support the legacy of The Gathering by offering support to some 350 community based festivals and events.

Finally, Fáilte Ireland invested €3.8m in tourism education, training and applied research in 2015 through the Institutes of Technology, the Educational and Training Boards, and Cookery schools - with over 1,561 student places receiving funding and 650 graduates during the year.

Conclusion

At the end of a very successful tourism year, it would be very tempting to clap ourselves on the back and simply wait for a repeat performance the following year. However, Irish tourism is still very much dependent on external events. Fluctuations in currency markets and international incidents can create sudden and significant impacts on world travel and change the narrative very quickly.

For that reason, it is essential that we continue to manage those factors within our control. With an emphasis on competitiveness, compelling experiences on the ground and a greater online impact, Fáilte Ireland will continue to work with our many partners in the sector to ensure growth is sustained and evergreen – in all parts of the country and all year round.

On a personal note, this will be my final Annual Report as Chief Executive of Fáilte Ireland as I have already stated my intention to step down at the end of 2016. Since I assumed this role in 2003, tourism has experienced a roller coaster ride with the Celtic Tiger boom followed by the greatest recession in living memory and a subsequent gradual recovery.

Over that time, the Fáilte Ireland organisation has also undergone considerable refocusing and structural change. That change was necessary to ensure that the organisation remained nimble and responsive to the changing needs of its industry clients. The ability of the organisation to adapt with relative ease to changing circumstance is indicative of the culture which now permeates Fáilte Ireland. In that regard, I would like to formally acknowledge the commitment, professionalism and flexibility of all my colleagues in Fáilte Ireland during this time.

Shaun Quinn - Chief Executive

Tourism 2015 A Year in Figures

- More than 8m overseas visitors came to Ireland in 2015, representing a growth of 13%
- Overseas tourism expenditure grew by an estimated 19% to €4.3bn – an increase of almost €670m
- Volume of trips taken by domestic residents was estimated at 9.1 million
- Spending by Irish people on trips in Ireland also rose by 1% to €1.7bn

- It was estimated that 139,900 people were employed in the accommodation and food service sectors alone in 2015 – 7.1% of total employment and Fáilte Ireland's own estimates indicated that total tourism employment (when other parts of the sector such as conferencing, attractions and festivals are included) was in the region of 205,000 during the year
- Grants were approved for 31 significant festivals under the National Festivals and Participative Events Programme for 2015 which had an available budget of €2.7m



- Additionally, Fáilte Ireland financially supported 188 regional festivals to the tune of €569,000
- Fáilte Ireland continued its investment in tourism infrastructure with capital funding of over €6.5m in 2015, included were projects in Ireland's Ancient East
- Fáilte Ireland's business tourism unit identified and generated over 500 international business tourism leads with an estimated potential economic impact of €128m

- In 2015 Fáilte Ireland provided 24,005 combined business supports and training inputs – of those business supports designed to enhance sales and digital capability were provided to 17,163 businesses, in addition via our Hospitality & Standards section 6,842 tourism employees benefitted from a range of Management and Skills Development programmes
- Fáilte Ireland continued a joint partnership with IPB Insurance and local authorities, providing funding of €1 million each and in 2015 supported 685 individual *Gathering* events



Corporate Statement

for the year ended 31 December 2015

Corporate Governance

Fáilte Ireland supports and subscribes to the highest standards of corporate governance and specifically abides by applicable principles and guidelines defined in the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies.

Equality

Fáilte Ireland is an equal opportunities employer. All relevant equality legislation is implemented by the organisation.

Safety, Health and Welfare

The well-being of the organisation's employees and trainees was safeguarded through strict adherence to health and safety standards. The Authority is satisfied that the company meets the provisions of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005.

Freedom of Information

In the period under review, Fáilte Ireland received 21 requests under the *Freedom of Information* legislation.

Training Activity 2014 and 2015

for the year ended 31 December 2015

	2014	2015
Industry-Based Programme (Business Supports / Hospitality & Standards)	16,931	24,005
College-Based Programmes	1,373	1,355
Grand Total	<hr/> 18,304	<hr/> 25,360

Authority Members 2015



Michael Cawley
Chairman



Gerard Barron



Susan Bergin



Francis Brennan



Jim Deegan



Gina Murphy*



Brigid Halligan-Neville



Noel Kavanagh*



Mary Kerins



Mary Rose Stafford



Frankie Sheahan*



Círáin O Gaora*



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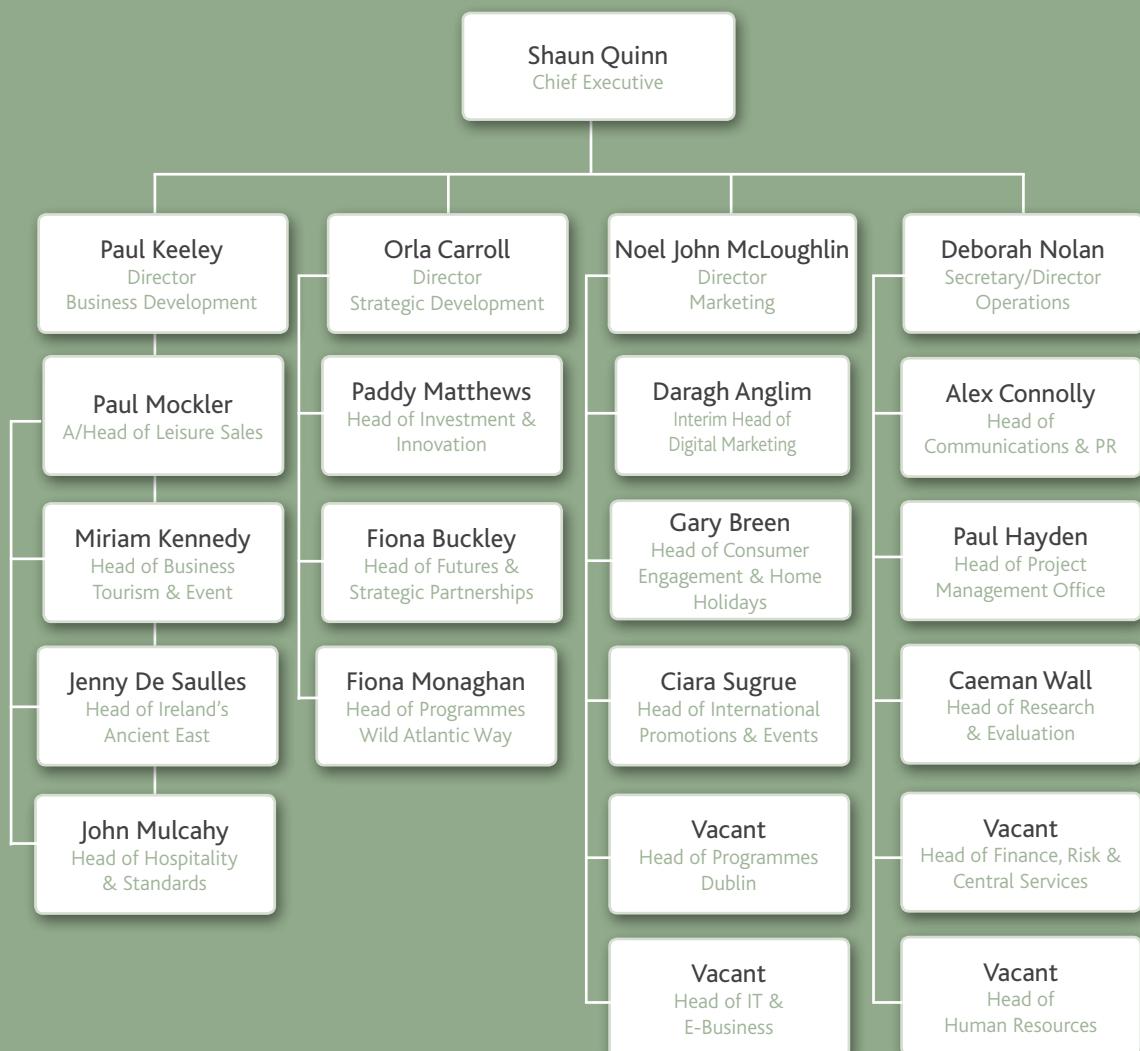
Member Attendance at Authority Meetings in 2015

The Authority held six meetings during 2015.

Member	Number of Meetings Attended	Member	Number of Meetings Attended
Michael Cawley (Chair)	6	Mary Kerins	4
Gerard Barron	6	Gina Murphy*	6
Susan Bergin	6	Ciarán Ó'Gaora*	4
Francis Brennan	6	Margaret Ryan	6
Jim Deegan	6	Frankie Sheahan*	5
Brigid Halligan-Neville	5	Mary Rose Stafford	4
Noel Kavanagh*	5		
Noel Kavanagh*	Reappointed May	Ciaran O'Gaora*	Reappointed May
Gina Murphy*	Reappointed May	Frankie Sheahan*	Reappointed May

Divisional Structure

December 2015



Tourism Numbers and Revenue 2012 - 2015

	2012	2013 ¹	2014	2015	% change 15 vs 14
Britain	2,722	2,870	3,007	3,346	+11
	857.9	890.9	926.7	1,017.9	+10
Mainland Europe	2,247	2,346	2,490	2,880	+16
	1,060.5	1,228.2	1,301.2	1,555.3	+20
North America	940	1,039	1,146	1,294	+13
	745.7	829.0	940.3	1,199.7	+28
Rest of World	378	431	462	516	+12
	291.6	367.7	428.1	492.6	+15
Total Overseas	6,286	6,686	7,105	8,036	+13
	2,955.8	3,315.7	3,596.4	4,265.3	+19
Northern Ireland²	1,299	1,572	1,708	1,492	-13
	292.3	304.5	334.4	351.2	+5
Carrier Receipts³	856.0	976.0	1,166.0	1,322.0	+13
Overseas Same-day Visits	34.0	35.0	41.0	38.0	+7
TOTAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNING	4,138.1	4,631.3	5,137.7	5,976.5	+16
Domestic Trips⁴	8,291	8,413	8,991	9,125	+1
<i>Domestic Trips</i>	<i>1,514.2</i>	<i>1,533.0</i>	<i>1,713.5</i>	<i>1,725.3</i>	<i>+1</i>
TOTAL TOURISM REVENUE	5,652.3	6,164.3	6,851.2	7,701.8	+12

¹ Revised March 2014

² Revised by NISRA May 2015, Euro exchange rates 2011 – 0.86788, 2012 – 0.81087 Source: Central Bank of Ireland

³ 2012 carrier receipts revised March 2014 - 2013 revised March 2015

⁴ 2012-2015 domestic data revised by CSO in 2016

Source: CSO/NISRA/Fáilte Ireland

Energy Efficiency Statement

Overview of Energy Usage in 2015

As at end of December 2015, Fáilte Ireland had 330 staff and 50 properties: including 7 properties over 500m² (3 of which are listed/protected structures, a total of 11 of Fáilte Ireland's properties are listed premises). Consequently, the organisational energy demands range from the supply of energy to 9 administrative offices (including HQ in Dublin), 32 Tourist Information Offices (TIOs), 4 Museums and 5 other properties.

As reported in 2016 through the Sustainable Energy Association of Ireland (SEAI) energy Monitoring & Reporting system (M&R), Fáilte Ireland consumed 2,306.19 MWh of energy in 2015, consisting of:

- 1,705.34 MWh of electricity
- 600.84 MWh of fossil fuels;
 - 471.83 MWh of natural gas
 - 14.71 MWh of LPG
 - 114.31 MWh of Kerosene

For 2014 Fáilte Ireland reported total energy usage on the SEAI M&R system of 2,794.89 MWh; 2015 usage reflects an overall 17.49% decrease in the organisation's total energy consumption from 2014 to 2015, broken down as follows:

- 370.54 MWh less in electricity, a 17.8% decrease on 2015 electricity consumption, (this represents 75.8% of the total energy decrease from 2014 to 2015)
- 118.16 MWh less in fossil fuels (this represents 24.18% of the overall energy decrease), or 16.4% decrease on 2014 fossil fuel usage, comprising:
 - 111.59 MWh decrease in natural gas, representing 18.65% saving on 2014 gas usage
 - 8.56 MWh increase in use of liquid petroleum gas at Yeats' Tower in Gort. This 139% increase on 2014 usage is due to Yeats' Tower – a 15th century Hiberno-Norman tower, being reopened in 2015 by a local volunteer group for Yeats' 150th Anniversary
 - 9.65 MWh increase in Kerosene, representing a 9.2% increase on 2014 due to the old nature of the 2 buildings heated by Kerosene
 - 16.22 MWh decrease in gasoil consumption, a 100% saving on 2014

- In addition to the environmental benefits realised by 488.70 MWh energy savings achieved from 2014 to 2015, Fáilte Ireland saved €65,558 (excluding VAT) on its energy invoices in 2015 – this represents 18% of the organisations overall budget for light/heat/power

Actions Undertaken in 2015

Fáilte Ireland is very cognisant of the EU set target of 33% energy savings required by 2020 and will continue to do its part to help the government meet this target. In 2009, our baseline year for measurement, Fáilte Ireland reported Total Primary Energy Requirement (TPER) of 7,341.8 MWh, for 2015 our TPER decreased to 4,480.5 MWh of energy usage – this represents a 38.9% decrease in energy consumption from our base year. This figure has increased from 27.4% savings from 2009 to 2014 - attributing 11.5% consumption decrease to savings achieved in 2015. These savings can be attributed largely in part to the following initiatives:

- Fáilte Ireland moved to more fit-for-purpose and energy efficient properties in two locations in 2015: Visit Dublin Centre and Limerick Tourist Information Office. The moves had the following effect on our energy usage:
 - Visit Dublin Centre – the new, 411m² 'Visit Dublin Centre' at 25 Suffolk Street opened 26th January 2015. This move saw the TIO move from St. Andrew's Church at Suffolk Street to a smaller, technologically driven, retail style unit. St. Andrew's Church, a listed 19th century gothic style church with a floor area of 992m², reported annual energy usage in 2014 as 402,514 kWh: 173,223 kWh of electricity and 229,291 kWh of gas. The electricity usage for the new Visit Dublin Centre for 2015 was 73,647 kWh, giving an annual electricity saving of 99,576 kWh and annual gas saving of 229,291 kWh
 - Limerick Tourist Information Office – in July 2015 we moved the TIO from Arthur's Quay (a Shannon Development property with a floor area of 258m²), to a more suitable property in the heart of the city with a floor area of 111m²; 43% the size of the existing office. Comparing the 2 premises: from January to June 2015 the Arthur's Quay TIO used 20,345 kWh of electricity whilst for the new O'Connell Street TIO from July to December 2015

Energy Efficiency Statement

we only used 9,218 kWh of electricity; 55% less electricity over a 6 month period. Applying this % saving over a full year we would have anticipated electricity savings of c. 22,254 kWh per annum

- In 2015 ICT continued their hardware rationalisation plan and retired 9 Servers. 3 servers were purchased in their place. The anticipated electricity savings from this rationalisation is anticipated to be 31,054 kWh annually
- ICT continued their hardware refresh programme in 2015 retiring 25 laptops and 20 pcs. 41 laptops were purchased in lieu of the 45 machines retired. The anticipated per annum electricity savings based on annual usage of 1,500 hours for laptops and 6,000 hours for pcs is expected to be 9,756 kWh
- In November 2015 Fáilte Ireland successfully disposed of a 73m² vacant property in Knock which had an energy consumption of 3,789 kWh of electricity in 2015 and 3,691 kWh of electricity in 2014
- At the end of July 2015 Fáilte Ireland replaced 18 x 440W SON type exterior light fittings with 18 x 150W LED light fittings. Estimated savings of 21,402 kWh per annum have been estimated using a figure of 4,100 hours as the per annum usage of each light from dusk to dawn

Actions Planned for 2016

In 2016, Fáilte Ireland will endeavour to introduce further energy saving projects to decrease the organisations energy consumption. It is hoped the following will be undertaken:

- By the end of Q1 2016 Fáilte Ireland will have completed a review of the exterior lighting requirements at HQ Dublin – it is planned to turn off all exterior lights from mid-April to mid-October and then to decrease the operational hours of 17 x 150W LED exterior light fittings from 4,100 hours per annum to 910 hours per annum. We anticipate we will require 1 light to remain on for 4,100 hours per annum. It is estimated that such an adjustment will save approximately 8,135 kWh of electricity per annum
- It is planned to carry out a lighting upgrade in a meeting room in Amiens Street, Dublin in February 2016, this will involve replacing 11 x 50W Halogen lights with 11 x 4.5W LED lights. Basing calculations on 3,000 hours usage per annum (7am to 7pm, 5 days per week) it is estimated that this upgrade would generate annual savings of 1,502 kWh of electricity
- A lighting upgrade is also planned for our Killarney Discover Ireland Centre's main foyer in March 2016. It is anticipated that 8 x 50W Halogen spotlights will be replaced with 8 x 4.5W GU10 LED lamps. Basing calculations on 3,500 hours usage per annum (8am to 6pm, 7 days per week) it is estimated that this upgrade would generate an annual savings of 1,274 kWh of electricity
- ICT plan to continue their hardware refresh programme by upgrading 10 old laptops. The anticipated electricity savings per annum based on an annual usage of 1,500 hours would be 518 kWh

Consolidated Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2015



Statement of Responsibilities of the Authority

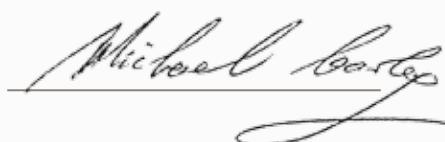
Section 27 of the National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003 requires the Authority to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure & Reform.

In preparing those financial statements, the Authority is required to:

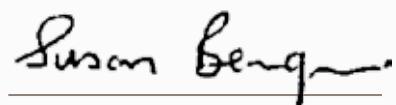
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that Fáilte Ireland will continue in operation;
- disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards.

The Authority is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Authority and which enable it to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with Section 27 of the Act.

The Authority is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of Fáilte Ireland and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016



Susan Bergin - Authority Member
5 October 2016

Comptroller and Auditor General Report for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

National Tourism Development Authority

I have audited the consolidated financial statements of the National Tourism Development Authority for the year ended 31 December 2015 under the National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003. The financial statements comprise the group statement of income and expenditure, the group statement of comprehensive income, the group statement of financial position, the Authority statement of financial position, the group statement of changes in equity, the group statement of cash flows and the related notes. The financial statements have been prepared in the form prescribed under Section 27 of the Act, and in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Responsibilities of the Members of the Authority

The Authority is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, for ensuring that they give a true and fair view and for ensuring the regularity of transactions.

Responsibilities of the Comptroller and Auditor General

My responsibility is to audit the financial statements and to report on them in accordance with applicable law.

My audit is conducted by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation.

My audit is carried out in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) and in compliance with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of Audit of the Financial Statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Authority's circumstances, and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made in the preparation of the financial statements, and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I also seek to obtain evidence about the regularity of financial transactions in the course of audit.

In addition, I read the Authority's annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by me in the course of performing the audit. If I become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies, I consider the implications for my report.

Basis for qualified opinion on the financial statements

The financial statements disclose total retirement benefit obligations at 31 December 2015 of €244 million (2014: €242 million). As more fully explained in the accounting policies, the Authority operates three pension schemes. In respect of two of the schemes, a deferred retirement benefit funding asset is recognised in the financial statements, to reflect the provisions of the Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009. The Act includes a statutory guarantee that the Exchequer will meet future pension payments. The guarantee was provided when the balances held in the previously funded schemes were transferred to the National Pension Reserve Fund.

The National Tourism Development Authority (NTDA) superannuation scheme is a defined benefit scheme, operated on a pay-as-you-go basis since its establishment in 2003. Because it was unfunded, it was not eligible for inclusion under the terms of the 2009 Act. The financial statements do not recognise a deferred retirement benefit funding asset in relation to that scheme. This approach has been adopted by the Authority on the basis that it has not been provided with a statutory or other guarantee in relation to the future liabilities of the scheme.

Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (continued)

In my opinion, a deferred retirement benefit funding asset should be recognised in relation to the NTDA superannuation scheme, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in Ireland. This is based on

- the statutory provision for the establishment of a scheme
- the established policy and practice in relation to funding public service retirement benefit obligations on a pay-as-you-go basis
- the fact that the scheme requires employee contributions, and
- the nature of the annual estimates process under which State funding for the Authority is determined.

Had the Authority recognised a deferred retirement benefit funding asset in relation to the scheme, the group statement of financial position would disclose net assets of €41 million at 31 December 2015 (2014 restated: €41.4 million), the Authority statement of financial position would disclose net assets of €39 million (2014 restated: €39.4 million) and the 2015 group income and expenditure account would disclose a surplus of €0.3 million for the year (2014 restated: €6.1 million).

Qualified opinion on the financial statements

In my opinion, except for the non-recognition of a deferred retirement benefit funding asset in relation to the NTDA superannuation scheme as outlined above, the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in Ireland, and give a true and fair view of the state of the group and of the Authority's affairs at 31 December 2015, and of the group's income and expenditure for 2015.

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Authority. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

Matters on which I report by exception

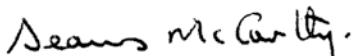
I report by exception if I have not received all the information and explanations I required for my audit, or if I find

- any material instance where money has not been applied for the purposes intended or where the transactions did not conform to the authorities governing them, or
- the information given in the Authority's annual report is not consistent with the related financial statements or with the knowledge acquired by me in the course of performing the audit, or
- the statement on internal financial control does not reflect the Authority's compliance with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies, or
- there are other material matters relating to the manner in which public business has been conducted.

Irregularity

The statement on internal financial control discloses that, during 2015, a control weakness resulted in a misdirected third party payment of €107,000 of which €20,000 was recovered. The Authority's controls and procedures have since been updated to address this issue.

Seamus McCarthy



Comptroller and Auditor General
13 October 2016

Statement on Internal Financial Control

On behalf of the Authority Members I acknowledge our responsibility for ensuring that an effective system of internal financial control is maintained and operated. The system can only provide reasonable, and not absolute, assurance that the assets are safeguarded, transactions authorised and properly recorded, and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or would be detected in a timely manner.

The Authority has taken steps to ensure an appropriate control environment by:

- clearly defining management responsibilities
- establishing formal procedures for reporting significant control failures and ensuring appropriate corrective action. (Employee Code of Conduct)

A formal process for the identification, evaluation, mitigation and management of business risk has been undertaken and includes:

- the identification and nature of risks
- the likelihood of occurrence
- the financial or other implications
- the mitigating factors
- plans to manage the identified risks
- monitoring and reporting on the process

The system of internal financial control is based on a framework of regular management information, review of that information, administrative procedures including segregation of duties, and a system of delegation and accountability.

In particular it includes:

- Strategic plans, set on a three year cycle and annual budgets which are approved by the Authority.
- High level budget reports reviewing performance against budget which are reviewed at Authority meetings.

- A Management Committee Meeting, consisting of the Chief Executive and the Executive Directors which meets at least fortnightly to examine performance against budget, review Risks, to discuss financial issues affecting the organisation, and approve proposed projects brought before them.
- An Internal Audit function which monitors compliance with Government legislation, codes of best practice and Fáilte Ireland's own set of policies and procedures. The Internal Audit unit also assesses the effectiveness of internal controls within the organisation.
- The Internal Auditor Manager reports to the Chairman of the Audit and Risk Management Committee.
- An executive Risk Management function which monitors the organisation's progress on risk identified in the Risk Register and reports to the executive.
- An Audit and Risk Management Committee which is made up of four non-executive directors and which meets approximately four times a year to review the Internal Auditor's reports and review the Risk Register, and which reports to the Authority.

The Authority's monitoring and review of the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control is informed by the Internal Auditor, the Audit Committee which oversees the work of the Internal Auditor, and the executive managers within Fáilte Ireland who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the financial control framework.

During 2015 the Organisation was subject to a third party payment misdirection in the amount of €107,000 of which €20,000 was recovered. Additional controls and resources have been put in place by the Authority which address the risk.

I confirm that, in respect of the year 31 December 2015, a review of the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control was conducted by the Authority.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016

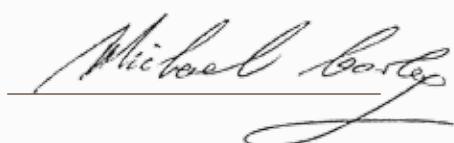
Group Statement of Income and Expenditure

for the year ended 31 December 2015

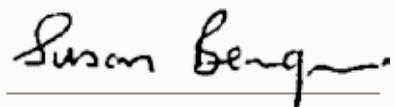
	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
INCOME:				
Oireachtas Grants	2	119,492	133,544	
Other Income	3	5,274	5,467	
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Rental Income	14	14	15	
Net deferred retirement benefits funding in year	25 D	2,070	3,055	
		126,850	142,081	
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVES	18	756	767	
TOTAL INCOME		127,606	142,848	
 EXPENDITURE:				
General Operating Expenses:				
Signature Programmes (Wild Atlantic Way, Dublin, Ireland's Ancient East)	4	15,447	14,786	
Other Programmes (Business Tourism, Domestic Marketing)	5	8,065	7,997	
Supporting Activities and Enablers	6	25,314	26,450	
The Gathering Project 2013	7	-	46	
Operations Development	8	10,434	10,275	
Pay	9	18,200	23,251	
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Administration Expenses	14	56	80	
Tourism Ireland Limited Grant Payouts	2	40,750	43,623	
Retirement Benefit Costs	25 A	9,227	12,163	
Total Expenditure		127,493	138,671	
Surplus before Taxation		113	4,177	
Taxation		-	-	
Surplus after Taxation		113	4,177	
Non-controlling interest - KGCL Property Holdings Ltd		11	16	
Surplus after Non-controlling interest		124	4,193	

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified for consistency with the current period presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on the reported results.

The Statement of Cash Flows and notes 1 to 28 form an integral part of these financial statements.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016



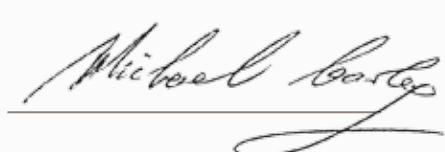
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Group Statement of Comprehensive Income

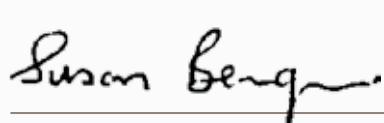
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	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		124	4,194	
Actuarial gains on pension schemes				
Experience gain on pension scheme liabilities	25 B	473	4,751	
Gains / (Losses) due to changes in assumptions	25 B	(256)	(20,473)	
ACTUARIAL GAIN / (LOSS)		217	(15,722)	
ADJUSTMENT TO DEFERRED RETIREMENT BENEFIT FUNDING ASSET	25 B	(2,409)	8,478	
Net Pension Deferral Adjustment		(2,192)	(7,244)	
Total Recognised Gain / (Loss) for the Year		(2,068)	(3,050)	

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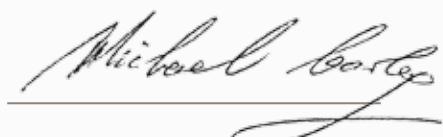
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Group Statement of Financial Position

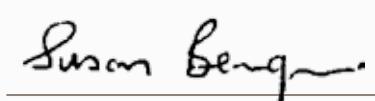
as at 31 December 2015

	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
FIXED ASSETS				
Property, Plant and Equipment	11	28,845	29,193	
Financial Assets	13	60	60	
Investment Property	12	276	726	
		29,181	29,979	
CURRENT ASSETS				
Inventories			21	26
Receivables	15	733	892	
Bank and Cash Balances	16	47,262	47,442	
		48,016	48,360	
Payables : Amounts falling due within one year	17	36,180	36,878	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		11,836	11,482	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES BEFORE PENSIONS		41,017	41,461	
Deferred Retirement Benefit Funding Asset	25 D	99,397	99,735	
Retirement Benefit Obligations	25 C	(244,188)	(242,135)	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES AFTER PENSIONS		(103,774)	(100,939)	
REPRESENTING				
Retained Revenue Reserves	19	(131,466)	(129,398)	
Capital Account	18	27,190	27,946	
		(104,276)	(101,452)	
NON- CONTROLLING INTEREST		502	513	
		(103,774)	(100,939)	

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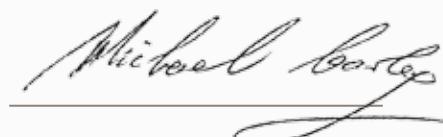
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Authority Statement of Financial Position

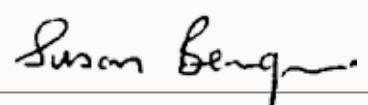
as at 31 December 2015

	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
FIXED ASSETS				
Property, Plant and Equipment	11	26,856	27,162	
Financial Assets	13	58	58	
Investment Property	12	276	726	
		27,190	27,946	
CURRENT ASSETS				
Inventories		21	26	
Receivables	15	733	891	
Bank and Cash Balances	16	47,249	47,432	
		48,003	48,349	
Payables : Amounts falling due within one year	17	36,175	36,875	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		11,828	11,474	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES BEFORE PENSIONS		39,018	39,420	
Deferred Retirement Benefit Funding Asset	25 D	99,397	99,735	
Retirement Benefit Obligations	25 C	(244,188)	(242,135)	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES AFTER PENSIONS		(105,773)	(102,980)	
REPRESENTING				
Retained Revenue Reserves	19	(132,963)	(130,926)	
Capital Account	18	27,190	27,946	
		(105,773)	(102,980)	

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Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016



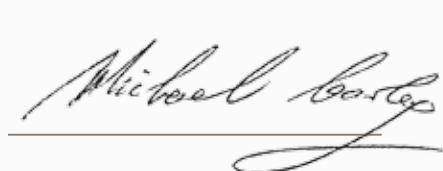
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Group Statement of Changes in Equity

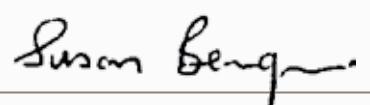
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	Income & Expenditure Account	Capital	NCI	TOTAL
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
At 01 January 2014		(126,347)	28,701	-
Retained (Deficit)/Surplus for the year	4,177	-	-	4,177
KGCL Retained (Deficit)/Surplus for the year	16	-	-	16
Income Used to Purchase Fixed Assets or Fund Capital Payments	-	2,328	-	2,328
Amortisation in line with depreciation	-	(1,652)	-	(1,652)
Revaluation of Investment Property	-	450	-	450
Asset Disposal	-	(1,893)	-	(1,893)
Investment in Subsidiary KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12	-	12
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd Total Net Assets Brought On	-	-	513	513
Other Comprehensive Income - pension	(7,244)	-	-	(7,244)
At 31 December 2014	(129,398)	27,946	513	(100,939)
Retained (Deficit)/Surplus for the year	113	-	-	113
KGCL Retained (Deficit)/Surplus for the year	11	-	(11)	-
Income used to purchase fixed assets or fund capital payments	-	1,791	-	1,791
Amortisation in line with depreciation or finance charge	-	(2,097)	-	(2,097)
Revaluation of Investment Property	-	(450)	-	(450)
Other comprehensive income - pension	(2,192)	-	-	(2,192)
At 31 December 2015	(131,466)	27,190	502	(103,774)

The Statement of Cash Flows and notes 1 to 28 form an integral part of these financial statements.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016



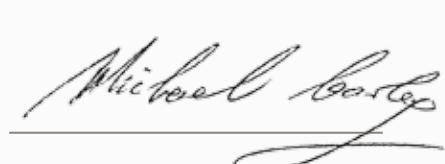
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Group Statement of Cash Flows

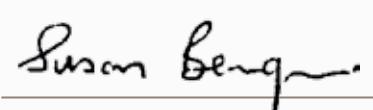
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	Notes	2015	2014
		Restated	
		€'000	€'000
Surplus after Non Controlling Interest		124	4,193
Non-Controlling Interest		(11)	(16)
Net Deferred Retirement Benefit Funding Expenditure		199	1,874
Depreciation of Property, Plant & Equipment		2,139	1,711
Write off of Property, Plant and Equipment		-	1,654
Transfer to Capital Account	18	(756)	(767)
Profit on Disposal of Fixed Assets		-	(8)
(Increase)/ Decrease in Receivables	15	159	(39)
Increase/(Decrease) in Payables	17	(698)	5,659
Decrease in Inventories		5	16
Write-back of Revaluation Reserve	26	450	(450)
Net Cash Inflow/Outflow from Operating Activities		1,611	13,827
Cash Flow from Investing Activities			
Payment to Acquire Property, Plant and Equipment		(1,791)	(2,328)
Receipts from Sales of Property, Plant and Equipment		-	247
		(180)	11,746
Cash and cash Equivalents at the beginning of year		47,442	35,696
Cash and cash Equivalents at the end of year		47,262	47,442

The Statement of Cash Flows and notes 1 to 28 form an integral part of these financial statements.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5 October 2016



Susan Bergin - Authority Member
5 October 2016

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies adopted in these financial statements are as follows:-

GENERAL INFORMATION AND ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

Fáilte Ireland established under National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003. Its primary functions as specified in legislation include:

- To encourage, promote and support the development of tourist traffic within and to the state and to support enterprises and projects in this regard.
- To encourage, promote and support the recruitment, training and education and development of persons for the purposes of employment with the tourism industry.
- To promote and engage in research and planning.
- To establish and maintain registers of accommodation facilities.

Fáilte Ireland is a Public Benefit Entity.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The financial statements of Fáilte Ireland for the year ended 31 December 2015 have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, the financial reporting standard applicable in the UK and Ireland issued by the Financial Reporting Council (FRC), as promulgated by Chartered Accountants Ireland. These are Fáilte Ireland's first set of financial statements prepared in accordance with FRS 102. The date of transition to FRS 102 is 1 January 2014. The prior year financial statements were re-stated for material adjustments on adoption of FRS 102 in the current year. The result of this adoption can be seen in Note 26.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain assets and liabilities that are measured at fair values as explained in the accounting policies below. The financial statements are in the form approved by the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport with the concurrence of the Minister

for Public Expenditure and Reform under the National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003.

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to Fáilte Ireland's financial statements.

OIREACHTAS GRANTS

Grants shown in the Statement of Income and Expenditure reflect the amounts received in respect of the period. All Oireachtas Grants funding for Tourism Ireland Limited is funded through Fáilte Ireland.

GRANTS PAYABLE

Grant expenditure is recognised in the period in which the recipient carries out the grant activity that creates an entitlement to the grant support and complies with stipulated grant conditions.

OTHER INCOME

All income, other than rental income, is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefit associated with the transaction will flow to the Group and when the income can be reliably measured. Rental income is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

The functional and presentational currency of the parent and the group is considered to be euro because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which its operates.

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are converted into euro at an agreed standard rate for the year. Realised exchange gains and losses on transactions settled during the year are included in the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are converted into euro at exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date and resulting gains and losses are included in the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year.

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PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION

Property, Plant and Equipment under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

The company adds to the carrying amount of an item of fixed assets the cost of replacing part of such an item when that cost is incurred, if the replacement part is expected to provide incremental future benefits to the company. Repairs and maintenance are charged to the profit or loss during the period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of the assets less its residual value over the estimated useful lives, using the straight line method at the annual rates set out below.

Land	0%	
Computer Equipment	33½%	Straight line
Furniture & Fittings	20%	Straight line
Training Equipment	20%	Straight line
Premises	2%	Lower of Straight line or if higher remaining life of Lease.
Website Development	33½%	Straight line

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

INVESTMENT ASSETS

Investment Assets comprise land and buildings with amenity value only and are stated at historic cost. Investment properties for which fair value can be measured reliably without undue cost or effort on an ongoing basis are measured at fair value annually with any change recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure. Investment assets that are for sale are revalued at their expected sale price.

FINANCIAL ASSETS

Financial assets include equity interests in a number of entities as detailed in Note 13. These assets are shown at cost less impairment rather than at valuation as valuation is not practical due to the nature of the investments and because (a) there are no quoted prices available for identical assets on an active market (b) there are no prices for recent transactions of identical assets and (c) there is no means of determining a transaction price based on arm's length exchange motivated by normal business considerations. Furthermore the cost associated with valuing the assets would exceed the benefit derived and there is no intention to dispose of these investments in the foreseeable future.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

The Capital Account represents the unamortised value of income used for capital purposes. Transfers between revenue reserves and capital reserves are made annually so as to equate the capital funding of the organisation, including finance leases, to the net book value of its assets.

RECEIVABLES

Receivables do not contain a significant financing element and are measured at their transaction price on initial recognition. Receivables are reviewed for indicators of impairments and bad debts are written off in the period in which they arise.

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INVENTORIES

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The carrying amount of inventories are reviewed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in the profit and loss account.

OPERATING LEASES

Rental paid under operating leases are charged to the profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

(A) Retirement Benefits

Fáilte Ireland operates three defined benefit schemes which are funded annually on a pay as you go basis from monies provided by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport and from contributions deducted from staff salaries. Fáilte Ireland recognises an asset equivalent to the deferred pension liability in relation to two schemes where there is a legal commitment that funds will be provided by the Oireachtas to fund pensions on an ongoing basis. Where there is no legal commitment to the provision of monies to fund future pension payments, Fáilte Ireland does not recognise a deferred pension asset. The details are set out below.

Unfunded (formerly CERT) contributory pension and death benefits plan and unfunded Regional Tourism Organisation pension scheme.

An asset is recognised to reflect the provisions of the Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009. Under the Act where the aggregate of members and Fáilte Ireland contributions to the scheme are insufficient to meet Fáilte Ireland's obligations to pay its pension obligations in accordance with the scheme, the Minister for Finance shall make good any deficiency from funds provided by the Oireachtas.

Unfunded National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme

In 2014 the Authority sought confirmation from the Department of Tourism, Transport and Sport and The Department of Public Expenditure and Reform that similar provisions as those contained in the Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 applied to the National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme.

The Authority received confirmation that while there is no explicit guarantee that funds will always be made available, the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform accepts that the continuation of Exchequer funding is a reasonable assumption for relevant Exchequer funded bodies with accrual accounts and pay-as-you-go schemes to make. As this does not give the Authority the assurance that any deficit in the fund will be provided by the Oireachtas, accordingly as at the 31st of December 2013 the Authority amended its accounting policy to no longer recognise an asset in respect of the unfunded deferred liability for the National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme.

Pension costs reflect pension benefits earned by employees in the period. The costs are shown net of staff pension contributions which are retained by the Authority and used in the discharge of the overall pensions liability for the year. An amount corresponding to the pension charge is recognised as income to the extent that it is recoverable.

Actuarial gains or losses arising on scheme liabilities and assets, are reflected in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and a corresponding adjustment for the Unfunded (formerly CERT) contributory pension and death benefits plan and Unfunded Regional Tourism Organisations pension scheme is recognised in the amount recoverable from the Exchequer to reflect the provisions of the Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009. There is no corresponding asset recognised from the Unfunded National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme as the scheme is not referred to in the above legislation.

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Retirement Benefit Obligations' represent the present value of future pension payments earned by members of the schemes to date. The schemes liabilities as at 31 December 2015 have been valued by an independent actuary using the projected unit method.

(B) Short-term Benefits

Short term benefits such as holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the year, and benefits that are accrued at year-end are included in the Payables figure in the Statement of Financial Position.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. The following judgements have had the most significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements.

Impairment of Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation

Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use. For the purpose of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash generating units). Non-financial assets that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

Depreciation and Residual Values

Management have reviewed the asset lives and associated residual values of all fixed asset classes and have concluded that asset lives and residual values are appropriate.

Retirement Benefit Obligation

The assumptions underlying the actuarial valuations for which the amounts recognised in the financial statements are determined (including discount rates, rates of increase in future compensation levels, mortality rates and healthcare cost trend rates) are updated annually based on current economic conditions, and for any relevant changes to the terms and conditions of the pension and post-retirement plans.

The assumptions can be affected by:

- the discount rate, changes in the rate of return on high-quality corporate bonds
- future compensation levels, future labour market conditions
- health care cost trend rates, the rate of medical cost inflation in the relevant regions.

Capital Grants

As outlined in the accounting policy in relation to grants payable, expenditure is recognised in the period in which the recipient carries out grant activity that creates an entitlement to the grant support and complies with the stipulated grant conditions. The Authority provides capital grants to local authorities in relation to tourism projects. Significant delays can occur in the submission of claims to the Authority for payment. The financial statements recognise an accrual in relation to expenditure incurred by local authorities but not yet claimed (Note 17). In relation to capital projects a significant part of this accrual is based on estimates provided by local authorities on the basis of expenditure incurred on capital projects.

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2. OIREACHTAS GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD

	2015			2014		
	Fáilte Ireland €'000	Tourism Ireland €'000	2015 Total €'000	Fáilte Ireland €'000	Tourism Ireland €'000	2014 Total €'000
E3 Fáilte Ireland Grant						
General Operating Expenses	54,331	-	54,331	59,358	-	59,358
Capital Development	1,500	-	1,500	1,650	-	1,650
E5 Tourism Marketing Fund	8,061	25,992	34,053	8,213	28,363	36,576
E4 Tourism Ireland Ltd. Admin & Expenses	-	14,758	14,758	-	15,260	15,260
E6 Tourism Product Development	14,850	-	14,850	20,700	-	20,700
	78,742	40,750	119,492	89,921	43,623	133,544

Oireachtas Grants are received from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport (Vote 31) under the subheads E3, E4, E5 and E6 as detailed above. The voted Tourism Marketing Fund is allocated annually between Fáilte Ireland and Tourism Ireland Limited by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport. The Grants Received were used for the purposes for which they were allocated.

3. OTHER INCOME

	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Standards and Registration fees	1,939	2,010
Tourist Information Offices and Attractions	322	1,213
Trade Shows and Sales Opportunities	2,325	1,421
Rental Income, Bank Interest and Other	688	823
Total Other income	5,274	5,467

4. SIGNATURE PROGRAMMES (WILD ATLANTIC WAY, DUBLIN, IRELAND'S ANCIENT EAST)

	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Programme Expenditure	7,201	5,924
Festivals & Events Expenditure	3,857	4,685
Capital Expenditure	4,389	4,177
	15,447	14,786

5. OTHER PROGRAMMES

	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Business Tourism	5,122	4,027
Domestic Marketing	2,943	3,970
	8,065	7,997

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6. SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES AND ENABLERS

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Leisure Sales	2,898	1,888
Digital and E-Business	1,998	1,486
Brand Experience	575	550
Stakeholder Engagement	-	718
Research	919	1,102
Visitor and Trade Engagement	2,222	3,157
Tourism Education	5,582	5,114
Futures and Key Partnerships	439	-
Capital Grants	10,681	12,435
	25,314	26,450

Included in Capital Development expenditure are amounts of €2.5m in respect of payments to the Special EU Programmes Body under the Interreg IVA programme. The programme funds cross border tourism projects.

7. THE GATHERING PROJECT 2013 LIMITED

The Gathering Project was a concept that emerged from the Global Economic Forum in 2009 in order to increase tourist numbers by mobilising the Irish diaspora and deliver economic benefits to Ireland. The project took place in 2013. Its main objectives were to increase tourist numbers, to improve the indicators around intent to visit Ireland and to revitalise Ireland's brand reputation on the international stage. A separate set of financial statements are produced for The Gathering Project. No expenditure was incurred in 2015. Human Resources for the Gathering Project were provided by Fáilte Ireland and Tourism Ireland from their own resources. The total expenditure on the Gathering Project 2013 Limited for years 2012, 2013 and 2014 combined was €12.834m.

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Advertising	-	55
Web Design	-	8
Events	-	(7)
Digital Marketing	-	1
Promotional Material	-	2
Travel	-	1
PR Activation	-	10
Community Grant Funding	-	(51)
Research & Measurement	-	27
	-	46

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8. OPERATIONS DEVELOPMENT

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Audit Fee	52	51
Occupancy & Office Services	4,113	4,277
Authority Costs	145	135
Other Administration Costs	3,596	2,964
Depreciation charge for the year	2,097	1,652
The write off of fixed assets as a result of review of the fixed asset register	-	440
The write off of leasehold improvements on vacating leases	-	1,214
Costs of fixed assets Disposal	(19)	(8)
Change in the fair value of investments	450	(450)
	10,434	10,275

9. PAY

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Salaries	16,520	18,131
Employers PRSI	1,680	1,856
Voluntary Redundancy Scheme	-	3,264
	18,200	23,251

2014 figures are restated to account for Holiday Accrual in accordance FRS102. Pension Levy of €987,167 has been deducted in the period and paid over to the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport.

Chief Executive remuneration package in 2015 comprised basic salary of €150,000 (2014: €150,010). The CEO is a member of the unfunded (formerly CERT) contributory pension and death benefits plan (closed), the terms of which are described in Note 25. The CEO is entitled to retire at age 55 without actuarial reduction.

The total payment to Key Management Personnel in 2015, excluding the CEO, was €363,767. (2014: €420,565).

Key Management Personnel comprise of members of the Management Advisory Committee, namely the Business Development Director, Marketing Director, Strategic Development Director and Operations Director/Secretary to the Authority.

Average staff numbers for the year were 309 whole-time equivalents (2014: 320 whole-time equivalents).

Fáilte Ireland operates a long service employee award scheme. In 2015, there were 3 recipients of this scheme. Total cost of this scheme in 2015 was €1,050. The Voluntary Redundancy Scheme terminated in 2014.

Employee numbers in salary ranges exceeding €60,000

€000's	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100	100-110	120-130	140-150	150-160
2014	65	12	18	3	5	0	1	1
2015	63	17	16	4	2	2	1	1

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10. AUTHORITY MEMBERS' FEES & EXPENSES

The fees of the Authority Members are set by the Minister of Transport, Tourism and Sport. Expenses claimed by Authority Members are in line with Civil Service rates.

Fees to Authority Members for the period:

		2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Michael Cawley (Chair)	(Commenced 19/05/2014)	21	13
Francis Brennan	(Commenced 04/07/2014)	12	6
Gerrard Barron	(Commenced 04/07/2014)	12	6
Mary Kerins	(Reappointed with effect from 04/07/2014)	-	5
Susan Bergin	(Reappointed with effect from 04/07/2014)	13	9
Noel Kavanagh		12	12
Gina Murphy		12	12
Ciaran O'Gaora		12	12
Frankie Sheahan		12	12
Margaret Ryan		12	12
Bridget Halligan Neville		12	12
Jim Deegan		-	-
Mary Rose Stafford		-	-
Kevin Dundon	(Resigned on the 27/05/2014)	-	5
Marguerite Howley	(Resigned on the 27/05/2014)	-	5
Authority Members Fees		130	121
Authority Members Expenses - Travel & Subsistence		14	14
Total		144	135

The number of Authority Members at 31 December 2015 was 13 (2014: 13).

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11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - GROUP

Cost	Land and Premises €'000	Furniture and Fittings €'000	Training Equipment €'000	Computer Equipment €'000	Website Development €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2015	44,892	2,049	587	1,473	524	49,525
Additions at cost	517	3	64	132	1,075	1,791
Disposals at cost	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
At 31 December 2015	45,409	2,002	514	1,503	1,599	51,027

Depreciation

At 1 January 2015	16,786	1,619	568	1,184	175	20,332
Charged during year	1,136	161	30	208	604	2,139
Disposals	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
At 31 December 2015	17,922	1,730	461	1,290	779	22,182

Net Book Value

At 31 December 2015	27,487	272	53	213	820	28,845
At 31 December 2014	28,106	430	19	289	349	29,193

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - AUTHORITY

Cost	Land and Premises €'000	Furniture and Fittings €'000	Training Equipment €'000	Computer Equipment €'000	Website Development €'000	Total €'000
At 1 January 2015	41,952	2,049	587	1,473	524	46,585
Additions at cost	517	3	64	132	1,075	1,791
Disposals at cost	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
At 31 December 2015	42,469	2,002	514	1,503	1,599	48,087

Depreciation

At 1 January 2015	15,877	1,619	568	1,184	175	19,423
Charged during year	1,094	162	30	208	603	2,097
Disposals	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
At 31 December 2015	16,971	1,731	461	1,290	778	21,231

Net Book Value

At 31 December 2015	25,498	271	53	213	821	26,856
At 31 December 2014	26,075	430	19	289	349	27,162

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12. INVESTMENT PROPERTY - GROUP & AUTHORITY

Investment Property comprises

Glenan's Sailing Club - Collanmore Island Co. Mayo

Glenans Sailing Club - Baltimore Co Cork.

Killarney Golf Club - see note 14 below

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Glenan's Sailing Club - Collanmore Island Co. Mayo	100	250
Glenans Sailing Club - Baltimore Co Cork.	65	365
Killarney Golf Club - see note 14 below	111	111
	276	726

The land & buildings at **Collanmore Island, Clew Bay, Westport and Baltimore Cork** were occupied by Glenan's Sailing Centre for the purpose of operating sailing schools. The sailing schools closed and the properties were returned to Fáilte Ireland.

(A) Glenan's Sailing Club, Collanmore Island, Co. Mayo.

The Authority put this property up for sale based with a valuation of €250,000. The property remained for sale for some time. During 2015 the Authority got a status report on the Property from the Estate agents. The Estate Agents noted that the poor state of repair of the property and that the property is only accessible by boat this is a deterrent to buyers. Consequently a revised valuation and guide price of €100,000 was recommended. The property has been revalued down to €100,000 from €250,000 and the property was put on the market with a guide price of €100,000. An offer of €100,000 was accepted for the land and buildings at Collanmore in March 2016.

(B) Glenan's Sailing Club, Baltimore, Co. Cork

The land and buildings at Baltimore Co. Cork was revalued to €365,000 in 2014 following receipt of an offer on the property. The offer was withdrawn. In compliance with Circular 11/2015 Protocols for the Transfer and Sharing of State Property, the property was placed on the State Property Register. An expression of interest has been received from another State body. The Valuation office will now determine the value of the transfer.

Based on our Fixed Asset policy the property has been revalued to cost.

Killarney Golf Club

Fáilte Ireland owns land at Killarney Golf Club. The lands are leased to KGCL Property Holdings Ltd and form part of the golf courses operated by the Killarney Golf and Fishing Club. The value on the statement of financial position is stated at historic cost.

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13. FINANCIAL ASSETS - GROUP

Financial Assets comprise

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Waterford Regional Airport plc. - 1,562 ordinary €2.54 shares	4	4
Connemara West plc. - 5,500 ordinary shares @ €1.27 each	7	7
Louisburgh Holidays plc. - 25,000 'B' ordinary shares @ €1.27 each	31	31
Connemara Golf Club - 500 ordinary shares @ €1.27 each	1	1
Golf Corca Dhuibhne - 386 shares plus an additional 90 shares for the land	3	3
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. Share of Kerry Regional Airport Plc.	14	14
	60	60

- Fáilte Ireland also holds 30,000 ordinary shares of €1.30 each and 5,000 preference shares of €1.30 each in Fiontar Oidhreachta Inis Mór Teoranta. These have been valued at €nil in these financial statements.
- Fáilte Ireland also holds €250 worth of shares in Kerry Airport Plc. This is a nominal shareholding.
- Fáilte Ireland holds 100% of the shares in Teffub Limited, whose principal activity is that of a property holding company. These shares are valued at €3.

All the shares above are shown at their carrying values in the audited financial statements of the relevant Regional Tourism Authorities as at 30th June 2006, immediately prior to integration with Fáilte Ireland.

Fáilte Ireland holds a controlling interest in the following companies limited by guarantee. The companies had no assets, liabilities, staff or trading activity in the 12 months ended 31st December 2015 or 31st December 2014.

South West Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.
North West Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.
Western Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.

Midland East Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.
Dublin Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd.
Dublin Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.

Fáilte Ireland holds a controlling interest in The Gathering Project 2013 Limited. The company had net assets of €nil at 31 December 2015. No expenditure was incurred in 2015. The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

KGCL Property Holdings Ltd has an investment in Kerry Airport Plc valued at cost of €14,297.

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FINANCIAL ASSETS - AUTHORITY

Financial Assets comprise

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Waterford Regional Airport plc. - 1,562 ordinary €2.54 shares	4	4
Connemara West plc. - 5,500 ordinary shares @ €1.27 each	7	7
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Connemara Golf Club - 500 ordinary shares @ €1.27 each	1	1
Golf Corca Dhuibhne - 386 shares plus an additional 90 shares for the land	3	3
75% Shareholding KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.	12	12
	58	58

- Fáilte Ireland also holds 30,000 ordinary shares of €1.30 each and 5,000 preference shares of €1.30 each in Fiontar Oidhreachta Inis Mór Teoranta. These have been valued at €nil in these financial statements.
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North West Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.
Western Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.

Midland East Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.
Dublin Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd.
Dublin Regional Tourism Authority Ltd.

Fáilte Ireland holds a controlling interest in The Gathering Project 2013 Limited. The company had net assets of €nil at 31 December 2015. No expenditure was incurred in 2015. The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

Fáilte Ireland is the owner of a 75% shareholding in KGCL Property Holdings Limited. These have been valued at €12,000 in these financial statements.

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14. KGCL PROPERTY HOLDINGS LTD

KGCL Property Holdings Limited is a 75% subsidiary of Fáilte Ireland. KGCL Property Holdings Limited is a property holding company. KGCL Property Holdings Ltd results were included in the consolidated accounts of Fáilte Ireland for the first time in 2014. No Consideration was paid for the equity in KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. In 2013, KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. transferred the operation of golf courses in Killarney to its members. KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. retains ownership of the land. The members' pay annual rent of €3,000 to KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. KGCL Property Holdings Ltd has a lease for the Lackabane golf course with an annual rent of €12,000. The members pay annual rent of €12,000 to KGCL Property Holdings Ltd for this land also. KGCL Property Holdings Ltd has availed of the exemption in FRS 102 to prepare a cash flow statement on the basis the companies results are included in the consolidated financial statements of Fáilte Ireland.

KGCL Property Holdings Limited

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 December 2015		
INCOME:		
Rental Income	14	15
Gross Profit	14	15
EXPENDITURE:		
Depreciation	39	59
Rental Charges	17	15
Professional Fees	-	6
Total Administration Expenses	56	80
Interest receivable and similar income	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) before Taxation	(42)	(65)
Taxation	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) after Taxation	(42)	(65)
 Net Assets as at 31 December 2015		
Fixed Assets:		
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,990	2,032
Financial assets	14	14
	2,004	2,046
Current Assets	13	10
Current Liabilities	(6)	(3)
Total Net Assets	2,011	2,053

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15. RECEIVABLES - GROUP

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Trade	423	279
Prepayments	212	378
Accrued Income	98	234
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - VAT	-	1
	733	892

RECEIVABLES - AUTHORITY

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Trade	423	279
Prepayments	212	378
Accrued Income	98	234
	733	891

16. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - GROUP

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Deposit Accounts	45,058	42,727
Current Accounts	2,191	4,704
Cash on Hand	-	1
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Bank Accounts	13	10
	47,262	47,442

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS- AUTHORITY

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Deposit Accounts	45,058	42,727
Current Accounts	2,191	4,704
Cash on Hand	-	1
	47,249	47,432

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17. PAYABLES - GROUP

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
Amounts falling due within one year			
Trade Creditors	2,668	1,356	
Tourism Ireland	19	46	
Deferred Income	3,982	3,911	
Accruals - Capital	20,481	20,829	
Accruals - Pay	757	736	
Accruals - Non Pay	5,391	7,176	
Other Creditors	769	672	
Prepaid Income	2,109	2,149	
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Payables & Accruals	4	3	
	36,180	36,878	

PAYABLES - AUTHORITY

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Restated
Amounts falling due within one year			
Trade Creditors	2,668	1,343	
The Gathering Project 2013 Ltd.	-	13	
Tourism Ireland	19	46	
Deferred Income	3,982	3,911	
Accruals - Capital	20,480	20,829	
Accruals - Pay	757	736	
Accruals - Non Pay	5,391	7,176	
Other Creditors	769	672	
Prepaid Income	2,109	2,149	
	36,175	36,875	

2014 Accruals - Pay restated for Holiday Accrual in accordance with FRS102. Deferred income relates to proceeds of disposal of freehold and leasehold interest (see Note 21)

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18. CAPITAL ACCOUNT - GROUP

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
At 1 January	27,946	28,701
Income used for capital purposes		
Additions to Purchased Property, Plant and Equipment in year	1,791	2,328
Revaluation of Investment Property	(450)	450
Amortisation in line with Asset Depreciation	(2,097)	(1,652)
Amount released on Disposal of Property, Plant and Equipment	-	(1,893)
Transfer to / (from) Income and Expenditure Account	(756)	(767)
Investment in subsidiary KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12
At 31 December	27,190	27,946

The balance in the Capital Account corresponds with the following amounts:

FIXED ASSETS	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Property, Plant and Equipment	11	28,845	29,193
Investment Property	12	276	726
Financial Assets	13	60	60
Less Total Assets of KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.		(2,003)	(2,045)
Investment in Subsidiary KGCL Property Holdings Ltd		12	12
		27,190	27,946

CAPITAL ACCOUNT - AUTHORITY

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
At 1 January	27,946	28,701
Income used for capital purposes		
Additions to Purchased Property, Plant and Equipment in year	1,791	2,328
Revaluation of Investment Property	(450)	450
Amortisation in line with Asset Depreciation	(2,097)	(1,652)
Amount released on Disposal of Property, Plant and Equipment	-	(1,893)
Transfer to / (from) Income and Expenditure Account	(756)	(767)
Investment in subsidiary KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12
At 31 December	27,190	27,946

The balance in the Capital Account corresponds with the following amounts:

FIXED ASSETS	Notes	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Property, Plant and Equipment Assets	11	26,856	27,162
Investment Property	12	276	726
Financial Assets	13	58	58
		27,190	27,946

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	Restated	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
At 1 January	(129,398)	(127,924)
Group Share of Opening Balance of KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.	-	1,577
Surplus/(Deficit) in the period	124	4,193
Actuarial Gains/(Losses) on Pension Schemes in the period	217	(15,722)
Adjustment to Deferred Retirement Benefit Funding Asset	(2,409)	8,478
	(131,466)	(129,398)
 REVENUE RESERVES - AUTHORITY		
	Restated	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
At 1 January	(130,926)	(127,924)
Surplus/(Deficit) in the period	155	4,242
Actuarial Gains/(Losses) on Pension Schemes in the period	217	(15,722)
Adjustment to Deferred Retirement Benefit Funding Asset	(2,409)	8,478
	(132,963)	(130,926)
 20. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS ON LAND AND BUILDINGS		
	Restated	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
At 31st December 2015, the Authority had the following total future commitments under operating leases:		
Minimum future lease payments		
Within one year	958	965
Between 2 and 5 years	1,977	2,603
After 5 years	1,424	1,718
	4,359	5,286

The total amount charged in respect of operating leases in the Income and Expenditure Account for 2015 is €988,700.25 (2014: €975,760.93)

21. PROCEEDS OF SALES

In 2015 the Authority disposed of: Freehold interest in a premises for €70,697 (net)

In 2014 the Authority disposed of: Leasehold interest in a premises for €3,911,000 (net)
Freehold interest in a premises for €137,000 (net)

The Authority has received sanction from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, to retain funds, totalling €4,118,697, on condition that the monies are expended on tourism capital development priorities. The retention of these monies is to be taken into account when determining the grant allocation.

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22. GRANT PAYMENT COMMITMENTS

Commitments for capital grant payments at 31 December 2015 were estimated at €20.1 million (2014: €30.5 million).

23. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Authority adopts procedures in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Expenditure & Reform in relation to the disclosure of interests by Authority Members and these procedures have been adhered to by the Authority Members and the Authority during the year.

The Authority Members and Fáilte Ireland complied with the Department of Public Enterprise and Reform guidelines covering situations of personal interest in the normal course of business. Fáilte Ireland may approve financial support/grants and enter into contractual arrangements with undertakings in which Fáilte Ireland Authority Members are employed or otherwise interested.

In cases of potential conflict of interest Authority Members did not receive Authority documentation on the proposed transactions nor did the members participate in or attend discussions relating to the matters.

An Authority Member expressed an interest in one grant under the Tourism Capital Investment Programme totalling €877,000.

24. RECOVERY OF GRANTS

Fáilte Ireland has carried out verification checks on expenditure claimed in a sample of projects supported under the 1994-1999 Tourism Operational Programme and also carries out post-monitoring on grants paid. As a result of these procedures, funds to the value of €885,886.22 which were recovered from grantees, were on hand and included in Payables above at year-end. There is no mechanism to repay such funds to the EU. Fáilte Ireland plans to offset amounts due to it from the EU in relation to monitoring projects, against this creditor.

25. PENSIONS

The Authority's pension schemes are described below:

UNFUNDED NATIONAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SUPERANNUATION SCHEME

The Authority operates an unfunded defined benefit superannuation scheme for eligible permanent staff under The National Tourism Development Authority Act, 2003 and for eligible permanent staff of the former Bord Fáilte under section 15 of the Tourist Traffic Act, 1952 and section 9 of the Tourist Traffic Act, 1983.

The pension scheme is a defined benefit final salary pension arrangement with benefits and contributions defined by reference to current "model" public sector scheme regulations. The scheme provides a pension (eightieths per year of service), a gratuity or lump sum (three eightieths per year of service) and spouse's and children's pensions. Normal Retirement Age is a member's 65th birthday; pre 2004 members have an entitlement to retire without actuarial reduction from age 60. Pensions in payment (and deferment) normally increase in line with general public sector salary inflation.

UNFUNDED (FORMERLY CERT) CONTRIBUTORY PENSION AND DEATH BENEFITS PLAN (CLOSED TO NEW ENTRANTS)

The Authority operates a defined benefit pension scheme for eligible staff of the former CERT Ltd. Benefits and contributions are defined by pension scheme deeds and booklets. The scheme provides a pension (eightieths per year of service), a gratuity or lump sum (three eightieths per year of service) and spouse's and children's pensions subject to a rule that if a member attains 20 years service at age 65 years, 40 years is awarded. Normal Retirement Age is a member's 65th birthday.

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As this scheme is closed, under the projected unit method, the current service cost will increase as the members of the scheme approach retirement.

UNFUNDED REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATIONS PENSION SCHEME (CLOSED TO NEW ENTRANTS)

A defined benefit pension scheme is operated for eligible staff of the former six Regional Tourism Authorities with benefits funded by contributions from the employees.

Benefits and contributions are defined by pension scheme deeds and booklets. The scheme provides a pension (eightieths per year of service), a gratuity or lump sum (three eightieths per year of service) and spouse's and children's pensions. Normal Retirement Age is a member's 65th birthday; pre 2004 members have an entitlement to retire without actuarial reduction from age 60. Pensions in payment (and deferment) normally increase in line with general public sector salary inflation. As this scheme is closed, under the projected unit method, the current service cost will increase as the members of the scheme approach retirement.

DEFINED CONTRIBUTION SCHEME

A defined contribution pension scheme was available for staff who were not eligible for the unfunded superannuation scheme. The assets of this scheme were held separately from those of Fáilte Ireland in independently administered funds. Since November 2013 there are no longer any staff who are members of this scheme.

(A) Analysis Of Total Retirement Benefit Costs Charged To Expenditure	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Current service cost	5,114	5,117
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	4,762	7,801
Employee contributions	(717)	(922)
Total Defined Benefit Scheme Costs	9,159	11,996
Defined Contribution Schemes	-	-
Other*	68	167
Total	9,227	12,163

*Other costs comprise: (I) Income Continuance Premium Payments made in respect of formerly CERT pension scheme members of €35,566 and (II) €32,570, being the difference between the formerly CERT pension scheme entitlement and the payment of an annuity purchased at the time.

(B) Analysis of amount recognised in Comprehensive Income	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
		Restated
Experience Gains	473	4,751
Changes in Assumptions	(256)	(20,473)
Actuarial Gain / (Loss)	217	(15,722)
Actuarial Gain (loss) recognised by matching funding	(2,409)	8,478
Total	(2,192)	(7,244)

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(C) Movement in Net Retirement Benefit Obligations' during the year

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Net Pension Liability at 1 January	(242,135)	(221,485)
Benefits paid	7,606	7,990
Current service cost	(5,114)	(5,117)
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(4,762)	(7,801)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	217	(15,722)
Net Pension Liability at 31 December	<u>(244,188)</u>	<u>(242,135)</u>

(D) Deferred Retirement Benefits Funding

The Authority recognises an asset corresponding to the unfunded deferred liability for the Unfunded Regional Tourism Organisations Pension Scheme and the Unfunded (formerly CERT) pension scheme as set out in the Accounting Policy for pensions.

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Unfunded (formerly CERT) pensions scheme and Unfunded Regional Tourism Organisation scheme (Based on the Provisions of the Financial Measures Act 2009).	99,397	99,735
Total	<u>99,397</u>	<u>99,735</u>

The Net Deferred Funding for Pensions recognised in the Income and Expenditure Account is as follows:

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Funding Recoverable in respect of current year retirement benefit costs - Unfunded (formerly CERT) Pensions Scheme and Unfunded Regional Organisation Tourism Scheme	4,494	5,619
State Grant applied to pay pensioners	(2,104)	(2,207)
Staff Contributions applied to pay pensioners	(320)	(357)
	<u>2,070</u>	<u>3,055</u>

The quantification of the liability is based on the financial assumptions set out in the note below (E).

The assumptions used, which are based on professional actuarial advice, are advised to the Department of Transport Tourism and Sport.

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(E) Scheme and Actuarial Assumptions

The valuation of the schemes' liabilities used for the purposes of FRS 102 Section 28 Employee Benefits disclosures has been based on a full actuarial valuation at the 31 December 2015 carried out by a qualified independent actuary. Pension scheme liabilities have been measured using the projected unit method

	31/12/2015	31/12/2014
Discount rate	2.30%	2.00%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.10%	2.75%
Future state pension increases	3.10%	2.75%
Future pension increases	2.6%*	2.25%*
Inflation Rate	1.60%	1.25%
Revaluation in deferment	2.60%**	2.25%**
 Demographic Assumptions	 31/12/2015	 31/12/2014
Mortality Pre Retirement	Male 62% of PNML00 Female 70% of PNML00	Male 62% PNFL00 Female 70% of PNFL00
Mortality Post Retirement	Male 58% of PNML00 Female 62% of PNML00	Male 58% PNFL00 Female 62% of PNFL00
Allowances for future improvements in mortality	Yes	Yes
Retirement Age	New entrants 65, other employees 62***	New entrants 65, other employees 62***
% married at retirement	90%	90%
Age difference between spouses	A male is assumed to be 3 years older than his spouse	A male is assumed to be 3 years older than his spouse

* In the case of the CERT scheme, future pension increases of 3% p.a. are assumed.

** In the case of the CERT scheme, statutory revaluation applies to deferred benefits. As a result a revaluation in deferment rate of 1.6% p.a. is assumed. In the case of the other Fáilte Ireland pension schemes deferred benefits are assumed to revalue in line with pay parity increases of 2.6% p.a..

*** The retirement age for the CERT pension scheme is 65 for all members.

The mortality basis above explicitly allows for improvements in life expectancy over time, so that life expectancy will depend on the year in which a member attains retirement age. The table below shows the life expectancy for members attaining age 65 in 2015 and 2035.

Year of attaining age 65	2015	2035
Life expectancy - Male	20.9 years	23.5 years
Life expectancy - Female	23.5 years	25.6 years

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(F) History of defined benefit obligations, assets and experience gains and losses

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000	2012 €'000	2011 €'000
Defined benefit obligations	244,188	242,135	221,485	231,888	177,194
Experience gain/(loss) on scheme liabilities					
• Amount (€'000)		4,751	8,540	1,632	5,186
• Percentage of present value scheme liabilities		2.0%	3.9%	0.7%	3.0%

26. TRANSITION TO FRS102

Reconciliation of Reserves	Note	As At	
		01/01/2014 €'000	31/12/2014 €'000
Reserves (as previously reported)		(125,914)	(128,990)
Holiday Pay Accrual	1	(433)	(408)
Reclass Investment Property Value Increase	2	-	450
Transfer to Capital Reserves	3	-	(450)
Reserves restated		<u>(126,347)</u>	<u>(129,398)</u>

Reconciliation of Surplus for the year ended

	Year End 31/12/2014	€'000
Surplus for the year (as previously reported)		4,168
Holiday pay accrual	1	25
Reclass Investment Property Value Increase	2	450
Transfer to Capital Reserves	3	(450)
Surplus for the year (restated)		<u>4,193</u>

1. Holiday Pay Accrual

Fáilte Ireland had previously not accrued for holiday pay earned by employees but not availed of at the reporting date. In accordance with FRS 102, the Financial Statements must recognise such accruals.

The impact of this change is an increase of €433,000 in payables at the transition date and €408,000 at 31 December 2014.

2. Reclass Investment Property Value Increase

Fáilte Ireland recognised an increase of €450,000 in investment properties in the Capital and Reserves in the Period to the 31/12/2014. In accordance with FRS 102 such valuations must be recognised in the profit and loss. Fáilte Ireland have restated the profit and loss in other income to reflect the change in policy.

The impact of this change has no effect on the transition date and an increase of €450,000 in reserves at 31 December 2014.

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3. Transfer to Capital Reserves

Having adjusted the capital reserves to comply with FRS102 a corresponding adjustment is required so that the capital funding equates to the Net Book Value of the Assets.

The impact of this change has no effect on the transition date and a decrease of €450,000 in reserves at 31 December 2014.

27. GOING CONCERN

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. At the time of preparing the 2015 Financial Statements there is uncertainty as to the continued longer term funding of the National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme by the Oireachtas as the scheme is not mentioned in the Financial Measures (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009 which provides legislative backing to the Group's two other pension schemes. The Authority has sought assurance from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport and the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform as to the continued funding of this scheme and to date this assurance has not been received. Accordingly, the Authority has decided not to provide for a deferred asset in the Financial Statements totalling €144.8m, being the value of the deferred liability of the scheme.

In assessing the going concern position of the Group the Authority has considered the following:

1. The Oireachtas continues to provide funding on a pay as you go basis for the National Tourism Development Authority Superannuation Scheme through the annual Estimates process.
2. The organisation is a state body established by the National Tourism Development Authority Act 2003 and 96% funded by the Oireachtas.
3. There are currently no plans to dissolve the organisation.
4. The funding of the pension scheme is an ongoing issue and the Authority has not been given a definitive position that funding will or will not continue.
5. The crystallisation of the potential liability will span a period of 34 years into the future.

Based on the above considerations the Authority members are satisfied that the Group has adequate resources to continue for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these Financial Statements and it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of the Financial Statements.

The Authority members have also concluded that the uncertainty re the National Tourism Development Superannuation Scheme does not represent a material uncertainty that casts significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and on that basis the Authority will continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its Financial Statements.

28. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by the Authority on 12th September 2016.

Prompt Payments by Public Sector Bodies

year ended 31 December 2015

Reporting Template pursuant to Government Decision No. S29296 of 2nd and 8th March 2011 on 15 Day Payments by:

The Health Service Executive, the Local Authorities, State agencies, and all other Public Sector Bodies, (excluding Commercial Semi State Bodies)

Parent Government Dept: Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport
Public Sector Body: National Tourism Development Authority
Yearly Period Covered: 01st Jan 2015 to 31st Dec 2015

Details	Number	Value (€)	(%) of total payments made
Total payments made	13,165	€59,367,366.60	100.00%
Number of payments made within 15 days	11,993	€54,749,044.66	91.10%
Number of payments made within 16 days to 30 days	923	€3,802,536.26	7.01%
Number of payments made in excess of 30 days	249	€815,785.68	1.89%
Disputed Invoices	272	€1,590,132.14	
Total	13,437	€60,957,498.74	

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De réir an Achta um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta, 2003, déanann Fáilte Éireann a tuarascáil don bhliain dar chríoch 31 Nollaig 2015, a chur i láthair.

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“ Dé réir an tsuirbhé bhliantúil a dhéanaimid ar chuairteoirí chun na tíre ó thar lear, chuir gnóthaí thurasóireacht na hÉireann luach ar airgead ar fáil ina gcuid seirbhísí, treocht atá ag dul i bhfeabhas ó 2009 i leith... ”

Ráiteas an Chathaoirligh

Michael Cawley An Chathaoirligh



Bhí an fás suntasach ar ioncam agus ar líon na gcuairteoirí chun na tíre seo ina údar lúcháire do Thurasóireacht na hÉireann le linn 2015. Tháinig an líon cuairteoirí is mó riamh ó thar lear, 8 milliún duine, agus chaith siad an méid is airde airgead riamh: €4.3 billiún. Cé go bhfuil tosca cineálta ar leith mar chuíos leis an bhfás sin, amhail feabhas ar chúrsaí eacnamaíochta sna príomh-mhargáí foinse, na rátaí malaирte fabhracha agus an t-ardú ar líon na seirbhísí aerthaistil a dhéanann freastal ar an tír, féadfaimid, gan aon amhras, na torthaí atá ar straitéis nua Fáilte Éireann a ainmniú mar ghnéithe a chuireann go mór leis an dea-scéal.

Thug iomaíochas leanúnach na hearnála spreagadh do thurasóireacht na hÉireann in 2015. Dé réir an tsuirbhé bhliantúil a dhéanaimid ar chuairteoirí chun na tíre ó thar lear, chuir gnótháil thurasóireacht na hÉireann luach ar airgead ar fáil ina gcuid seirbhísí, treocht atá ag dul i bhfeabhas ó 2009 i leith. Cé gur údar dóchais dúinn gur ceapadh go bhfuil luach ar airgead ar fáil san earnáil le linn 2015, ní mór dúinn áfach, a bheith aireach agus cúramach fós. Ní mór dúinn a thuiscint gur chabhraigh na rátaí malaирte fabhracha do thaistealaithe ón mBreatain agus ó Mheiriceá go mór le hiomaíochas na hearnála le linn 2015. Níor chóir dúinn a bheith réchúiseach agus ní mór dúinn fanacht ar an airdeall maidir le luach, ar fhaitíos go dtiocfadh an titim a tháinig ar luach an steirling le gairid aniar aduaidh orainn.

Seachas cúrsaí iomaíochais amháin, tá ar ár gcumas tionchar a imirt ar nithe go leor eile. Sa chomhthéacs sin, chomhoibrigh Fáilte Éireann lena compháirtithe ar fad san earnáil turasóireachta le linn 2015, chun fás a bheidh buanseasmhach seachas séasúrach a éascú. Tá cruthú agus feidhmiú céimneach na mbrandaí margáiochta sainiúla atá bunaithe ar shócmhainní sainiúla na tíre agus atá bunaithe ar na nithe sin a bhíonn á lorg ag cuairteoirí chun na tíre ó thar lear, ar an bhforbairt straitéiseach is tábhactaí a rinneadh i dtaca le fás inbhuanaithe na tíre a chinntiú.

Is mór liom a thuairisciú go ndearnamar dul chun cinn le cois le linn na bliana agus forbairt á déanamh againn ar na cúiseanna ar chóir cuairt a thabhairt ar Éirinn, rinneadh ár gcumas i dtaoibh cuairteoirí a mhealladh chun na tíre a neartú leis an dá bhranda nua a cuireadh ar bun i mBaile Átha Cliath agus in Oirtheor na tíre, i

gcomhar lenár mbrandaí reatha, Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin san iarthar agus an branda 'Meet in Ireland' ina ndíritear ar chúrsaí turasóireachta gnó.

Cé go bhfuil ag éirí go maith le Baile Átha Cliath ó thaobh cúrsaí cuairteoirí de, léiríonn ár dtaighde féin go bhfuil branda na cathrach réchaite go maith faoin tráth seo agus nach mór cur chuige nua. Tar éis d'obair Thascfhórsa Grow Dublin, a rinne Fáilte Éireann a bhunú, a thabhairt chun críche, rinneadh an branda nua 'Dublin – a Breath of Fresh Air' mar aon le feachtas margáiochta príobháideach/poiblí €1m a sheoladh le linn 2015.

In oirtheor agus i ndeisceart na tíre léiritear dúshlán don earnáil turasóireachta atá thar a bheith éagsúil: conas is féidir dul i gcion ar chuairteoirí chuit ag réigiún sin, chun go mbeidís sásta tréimhse réasúnta ama a chaitheamh iontu agus na réigiún sin a athrú go héifeachtach ó cheantair nach ndéantar ach taisteal tríothu go ceantair cearta turasóireachta. Tar éis taighde chuimsitheach agus táistíl mhargaíochta a dhéanamh, rinne Fáilte Éireann an branda nua 'Sean-Oirtheor na hÉireann', a sheoladh in 2015, chun tairbhe a bhaint as doimhneacht agus as éagsúlacht sócmhainní oidreachta an réigiún agus as an mbuntáiste iomaíoch a bhaineann le seanchas an réigiún agus le cumas mhuintir an réigiún na scéalta agus an seanchas sin a athrís. Is údar dóchais dúinn na táscairí luatha ón margadh agus tacóimid go láidir leis an mbranda le linn 2016.

Idir an dá linn tá an-rath ar Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, a seoladh in 2014, ainneoin nach raibh ach tionchar measartha ag an togra ar thurasóireacht idirnáisiúnta le linn 2015. Creidimid áfach, go dtiocfaidh ardú ar na leibhéil eolais maidir leis an togra ar fud na margáí idirnáisiúnta sna blianta beaga amach romhainn agus go gcuirfidh Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin borradh agus spreagadh faoi chúrsaí turasóireachta in larthar na hÉireann amach anseo. De réir mar a dhéanfar an togra a phorbairt, beidh Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin ríthábhachtach i dtaca leis na réigiún sin ar chósta thiarr thuaidh na Gaillimhe a athrú chun feabhas, réigiún nach bhfuil an taithí chéanna acu ar na leibhéil gníomhaíochta atá feicthe ag réigiún ar leith i gcontaetha Chiarráí, an Chláir agus na Gaillimhe cheana féin.

D'éirigh thar barr lenár mbranda turasóireachta gnó 'Meet in Ireland' le linn 2015, le hardú 20% ar líon



na gcomhdhálacha idirnáisiúnta agus imeachtaí ar éirigh le hÉirinn a aimsiú agus ardú 80% ar líon na gcomhdhálacha agus imeachtaí a ainmníodh agus a aimsíodh do na blianta amach romhainn. Toisc nach bhfuil Baile Átha Cliath in acmhainn ach freastal ar a sciar féin áfach, ba léir in 2015 go raibh gá le himeachtaí agus le comhdhálacha a réachtáil in ionaid réigiúnacha eile agus deis a thabhairt do na ceantair sin taobh amuigh de theorainn chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Beidh na brandaí taithí sin sin ina bpríomhghhnéithe i dtaca le turasóireacht inbhuanaithe in Éirinn a fhás amach anseo agus is astu a dtiocfaidh an fócas a bheidh riachtanach chun ár straitéis infheistíochta, margáiocht, pleannána díolachán agus leithdháilte agus ár dtograí oiliúna a chur i gcrích sna 5-7 de bhlianta atá amach romhainn.

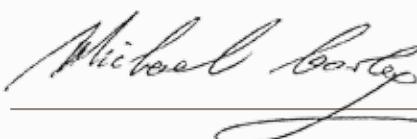
Chomh maith leis sin, dhírigh muid ar an ngá i ndáiríre a bhí le réimse na turasóireachta a leathnú in 2015, go mór mhór trí shéasúr na turasóireachta a leathnú agus trí líon na gcuairteoirí a scaipeadh ar fud na tíre. Gan dul i bhfad scéil leis, tá an deis ann chun turasóireacht inbhuanaithe a fhás trí dhíriú ar cheisteanna na 'séasúrachta' agus na 'réigiúnachta'.

Maidir le séasúrachta mar shampla, is le linn míonna gnóthacha an tsamhraidh amháin a bhíonn leath de ghnó turasóireachta na tíre ag feidhmiú, taobh amuigh de chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath, gan ach úsáid de bheagán á baint as sócmhainní turasóireachta na tíre an chuid eile den bhliaín. Ní mór dúinn díriú ar ghníomhaíochtaí a chur ar bun le linn na dtréimhsí eile sin, (go luath san earrach agus san fhómhar). Go réigiúnach, fanann 30% de na cuairteoirí ó thar lear in óstáin ar chósta iarthair na tíre ar feadh oíche amháin ar a laghad, ní fhanann

ach 20% díobh sna hóstáin in oirtheard agus i ndeisceart na tíre ar feadh na tréimhse céanna. Creidim féin nach bhfuil mórán céille le cuairteoirí ó thar lear atá lonnaithe i mBaile Átha Cliath a thabhairt amach faoin tir ar thuras lae, creidim go bhfuil an cleachtadh sin costasach agus gur beag tairbhe atá ann don chuairteoir. Oibreoidim i dtreo athrú ó bhonn a dhéanamh ar an oidhreacht stairiúil sin, chun leasa Bhaile Átha Cliath agus na réigiún eile araon.

Is mian liom m'ómós a léiriú do ghairmiúlacht agus do dhíograis na foirne ar fad in Fáilte Éireann, go mór mhór don Phríomhfeidhmeannach Shaun Quinn, agus dá fhoireann bhainistíochta. Is mian liom chomh maith, buíochas a ghlacadh le mo chomhgleacaithe san Údarás as a gcuid ama agus as a dtiomantas. I gcaitheamh 2015, rinne an leas a bhain lena gcúlraí agus lena scileanna éagsúla cion tairbhe suntasach agus iomchuí a chinntíú le linn ár bpléití ar fad.

Ar deireadh, is mian liom m'ómós a léiriú don iar-Aire lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt, Paschal Donohoe agus don iar-Aire Stáit sa Roinn, Michael Ring, as an tacafocth láidir a thug siad araon d'earnáil na turasóireachta le linn 2015. Rinne an rialtas an ráta laghdaithe CBL agus an ráta 0% ar Cháin Aerthailistil a choinneáil gan athrú in 2015, in ainneoin na hélimh a rinneadh ar acmhainní an rialtais: dhá chinneadh beartais a chuir go mór le fás na hearnála agus a chuireann taca faoi bhuntáiste iomaioch na hearnála sna margáid idirnáisiúnta ar bhonn leanúnach. Tá Fáilte Éireann ag súil go mór comhoibriú ar an mbealach céanna leis an Aire Shane Ross agus leis an Aire Stáit Patrick O'Donovan, chun a chinntíú go mbeidh an timpeallacht is fearr is féidir ag an earnáil chun bláthú ann sna blianta amach romhainn.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Cawley". It is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

Michael Cawley - Cathaoirleach

Athbhreithniú an Phríomhfheidhmeannaigh

Mar bhunchloch arbh as a d'eascair formhór mór d'iarrachtaí Fáilte Éireann in 2015, bhí ár straitéis i dtaobh brandáí taithí a chur ar fáil a bhí in acmhainn fás i lón na gcuairteoirí idirnáisiúnta a dhaingniú agus éascú a dhéanamh ar an 'd'íbhinn turasóireachta' a roinnt agus a scaipeadh ar fud na tíre ar bhonn séasúrach agus réigiúnach. Léirítear trínár dtaighde gurb é sin an cur chuige is oiriúnaí inar féidir mealltacht na hÉireann a leathnú mar cheann scribe do chuairteoirí.



Shaun Quinn
An Phríomhfheidhmeannach

Rinne feidhmíocht láidir na hearnála turasóireachta in 2015 léiriú arís ar chumas na bhfiontar turasóireachta úsáid rathúil a bhaint as tosca seachtracha ar mhaithle le fás san earnáil a chur chun cinn, chomh maith le tacaíocht a thabhairt d'infheistíochtaí a rinneadh i dtairiscint na turasóireachta le gairid. Bhí an fás leanúnach ar lón na seirbhísí aerthaistil agus an ráta malaire fabhrach ina dtosca tábhachtacha a rinne fás san earnáil a éascú le linn 2015. Bhí an fhorbairt bhreise a rinneamar ar ár mbailiúchán brandáí (e.g. Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin) agus ionchorprú na mbrandáí sin i straitéis fáis na bhfiontar turasóireachta chomh tábhachtach céanna.

Bliain le fás leanúnach

Bhí dhíol suntais iad na príomhtháscairí feidhmíocha do shéasúr 2015. Measadh gur €6 billiún a caitheadh in earnáil na turasóireachta ina ionmláine (Thar Lear agus sa Bhaile), ardú 13% i gcomparáid le 2014, inar tuairisciódh fás i lón na gcuairteanna ó thar lear agus i lón na gcuairteanna a rinne muintir na tíre araon. Ar an ionlán, bhaligh an Stáitcheiste tuairim is €1.8 billiún trí fháltais ó cháin.

Measadh gur thug tuairim is 8 milliún duine ó thar lear cuairt ar Éirinn le linn na bliana, ardú 13% ar an mbliaín roimhe sin. Tháinig tuairim is 19% fás ar Chaiteachas Thar Lear, suas go €4.3 bhilliún. Sa mhargadh intíre, measadh ag 9.1 milliún an lón cuairteanna a rinne muintir na hÉireann, ardú 1% ar 2014, le fás 6% ar an ioncam sin a sheasannanois ag €1.7 billiún.

Léirigh na príomh-mhargáí ar fad ar fud na hÉireann an fás leanúnach ar lón na gcuairteoirí ó thar lear le linn 2015. Tháinig ardú 13% ar lón na gcuairteoirí ó Mheiriceá Thuaidh; fás san earnáil sin don chúigiú bliain as a chéile. Go deimhin, léirigh feidhmíocht 2015 na figíúirí ab airde fós sa mhargadh áirithe sin, leis an 1.3 milliún duine as Meiriceá Thuaidh a thug cuairt ar Éirinn le linn 2015.

Tháinig 2.9 milliún cuairteoir ó Mhór-roinn na hEorpa chun na tíre, ardú 16%, go hard os cionn na leibhéal ab airde a baineadh amach roimh an ngéarchéim in 2008. Maidir leis an mBreatain, an margadh is mó atá againn - a sheasann do 42% den lón turasóirí ó thar lear ar fad a thagann chun na tíre seo, tuairisciódh fás 11% ar an margadh sin le linn 2015 - léiriú ar an téarnamh a tháinig ar chúrsaí le linn 2014.

Thug an feidhmíocht fheabhsaithe in earnáil chóiríochta na turasóireachta léargas dúinn ar an bhfás a tháinig ar na príomh-mhargáí thar lear ar

fad in 2015. Thuairiscigh ceathrar as cúigear (82%) de sholáthraithe cóiríochta a fhraigheann íocaíocht as a gcuid seirbhísí, ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí ó thar lear in 2015, le 14% díobh ag tuairisciú na leibhéal céanna a bhí ann in 2014. Rinne na margáí thar lear agus na margáí intíre an fheidhmíocht dhearfach sin a léiriú in 2015. Ba mhó an lón cuairteoirí ó thar lear a fuair formhór mór na ngnóthaí (79%) in 2015 ná mar a bhí amhlaidh in 2014, agus rinne cion díobh sin (72%), ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí ón margadh intíre a thuairisciú chomh maith.

Tháinig ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí sna trí phríomhhearnáil chóiríochta, leis an earnáil óstáin ag tuairisciú feidhmíocht mhaith 84% de na hóstáin ag tuairisciú ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí in 2015, leis na tithe aíochta (78%) agus na tithe Leaba is Bricfeasta (69%) ar an bhfocal céanna.

D'éirigh go maith leis na nithe is díol spéise do thurasóirí le linn 2015, le hionann is trí cheathrú d'oibreoirí (73%) ag tuairisciú ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí.

Ó na tortaí a fuarthas ó bhialanna atá lonnaithe sna ceantair ina bhfuil tarraingt mhaith ag turasóirí orthu, léiríodh go dtáinig biseach maith ar an earnáil ó thaobh cúrsáí trádála turasóireachta de. Thuairiscigh triúr as ceathrar (60%) ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí in 2015 ná mar a bhí sa bhliain roimhe sin. Mar a bhí amhlaidh leis na hearnálacha eile, thug an margadh thar lear spreagadh don earnáil trí chéile, le 57% de bhialanna ag tuairisciú ardú ar lón na gcuairteoirí ó thar lear isteach.

Rinne sé ghnó as deich feabhas ar bhrabúsacht a thuairisciú in 2015, tháinig ardú ar an uimhir sin go 86% i measc lucht óstáin. Tá ionann is seacht ghnó as deich (69%) ag súil le fás a fheiceáil i gcúrsaí láimhdeachais agus brabúsachta amach anseo. Le gnóthaí ag feidhmiú go maith agus dóchas le brath arís san earnáil, léirigh 64% de ghnóthaí le linn na bliana go raibh sé ar intinn acu cur le hinfeistíocht sna blianta beaga amach romhainn.

Straitéis Branda Rathúil

Mar bhunchloch arbh as a d'eascair formhór mór d'iarrachtaí Fáilte Éireann in 2015, bhí ár straitéis i dtaobh brandáí taithí a chur ar fáil a bhí in acmhainn fás i lón na gcuairteoirí idirnáisiúnta a dhaingniú agus éascú a dhéanamh ar an 'd'íbhinn turasóireachta' a roinnt agus a scaipeadh ar fud na tíre ar bhonn séasúrach agus réigiúnach. Léirítear trínár dtaighde gurb é sin an cur chuige is oiriúnaí inar féidir mealltacht na hÉireann



a leathnú mar cheann scríbe do chuairteoirí. Níl an príomhdhúshlán atá le sárú againn taobh le feasacht a ardú i leith na hÉireann i measc cuairteoirí ionchasaacha ach thairis sin, ní mór saoire thaitneamhach a thairiscint ar an scála agus ar an leagan amach cuí d'fheonn ugach a thabhairt do chuairteoirí ionchasaacha Éire a roghnú.

Ainneoin rathúlacht na straitéise sa mhargadh intíre, beidh gá le hinfheistíocht inbhuanaithe le cois a dhéanamh i bhforbairt mhargaóchta agus fheidhmíochta na straitéise brandáil taithí seo as seo go ceann roinnt séasúr.

Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin

Tá an dearcadh i leith Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin thar a bheith dearfach i measc gnóthaí turasóireachta, pobail áitiúla, páirtithe leasmhara agus i measc an phobail i gcoitinne ar fud na tíre, agus tá an togra ina ghné shuntasach de straitéis Fáilte Éireann ó thaobh cúrsaí turasóireachta a forbairt ar fud chósta an larthair agus borradh a chur faoi ioncam agus faoi fhostaíochta na turasóireachta sna pobail áitiúla sin.

In 2015, rinneamar Clár Oibriúcháin Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a chur ar fáil agus a fhoilsíú d'fheonn straitéis,creat feidhmiúcháin agus clár oibre a leagan síos chun togra Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a chur i bhfeidhm go hinbhuanaithe le linn na tréimhse 2015-2019. Tá an Clár Oibriúcháin seo ar an gcéad cheann i sraith straitéisí ina ndéanfar fíos a leagan síos i dtaoibh na hoibre agus na leasuithe a dhéanfar ar Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin as seo go ceann blianta fada amach romhainn.

Cuireadh túis le brandáil agus le clár léirmhínithe Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin le linn Ráithe 3 de 2015, agus bhíothas ag súil go ndéanfaí an obair sin a thabhairt chun críche in am do shéasúr na turasóireachta 2016. Mar chuid den tionscadal áiríodh na dealbha a dearadh mar phointí granghrafadóireachta ar feadh Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, agus a cuireadh suas ar mhaithle le cuairteoirí a spreagadh chun a ngrianghraif agus a n-ábhar digiteach, a bailíodh le linn a gcuairteanna ar na láithreacha sin, a roinnt lena chéile agus ar na meáin shóisialta. Chomh maith leis sin, rinneadh painéis léirmhínithe a chur suas ag na láithreacha sin, ar a bhfuil eolas maidir leis an gceantar agus nithe is díol spéise na háite curtha ar fáil do chuairteoirí: d'fheonn ugach a thabhairt do chuairteoirí seal níos faide a chaitheamh sna sráidbhailte agus sna pobail atá lonnaithe ar chósta thiart na tíre. Fuair trí thionscadal caipítil de chuid Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin cúnamh deontais in 2015; ionad

Cuairteora Theach Solais Chionn Pháinada; Deirgimleach i gConamara (suíomh Stáisiún Raidió Marconi agus ceann scríbe Alcock & Brown) agus Ionad Cultúrtha Chonamara i Ros Muc, i gcroílár Ghaeltacht Chonamara. Táthar ag súil go ndéanfar na tionscadail sin a thabhairt chun críche in 2016, agus go gcuirfear le héagsúlacht taithí an chuairteora ar feadh Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin.

Rinneadh láithreán gréasáin trádála agus tomholtóra thiomanta Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin (www.wildatlanticway.com), a sheoladh ag deireadh mhí an Mhárta 2015, in am do shéasúr na turasóireachta. Faoi dheireadh na bliana tugadh 500,000 cuairt ar an suíomh agus d'éirigh leis an suíomh dhá dhámhachtain ghradamacha a bhaint amach ag Ócáid Dámhachtain Golden Spider in 2015. Tháinig fás as cuimse ar líon úsáideoirí láithreán mheáin shóisialta Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, inar léiríodh fás láidir ar líon na n-úsáideoirí agus na leantóirí idirnáisiúnta.

Rinne Fáilte Éireann Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a chur chun cinn ar feadh na bliana trí thuras a eagrú d'iriseoirí agus do ghníomhairí taistil ó thar lear, chomh maith le himeachtaí trádála a reáchtáil, amhail ár n-aonach trádála bliantúil Meitheal. Mar thoradh ar Chruinníú Mullaigh Domhanda maidir le Taisteal Eachtraíochta, a raibh an-rath air, rinne Fáilte Éireann ceardlann do Cheannaitheoirí Eachtraíochta agus Óige a óstáil i nGaillimh. Fuair os cionn 60 ceannaitheoir idirnáisiúnta taithí ar Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin trí shraith turas a reáchtáladh dóibh agus cuireadh clabhsúr leis na himeachtaí sin le ceardlann thar a bheith rathúil, inar ghlac 120 de pháirtithe trádála na hÉireann atá gníomhach ar Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin páirt ann.

Toisc go bhfuil an tionscnamh fós i dtús a shaoil, ní raibh an oiread sin eolais ag cuairteoirí idirnáisiúnta chun na hÉireann ar an mbranda roimh theacht dóibh, ach bhí siad tógha go mór leis an taithí a fuair siad. Dá réir sin, tugtar túis áiteanois don bhranda a chur chun cinn go hidirnáisiúnta i gcomhar le Turasóireacht Éireann, chun a chinntíú gur chun leasa agus tairbhe na turasóireachta san larthar agus sa thír trí chéile iad na hinfheistíochtaí a rinneadh go dtí seo.

Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann

I gcomhchráth lenár gcuid oibre i dtaca le branda Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a bhunú go buan, rinne Feidhmeannacht Fáilte Éireann i gcompháirtíocht le páirtithe leasmhara an tionscadail an branda nua Sean-Oirthear



na hÉireann a forbairt. De thoradh taighde tomhaltóra idirnáisiúnta a rinneadh roimhe sin agus an obair fhorbartha ar chúrsaí brandála a rinne Fáilte Éireann in 2014, rinneadh branda soiléir, tarraingteach a léiriú agus trí chomhoibriú le páirtithe trádála, forbraíodh bonn láidir, air a bhféadfaí an branda a sheoladh go hidirnáisiúnta.

Mar thoradh ar ár gcomhoibriú le páirtithe trádála, roghnaíodh cur chuige traidisiúnta scéalaíochta chun an branda a chur i láthair do chuaireoirí, chun go bhféadfaidh na cuaireoirí ceangal a dhéanamh leis na réigiún agus na ceantair a luaitear sa scéalaíocht agus ceangal a dhéanamh le cultúr, stair agus oidhreacht na hÉireann ar bhealach firéanta. Rinneadh ceardlanna a dhearadh agus a reáchtáil ar feadh na bliana chun tacú leis na gnóthaí turasóireachta atá lonnaithe in Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann, chun a scéal féin a forbairt ar bhealach tarraingteach, uathúil a dhéanfadh cuaireoirí idirnáisiúnta a mhealladh. Trí na forbairtí sin ar fad rinneadh creat scéalaíochta Do Shean-Oirthear na hÉireann a chruthú.

Rinneadh an branda a sheoladh do 400 ceannaitheoir taistil idirnáisiúnta in am do shéasúr turasóireachta 2016. Mar chuid den seoladh, rinneadh Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann a chur i láthair d'obreoíri thar lear a bhí i mbun a gcuid clár féin a phleanáil do 2016, agus tugadh léargas dóibh ar an togra roimh, le linn agus tar éis an imeachta trí thuras eolais agus cuir i láthair a reáchtáil. Seachas an t-imeacht ríthábhachtach sin, rinne Fáilte Éireann togra Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann a léiriú do 270 ionadaí de na meáin ó 14 thír éagsúla agus do 300 ceannaitheoir le cois le linn na bliana.

Rinneadh obair shuntasach ar straitéis dhigiteach agus mhargaíochta thogra Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann a forbairt in 2015, inar glacadh ar láimh le líon tionscadal chun scannán físe agus fomhánn a choimeád a dhéanfaí a úsáid i margainocht an bhranda.

Chun cuidiú le cuaireoirí dul i dtáithí ar ghníomhaíochtaí an bhranda, rinne Fáilte Éireann infheistiú i gclár nua comharthaíochta. Tá na comharthaí deartha chun cuidiú leis an gcuaireoir eolas a fháil ar an réimse leathan nithe is díol spéise atá lonnaithe i réigiún ar leith, cur le líon na dtionscnamh croisfiola ar fud an réigiún agus cuaireoirí a chumasú chun a mbealach féin a phleanáil agus a dhéanamh níos éasca. Fuarhas toradh an-dearfach i leith na comharthaíochta sa taighde a rinneadh i measc na dtomholtóirí idirnáisiúnta. Chomh maith le comharthaíocht an togra féin, rinneadh comharthaíocht teorann contae a forbairt chomh maith. Déanfar an dá chineál comharthaíochta a chur suas ina ionláine le linn 2016.





Rinne Fáilte Éireann an maioniú suntasach €2.3m a chur ar fáil faoina scéim 'New Ideas in Ancient Spaces' chun tacú leis an mbranda in 2015. Bhain cúig thionscadal fichead ar fud Sean-Oirtear na hÉireann tairbhe as an scéim, a bhí deartha chun cuidiú le gníomhaíochtaí agus le himeachtaí taitneamhacha a forbairt agus a bheidh oiriúnach do chuairteoirí agus a dhéanfaidh príomhghnéithe bhranda Sean-Oirtear na hÉireann a chur ar fáil.

Is léir go bhfuil ag éirí go maith leis an mbranda nua ó na táscairí luatha a fuaireamar ó thomholtóirí agus ó lucht trádála ar fud ár bpriomh-mhargáí, agus le hinfeistíocht inbhuanaithe táimid muiníneach go n-éireoidh leis an mbranda cúrsaí turasóireachta a athrú agus réigiún turasóireachta a dhéanamh de réigiún nach ndéanann cuairteoirí mórán fán iontu faoi láthair.

Athchóiriú Bhaile Átha Cliath

Tá Baile Átha Cliath ina chuid lárnach do thairiscint turasóireachta na hÉireann, a mheallann na cuairteoirí sin ar mian leo tréimhse a chaitheamh i gcathair bhríomhar, fhuinníúil nó iadsan ar mian leo blaiseadh a fháil de shaol na cathrach agus tuaithe araon. Tá dhá cheist le réiteach ag Baile Átha Cliath agus cúrsaí turasóireachta á bhforbairt: acmhainn chóiríochta agus íomhá na cathrach.

In Deireadh Fómhair, 2015, chomhoibrigh Fáilte Éireann lena páirtithe trádála ar dhá thionscnamh. Rinneadh measúnú neamhspleách a choimisiúnú ar na riachtanais chóiríochta a bheidh ann do chuairteoirí amach anseo, chun an infheistíocht a dhéanfar amach anseo a threorú agus aon bhacainní a bheidh ann a ainmniú. Tabharfar an measúnú chun críche in 2016.

In 2015 chomh maith, rinne Fáilte Éireann branda nua do Bhaile Átha Cliath a sheoladh: ('Dublin. A Breath of Fresh Air'), i gcomhar le feachtas margáiochta a bhí dirithe ar an gcathair a chur in oiriúint mar cheann scribe turasóireachta do mhargadh na Breataine Móire, na Gearmáine agus na Fraince, chomh maith le feachtas a bhunú do ghníomhaíochtaí a reáchtálfar lasmuigh i mBaile Átha Cliath.

D'eascair an branda as athbhreithniú sonrach a rinne an togra Grow Dublin Taskforce ar bhranda reatha Bhaile Átha Cliath, grúpa comhoibríoch na hEarnála Poiblí/ Príobháidí a bhunaigh Fáilte Éireann. Ghlac an togra Grow Dublin Tourism Alliance, a tháinig i gcomharba

ar an tascfhórsa, leis an bhfreagrácht i leith feidhmiú céimneach a dhéanamh ar an mbranda nua in 2015.

I gcomhthráth leis sin, lean Fáilte Éireann ar aghaidh lena gcuid oibre i dtaobh taithí an chuairteora ar Bhaile Átha Cliath a fheabhsú le linn 2015, inar dírfodh go dian ar 4 phríomhthéama: A City of Wit & Words; The Living Bay; Extraordinary Days & Happening Nights; agus Dublin Stories Hidden & Untold.

Mar chuid den tsraith: Dublin Stories Hidden & Untold, rinne Fáilte Éireann i gcompháirtíocht le Comhairle Cathrach Bhaile Átha Cliath, forbairt leanúnach ar an Dubline, slí threorach a théann trí chroílár na cathrach agus a dhéanann éascaíocht ar na bealaí atá ann na suíomhanna agus na nithe is díol spéise is spéisiúla sa chathair a bhaint amach. Rinne Fáilte Éireann aip shoghluaiste nua a sheoladh ina n-áirítear ceithre shlí siúil féin-treoraithe ina gceadaítear do chuairteoirí scéalta Bhaile Átha Cliath a fhiorsú agus a aimsiú. Thairis sin, cuireadh 12 phainéil nua eolais in airde ar feadh an Dubline, chun turas an chuairteora ina ionmláine a fheabhsú.

D'fhoinn taithí an chuairteora a fheabhsú thairis sin agus cur chun cinn an togra a fheabhsú i measc ghnólachtaí trádála Bhaile Átha Cliath, rinneadh dhá grúpa thionscláiocha a chruthú. Dublin's Northside Attractions: ina n-áirítear 11 ghnó a d'oibrigh le chéile chun slí nua a forbairt do Bhaile Átha Cliath agus an grúpa Adventure Dublin: ina n-áirítear 15 sholáthraí gníomhaíochta ón gcathair agus ón gcontae a dhéanann an réimse leathan gníomhaíochtaí lasmuigh atá ar fáil i mBaile Átha Cliath a chur chun cinn.

Thacaigh Fáilte Éireann go leanúnach le félte mhóra Bhaile Átha Cliath a forbairt, le linn an tseachshéasúir go mór mhór, mar bhealach chun líon ard cuairteoirí a mhealladh chun na cathrach. Tá an forbairt leanúnach atá á déanamh ar Fhéilire Fhléilte Bhaile Átha Cliath an-tábhachtach agus rinneadh félte rathúla a reáchtáil dá bharr amhail: Féile Bram Stoker, Féile na hAthbhliana agus Tradfest. Cuireadh roinnt imeachtaí nua in áirithe ar fhéilire fhéilte 2015, ina measc an Dublin Gallery Weekend.

Ó thaobh cúrsaí digiteacha de, d'éirigh le Fáilte Éireann an sprioc a bhí leagtha síos do 2015 a shárú, ina ndearna 2.2m duine cuairt a thabhairt ar VisitDublin.com, láithreán gréasáin tiomanta do Bhaile Átha Cliath. Tháinig fás as cuimse ar ár bpobail mheáin shóisialta



chomh maith, le hionann is 12m gníomhaíocht cláraithe ar fud na n-ardán sóisialta éagsúil ar fad.

Ar deireadh, bhí ár gclár gníomhaíochta tionscail ina dhlúthchuid dár straitéis agus d'oirbriugh Fáilte Éireann go dlúth le gnótháí aonair, grúpaí turasóireachta agus le grúpaí eile ag a bhfuil tionchar, ina n-áirítear tionscnaimh a dhéanann cultúr comhoibrithe níos fearr a chothú trí shraith imeachtaí líonraithe agus cruinnithe fainseise, a mheall os cionn 1,200 ball d'eagraíochtaí trádála Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Fearann an Locha

Le linn 2015, rinne Fáilte Éireann athbhreithniú straitéiseach a choimisiúnú ar réigiún Fhearann an Locha, le tacáiocht ó phríomhghrúpaí tionscail agus ó pháirtithe leasmhara, d'fhonn deis d'fhás inbhuanaithe a ainmniú, a bhaifidh an leas is fearr is féidir as an bhforbairt a dhéanfar ar an gceantar amach anseo. Tabharfar an obair chun críche in 2016, agus d'fhéadfadh athmheasúnú bunúsach ar an tairiscint turasóireachta a bheith mar thoradh air sin, agus ag brath ar mheasúnú margáiochta d'fhéadfadh go ndéanfaí forbairt bhereise i réimse na mbrandaí turasóireachta.

I gcomhthráth leis an athbhreithniú sin, cuireadh túis le dhá fheachtas margáiochta intíre le linn 2015 (samhradh agus fómhar), inar díródh ar theaghlaigh agus ar thaistealaithe óga; mar thoradh, bhí gnótháí ar leith ag tuairisciú fás ar líon na gcuairteoirí i gcaitheamh na bliana. Reáchtáladh roinnt tionscnamh idirnáisiúnta, ina ndearnadh slatiascaireacht sa réigiún a chur chun cinn, rinneadh tagairt don tionscnamh ar Sky Sports agus cuireadh áit in áirithe do rannpháirtithe an togra ag na gcomórtas slatiascaireachta idirnáisiúnta 'World Pairs' sa Ríocht Aontaithe.

Cuireadh réimse nua ábhar margáiochta nuashonraithe don cheantar ar fáil in 2015, a dáileadh ar chuairteoirí trí Lónra na hOifige Eolais do Thurasóirí, agus rinneadh an aip nua 'Lakelands Treasure' a phorbairt agus a sheoladh chomh maith in 2015, inar cuireadh eolas do chuairteoirí ar fáil i dtaoibh cóiríochta, soláthraithe bia agus eolas maidir le os cionn 30 de na nithe is díol spéise sa cheantar.

Fás as Cuimse i dTurasóireacht Ghnó agus Imeachtaí

Tá an Turasóireacht Ghnó agus Imeachtaí ina dhlúthchuid thábhachtach do thionscal na turasóireachta ina ionláine, le tortaí atá go láidir os cionn an rméain,

ina n-áirítear cuairteoirí le linn an tseachshéasúr agus fás réigiúnach san earnáil. Le linn 2015, bhí tionchar suntasach ag foireann Imeachtaí agus Ghnó Fáilte Éireann ar chúrsaí turasóireachta gnó, ina ndearna an foireann líon suntasach comhdhálacha idirnáisiúnta a dhearbhú d'Éirinn, chomh maith leis na tuairiscí nua a aimsíodh maidir le gnótháí a bhunófar amach anseo.

Le linn na bliana, d'éirigh go rathúil le Fáilte Éireann os cionn 500 tuairisc maidir le gnó turasóireachta idirnáisiúnta a ainmniú agus a aimsiú, ina ndearnadh luach €128m i gcomhdhálacha a dhearbhú d'Éirinn, as seo go ceann 5 bliana.

Bhí an-chuid beartaithe ó thaobh na turasóireachta gnó (tairiscintí sa tsíul) freisin ag deireadh na bliana 2015, agus comhdhálacha idirnáisiúnta go dtí an bhliain 2024 ann a bhféadfadh deis a bheith ag Éirinn iad a bhuanach agus arb fhiú €750m iad.

Le linn na bliana, rinne Fáilte Éireann i gcomhar le Turasóireacht Éireann, 38 bpriomhimeacht a eagrú ar bhonn domhanda chun tacú le gnótháí na hÉireann bualadh le ceannaitheoirí MICE (cruinnithe, dreasachtaí, comhdhálacha agus imeachtaí) ó thar lear.

Le linn 2015, rinneadh an feachtas thar a bheith rathúil 'Meet in Ireland 2015' a chur i gcrích, le 111 de na pleánálaithe cruinnithe idirnáisiúnta is cumasaí, a thríall ar Éirinn chun taithí a fháil ar ár dtáirge gnó turasóireachta. Le linn na gcúig lá a chaith siad in Éirinn (inar áiríodh cuairteanna ar shuíomhanna i mBaile Átha Cliath agus ar feadh Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin), ghlac na ceannaitheoirí ó thar lear páirt sa chruinniú corporáide idirnáisiúnta agus sa cheardlann dreasachta ba mhó riámh a reáchtáladh in Éirinn. Bhí tuairim is 100 de sholáthraithe turasóireachta gnó na hÉireann páirteach sa cheardlann leis na ceannaitheoirí, inar áiríodh óstáin mhóra na tíre, ionaid agus comhlacthaí bainistíochta ceann scríbe. Ar deireadh, léirigh 90% de na ceannaitheoirí idirnáisiúnta (i suirbhé a dearndadh roimh imeacht dóibh) go mbeidís sásta a gcuid cruinnithe féin a reáchtáil in Éirinn le linn na chéad dá bhliain amach romhainn.

Chomh maith leis sin, d'eagraigh agus thacaigh ár bhfoireann gnó & imeachtaí le 145 suíomh a scrúdú do chliaint a raibh sé ar intinn acu Éire a roghnú d'imeacht idirnáisiúnta ar leith, le ráta tionsaithe 80%.



Bhí bliain mhaith ag an bhfoireann Event Ireland chomh maith; bunaíodh Event Ireland in 2014 chun tairiscintí a dhéanamh ar imeachtaí idirnáisiúnta, inar éirigh leo ráthaíocht a fháil i leith naoi n-imeacht móra idirnáisiúnta a reáchtálfar in Éirinn as seo go ceann roinnt blianta, inar áiríodh Craobhchomórtas Chrosógaíocht an Domhain faoi 19, Craobhchomórtas JKA Karate na hEorpa, an Venture Cup agus Craobhchomórtas Bhoghdóireacht Faiche an Domhain. Rinne foireann Event Ireland urraíocht thábhachtach a chur ar fáil don Boston College Classic chomh maith, ina mbeidh Boston College i gcomórtas le Georgia Tech, a reáchtálfar i Meán Fómhair 2016. Ina ionmláine, bhí foireann Event Ireland freagach as 90,000 oíche a chur san áireamh d'earnáil chóiríochta turasóireachta na téire, ar luach tuairim is €11m.

An Margadh Intíre

Thacaíomar le Discover Ireland agus leis an bhfeachtas #thisisliving, a chur chun cinn arís i mbliana, trínár bhfeachtas mhargaíochta intíre a reáchtáladh ar feadh na bliana. Leithdháileadh €2.9m ar an mbuiséad ina ionmláine in 2015.

Dhírigh an feachtas ar na hionchais ab fhéarr sa mhargadh intíre, roghnaíodh trí réimse ar leith a bhain leis an lucht féachana a bhí faoi chaibidil agus úsáideadh an raidió, na meáin, léiriúchán ar líne agus compháirtíochtaí chomh maith le huirlísí na meán sóisialta chun Éire a chur chun cinn. Tháinig ardú 5% ar na cuairteanna a tugadh ar DiscoverIreland.ie bliain i ndiaidh bliana, agus tháinig ardú le cois 66% ar lucht leanúna leathanach Facebook na heagraíochta.

Chomh maith leis sin, rinneadh Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a chur chun cinn sa mhargadh intíre trí fheachtas pictiúrlainne a eagraíodh san Earrach, agus ina dhiaidh sin, trí fheachtas digiteach a reáchtáladh i nDeireadh Fómhair, 2015. Rinneadh deiseanna poiblíochta nuálacha a aimsiú chomh maith, inar áiríodh compháirtíochta le Ryan Tubridy agus le 2FM, ina ndearnadh turas a tógadh ar Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin a chraoladh ar an stáisiún ar feadh seachtaire.

An Tionscnamh Tacaíochta

Ar cheann de na gnéithe is tábhactaí a bhaineann leis an tseirbhís a dhéanaimid a thairiscint, tá na tacáiochtaí atá deartha go speisialta do gnóthaí chun a chinntí go mbeidh ar chumas fiontaí thurasóireachta tairbhe a bhaint as na deiseanna a dhéanann ár mbrandaí gnó agus caithimh aimsire a thairiscint. In 2015, rinne

Fáilte Éireann réimse éagsúil tacaíochtaí a chur ar fáil do ghnóthaí turasóireachta ar fud na téire. Bhí formhór mór na dtacaíochtaí dírithe go príomha ar chumas díolachán, digiteach agus margáíochta na n-oibreoirí turasóireachta a fheabhsú, go mór mhór i gcomhthéacs a gcion den mhargadh idirnáisiúnta a fhás. Cuireadh tacaíochtaí meantóireachta ar fáil go díreach do ghnóthaí agus rinneadh réimse tacaíochtaí oiliúna (ar líne agus duine ar dhuine) a bhain le cursaí digiteacha agus díolacháin a chur ar fáil d'os cionn 24,005 fostáí turasóireachta.

D'fhreastail tuairim is 171 ghnó ar ár gCeardlanna Ioncaim agus Leithdháilte in 2015. Chláraig 24.005 duine lenár seimineáir gréasáin agus lenár bpodchraoltaí díolachán agus digiteacha. Chomh maith leis sin, d'fhreastail 1,450 oibreoir ar cheardlanna foirmiúla maidir le hábhair dhigiteacha agus díolachán.

Rinne Fáilte Éireann deiseanna trádála a chur ar fáil le ceannaitheoirí ó thar lear chomh maith, inar ghlac 240 gnó as Éirinn páirt i ngníomhaíochtaí díolacháin margáíochta ag 40 imeacht éagsúil sna Stáit Aontaithe, sa Ghearmáin, sa Bhreatain Mhór, san Ísiltír, sa Fhrainc, i gCeanada, sa Spáinn, sna Margaí Forbartha agus san Iodáil.

Rinneadh ardáin díolachán agus ceardlanna a chur ar fáil in Éirinn chomh maith, ina ndearnadh deiseanna díolachán a chur ar fáil trí 20,420 coinne aonair a eagrú do 893 bhall Tionscal na hÉireann.

Trínár gclár Poiblíochta Idirnáisiúnta, rinneadh cursaí taistil a dhearadh, a óstáil agus a bhainistiú do 1,271 bhall de na meáin as 20 margadh ar leith, i gcomhar le Turasóireachta Éireann. Dhírigh na cursaí taistil ar á mbrandaí turasóireachta: Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, Sean-Oirtear na hÉireann agus ar Bhaile Átha Cliath, chomh maith le diríú ar chúrsaí bhia na hÉireann.

Leis an taighde agus an obair bheartais a rinneamar in 2015, áiríodh an rianaire branda a tugadh isteach, ina ndírítear ar thrí bhranda turasóireachta na hÉireann: Baile Átha Cliath, Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin agus Sean-Oirtear na hÉireann. Le haidhmeanna an staidéir áiríodh tuiscintní b'fhearr ar mhealltacht na mbrandaí agus an tábhacht a bhain leis an bpobal a chur ar an eolas ina dtaobh.

Chomh maith leis sin, tugadh réimse suirbhéanna agus tionscadal léargas chun críche le linn na bliana, chun cuidiú le cuntas a choinneáil ar fheidhmíocht an



tionscail agus ar cé chomh sásta a bhí na cuairteoirí leis na tréimhsí a chaith siad in Éirinn. Eagraíodh agallaimh duine ar dhuine le 7,000 cuairteoir ó thar lear roimh fágáil dóibh, an tionscadal ba mhó a d'eagraíomar go dtí sin. Ó thaobh cursaí trádála de, rinneamar suirbhéanna cóirfocha áitíochta agus táscairí feidhmíochta séasúracha ar bhonn míosúil.

In 2015, lean Fáilte Éireann ar aghaidh ag infheistíú i mbonneagar turasóireachta, inar leithdháileadh €6.6m maoiniú deontais caipítel ar 31 thionscadal. Inar infheistíodh €2.5m sa Ulysses Centre, i dTeach Newman ar Fhaiche Stiabhma, ionad nua liteartha do chuaireoirí, chomh maith leis an €750,000 a deonaíodh ar Ionad Cultúrtha Chonamara trí Údarás na Gaeltachta. Chomh maith leis sin, leithdháileadh tuairim is €2.2m ar 25 thionscadal de chuid Sean-Oirthean na hÉireann tríd an Scéim Deontas Beag. Leithdháileadh os cionn €1m ar ceithre thionscadal eile: Cionn Mhálanna, Ionad Seirbhísí Gníomhaíochta na Mala Raithní, Ionad Mara agus Sráidbháile Tréigthe Acla agus Teach Solais Fhánada.

Tugadh faomhadh do dheontais dar luach €2.7m le 31 fhéile mhóra faoi Chlár Imeachtaí Rannpháirtíocha agus Fhéilte Náisiúnta Fáilte Éireann in 2015. Mar a bhí amhlaidh sna blianta atá caite, bronnadh €1 milliún ar Fhéile Mhór Naomh Pádraig, an deontas is mó a bronnadh ar aon fhéile riamh roimhe sin ná ó shin. Leanamar lenár gcuid oibre i dtaca le dhá fhéile nua a chur ar a gcosa agus a fhás: Féile na hAthbhliana i mBaile Átha Cliath agus Féile Bram Stoker, agus leas á bhaint as a gcumas cuairteoirí a mhealladh le linn na tréimhsí seachséasúir.

Seachas na himeachtaí mórscaíla amháin, thug Fáilte Éireann tacaíocht airgeadais do 188 bhfáile réigiúnach trí dheontas €569,000. Ag tógáil ar 2013, bliain an Tóstail, lean Fáilte Éireann ar aghaidh lena compháirtíocht le IPB Insurance, inar cuireadh maoiniú €1m ar fáil chun tacú le hoidhreacht an Tóstail trí thacaíocht a thairiscint do 350 féile agus imeacht pobalbhunaithe.

Ar deireadh, d'infheistigh Fáilte Éireann €3.8m in oideachas turasóireachta, oliúint agus i dtaighde fheidhmithe in 2016, trí na hInstitiúid Teicneolaíochta, na Boird Oideachais agus Oiliúna agus trí na Scoileanna Cócaireachta, inar éirigh le 1,561 mac léinn agus le 650 céimí maoiniú a fháil le linn na bliana.

Conclúid

Ag druidim le deireadh bliana a raibh an-rath uirthi ó thaobh na turasóireachta di, ba mhór an cathú é buíochas a ghlacadh linn féin, seasamh siar agus scíth a thógáil, leis an tsúil go mbeidh an bhliain seo chugainn chomh tairbhiúil céanna. Tá turasóireacht na hÉireann áfach, fós ag brath go mór ar imeachtaí seachtracha. Féadfaidh luaineachtaí sna margáil airgeadra agus eachtraí idirnáisiúnta tionchair mhóra gan aon tsúil leo a imirt ar chúrsaí taistil an domhain agus cursaí a athrú ar iompú do bhoise.

Ar an gcúis sin, tá se riachtanach go ndéanaimid na tosca sin atá ar ár gcumas a rialú, a bhainistíú go leanúnach. Le béim ar iomaíochas, ar imeachtaí spleodracha agus spéisiúla a chur ar fáil do chuaireoirí agus ar bhealaí atá níos fearr chun dul i gcion ar an margadh ar líne. Leanfaidh Fáilte Éireann ag comhoibriú lenár bpáirtithe go leor eile san earnáil chun a chinntíú go mbeidh fás marthanach agus síoraí ar fud na tire agus ar feadh na bliana.

Ar thaobh pearsanta de, is é seo mo Thuarascáil Bhliantúil deiridh mar Phríomhfeidhmeannach ar Fáilte Éireann, toisc go bhfuil sé ar intinn agam éirí as ag deireadh na bliana 2016. Ó ghlac mé leis na ról seo in 2003, is iomáí sin suas agus anuas atá feicthe ag earnáil na turasóireachta, ó laethanta móra an Tíogair Cheiltigh go dtí an ghéarchéim is tubaistí i gcuimhne na ndaoine, agus an téarnamh a tháinig go mall, réidh ina dhiaidh sin.

I gcaitheamh an ama sin, tá athruithe móra déanta ar struchtúr agus ar leagan amach eagraíocht Fáilte Éireann. Bhí gá leis na hathruithe sin chun a chinntíú go raibh an eagraíocht in acmhainn dul i ngleic le riachtanais athraitheacha chliaint an tionscail. Tugtar léargas dúinn ar an gcultúr atá anois i réim i bhFáilte Éireann trí chumas na heagraíochta dul i dtaithí ar chúinsí athraitheacha gan mórán stró. Sa chomhthéacs sin, ba mhian liom aitheantas foirmiúil a thabhairt do thiomantas, ghairmiúlacht agus do sholúbthacht mo chomhghleacaithe i bhFáilte Éireann le linn an ama sin.

Shaun Quinn - An Phríomhfeidhmeannagh

Turasóireacht 2015

An Bhliain i

- Tháinig os cionn 8m cuairteoir chun na hÉireann in 2015, a léiríonn fás 13%
- Tháinig fás tuairim is 19% go €4.3bn ar thuillimh eachtracha, ardú ionann is €670m.
- Measadh ag 9.1 milliún an líon turas a thóg muintir na hÉireann.
- Tháinig ardú 1% go €1.7bn ar chaiteachas mhuintir na hÉireann in Éirinn.
- Measadh go raibh 139,900 duine fostaithe sna hearnálacha cóiríochta agus seirbhísí bia in 2015, léirigh meastacháin Fáilte Éireann agus an

7.1% a bhí fostaithe ina ionmláine go raibh 205,000 duine fostaithe san earnáil turasóireachta ina hiomláine le linn na bliana (nuair a tógadh comhdhálacha, nithe is díol spéise agus féilte san áireamh).

- Tugadh faomhadh i leith deontas do 31 fhéile mhóra faoin gClár Imeachtaí Rannpháirtíochta agus Féilte Náisiúnta in 2015, le buiséad €2.7m.
- Chomh maith leis sin, thug Fáilte Éireann tacaíocht airgeadais do 188 bhféile réigiúnacha dar luach €569,000.



bhFigíúirí

- Lean Fáilte Éireann lena hinfheistíocht imbonneagar turasóireachta le os cionn €6.5m maoiniú caipitil in 2015, inar áiríodh na tionscadail in Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann.
- D'aithin agus ghní aonad turasóireachta gnó Fáilte Éireann breis is 500 deis gnó idirnáisiúnta a bhféadfadh sé gur fiú suas le €128m iad don gheilleagar.
- In 2015, rinne Fáilte Éireann 24,005 thacaíocht ghnó agus ionchur oiliúna a chur ar fáil do 17,163 ghnó, a bhí deartha chun a n-acmhainn díolachán agus dhigiteach a fheabhsú. Chomh maith leis sin, bhain 6,842 fhostaí

turasóireachta tairbhe as réimse clár Bainistíochta agus Forbartha Scileanna trínár rannán Caighdeán agus Fáilteachais.

- Thug Fáilte Éireann faoi chomhpháirtíocht le IPB Insurance inar chuir an dá dhream maoiniú €1 milliún an ceann ar fáil agus lenar tacaíodh le 685 imeacht de chuid An Tionól.



Ráiteas Corparáideach

Don bliain dar chríoch 31 Nollaig 2015

Rialachas Corparáideach

Tacaíonn agus aontaíonn Fáilte Éireann leis na caighdeáin rialachais chorparáidigh is airde agus déanann an eagraíocht na prionsabail infheidhmithe agus na treoirlínte a mhínítear sa Chód Cleachtas maidir le Rialachas Comhlacthaí Stáit a chomhlíonadh.

Comhionannas

Is fostóir comhdheiseanna í Fáilte Éireann. Déanann an eagraíocht an reachtaíocht iomchuí chomhionannais ar fad a chur i bhfeidhm.

Sábháilteacht, Sláinte agus Leas

Rinneadh leas fostaithe agus oiliúnaithe na heagraíochta a chosaint trí na caighdeáin sábháilteachta agus sláinte a chomhlíonadh go beacht. Tá an túdarás sásta go gcomhlíonann na eagraíocht forálacha an Acharta um Shábháilteacht Sláinte agus Leas ag an Obair, 2005.

Saoráil Faisnéise

Sa tréimhse atá faoi athbhreithniú, fuair Fáilte Éireann 21 iarratas faoi reachtaíocht Saorála Faisnéise.

Gníomhaíocht Oiliúna 2014 agus 2015

Don bliain dar chríoch 31 Nollaig 2015

	2014	2015
Na Cláir Tionscail-bhunaithe (Tacaíochtaí Gnó / Fáilteachais & Caighdeán)	16,931	24,005
Na Cláir Coláiste-bhunaithe	1,373	1,355
An Móriomlán	<hr/> 18,304	<hr/> 25,360

Na Comhaltaí Údaráis 2015



Michael Cawley
Chairman



Gerard Barron



Susan Bergin



Francis Brennan



Jim Deegan



Gina Murphy*



Brigid Halligan-Neville



Noel Kavanagh*



Mary Kerins



Mary Rose Stafford



Frankie Sheahan*



Ciáran O Gaora*



Margaret Ryan

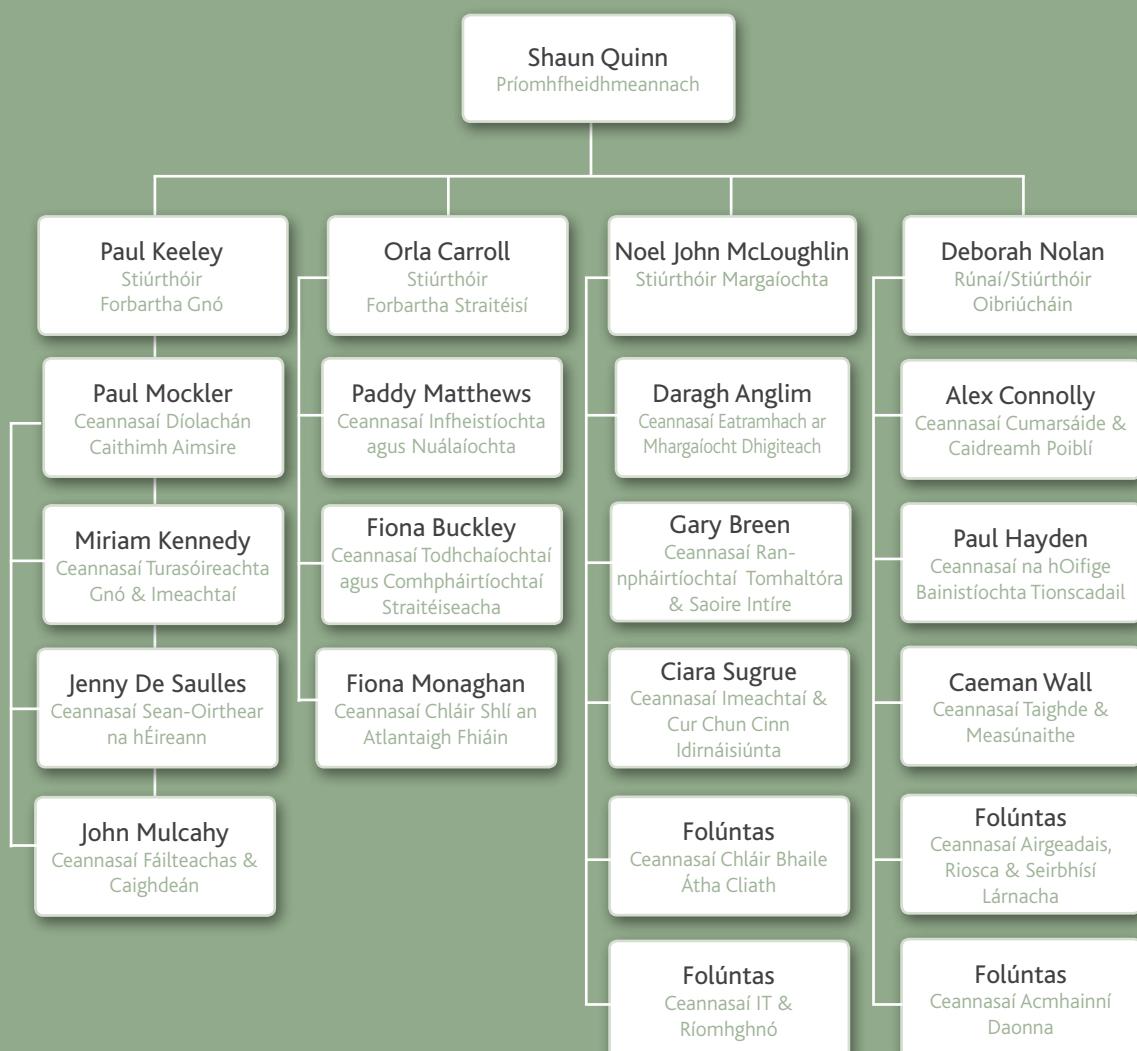
Tinreamh na gComhaltaí ag Cruinnithe Údaráis in 2015

Reáchtáil an tÚdarás sé chruinniú le linn 2015.

Comhalta	Líon na gCruinnithe a ndearnadh freastal orthu	Comhalta	Líon na gCruinnithe a ndearnadh freastal orthu
Michael Cawley (Chair)	6	Mary Kerins	4
Gerard Barron	6	Gina Murphy*	6
Susan Bergin	6	Ciarán Ó'Gaora*	4
Francis Brennan	6	Margaret Ryan	6
Jim Deegan	6	Frankie Sheahan*	5
Brigid Halligan-Neville	5	Mary Rose Stafford	4
Noel Kavanagh*	5		
Noel Kavanagh*	Athcheaptha sa Bhealtaine	Ciaran O'Gaora*	Athcheaptha sa Bhealtaine
Gina Murphy*	Athcheaptha sa Bhealtaine	Frankie Sheahan*	Athcheaptha sa Bhealtaine

Struchtúr na Roinne

Nollaig 2015



Na hUimhreacha Turasóireachta 2012 - 2015

Uimhreacha (000s) (loncam €mn)	2012	2013 ¹	2014	2015	% change 15 vs 14
An Bhreatain	2,722	2,870	3,007	3,346	+11
	857.9	890.9	926.7	1,017.9	+10
Mór-roinn na hEorpa	2,247	2,346	2,490	2,880	+16
	1,060.5	1,228.2	1,301.2	1,555.3	+20
Meiriceá Thuaidh	940	1,039	1,146	1,294	+13
	745.7	829.0	940.3	1,199.7	+28
An chuid eile den Domhan	378	431	462	516	+12
	291.6	367.7	428.1	492.6	+15
Iomlán Thar Lear	6,286	6,686	7,105	8,036	+13
	2,955.8	3,315.7	3,596.4	4,265.3	+19
Tuaisceart Éireann ²	1,299	1,572	1,708	1,492	-13
	292.3	304.5	334.4	351.2	+5
Fáltais Iompróra ³	856.0	976.0	1,166.0	1,322.0	+13
Cuairteanna same-lá Thar Lear	34.0	35.0	41.0	38.0	+/-7
 TUILLIMH AIRGEADRA EACHTRACH IOMLÁN	 4,138.1	 4,631.3	 5,137.7	 5,976.5	 +16
Turais Intíre ⁴	8,291	8,413	8,991	9,125	+1
Turais Intíre	1,514.2	1,533.0	1,713.5	1,725.3	+1
 IONCAM TURASÓIREACHTA IOMLÁN	 5,652.3	 6,164.3	 6,851.2	 7,701.8	 +12

¹ Leasú Mártá 2014

² Leasú leis an NISRA Bealtaine 2015, Rátaí airgeadra Euro 2011 – 0.86788, 2012 – 0.81087 Foinse: Banc Ceannais na hÉireann

³ Fáltais Iompróra 2012 leasaithe Mártá 2014 - 2013 leasaithe Mártá 2015

⁴ Sonraí intíre 2012-2015 leasaithe leis an CSO in 2016

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Forléargas ar Úsáid Fuinnimh in 2015

Ag deireadh mhí na Nollag, 2015, bhí 330 ball foirne agus 50 struchtúr maoine faoi chúram Fáilte Éireann: ina n-áirítéar 7 bhfoigneamh atá os cionn 500m² (is struchtúr liostaithe/atá faoi chosaint 3 cinn díobh, tá 11 d'fhoirgnimh Fáilte Éireann ina n-iomláine áirithe ina n-áitribh liostaithe). Mar thoradh, le héileamh fuinnimh na heagraíochta áirítéar soláthar a chur ar fáil do 9 n-oifig riarrachán (ina n-áirítéar an Cheanncheathrú i mBaile Átha Cliath), 32 Oifig Eolais do Thurasóirí (TIO), 4 Mhúsaem agus 5 fhoigneamh eile.

Mar a tuairiscíodh in 2016, trí chóras Tuairiscithe & Monatóireachta fuinnimh (M&R), Chumann Fhuinneamh Inbhuanaithe na hÉireann (SEAI), rinne Fáilte Éireann 2,306.19 MWh fuinnimh a ídiú in 2015, ina raibh:

- 1,705.34 MWh leictreachas
- 600.84 MWh breosláí iontase;
- 471.83 MWh gás nádúrtha
- 14.71 MWh LPG
- 114.31 MWh ceirisín.

Rinne Fáilte Éireann tuairisc i leith an 2,794.89 MWh fuinnimh a úsáideadh do 2014 ar an gcóras SEAI M&R; léiríonn úsáid 2015 laghdú 17.49% ina iomláine ar úsáid fhuinneamh na heagraíochta ó 2014 go 2015, a mhiondealaitear mar a leanas:

- 370.54 MWh níos lú leictreachas úsáidte, laghdú 17.8% ar úsáid leictreachas 2014, (ina léirítéar 75.8% den laghdú fuinnimh ina iomláine ó 2014 go 2015).
- Laghdú 118.16 MWh sna breosláí iontase a úsáideadh (a léiríonn 24.18% den laghdú fuinnimh ina iomláine), nó laghdú 16.4% ar na breosláí iontase a úsáideadh in 2014, ina gcuimsítear:
 - Laghdú 111.59 ar úsáid gháis nádúrtha, a léiríonn sábháil 18.65% ar an méid gáis a úsáideadh in 2014
 - Ardú 8.56 MWh ar úsáid gháis peitriliam leachtaithe ag Túr Yeats sa Ghort. Tá an t-ardú 139% sin ar úsáid na bliana 2014 mar thoradh ar

athoscailt an Túir in 2015, a rinne grúpa oibrithe deonacha áitiúla a eagrú do Chomóradh 150 bliain ar shaol Yeats. Is foigneamh Gael-Normannach ón 15ú haois is ea an túr

- Ardú 9.65 MWh ar úsáid Cheirisín, a léiríonn ardú 9.2% ar 2014 de bharr sheandéanamh an dá fhoigneamh atá téite le Ceirisín
 - Laghdú 16.22 MWh ar úsáid ola gáis, sábháil 100% ar 2014.
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- Chomh maith leis na tairbhí comhshaoil a ghabhann leis na 488.70 MWh fuinnimh a sábháladh ó 2014 go 2015, d'éirigh le Fáilte Éireann €65,558 (gan CBL a áireamh) a shábháil ar a sonraisc fuinnimh in 2015, a léiríonn 18% de bhuséad solas/teas/cumhacht na heagraíochta ina iomláine.

Na Gníomhaíochtaí a rinneadh in 2015

Tá Fáilte Éireann ar an eolas i dtaobh an sprioc 33% sábháil fuinnimh faoi 2020 atá leagtha síos ag an AE, agus déanfaidh an eagraíocht a dícheall cuidiú leis an ríaltas an sprioc sin a chomhlíonadh. In 2009, an bhliain a úsáideadh mar bhonn-tomhas, rinne Fáilte Éireann 7,341 MWh Riachtanas Fuinnimh Príomha Iomláine (TPER) a thuairisciú; in 2015, bhí an TPER laghdaithe go 4,480.5 MWh, a léiríonn laghdú 38.9% ar an bhfuinnimh a ídiodh ó 2009 i leith. Tá ardú 27.4% tagtha ar an tsábháil a baineadh amach ó 2009 go 2014, ina bhfuil an laghdú 11.5% ar úsáid fuinnimh mar chúis leis an tsábháil a rinneadh in 2015. Is féidir na sábhála sin den chuid is mó a leagan ar na tionscnaimh a leanas:

- D'aistrigh Fáilte Éireann go foignímh a bhí ní b'oiriúnaí agus ní b'éifeachtaí ó thaobh fuinnimh de in dhá láthair in 2015: Ionad Visit Dublin agus Oifig Eolais do Thurasóirí (TIO) i Luimneach. Bhí na tionchair a leanas ag an aistriú ar úsáid fuinnimh:
- Ionad Visit Dublin: rinneadh an tlonad nua 'Visit Dublin' ar 25 Sráid Suffolk a oscail an 26 Eanáir 2015. Rinneadh an TIO a aistriú ó Eaglais San Aindrias ar Shráid Suffolk go haonad níos lú le leagan amach miondfola. D'úsáid Eaglais San Aindrias 402,514 KWh fuinnimh in 2014, eaglais liostaithe ar stíl ghotach

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ón 19ú haois, le 992m² achar urláir: 173,223 kWh leictreachais agus 229,291 kWh gáis. D'úsáid an tlonad nua Visit Dublin 73,647 kWh leictreachais in 2015, sábháil 99,576 kWh leictreachais agus sábháil 229,291 kWh gáis sa bliaín.

- Oifig Eolais do Thurasóirí Luimnigh: i mí iúil 2015, d'aistríomar an TIO ó Ché Artúir (foirgneamh le Forbairt Shionainne le hachar urláir 258m²), chuir fhoirgneamh ní b'oíriúnaí i gcroílár na cathrach le hachar urláir 111m²; nach raibh ach 43% de mhéid na hoifige reatha. An dá fhoirgneamh i gcomparáid lena cheile: ó mhí Eanáir go mí an Mheithimh 2015, d'úsáid an TIO ar Ché Artúir 20,345 kWh leictreachais, cé nár úsáideamar ach 9,218 kWh leictreachais sa TIO ar Shráid Uí Chonaill ó mhí lúil go mí na Nollag 2015; sin laghdú 55% ar an méid leictreachais a úsáideadh thar thréimhse 6 mhí. Nuair a chuireamar an % sábhála sin san áireamh thar thréimhse bliana, rinneamar tuairim is 22,254 kWh leictreachais a shábháil ar feadh na bliana.
- In 2015, chuir an fhoireann TFC deireadh le 9 bhfreastalaí trína bplean cuáchóirithe crua-earraí agus ceannaíodh 3 fhreastalaí le cur ina n-ionad. Táthar ag súil go ndéanfar 31,054 kWh leictreachais sa bliaín a shábháil de thoradh an chuáchóirithe sin.
- Lean an fhoireann TFC ar aghaidh lena gclár athnuachana crua-earraí in 2015, inar baineadh 25 ríomhaire glúine agus 20 ríomhaire pearsanta as úsáid. Ceannaíodh 41 ríomhaire in ionad na 41 ríomhaire ar cuireadh deireadh leo. Táthar ag súil go ndéanfar 9,756 kWh leictreachais sa bliaín a shábháil, bunaithe ar an 1,500 uair an chloig úsáide do ríomhairí glúine agus an 6,000 uair an chloig úsáide do ríomhairí pearsanta.
- I mí na Samhna, 2015, rinne Fáilte Éireann foirgneamh folamh 73m² a dhúnadh i gCnoc Mhuire, a d'ídigh 3,789 kWh leictreachais in 2015 agus 3,691 kWh in 2014.
- Ag deireadh mhí lúil, 2015, rinne Fáilte Éireann feistiú solais lasmuigh de dhéanamh 18 x 150W LED a chur in ionad an fheistithe de dhéanamh 18 x 440W SON. Meastar go ndéanfar tuairim is 21,402 kWh sa bliaín a shábháil, ag úsáid an fhigiúir 4,100 uair an chloig in aghaidh na bliana do gach solas ó thitim na hoíche go breacadh an lae.

Na Gníomhaíochtaí atá pleanálte do 2016

In 2016, déanfaidh Fáilte Éireann iarracht tionscadail le cois a thabhairt isteach a dhéanfaidh fuinneamh a shábháil chun an méid fuinnimh a úsáideann na heagraíochtaí a laghdú. Táthar ag súil go nglacfar leis na nithe seo a leanas:

- Faoi dheireadh Ráithe 1, 2016, beidh athbhreithniú i dtaobh riachtanais soilsithe lasmuigh na heagraíochta ag an gCeanncheathrú i mBaile Átha Cliath curtha i gcrích; tá sé beartaithe go ndéanfar na soilse lasmuigh ar fad a mhúchadh ó lár mhí Aibreáin go lár mhí Dheireadh Fómhair, agus uaireanta oibre na soilse lasmuigh 17 x 150W LED a laghdú ó 4,100 uair an chloig sa bliaín go 910 uair an chloig sa bliaín. Táimid ag súil nach mbeidh gá ach le solas amháin a fhágáil lasta ar feadh 4,100 uair an chloig sa bliaín. Meastar go ndéanfaidh athrú den sórt sin tuairim is 8,135 kWh leictreachais sa bliaín a shábháil.
- Tá sé beartaithe uasghrádú a dhéanamh ar na soilse i seomra cruinnithe ar Shráid Amiens, Baile Átha Cliath, i mí na Feabhra, 2016, ina n-áireofar soilse 11 x 4.5W LED a chur in ionad na soilse 11x 50W Halaigine. Bunaithe ar úsáid 3,000 uair an chloig sa bliaín (7 ar maidin go dtí an 7 tráthnóna, 5 lá na seachtaine), meastar go ndéanfaidh an t-uasghrádú sin 1,502 kWh leictreachais sa bliaín a shábháil.
- Tá sé beataithe uasghrádú a dhéanamh ar na soilse sa fhorhalla ag ionad Discover Ireland i gCill Airne, sa Mhárta 2016. Déanfar lampáí 8 x 4.5W GU 10 a chur in ionad na spotsoilse Halaigine 8 x 50W. Bunaithe ar úsáid 3,500 uair an chloig sa bliaín (8 ar maidin go dtí an 6 tráthnóna, 7 lá na seachtaine), meastar go ndéanfaidh an t-uasghrádú sin 1,274 kWh leictreachais sa bliaín a shábháil.
- Tá sé beartaithe ag an bhfoireann TFC leanúint ar aghaidh lena clár athnuachana trí uasghrádú a dhéanamh ar 10 gcinn de sheanróimhairí glúine. Meastar go ndéanfar 518 kWh leictreachais a shábháil, bunaithe ar úsáid 1,500 uair an chloig sa bliaín.

Ráitis Airgeadais Chomhdhlúite

don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015



Ráiteas ar Fhreagrachtaí an Údaráis

Éilíonn Alt 27 den Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta 2003 ar an Údarás ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhealach a cheadóidh an tAire Iompair, Turasóireachta & Spóirt le toiliú an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe.

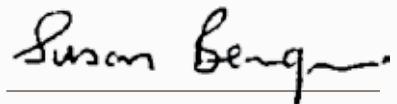
Agus na ráitis airgeadais sin á n-ullmhú, éilítéar ar an Údarás:

- beartais chuntasaíochta oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a fheidhmiú ar bhonn seasmhach;
- breithiúnais agus meastacháin a dhéanamh a bhíonn réasúnach agus ciallmhar;
- na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh, sin mura mbíonn sé mí-oiriúnach
- glacadh leis go leanfaidh Fáilte Ireland ag feidhmiú;
- aon imeachtaí ábhartha ó chaighdeáin chuntasaíochta infheidhmithe a noctadadh agus a mhíniú.

Tá an tÚdarás freagach as taifid chuntasaíochta leordhóthanacha a choinneáil a léiríonn le cruinneas réasúnach ag aon tráth staid airgeadais an Údaráis agus a chuireann ar a chumas a chinntí go gcomhlíonann na Ráitis Airgeadais Alt 27 den Acht. Tá an tÚdarás freagach chomh maith as sócmhainní Fáilte Ireland a chosaint agus as céimeanna réasúnacha a ghlacadh le cosc a chur ar chalaois agus ar neamhrialtachtaí agus iad a aimsiú.



Michael Cawley - Chairman
5ú Deireadh Fómhair 2016



Susan Bergin - Authority Member
5ú Deireadh Fómhair 2016

An Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

Tuarascáil le cur faoi bhráid Thithe an Oireachtais

An tÚdarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta

Rinne mé iniúchadh ar ráitis airgeadais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta don bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2015 faoin Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta 2003. Tá na ráitis airgeadais comhdhéanta de ráiteas an ghrúpa ar ioncam agus caiteachas, ráiteas an ghrúpa ar an staid airgeadais, ráiteas an Údarás ar an staid airgeadais, ráiteas an ghrúpa ar athruithe ar Ghnáthscaireanna, ráiteas an ghrúpa ar shreabhadh airgid agus na nótaí gaolmhara. Ullmhaíodh na ráitis airgeadais ar an mbealach a bhforordaítear faoi Dhara Sceideal an Actica agus de réir prionsabail chuntasaíochta a nglactar leo go ginearálta.

Freagrachtaí Chomhaltaí an Údarás

Tá an tÚdarás freagrach as na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú, as a chinntí go dtugann siad léargas fíor agus cothrom ar staid an ghrúpa agus ar ghnóthaí an Údarás, as a ioncam agus caiteachas, agus as rialtacht na n-idrbheart a chinntí.

Freagrachtaí an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

An fhreagracht atá orm ná iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar na ráitis airgeadais agus tuairisc a thabhairt orthu de réir dlí infheidhme.

Tugadh faoin iniúchadh de réir breithnithe speisialta a bhaineann le comhlacthaí Stáit i ndáil lena mbainistiú agus a bhfeidhmiú.

Déanaim m'iniúchadh de réir na gCaighdeán Idirnáisiúnta maidir le hIníúchadh (An Ríocht Aontaithe agus Éire) agus cloím le Caighdeán Eiticiúla d'Iníúchóirí de chuid an Bhoird Chleachtais Iníúchta.

Scóp iniúchta na ráiteas airgeadais

Le linn iniúchadh, ní mór fianaise a fháil faoi na méideanna agus na noctaí sna ráitis airgeadais, fianaise leordhóthanach a thabharfadh deimhniú réasúnta go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíráitis ábhartha, cibé acu an calaois nó earráid is cúis leo. Áirítear air sin measúnú a dhéanamh ar:

- cibé acu an bhfuil na beartais chuntasaíochta ábhartha d'imthosca an Údarás, ar cuireadh i bhfeidhm go leanúnach iad agus ar noctadadh go leordhóthanach iad
- réasúntacht na meastachán cuntasáiochta suntasach a dhéantar agus na ráitis airgeadais á n-ullmhú, agus
- cur i láthair ginearálta na ráiteas airgeadais

Lorgáim fianaise chomh maith faoi rialtacht na n-idrbheart airgeadais le linn an iniúchta.

Chomh maith leis sin, léigh mé tuarascáil bhliantúil an Údarás chun aon neamhréireachtaí ábhartha leis na ráitis airgeadais iniúchta a aithint agus chun aon eolas is cosúil atá mícheart go hábhartha bunaithe ar an eolas a fuair mé le linn an t-iniúchadh seo a chur i gcrích, nó aon eolas nach bhfuil ag teacht go hábhartha leis an eolas sin, a aithint. Má thugaim aon mhíráiteas nó neamhréireachtaí ábhartha dealraitheacha faoi deara, breithním na tionchair a bheidh acu sin ar mo thuarascáil.

Bunús leis an tuairim chálaithe ar na ráitis airgeadais

Nochtar sna ráitis airgeadais oibleagáidí sochair scoir iomlána amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015 de €244 million (2014: €242 milliún). Mar a mhínítear níos iomláine sna beartais chuntasaíochta, feidhmíonn an tÚdarás trí scéim pinsin. I ndáil le dhá cheann de na scéimeanna, aithnítear sócmhainn maoinithe socair scoir iarchurtha sna ráitis airgeadais, chun forálacha an Actica um Bearta Airgeadais (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2009 a léiriú. Áirítear san Acht ráthaíocht reachtúil go gcomhlíonfaidh an Státhiste íocaíochtaí pinsin amach anseo. Cuireadh an ráthaíocht ar fáil nuair a aistríodh na hiarmhéideanna a bhí coinnithe sna scéimeanna a maoiníodh roimhe sin chuig an gCúlchiste Náisiúnta Pinsin.

Is scéim sochair sainithe í scéim aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta (NTDA), a fheidhmítear ar bhonn íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear ó bunaíodh í in 2003. Ní raibh sí incháilithe lena cur san áireamh faoi théarmaí Actica 2009 mar gheall nach scéim mhaoinithe í. Ní aithnítear sna ráitis airgeadais sócmhainn maoinithe socair scoir iarchurtha i ndáil leis an scéim. Ghlac an tÚdarás an cur chuige seo ar an mbonn nár tugadh ráthaíocht reachtúil ná eile dó i ndáil le dliteanais na scéime amach anseo.

An Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste Tuarascáil le cur faoi bhráid Thithe an Oireachtais (ar lean)

Is é mo thuairim gur cheart sócmhainn maoinithe socair scoir iarchurtha a aithint i ndáil le scéim aoisliúntais an NTDA, de réir chleachtas chuntasaíochta a nglactar go ginearálta leis in Éirinn. Tá sin bunaithe ar

- an bhforáil reachtúil do scéim a bhunú
- cleachtas agus beartas seanbhunaithe i ndáil le hoibleagáidí sochair scoir na seirbhise poiblí a mhaioniú ar bhonn íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear
- mar gheall go n-éilíonn an scéim ranníoca ó fhostaithe, agus
- nádúr an phróisis maidir le meastachán bhliantúla faoina socráitear maoiniú Stáit don Údarás

Dá mbeadh sócmhainn maoinithe socair scuir iarchurtha aitheanta ag an Údarás i ndáil leis an scéim, nochtadh ráiteas an ghrúpa ar an staid airgeadais glan sócmhainní €41 milliún amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015 (athluite 2014: €41.4 milliún), nochtadh ráiteas an Údarás ar an staid airgeadais glansócmhainní €39 milliún (athluite 2014: €39.4 milliún) agus nochtadh cuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais an ghrúpa 2015 barrachas €0.3 milliún don bhliaín (athluite 2014: €6.1 milliún).

Tuairim ar na Ráitis Airgeadais

Is é mo thuairim, ach amháin i gcás gan aitheantas a thabhairt do shócmhainn maoinithe sochair scuir iarchurtha i ndáil le scéim aoisliúntais an NTDA mar a shoileáritear thusa, go dtugann na ráitis airgeadais, a ullmháodh i gceart de réir Chleachtas Chuntasaíochta a nGlahtar go Ginearálta leis in Éirinn, agus go dtugann siad léargas fíor agus cothrom ar riocht an Ghrúpa agus ar ghnótháí an Údarás amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015, agus ar ioncam agus caiteachas an ghrúpa do 2015.

Is é mo thuairim go bhfuil leabhair chuntais chuí á gcoimeád ag an Údarás. Tá na ráitis airgeadais ag teacht leis na leabhair chuntais.

Ábhair lena dtuairiscim trí eisceacht

Tuairiscim trí eisceacht mura bhfaighim an fhaisnéis agus na mínithe go léir a theastaigh uaim chun m'iniúchadh a dhéanamh, nó

- má thug m'iniúchadh aon chás ábhartha nár feidhmíodh suimeanna airgid chun na gcríoch a bhí beartaithe ar aird, nó sa chás nach mbíonn na hidirbhearta ag cloí leis na húdaráis a dhéanann rialú orthu, nó
- mura bhfuil an fhaisnéis a thugtar i dTuarascáil Bhliantúil an Údarás ag teacht leis na ráitis airgeadais ghaolmhara nó leis an eolas a fuair mé le linn dom an t-iniúchadh a chur i gcríoch, nó
- mura léiríonn an ráiteas ar rialú airgeadais inmheánach gur chomhlíon an tÚdarás an Cód Cleachtais do Rialachas Chomhlachtaí Stáit, nó
- má fhaighim go bhfuil nithe ábhartha eile ann a bhaineann leis an tsuí ar cuireadh gnó poiblí i gcríoch.

Neamhrialtacht

Nochtar sa ráiteas ar rialú airgeadais inmheánach go ndearnadh focaíocht trí páirtí mhíthreoraithe €107,000 mar thoradh ar laigeacht sa rialú. Rinneadh €20,000 a aisghabháil. Tá rialuithe agus nósanna imeachta an Údarás tugtha cothrom le dáta ó shin chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar an gceist sin.

Seamus McCarthy

An tArd-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste
13 Deireadh Fómhair 2016

Ráiteas ar Rialú Airgeadais Inmheánach

Thar ceann an Údaráis aithním ár bhfreagrácht a chinntíú go ndéantar córas rialaithe airgeadais a choimeád agus a fheidhmiú. Ní féidir leis an gcóras ach dearbhú réasúnach, agus ní dearbhú iomlán a sholáthar, go gcsónaítear sócmhainní, go n-údaráitítear idirbhearta agus go dtaifeadtar i gceart iad, agus go seachnaítear earráidí ábhartha nó neamhrialtachtáí nó go n-aimsítear iad in am tráthá.

Tá céimeanna glactha ag an Údarás lena chinntiú go mbeidh timpeallacht rialaithe chuí i bhfeidhm trí:

- fhreagrachtaí bainistíochta a shainmhíniú go soiléir
 - nósanna imeachta foirmiúla a bhunú le teipeanna rialaithe suntasacha a thuairisciú agus lena chinntiú go nglacfar gnómh ceartaitheach iomchuí (Cód lompair Fostaithe)

Glacadh le próiseas foirmíúil chun riosca gnó a aithint, a mheas, a mhaolú agus a bhainistiú. Cuid den phróiseas sin ná:

- rioscaí agus cineál rioscaí a aithint
 - dóchúlacht tarlaithe
 - na himpleachtaí airgeadais nó eile
 - na facthtóirí maolaithe
 - pleannanna chun na rioscaí aitheanta a bhainistiú
 - monatóireacht agus tuairisciú ar an bpróiseas

Tá an córas rialaithe airgeadais inmheánaigh bunaith ar chreat oibre eolais bainistíochta rialta, ar athbhreithníú ar an eolas sin, ar nósanna imeachta riarracháin, lena n-áirítear dualgais a roinnt, agus ar chóras toscaireachta agus cuntasáiochta. Áirítear leis go háirithe:

- Pleananna straitéiseacha a mhaireann trí bliana agus buiséid bhliantúla atá ceadaithe ag an Údarás.
 - Tuarascálacha buiséid ardleibhéal a dhéanann athbhreithniú ar fheidhmíocht in aghaidh buiséid a ndéanann an tÚdarás athbhreithniú orthu ag gach cruinniú.
 - Cruinniú den Choiste Bainistíochta, arb iad a bheidh air an Príomh-Fheidhmeannach agus na Stiúrthóirí Feidhmiúcháin a thagann le chéile uair sa choicís ar a

laghad chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar fheidhmíocht in aghaidh buiséid, Rioscaí a athbhreithniú, ceisteanna airgeadais a mbíonn tionchar acu ar an eagraíocht, agus tionscadail mholta a chuirtear faoina mbráid a cheadú.

- Feidhm Iníúchta Inmheánaigh a dhéanann monatóireacht ar chomhlíonadh reachtaíochta Rialtais, coidh cheleachtais agus beartais agus nósanna imeachta Fáilte Ireland. Déanann an t-aonad Iníúchta Inmheánaigh éifeachtúlacht na rialuithe airgeadais taobh istigh den eagraíocht a mheas chomh maith. Tuairiscíonn an tIníúchóir Inmheánach chuig Cathaoirleach an Choiste Iníúchta agus Bainistíochta Riosca.
 - Tuairiscíonn feidhm Bainistiú Riosca feidhmithe a dhéanann monatóireacht ar dhul chun cinn na heagraíochta maidir le riosca aitheanta sa Chlár Riosca chuig an bhfeidhmeannach.
 - Coiste Iníúchta agus Bainistíochta Riosca ar a bhfuil ceathrar stiúrthóirí neamhfheidhmiúcháin agus a thagann le chéile that ar cheithre huaire sa blhain chun athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar thuarascálacha an Iníúchóra Inmheánaigh agus ar an gClár Riosca, agus a thuairiscíonn chuig an Údarás.

Is é an tIníúchóir Inmheánach, an Coiste Iníúchta a dhéanann maoirseacht ar obair an Iníúchóra Inmheánaigh agus na bainisteoirí feidhmeannacha laistigh de Fáilte Ireland atá freagrach as an gcreat oibre rialaithe airgeadais a fhorbairt, a dhéanann monatóireacht agus athbhreithníu ar éifeachtúlacht chórás an rialaithe airgeadais.

Le linn 2015, d'éirigh le tríú páirtí focafocht €107,000 a bhaint as an Eagraíocht trí chaimiléireacht. Fuarthas ar ais €20,000 den méid sin. Tá rialuithe agus acmhainní breise curtha i bhfearas ag an Údarás a théann i ngleic leis an riosca.

Dearbháim, i leith na bliana dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015, go ndearna an túdarás athbhreithniú ar éifeachtúlacht an chórais rialaithe airgeadais inmheánaigh.

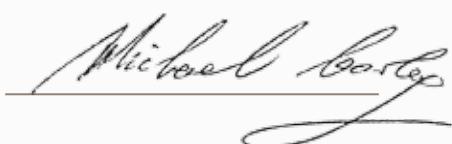
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Ráiteas an Ghrúpa ar Ioncam agus ar Chaiteachas

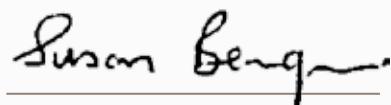
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	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
IONCAM:			
Deontais Oireachtas	2	119,492	133,544
Ioncam Eile	3	5,274	5,467
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Ioncam ó Chíos	14	14	15
Glan-mhaoiniú sochair scoir sa bhliain	25 D	2,070	3,055
		126,850	142,081
AISTRIÚ (CHUIG)/Ó C(H)ÚLCISTÍ CAIPITIL	18	756	767
Ioncam lomlán		127,606	142,848
CAITEACHAS::			
Speansais Oibríochta Ghinearálta:			
Cláir Aitheantais (Slí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, BÁC, Sean-Oirthear na hÉireann)	4	15,447	14,786
Cláir Eile (Turasóireacht Gnó, Margaíocht Baile)	5	8,065	7,997
Ag tacú le Gníomhaíochtaí agus Cumasaíré	6	25,314	26,450
Tóstal Éireann 2013	7	-	46
Forbairt Oibríochtaí	8	10,434	10,275
Pá	9	18,200	23,251
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Costais Riarracháin	14	56	80
Íocaíochtaí Deontais Turasóireacht Éireann Teoranta	2	40,750	43,623
Costais Sochair Scoir	25 A	9,227	12,163
Caiteachas lomlán		127,493	138,671
Barrachas roimh Chánachas		113	4,177
Cánachas		-	-
Barrachas tar éis Cánachais		113	4,177
Leas mionlaigh - KGCL Property Holdings Ltd		11	16
Barrachas tar éis Leasa mionlaigh		124	4,193

Tá athrangú déanta ar mhéideanna áirithe airgid a bhí ann blianta roimhe seo d'fhoinn is go mbeidh siad ag teacht leis an gcur i láthair ar an tréimhse reatha. Níl aon tionchar ag an athrangú seo ar na torthaí atá tuairiscthe.



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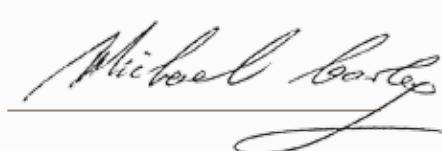
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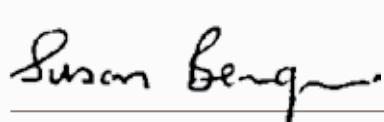
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	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
	Arna athlua		
Barrachas don Bhliain		124	4,194
GNÓTHACHAIN ACHTÚIREACHTA AR SCÉIMEANNA PINSIN			
Taithí gnóthachain ar dhliteanais na scéime pinsin	25 B	473	4,751
Gnóthachain / (Caillteanais) de bharr athruithe ar bhoinn tuisceana	25 B	(256)	(20,473)
GNÓTHACHAN/ (CAILLTEANAS) ACHTÚIREACH		217	(15,722)
COIGEARTÚ AR GHLAN-MHAOINIÚ IARCHURTHA DO PHINSIN			8,478
Coigearút maidir le hlarchur Pinsin Ghlan		(2,192)	(7,244)
Gnóthachan / (caillteanas) Aitheanta lomlán i leith na bliana		(2,068)	(3,050)

Cuid lárnach de na ráitis airgeadais seo is ea an Ráiteas Sreabhadh Airgid agus nótaí 1 go 28.



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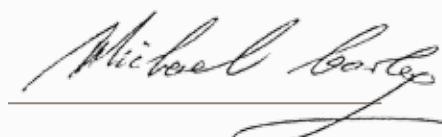
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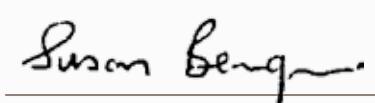
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	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA			
Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh	11	28,845	29,193
Sócmhainní Airgeadais	13	60	60
Réadmhaoin Infheistíochta	12	276	726
		29,181	29,979
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Fardail		21	26
Infhláitais	15	733	892
Iarmhéideanna Bainc agus Airgid	16	47,262	47,442
		48,016	48,360
Nithe Iníochta : Méideanna dlite laistigh de bhliain amháin	17	36,180	36,878
GLANSÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
SÓCMHAINNÍ IOMLÁNA LÚIDE DLITEANAS REATHA ROIMH PHINSIN		41,017	41,461
Coigeartú ar Ghlan-Mhaioniú larchurtha do Phinsin	25 D	99,397	99,735
Oibleagáidí Sochair Scoir	25 C	(244,188)	(242,135)
SÓCMHAINNÍ IOMLÁNA LÚIDE DLITEANAS REATHA TAR ÉIS PINSEAN		(103,774)	(100,939)
ARNA CHUR I LÁTHAIR			
Cúlchistí Coinnithe loncaim	19	(131,466)	(129,398)
Cuntas Caipitiúil	18	27,190	27,946
		(104,276)	(101,452)
		502	513
LEASANNA NEAMH-URLÁMHAS		(103,774)	(100,939)

Cuid lárnach de na ráitis airgeadais seo is ea an Ráiteas Sreabhadh Airgid agus nótaí 1 go 28.



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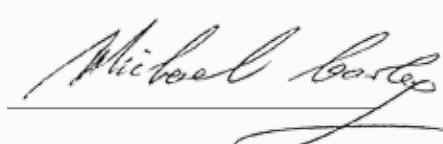
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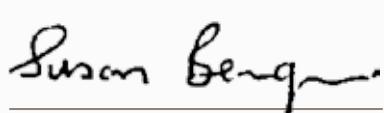
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	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Arna athluá			
SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA			
Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh	11	26,856	27,162
Sócmhainní Airgeadais	13	58	58
Réadmhaoin Infheistíochta	12	276	726
		27,190	27,946
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Fardail		21	26
Infhláitais	15	733	891
Larmhéideanna Bainc agus Airgid	16	47,249	47,432
		48,003	48,349
Nithe Iníochta : Méideanna dlite laistigh de bhliain amháin	17	36,175	36,875
GLANSÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA		11,828	11,474
SÓCMHAINNÍ IOMLÁNA LÚIDE DLITEANAISS REATHA ROIMH PHINSIN		39,018	39,420
Coigearnú ar Ghlan-Mhaoliniú larchurtha do Phinsin	25 D	99,397	99,735
Oibleagáidí Sochair Scoir	25 C	(244,188)	(242,135)
SÓCMHAINNÍ IOMLÁNA LÚIDE DLITEANAISS REATHA TAR ÉIS PINSEAN		(105,773)	(102,980)
ARNA CHUR I LÁTHAIR			
Cúlchistí Coinnithe loncaim	19	(132,963)	(130,926)
Cuntas Caipitiúil	18	27,190	27,946
		(105,773)	(102,980)

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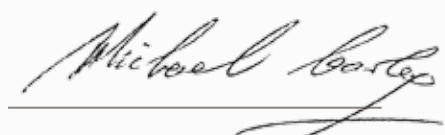
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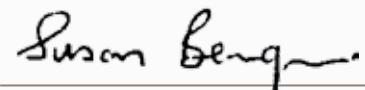
Ráiteas an Ghrúpa ar Athruithe ar Ghnáthscaireanna

don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015

	Cuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais	Caipiteal	NCI	IOMLÁN
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Ar an 1 Eanáir 2014				
(Easnamh)/Barrachas Coinnithe don bhliain	4,177	-	-	4,177
(Easnamh)/Barrachas Coinnithe KGCL don bhliain	16	-	-	16
Ioncam a Úsáideadh chun Sócmhainní Seasta a Cheannach nó Íocaíochtaí Caipil a Mhaoliniú	-	2,328	-	2,328
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas sócmhainní	-	(1,652)	-	(1,652)
Athluacháil Maoine Infheistíochta	-	450	-	450
Diúscairt Sócmhainní	-	(1,893)	-	(1,893)
Infheistíocht san Fhochuideachta KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12	-	12
Glansócmhainní Iomlána Tugtha Ar Aghaidh - KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	-	513	513
Ioncam Cuimsitheach Eile - pinsean	(7,244)	-	-	(7,244)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2014	(129,398)	27,946	513	(100,939)
(Easnamh)/Barrachas Coinnithe don bhliain	113	-	-	113
(Easnamh)/Barrachas Coinnithe KGCL don bhliain	11	-	(11)	-
Ioncam a úsáideadh chun sócmhainní seasta a cheannach nó Íocaíochtaí caipil a mhaoliniú	-	1,791	-	1,791
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas sócmhainní nó muirear airgeadais	-	(2,097)	-	(2,097)
Athluacháil Maoine Infheistíochta	-	(450)	-	(450)
Ioncam cuimsitheach eile - pinsean	(2,192)	-	-	(2,192)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	(131,466)	27,190	502	(103,774)

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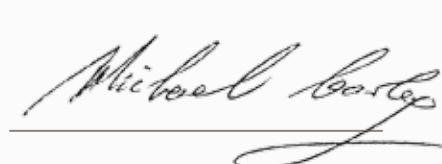

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Ráiteas an Ghrúpa ar Shreabhadh Airgid

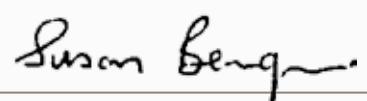
don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015

Nótaí	2015	2014
	Arna athluá	
	€'000	€'000
Barrachas tar éis Leasa Mionlaigh	124	4,193
Leas Mionlaigh	(11)	(16)
Glan-Mhaoiniú larchurtha do Shochair Scoir	199	1,874
Dímheas Maoine, Innealra agus Trealmh	2,139	1,711
Díscríobh ar Mhaoin, ar Innealra agus ar Threalamh	-	1,654
Aistriú chuig Cuntas Caipitiúil	18	(756)
Brabús ar Dhiúscairt Sócmhainní Seasta	-	(8)
(Ardú)/ Laghdú ar Infháltais	15	159
Ardú/ (Laghdú) ar Infháltais	17	(698)
Laghdú ar Fhardail	5	16
Athscríobh ar Chúlchiste Athluachála	26	(450)
Glan-Insreabhadh/Sreabhadh Airgid ó Ghníomhachtaí Oibríochta	1,611	13,827
 Sreabhadh Airgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Infheistíochta		
Íocaíocht chun Maoin, Innealra agus Trealmh a Pháil	(1,791)	(2,328)
Fáltais ó Dhíolacháin Mhaoine, Innealra agus Trealmh	-	247
	(180)	11,746
 Airgead tirim agus Coibhéisí airgid thirim ag túis na bliana	47,442	35,696
Airgead tirim agus Coibhéisí airgid thirim ag deireadh na bliana	47,262	47,442

Cuid lárnach de na ráitis airgeadais seo is ea an Ráiteas Sreabhadh Airgid agus nótaí 1 go 28.



Michael Cawley - Cathaoirleach
Sú Deireadh Fómhair 2016



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Sú Deireadh Fómhair 2016

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1. BEARTAIS CHUNTASAÍOCHTA

Is iad seo a leanas na beartais chuntasaíochta shuntasacha a glacadh sna ráitis airgeadais:-

EOLAS GINEARÁLTA AGUS COINBHINSIÚ CUNTASAÍOCHTA

Bunaíodh Fáilte Ireland faoin Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta, 2003. Is iad príomhfheidhmeanna Fáilte Ireland, arna sonrú sa reachtaíocht:

- Turasóireacht sa stát a spreagadh agus tacú léi agus le fiontair agus le tionscadail chuige sin.
- Earcaíocht, oiliúint, oideachas agus forbairt daoine óga a spreagadh agus tacú leo chun críocha fostáiochta i dtionscal na turasóireachta.
- Taighde agus pleánáil a chur chun cinn agus dul ina mbun
- Clár áiseanna lóistín a bhunú agus a choinneáil.

Is Eintiteas Leasa Phoiblí é Fáilte Ireland.

RÁITEAS MAIDIR LE COMHLÍONADH

Tá ráitis airgeadais Fáilte Ireland don bláthain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015 ullmhaithe de réir FRS 102, an caighdeán airgeadais a chuirtear i bhfeidhm sa Ríocht Aontaithe agus in Éirinn, arna eisiúint ag an gComhairle Tuairiscithe Airgeadais (FRC), faoi mar atá fógartha ag Cuntasáoirí Cairte na HÉireann. Is iad seo chéad ráitis airgeadais Fáilte Ireland a ullmháidh de réir FRS 102. An 1 Eanáir 2014 an dáta ar aistríodh go FRS 102. Rinneadh ráitis airgeadais na bliana roimhe sin a athshonrú do choigeartuithe ábhair nuair a glacadh le FRS 102 sa bláthain reatha. Is féidir a thoradhsean a fheiceáil i Nóta 26.

BUNÚS AN ULLMHAITHE

Ullmháidh na ráitis airgeadais de réir an choinbhinsiúin costais stáiriúil, ach amháin i gcás sócmhainní agus dliteanas áirithe a thomhaistear de réir luachanna cothroma arna míniú sna beartais chuntasaíochta thíos. Tá na ráitis airgeadais sa chruth atá ceadaithe ag an Aire Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt agus aontaithe ag an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe faoin Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta, 2003. Tá na beartais chuntasaíochta seo a leanas curtha i bhfeidhm go comhsheasmhach chun déileáil le míreanna

a cheaptar a bheith bainteach le ráitis airgeadais Fáilte Ireland.

DEONTAIS OIREACHTAIS

Is léiriú iad na deontais sa Chuntas loncaim agus Caiteachais ar na suimeanna a fuarthas i leith na tréimhse sin. Is trí Fáilte Ireland a chuirtear maoiniú uile Dheontais an Oireachtaí ar fáil do Tourism Ireland Limited.

DEONTAIS INÍOCHTA

Aithnítear caiteachas deontais sa tréimhse ina ndéanann an faughteoir an ghníomhaíocht deontais a chruthaíonn teidlíocht ar an tacaíocht deontais agus ina ndéanann sé de réir coinníollacha deontais.

IONCAM EILE

Aithnítear an t-ioncam uile, seachas ioncam cíosa, nuair is dócha gur chun leas an Ghrúpa a rachaidh an tairbhe eacnamaíochta a bhaineann leis an idrbheart agus nuair is féidir an t-ioncam a thomhas go cruinn. Aithnítear ioncam cíosa ar bhonn líne dírí le linn an léasa ábhartha.

AIRGEADRA COIGRÍCHE

Meastar an euro a bheith ar an airgeadra ionadaíoch agus láithritheach atá ag an ngrúpa agus ag an máthairchuideachta toisc gurb é sin airgeadra na príomhthimpeallachta eacnamaíochta ina bhfeidhmíonn sé.

Déantar idrbhearta a ainmnítear in airgeadra coigríche a iompú ina euro ag ráta caighdeánach comhaontaithe don bláthain.

Déantar gnóthachain agus caillteanais mhalaírtaithe réadaithe ar idrbhearta a socraíodh i rith na bliana a chur san áireamh sa Chuntas loncaim agus Caiteachais don bláthain. Aistítear sócmhainní agus dliteanais airgid a ainmnítear in airgeadra coigríche ina euro ar rátaí malartaíthe atá ann dáta an chláir chomhardaithe agus déantar gnóthachain agus caillteanais a eascraíonn as an méid sin a chur san áireamh sa Ráiteas loncaim agus Caiteachais don bláthain.

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MAOIN, INNEALRA AGUS TREALAMH AGUS DÍMHEAS

Tugtar Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh faoin tsamhail costais mar chostas staire lúide dímheas carntha agus aon chaillteanais laige charntha. Tá san áireamh le costas stairiúil caiteachas a bhaineann go díreach leis an tsócmhainn a thabhairt go dtí an láthair agus í a bheith sa bhail a theastaíonn chun go mbeadh ar a cumas feidhmiú sa tslí a bhí i gceist ag an lucht bainistíocha.

Cuireann an chuideachta le méid iompair míre sócmhainní seasta an costas a bhaineann le rud a chur in áit cuid den mhír sin nuair a thabhaítear an costas sin, má cheaptar go mbainfidh an chuideachta tairbhe as an bpáirt ionaid de réir a chéile san aimsir amach anseo. Déantar deisiúchán agus cothabháil a chur in aghaidh an bhrabúis nó an chaillteanais le linn na tréimhse ar tabhaíodh iad.

Gearrtar dímheas le costas na sócmhainní lúide luach iarmharach an dímheasa a leithdháileadh thar an tréimhse a cheaptar a mbeidh feidhm leo, ag baint úsáide as an modh líne dírí ar na rátaí bliantúla atá leagtha amach amach thíos.

Talamh	0%	
Trealamh Ríomhairesca	33%	Líne dhíreach
Troscán agus Feistis	20%	Líne dhíreach
Trealamh Oiliúna	20%	Líne dhíreach
Áitribh	2%	Níos ísle ná an méid cothrom nó más airde an chuid atá fágtha den Léas.
Forbairt an Láithreáin Ghréasáin	33%	Líne dhíreach

Déantar athbhreithniú ar luachanna iarmharacha na sócmhainní, ar an tréimhse a mbeidh feidhm leo agus ar na modhanna dímheasa, agus déantar coigeartú orthu roimh ré más cuí, nó má tá an chuma ar an scéal go mbeidh athrú mór ann ó rinneadh tuairisc go deireanach.

SÓCMHAINNÍ INFHEISTÍOCHTA

Bíonn sócmhainní infheistíochta comhdhéanta de thalamh agus d'fhoirgnimh le luach taitneamhach amháin agus luaitear Déantar maoin infheistíochta ar féidir luach cothrom a thomhais go cruinn lena n-aghaidh gan costas nó iarracht mhíchuí ar bhonn leanúnach, a thomhas ar luach cothrom gach bliain agus aithnítear aon athrú atá tagtha ar an Ráiteas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais. Déantar sócmhainní infheistíochta atá ar díol a athluacháil ag an bpraghais a cheaptar a dhíolfar iad.

SÓCMHAINNÍ AIRGEADAIS

Ar na sócmhainní airgeadais tá leasanna cothromais in eintitis áirithe, faoi mar a shonraítear i Nóta 13. Taispeántar na sócmhainní seo de réir costais lúide lagú seachas de réir luachála óir níl luacháil praiticiúil de bharr chineál na n-infheistíochtaí agus de bharr (a) nach bhfuil aon phraghsanna tugtha do shócmhainní den chineál céanna ar mhargadh gníomhach, (b) nach bhfuil aon phraghsanna d'idirbhearta a rinneadh le déanaí ar shócmhainní den chineál céanna agus (c) nach bhfuil aon bhealach le praghas idirbhirt a chinneadh bunaithe ar mhalartú ar neamhthuilleamaí a bhaineann le gnáth-thosca gnó. Lena chois sin, rachadh an costas a bhaineann leis na sócmhainní a luacháil thar an tairbhe a bhainfí as agus níl sé ar intinn ag aon duine na hinfheistíochtaí seo a chur de dhroim seoil san aimsir amach anseo.

CUNTAS CAIPITIL

Is ionann an Cuntas Caipitil agus an luach ioncaim neamhamúchta a úsáidtear chun críocha caipitil. Déantar aistrithe idir cúlchistí ioncaim agus cúlchistí caipitil gach bliain chun maoiniú caipitil na heagraíochta a chothromú, lena n-áirítear léasanna airgeadais, chuir glanluach leabhair a sócmhainní seasta.

EARRAÍ INFHAIGTHE

Níl mír mhór airgeadais ag baint le hearraí infhaigthe agus tomhaistear iad de réir a bpraghais idirbhirt nuair a aithnítear ar dtús iad. Déantar earraí infhaigthe a athbhreithniú le haghaidh táscairí laguithe agus dísriobhtar drochfhiacha sa tréimhse ina dtarlaíonn siad.

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FARDAIL

Déantar fardail a luacháil ag an gcostas bunaidh agus ag an nglanluach inréadaithe. Déantar athbhreithniú ar mhéid iompair na bhfardal le haghaidh táscairí lagaithe ar dhá gach cláir chomhordaithe. Má tá fianaise oibiachtúil ar lagú ann, aithnítear cailliúint lagaithe sa chuntas brabús agus caillteanais.

LÉASANNA OIBRÍOCHTA

Déantar cíos a focadh faoi léasanna oibríochta a chur in aghaidh an bhrabús nó an chaillteanais ar bhonn líne dírí chúns a mhaireann an léas.

SOCHAIR D'FHOSTAITHE

(A) Sochair Scoir

Tá trí scéim shainmhínithe sochair ag Fálte Ireland a mhaoinítear gach bliain ar bhunús íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear ó airgead a sholáthraíonn an Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt agus ó ranníocaíochtaí a baineadh ó thuarastail ball foirne. Aithníonn Fálte Ireland sócmhainn atá comhionann leis an dliteanas iarchurtha pinsin i ndáil le dhá scéim, áit a bhfuil gealltanais dlíthiúil go gcuirfidh an tOireachtas cistí ar fáil chun pinsin a mhaioniú ar bhonn leanúnach. Sa chás nach bhfuil gealltanais dlíthiúil ann airgead a sholáthar chun íocaíochtaí pinsin a mhaioniú amach anseo, ní aithníonn Fálte Ireland sócmhainn aischurtha pinsin. Tá na sonraí leagtha amach thíos.

Scéim pinsin neamh-mhaoinithe (iar-CERT) agus pleán pinsin ranníoca agus sochair bháis agus Scéim neamh-mhaoinithe.

Aithnítear sócmhainn chun forálacha an Acharta um Bearta Airgeadais (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha), 2009, a léiriú. Faoin Acht, sa chás nach bhfuil comhionnlán comhaltaí agus ranníocaíochtaí Fálte Ireland chuig an scéim leordhóthanach chun freastal ar oibleagáidí Fálte Ireland a n-oibleagáidí a íoc de réir na scéime, slánóidh an tAire Airgeadais aon easnamh a eascraíonn as cistí arna soláthar ag an Oireachtas.

Scéim Aoisliúntais Neamh-mhaoinithe an Údarás

Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta

In 2014, lorg an tÚdarás dearbhú ón Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt agus ón Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe go mbeadh forálacha comhchosúla leo sin san Acht um Bearta Airgeadais (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2009 ag feidhmiú maidir le Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta.

Fuair an tÚdarás dearbhú cé nach bhfuil ráthaíocht léir ann go mbeidh maoiniú ar fáil i gcónai, go nglacann an tAire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe leis gur féidir a thuiscint go réasúnach go leanfaidh maoiniú Státhchiste ar aghaidh do chomhlactaí ionchuí a fhaigheann maoiniú ón Státhchiste a bhfuil cuntais fhabhruithe agus scéimeanna íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear le déanamh acu. Toisc nach dtugann sé sin dearbhú don Údarás go gcuirfidh an tOireachtas aon easnamh sa chiste, dá réir sin amhail an 31 Nollaig 2013 tá a bheartas cuntasáiochta leasaithe ag an Údarás agus ní aithnítear a thuilleadh socmhainn i leith an dliteanas iarchurtha neamh-mhaoinithe do Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta.

Léiríonn costais phinsin sochair pinsin arna ngnóthú ag fostaithe sa tréimhse. Léirítear na costais mar ghlanmhéid ranníocaíochtaí pinsin na gcomhaltaí a choinníonn an tÚdarás agus a úsáidtear in urscaoileadh an dliteanas pinsean foriomláin don bhliaín.

Aithnítear méid atá comhfheagrach leis an muirear pinsinmar ioncam sa mhéid is gur féidir é a aisghabháil. Léirítear gnóthachain nō cailleanais a eascraíonn as dliteanas agus sócmhainní scéime sa Ráiteas ar Ghnóthachain agus Caillteanais Aitheanta Iomlán agus aithnítear coigeartú comhfheagrach don phlean pinsin ranníocach (iar-CERT) agus sochar báis Neamh-mhaoinithe agus do scéim pinsin Neamh-mhaoinithe na nEagraíochtaí Turasóireachta Réigiúnacha sa mhéid in-aisghabhála ón Státhchiste chun forálacha an Acharta um Bearta Airgeadais (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2009 a léiriú. Ní aithnítear aon sócmhainn chomhfheagrach ó Scéim Aoisliúntais Neamh-mhaoinithe an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta toisc nach luaitear an scéim sa reacthaíocht thuasluaite. Is ionann dliteanas

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phinsin agus luach reatha íocaíochtaí pinsin sa todhchaí a thuilleann an fhoireann go dáta. Tá luacháil déanta ag achtúire neamhpleáach ar dhliteanais na scéime amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015 ag baint úsáide as an modh aonaid theilgthe.

(B) Sochair Ghearrthéarmacha

Aithnítear sochair ghearrthéarmacha amhail pá saoire mar chostas sa bhliain, agus tá sochair a fhabhráitear ag deireadh na bliana san áireamh san fhigiúr Nithe Iníocha Ráiteas ar an Staid Airgeadais.

BREITHIÚNAIS AGUS MEASTACHÁIN CHRITICIÚLA CHUNTASAÍOCHTA

Agus na ráitis airgeadais á n-ullmhú acu, is gá don lucht bainistíochta breithniúnais, meastachán agus boinn tuisceana a dhéanamh a mbíonn tionchar acu ar an méid a thuairiscítear le haghaidh sócmhainní agus dliteanas amhail dáta an chláir chomhardaithe agus an méid a thuairiscítear le haghaidh ioncaim agus costas i rith na bliana. Mar sin féin, fágann cineál an mheastachán go bhféadfadh nár mhar a chéile torthaí agus meastachán. Is ag na breithniúnais seo a leanas is mó atá an tionchar is mó ar mhéideanna a aithnítear sna ráitis airgeadais.

Lagú Maoine, Innealra, Trealmh agus Dímheasa
Déantar athbhreithniú ar shócmhainní atá faoi réir ag amúchadh maidir le lagú nuair a thugtar le tuiscint de bharr imeachtaí nó athruithe go mb'fhéidir nach bhféadfar an méid iompair a fháil ar ais. Aithnítear caillteanas lagaithe as an méid ar mó méid iompair na sócmhainne an méid in-aisghabhála. Is é an méid in-aisghabhála ná an méid is airde de luach cothrom sócmhainne lúide an costas díolta agus an luach úsáide. Chun críocha lagú a mheas, roinntear sócmhainní ar na leibhéal is ísele a bhfuil sreibhadh airgid ar leithligh, inaitheanta dóibh (aonaid sreafa airgid). Déantar athbhreithniú ar shócmhainní neamhairgeadais a lagaíodh féachaint an féidir an lagú a aisiompú ar gach dáta tuairiscthe.

Dímheas agus Luachanna larmharacha

Tá athbhreithniú déanta ag an lucht bainistíochta ar ré feidhme na sócmhainne agus ar luach iarmharach gaolmhar na n-aicmí sócmhainne seasta ar fad agus is é a dtuairim gur cuí iad ré feidhme na sócmhainní agus na luachanna iarmharacha.

Oibleagáid Sochair Scoir

Déantar na boinn tuisceana atá taobh thiar de na luachálacha achtúireacha as a gcinntear na méideanna atá aitheanta sna ráitis airgeadais (lena n-áirítear rátaí lascaine, rátaí méadaithe leibhéal cútítmh amach anseo, rátaí báis agus rátaí treochna costais cúraim sláinte) a thabhairt cothrom le dáta gach bliain bunaithe ar chuínsí reatha eacnamaíochta, agus de réir aon athruithe ábhartha ar théarmaí agus ar choinníollacha an phinsin agus pleannanna iarscoir.

Is féidir na rudaí seo a leanas cur isteach ar na toimhdí:

- an ráta lascaine, athruithe ar an ráta toraidh ar bhannaí corparáide ardchaighdeáin
- leibhéal chútítmh a bheidh ann amach anseo, cúnínsí an mhargaidh saothair amach anseo
- rátaí treochna costais cúraim sláinte, an ráta boilscithe costais Leighis sna réigiún ábhartha.

Deontais Chaipítil

Faoi mar a leagtar amach sa pholasáí cuntasaíochta i ndáil le deontais infóchta, aithnítear caiteachas sa tréimhse ina ndéanann an an faigteoir an ghníomhafocht deontais a chruthaíonn teidlíocht ar an tacaíocht deontaist agus a chomhlíonann coinníollacha sonraithe an deontais. Soláthraíonn an túdarás deontais chaipítil d'údarás áitiúla i ndáil le tionscadail turasóireachta. Is féidir le moill mhór a bheith ar na hélimh a leagtar faoi bhráid an Údarás ar íocaíocht. Aithnítear sna ráitis airgeadais fabhrú i ndáil le caiteachas a thabhaigh údarás áitiúla ach nár éiliodh fós é (Nóta 17). Maidir le tionscadail chaipítill, tá cuid mhór den fhabhrú seo bunaithe ar mheastachán a chuir údarás áitiúla ar fáil ar bhonn caiteachais a tabhaíodh ar thionscadail chaipítill.

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2. DEONTAIS OIREACHTAIS FAIGHTE DON TRÉIMHSE

	2015			2014		
	Fáilte Éire €'000	Turasóireacht Éire €'000	2015 lomlán €'000	Fáilte Éire €'000	Turasóireacht Éire €'000	2015 lomlán €'000
E3 Deontas Fáilte Ireland	54,331	-	54,331	59,358	-	59,358
Speansais Oibríochta Ghinearálta	1,500	-	1,500	1,650	-	1,650
Forbairt Chaipitil	8,061	25,992	34,053	8,213	28,363	36,576
Ciste Margaíochta Turasóireachta E5	-	14,758	14,758	-	15,260	15,260
E4 Tourism Ireland Ltd. Riarachán agus Costais	14,850	-	14,850	20,700	-	20,700
E6 Forbairt Earraí Turasóireachta	78,742	40,750	119,492	89,921	43,623	133,544
	89,921	43,623	133,544	93,876	44,294	138,170

Faigheart Deontais Oireachtas ón Roinn lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt (Vóta 31) faoi na fotheidil E3, E4, E5 agus E6 mar atá sonraithe thus. Déantar an Ciste Margaíochta Turasóireachta, a gcaitear vóta air, a leithdháileadh go bliantúil idir Fáilte Ireland agus Turasóireacht Éireann Teoranta faoi theorainn na Roinne lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt. Úsáideadh na Deontais a Fuarthas chun na gcríoch dár leithdháileadh iad.

3. IONCAM EILE

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Caighdeán agus Táillí Clárúcháin	1,939	2,010
Oifigí Eolais agus Áiteanna a Mheallann Turasóiri	322	1,213
Seónna Trádála agus Deiseanna Díolachán	2,325	1,421
Ioncaim ó Chíos, Ús Bainc agus eile	688	823
Ioncam lomlán Eile	5,274	5,467

4. CLÁIR AITHEANTAIS (SLÍ AN ATLANTAIGH FHIÁIN, BÁC, SEAN-OIRTHEAR NA HÉIREANN)

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Caiteachas Clár	7,201	5,924
Féilte agus Caiteachas ar Imeachtaí	3,857	4,685
Caiteachas caipitil	4,389	4,177
	15,447	14,786

5. CLÁIR EILE

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Turasóireacht Gnó	5,122	4,027
Margaíocht Baile	2,943	3,970
	8,065	7,997

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6. AG TACÚ LE GNÍOMHAÍOCHTAÍ AGUS CUMASÓIRÍ

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Díolacháin Fóillíochta	2,898	1,888
Gnó Digiteach agus R-Ghnó	1,998	1,486
Eispéireas Branda	575	550
Rannpháirteachas le páirtithe leasmhara	-	718
Taighde	919	1,102
Rannpháirteachas le Cuairteoirí agus Trádáil	2,222	3,157
Oideachas Turasóireachta	5,582	5,114
Todhchafochtaí agus Bunpháirtnéireachtaí	439	-
Deontais Chaipitil	10,681	12,435
	25,314	26,450

Áirítear i gcaiteachas Forbartha Caipitil méideanna €2.5m i leith na n-íocaíochtaí chuig an gComhlacht Clár AE Speisialta faoi chlár IVA Interreg. Tugann an clár maoiniú do thionscadail turasóireachta trastearann.

7. TIONSCADAIL AN TÓSTAIL 2013 TEORANTA

Coincheap a bhí i dTionscadail an Tóstail 2013 a d'eascair as Fóram Eacnamaíoch an Domhain in 2009 d'fhoinn lón na dturasóirí a mhéadú trí dhiaspóra na hÉireann a shlógadh agus tairbhí eacnamaíochta a sheachadadh don tir. Bhí an tionscadal ar siúl in 2013. Ba iad na príomhchuspóirí a bhí i gceist ná lón na dturasóirí a fheabhsú agus cál bhranda na hÉireann a athbheochan go hidirnáisiúnta. Déantar sraith éagsúil ráiteas airgeadais a tháirgeadh maidir le Tionscadal an Tóstail. Níor tabhaíodh aon chaiteachas in 2015. Chuir Fáilte Ireland agus Turasóireacht Éireann acmhainní ar fáil do Thionscadal an Tóstail óna n-acmhainní féin. B'ionann an caiteachas iomlán ar an Tóstal 2013 Teoranta do na blianta 2012, 2013 agus 2014 le chéile agus €12.834m.

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Fógraíocht	-	55
Dearadh Gréasáin	-	8
Imeachtaí	-	(7)
Margaíocht Dhigiteach	-	1
Ábhar Bolscaireachta	-	2
Taistéal	-	1
Gníomhachtú PR	-	10
Cistíú Deontais Phobail	-	(51)
Taighde & Tomhas	-	27
	-	46

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8. FORBAIRT OIBRÍOCHTAÍ

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Táille Iníúchta	52	51
Seirbhísí Oifige & Seilbhe	4,113	4,277
Costais Údaráis	145	135
Costais Riarachán Eile	3,596	2,964
Muirear dímheasa don bhliain	2,097	1,652
An díscróibh ar shócmhainní seasta mar thoradh ar athbhreithniú ar chlár na sócmhainní seasta	-	440
Díscróibh ar fheabhsuithe léasachta ar léasanna arna ndíchur	-	1,214
Costais sócmhainní seasta Athrú ar	(19)	(8)
Dhiúscairt i luacháil chothrom infheistíochta	450	(450)
	10,434	10,275

9. PÁ

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000	Arna athluá
Tuarastail	16,520	18,131	
ASPC Fostóirí	1,680	1,856	
Scéim lomarcaíochta Deonaí	-	3,264	
	18,200	23,251	

Tugtar figiúirí 2014 an athuair chun Fabhrú Saoire a chur san áireamh de réir FRS102. Tá Tobhach Pinsin €987,167 asbhainte sa tréimhse agus íoctha annónn chuig an Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt.

Is é a bhí i bpacáiste luach saothair an Phríomh-Fheidhmeannaigh in 2015 ná buntuarastail €150,000 (2014: €150,010) Tá an Príomhfheidhmeannach ina chomhalta de phlean pinsin ranníocach (iar-CERT) agus sochar báis neamh-mhaoinithe (dúnta), agus tá na téamaí a bhaineann leis an bplean i Nóta 25. Tá an Príomhfheidhmeannach i dteideal dul ar scor ag aois 55 gan laghdú achtúireach.

Ba é an méid iomlán a íocadh le Príomhphearsanra Bainistíochta in 2015, gan an Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin san áireamh, ná €363,767. (2014: €420,565). Is iad atá i bPríomhphearsanra Bainistíochta ná comhaltaí den Choiste Comhairleach Bainistíochta; is iad sin, an Stiúrthóir Forbartha Gnó, an Stiúrthóir Margaíochta, an Stiúrthóir Forbartha Straitéisí, agus an Stiúrthóir Oibríochtaí/Rúnaí an Údaráis.

Ba é an meánlíon foirne don bhliain ná 309 comhionann lánaimseartha (2014: 320 comhionann lánaimseartha). Oibríonn Fáilte Ireland scéim sochair fadseirbhíse d'fhostaithe. Bhain 3 leas as an scéim sin in 2015. B'ionann costas iomlán na scéime sin in 2015 agus €1,050. Foircéannadh an Scéim lomarcaíochta Deonaí in 2014.

Líon na bhfostaithe ar mó a dtuarastal ná €60,000

€000's	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100	100-110	120-130	140-150	150-160
2014	65	12	18	3	5	0	1	1
2015	63	17	16	4	2	2	1	1

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10.TÁILLÍ & SPEANS AIS CHOMHALTAÍ AN ÚDARÁIS

An tAire lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt a shocraíonn táillí Chomhaltaí an Údaráis Bíonn speansais a éilíonn Comhaltaí an Údaráis ag teacht le rátaí na Státseirbhíse.

Táillí chuig Comhaltaí an Údaráis don tréimhse:

		2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Michael Cawley (Cathaoirleach)	(Thosaigh 19/05/2014)	21	13
Francis Brennan	(Thosaigh 04/07/2014)	12	6
Gerrard Barron	(Thosaigh 04/07/2014)	12	6
Mary Kerins	(Athcheaptha le héifeacht ó 04/07/2014)	-	5
Susan Bergin	(Athcheaptha le héifeacht ó 04/07/2014)	13	9
Noel Kavanagh		12	12
Gina Murphy		12	12
Ciaran O'Gaora		12	12
Frankie Sheahan		12	12
Margaret Ryan		12	12
Bridget Halligan Neville		12	12
Jim Deegan		-	-
Mary Rose Stafford		-	-
Kevin Dundon	(D'éirigh as an 27/05/2014)	-	5
Marguerite Howley	(D'éirigh as an 27/05/2014)	-	5
Táillí Chomhaltaí an Údaráis		130	121
Táillí Chomhaltaí an Údaráis - Taisteal & Cothabháil		14	14
Iomlán		144	135

B'ionann líona gComhaltaí Údaráis ar an 31 Nollaig 2015 agus 13 (2014: 13).

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11. MAOIN, INNEALRA AGUS TREALAMH - GRÚPA	Talamh agus Áitribh €'000	Troscán agus Feistis €'000	Oiliúint Trealamh €'000	Ríomhaire Trealamh €'000	Láithreán Gréasái €'000	lomlán €'000
Costas						
Ar an 1 Eanáir 2015	44,892	2,049	587	1,473	524	49,525
Breiseanna ag costas	517	3	64	132	1,075	1,791
Diúscairtí ag costas	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	45,409	2,002	514	1,503	1,599	51,027

Dímheas

Ar an 1 Eanáir 2015	16,786	1,619	568	1,184	175	20,332
Gearrtha i rith na bliana	1,136	161	30	208	604	2,139
Diúscairtí	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	17,922	1,730	461	1,290	779	22,182

Leabharluach Glan:

Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	27,487	272	53	213	820	28,845
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2014	28,106	430	19	289	349	29,193

MAOIN, INNEALRA AGUS TREALAMH - ÚDARÁS	Talamh agus Áitribh €'000	Troscán agus Feistis €'000	Oiliúint Trealamh €'000	Ríomhaire Trealamh €'000	Láithreán Gréasái €'000	lomlán €'000
Costas						
Ar an 1 Eanáir 2015	41,952	2,049	587	1,473	524	46,585
Breiseanna ag costas	517	3	64	132	1,075	1,791
Diúscairtí ag costas	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	42,469	2,002	514	1,503	1,599	48,087

Dímheas

Ar an 1 Eanáir 2015	15,877	1,619	568	1,184	175	19,423
Gearrtha i rith na bliana	1,094	162	30	208	603	2,097
Diúscairtí	-	(50)	(137)	(102)	-	(289)
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	16,971	1,731	461	1,290	778	21,231

Leabharluach Glan:

Ar an 31 Nollaig 2015	25,498	271	53	213	821	26,856
Ar an 31 Nollaig 2014	26,075	430	19	289	349	27,162

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12. MAOIN INFHEISTÍOCHTA - GRÚPA AGUS ÚDARÁS

Tá an Mhaoin Infheistíochta comhdhéanta de	€'000	€'000
Club Seoltóireachta Glenans - Collainn Mhór, Co. Mhaigh Eo	100	250
Club Seoltóireachta Glenans - Dún na Séad, Co. Chorcaí.	65	365
Club Gailf Chill Airne - féach nota 14 thíos	111	111
	276	726

D'úsáid ionad Seoltóireachta Glenans ar Chollainn Mhór, Cuan Mó, Cathair na Mart agus i nDún na Séad, Corcaigh chun scoileanna seoltóireachta a rith. Dúnadh na scoileanna seoltóireachta agus tugadh an mhaoin ar ais go Fáilte Ireland.

(A) Club Seoltóireachta Glenans, Collainn Mhór, Co. Mhaigh Eo

Chóirigh an tÚdarás an mhaoin seo lena díol ar luach €250,000. Bhí an mhaoin ar díol ar feadh tamall mhaith. Le linn 2015 fuair an tÚdarás tuairisc stádais ar an Maoin ó na Gníomhairí Eastáit. Thug na Gníomhairí Stáit faoi deara an drochbhail a bhí ar an maoin agus nár bh fhéidir teacht chuige ach i mbád, rud a chuirfeadh ceannaitheoirí ó dhoras. Mar gheall air sin, moladh luacháil athbhreithnithe agus praghas treorach €100,000. Tá athluacháil déanta ar an maoin síos go €100,000 ó €250,000 agus cuireadh an mhaoin ar an margadh agus praghas treorach €100,000 air. Glacadh le tairiscint €100,000 don talamh agus na foirgnimh i gCollainn Mhór i Márt na bliana 2016.

(B) Club Seoltóireachta Glenans, Dún na Séad, Co. Chorcaí

Rinneadh athluacháil ar an talamh agus na foirgnimh i nDún na Séad i gCo. Chorcaí go €365,000 in 2014 tar éis tairiscint an mhaoin a cheannach a bheith faigte. Tarraingíodh siar an tairiscint. De réir Chiorclán 11/2015, Prótacail maidir le Maoin Stáit a Aistriú agus a Roinnt, cuireadh an mhaoin ar Chlár Maoine an Stáit. Tá léiriú spéise faigte ó eagras Stáit eile. Cinnfidh an oifig Luachála luach an aistritheanois. De réir ár bpolasaí ar Shócmhainní Seasta, tá athluacháil déanta ar an maoin de réir costais.

Club Gailf Chill Airne

Tá talamh ag Fáilte Ireland ag Club Gailf Chill Airne. Tá na tailte sin ar léas le KGCL Property Holdings Ltd agus iad mar chuid de na cúrsaí gailf a bhíonn á n-úsáid ag Club Gailf agus Club lascaireachta Chill Airne. Tá an luach sa Ráiteas ar an Staid Airgeadais luaite ag costas stairiúil.

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13. SÓCMHAINNÍ AIRGEADAIS - GRÚPA

Tá na Sócmhainní Airgeadais comhdhéanta de	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Aerfort Réigiúnach Phort Láirge plc - 1,562 Gnáthscair €2.54	4	4
Iarthar Chonamara plc - 5,500 gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	7	7
Saoiri Louisburgh plc - 25,000 'B' Gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	31	31
Club Gailf Chonamara - 500 gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	1	1
Galf Chorca Dhuibhne - 386 scair agus 90 scair breise i gcomhair na talún	3	3
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.		
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. Scair d'Aerfort Réigiúnach Chiarraí Teo.	14	14
	60	60

- Tá 30,000 gnáthscair ar €1.30 an ceann agus 5,000 scair tosaíochta ar €1.30 an ceann ag Fáilte Ireland i bhFiontar Oidhreachta
- Inis Mór Teoranta. Tá luach neamhní orthu sin sna ráitis airgeadais.
- Tá luach scaireanna €250 freisin ag Fáilte Ireland in Aerfort Chontae Chiarraí Teoranta. Is scairshealbhóireacht ainmniúil é sin.
- Tá 100% de na scaireanna in Teffub Teoranta ag Fáilte Ireland agus a bhfuil gníomhaíocht de chuideachta shealbháiochta maoine mar phríomhghníomhaíocht aige.

Tá luach €3 ar na scaireanna sin. Taispeántar gach scair thus ag a luachanna iasachta i ráitis airgeadais iniúchta na nÚdarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnacha ábhartha an 30ú Meitheamh 2006, díreach roimh chomhtháthú le Fáilte Ireland. Tá leas urlámhais ag Fáilte Ireland sna cuideachtaí teoranta seo a leanas faoi theorainn ráthaíochta. Ní raibh sócmhainní dliteanais, comhaltaí foirne ná gníomhaíocht trádála aige sa 12 mhí dar gcríoch an 31 Nollaig 2015 ná an 31 Nollaig 2014.

Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an lardheiscirt Teo. Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Lár Tíre Thoir Teo.
Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an larthuascirt Teo. Eagraíocht Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Bhaile Átha Cliath Teo.
Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an larthair Teo. Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Bhaile Átha Cliath Teo.

Tá leas urlámhais ag Fáilte Ireland i dTionscadail an Tóstail 2013 Teoranta. Bhí luach neamhní ag glansócmhainní na cuideachta amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015. Níor tabhaíodh aon chaiteachas in 2015. Tá an chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus níl scair aici sa chaitpíteal.

Tá infheistíocht ag KGCL Property Holdings Ltd in Aerfort Chiarraí Teo a bhfuil luach €14,297 uirthi.

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SÓCMHAINNÍ AIRGEADAIS - ÚDARAS	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Tá na Sócmhainní Airgeadais comhdhéanta de		
Aerfort Réigiúnach Phort Láirge plc - 1,562 Gnáthscair €2.54	4	4
Iarthar Chonamara plc - 5,500 gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	7	7
Saoirí Louisburgh plc - 25,000 'B' Gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	31	31
Club Gailf Chonamara - 500 gnáthscair @ €1.27 an ceann	1	1
Galf Chorca Dhuibhne - 386 scair agus 90 scair bhereise i gcomhair na talún	3	3
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.		
75% Scairshealbhóireacht ag KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.	12	12
	58	58

Tá 30,000 gnáthscair ar €1.30 an ceann agus 5,000 scair tosaíochta ar €1.30 an ceann ag Fáilte Ireland i bhFiontar Oidhreachta Inis Mór Teoranta. Tá luach neamhní orthu sin sna ráitis airgeadais.

- Tá luach scaireanna €250 freisin ag Fáilte Ireland in Aerfort Chontae Chiarrá Teoranta. Is scairshealbhóireacht ainmniúil é sin.
- Tá 100% de na scaireanna in Teffub Teoranta ag Fáilte Ireland agus a bhfuil gníomhaíocht de chuideachta shealbhaíochta maoine
- Luach €3 atá ar na scaireanna seo.

Tá luach €3 ar na scaireanna sin. Taispeántar gach scair thuas ag a luachanna iasachta i ráitis airgeadais iniúchta na Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnacha ábhartha an 30ú Meitheamh 2006, díreach roimh chomhtháthú le Fáilte Ireland.

Tá leas urlámhais ag Fáilte Ireland sna cuideachtaí teoranta seo a leanas faoi theorainn ráthaíochta. Ní raibh sócmhainní, dliteanais, comhaltaí foirne ná gníomhaíocht trádála aige sa 12 mhí dar gcríoch 31 Nollaig 2014 ná an 31 Nollaig 2015.

Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an lardheiscirt Teo.
Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an larthuaiscirt Teo.
Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach an larthair Teo.

Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Lár Tíre Thoir Teo.
Eagraíocht Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Bhaile Átha Cliath Teo.
Údarás Turasóireachta Réigiúnach Bhaile Átha Cliath Teo.

Tá leas urlámhais ag Fáilte Ireland i dtionscadail an Tóstail 2013 Teoranta. Bhí luach neamhní ag glansócmhainní na cuideachta amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015. Níor tabhaíodh aon chaiteachas in 2015. Tá an chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus níl scair aici sa chaipiteal.

Tá an chuideachta faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus níl scairchaipiteal aici. Luach €12,000 atá orthu seo sna ráitis airgeadais.

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14. KGCL PROPERTY HOLDINGS LTD

Is fochuideachta 75% de Fáilte Ireland é KGCL Property Holdings Limited. Is cuideachta sealúchais maoine é KGCL Property Holdings Limited. Cuireadh tortaí KGCL Property Holdings Ltd san áireamh i gcuntas chomhdhlúite Fáilte Ireland den chéad uair in 2014. Níor fócadh aon chomaoín do na scaireanna in KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. In 2013, d'aistrigh KGCL Property Holdings Ltd feidhmiú na ngalfchúrsanna i gCill Airne chuig a gComhaltaí. Is é KGCL Property Holdings Ltd úinéir na talún i gcónaí. Íocann na comhaltaí cíos bliantúil €3,000 le KGCL Property Holdings Ltd. Tá léas ag KGCL Property Holdings Ltd ar ghalfchúrsa na Leacan Báine le cíos bliantúil €12,000. Íocann na comhaltaí cíos bliantúil €12,000 le KGCL Property Holdings Ltd don talamh seo freisin.

Tá leas bainte ag KGCL Property Holdings Ltd as an díolúine atá in FRS 102 chun ráiteas sreabhadh airgid a ullmhú bunaithe ar thorthaí na gcuideachtaí atá san áireamh i ráitis airgeadais chomhdhlúite Fáilte Ireland..

KGCL Property Holdings Limited

Ráiteas ar Ioncam Cuimsitheach don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
IONCAM:		
Ioncam ó chíos	14	15
Ollbhrabús	14	15
CAITEACHAS:		
Dímheas	39	59
Muirir Chíosa	17	15
Táillí Proifisiúnta	-	6
Costais ionmlána Riaracháin	56	80
Ús infhaigte agus ioncam dá shamhail		-
Barrachas/(Easnamh) roimh Chánachas	(42)	(65)
Cánachas	-	-
Barrachas/(Easnamh) tar éis Cánachais	(42)	(65)

Glan-Sócmhainní Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015	2014 €'000	2015 €'000
Sócmhainní Seasta:		
Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh	1,990	2,032
Sócmhainní Airgeadais	14	14
	2,004	2,046
Sócmhainní Reatha	13	10
Dliteanais Reatha	(6)	(3)
Glan-Sócmhainní ionmlána:	2,011	2,053

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15. INFHÁLTAIS - GRÚPA

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Trádáil	423	279
Réamhíocaíochtaí	212	378
Ioncam fabhraithe	98	234
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - CBL	-	1
	733	892

INFHÁLTAIS - ÚDARÁS

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Trádáil	423	279
Réamhíocaíochtaí	212	378
Ioncam fabhraithe	98	234
	733	891

16. AIRGEAD TIRIM AGUS COMHIONANN AIRGID THIRIM - GRÚPA

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Cuntais Taisce	45,058	42,727
Cuntais Reatha	2,191	4,704
Airgead tirim ar láimh	-	1
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Cuntais bhainc	13	10
	47,262	47,442

AIRGEAD TIRIM AGUS COMHIONANN AIRGID THIRIM - ÚDARÁS

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Cuntais Taisce	45,058	42,727
Cuntais Reatha	2,191	4,704
Airgead tirim ar láimh	-	1
	47,249	47,432

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17. NITHE INÍOCTHA - GRÚPA

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
	Arna athlua	
Méideanna dlite laistigh de bhliain amháin		
Creidiúnaithe Trádála	2,668	1,356
Turasóireacht Éireann	19	46
Ioncam larchurtha	3,982	3,911
Fabhruithe - Capiteal	20,481	20,829
Fabhruithe - Pá	757	736
Fabhruithe - Neamhphá	5,391	7,176
Creidiúnaithe Eile	769	672
Ioncam Réamhfochta	2,109	2,149
KGCL Property Holdings Ltd - Nithe Iníoctha & Fabhruithe	4	3
	36,180	36,878

NITHE INÍOCTHA - ÚDARÁS

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
	Arna athlua	
Méideanna dlite laistigh de bhliain amháin		
Creidiúnaithe Trádála	2,668	1,343
Tionscadail an Tóstail 2013 Teo.	-	13
Turasóireacht Éireann	19	46
Ioncam larchurtha	3,982	3,911
Fabhruithe - Capiteal	20,480	20,829
Fabhruithe - Pá	757	736
Fabhruithe - Neamhphá	5,391	7,176
Creidiúnaithe Eile	769	672
Ioncam Réamhfochta	2,109	2,149
	36,175	36,875

2014 Fabhruithe - Pá athluaithe d'Fhabhrú Saoire de réir FRS102 Baineann ioncam iarchurtha le torthaí leas ruílse agus leas léasaithe a dhiúscairt (féach Nóta 21)

18. CUNTAS CAIPITIL - GRÚPA

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Amhail an 1 Eanáir	27,946	28,701
Ioncam a úsáideadh chun críocha caipitil		
Breisithe le Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh a Ceannaíodh sa bhliain	1,791	2,328
Athluacháil Maoine Infheistíochta	(450)	450
Amúchadh ag teacht le Dímheas Sócmhainní	(2,097)	(1,652)
Méid scaoilte ar Mhaoin, ar Threalamh agus ar Innealra a dhiúscairt	-	(1,893)
Aistriú ó/(chuig) Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais	(756)	(767)
Infheistíocht san fhochuideachta KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12
Amhail an 31 Nollaig	27,190	27,946

Comhfheagraíonn an t-iarmhéid sa Chuntas Caipitil do na suimeanna seo a leanas:

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SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA

	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh	11	28,845	29,193
Réadmhaoin Infheistíochta	12	276	726
Sócmhainní Airgeadais	13	60	60
Lúide Sócmhainní lomlána KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.		(2,003)	(2,045)
Infheistíocht san Fhochuideachta KGCL Property Holdings Ltd		12	12
		27,190	27,946

CUNTAS CAIPITIL - ÚDARÁS

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Amhail an 1 Eanáir	27,946	28,701
Ioncam a úsáideadh chun críocha caipitil		
Breisithe le Maoin, Innealra agus Trealamh a Ceannaíodh sa bhliain	1,791	2,328
Athluacháil Maoine Infheistíochta	(450)	450
Amúchadh ag teacht le Dímheas Sócmhainní	(2,097)	(1,652)
Méid scaolte ar Mhaoin, ar Threalamh agus ar Innealra a dhiúscairt	-	(1,893)
Aistriú ó/(chuig) Chuntas ioncaim agus Caiteachais	(756)	(767)
Infheistíocht san fhochuideachta KGCL Property Holdings Ltd	-	12
Amhail an 31 Nollaig	27,190	27,946

Comhfhereagraíonn an t-iarmhéid sa Chuntas Caipitil do na suimeanna seo a leanas:

SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA

	Nótaí	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Sócmhainní Maoine, Innealra agus Trealmh	11	26,856	27,162
Réadmhaoin Infheistíochta	12	276	726
Sócmhainní Airgeadais	13	58	58
		27,190	27,946

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19. IONCAM COINNITHE - GRÚPA

	Arna athluas	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Amhail an 1 Eanáir	(129,398)	(127,924)
Scair an Ghrúpa d'iarmhéid tosaigh KGCL Property Holdings Ltd.	-	1,577
Barrachas/(Easnamh) sa tréimhse	124	4,193
Gnóthachain/(Caillteanais) Achtúireacha ar Scéimeanna Pinsin sa tréimhse	217	(15,722)
Coigeartú ar Ghlan-Mhaoiniú larchurtha do shochair scoir	(2,409)	8,478
	(131,466)	(129,398)

IONCAM COINNITHE - GRÚPA

	Arna athluas	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Amhail an 1 Eanáir	(130,926)	(127,924)
Barrachas/(Easnamh) sa tréimhse	155	4,242
Gnóthachain/(Caillteanais) Achtúireacha ar Scéimeanna Pinsin sa tréimhse	217	(15,722)
Coigeartú ar Ghlan-Mhaoiniú larchurtha do shochair scoir	(2,409)	8,478
	(132,963)	(130,926)

20. TIOMANTAIS LÉASA OIBRÍOCHTA MAIDIR LE TALAMH AGUS FOIRGNIMH

	Arna athluas	
	2015	2014
	€'000	€'000
Amhail an 31 Nollaig 2014, bhí na tiomantaí seo a leanas ag an Údarás faoi léasanna oibríochta:		
Íosmhéid íocaíochtaí léasa amach anseo	958	965
Laistigh de bhliaín amháin	1,977	2,603
idir dhá bhliaín agus cúig bliana	1,424	1,718
tar éis cúig bliana	4,359	5,286

B'ionann an méid iomlán a gearradh i leith na léasanna oibríochta sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais don bhliaín 2015 agus €988,700.25. (2014: €975,760.93)

21. TORTHAÍ DÍOLACHÁIN

In 2015 rinne an tÚdarás iad seo a leanas a dhiúscairt: Leas ruílse in áitreabh ar €70,697 (glan)
In 2014 rinne an tÚdarás iad seo a leanas a dhiúscairt: Leas léasa in áitreabh ar €3,911,000 (glan)
: Leas ruílse in áitreabh ar €137,000 (glan)

Tá cead faigte ag an Údarás ón Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt agus ón Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe, chun maoiniú dar luach iomlán €4,118,697 a choimeád, ar an gcoinníoll go gcaithfí an t-airgead ar thosaíochtaí ó thaobh forbairt caipitil turasóireachta.

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22. TIOMANTAIS ÍOCAÍOCHTA DEONTAIS

Measadh tiomantais d'íocaíochtaí deontais caipítíl amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015 a bheith ag €20.1 milliún (2014: €30.5 milliún).

23. NOCHTUITHE ÁBHARTHA PÁIRTÍ

Glacann an tÚdarás le nósanna imeachta de réir na dtreoirlínte a eisfonn an Roinn Airgeadais i ndáil le nochtadh leasanna Chomhaltaí an Údarás agus chloígh Comhaltaí an Údarás agus an tÚdarás leis na nósanna imeachta sin le linn na bliana.

Chloígh Comhaltaí an Údarás agus Fáilte Ireland le treoirlínte na Roinne Fiontar Poiblí agus Athchóirithe a chlúdaíonn cásanna leasa pearsanta le linn gnáthghnó. Féadfaidh Fáilte Ireland tacaíocht/deontais airgeadais a cheadú agus dul i mbun socruithe conarthacha le gnóthais a bhfuil Comhaltaí Údarás Fáilte Ireland fostaithe leo nó a bhfuil leas eile acu iontu.

I gcásanna a bhféadfadh coinbhleacht leasa a bheith ag baint leo, ní bhfuair Comhaltaí an Údarás aon cháipéisíocht Údarás ar na hidirbhearta beartaithe ná ní raibh na comhaltaí páirteach ná i láthair ag aon chainteanna maidir leis na cásanna sin.

Léirigh Comhalta an Údarás spéis i ndeontas amháin faoin gClár Infheistíochta Caipítíl Turasóireachta arb ionann é agus €877,000.

24. DEONTAIS A AISGHABHÁIL

Tá seiceálacha fíoraíthe déanta ag Fáilte Ireland ar chaiteachas a éilíodh i sampla tionscadal a fuair tacáiocht faoin gClár Oibríochta Turasóireachta 1994-1999 agus déanann sé iarmhonatóireacht ar dheontais íoctha freisin. Mar thoradh ar na nósanna imeachta sin, bhí cistí ar luach €885,886.22, a aisghabhadh ó dheontaithe, ar láimh agus cuireadh san áireamh iad i Nithe Infóchta ag deireadh na bliana. Níl aon mheicníocht ann chun na deontais sin a aisíoc leis an AE. Tá i gceist ag Fáilte Ireland méideanna atá ag dul dó ón AE i ndail le tionscadail mhonatóireachta a fhriúreamh, in aghaidh an chreidiúnaí seo.

25. PINSIN

Tá cur síos déanta ar scéimeanna pinsin an Údarás thíos

SCÉIM AOISLIÚNTAIS NEAMH-MHAOINITHE AN ÚDARÁIS NÁSIÚNTA FORBARTHA TURASÓIREACHTA

Feidhmíonn an tÚdarás scéim aoisliúntais sochair sainmhínithe neamh-mhaoinithe d'fhoireann bhuan incháilithe faoin Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta, 2003 agus d'fhoireann bhuan incháilithe den iar-Bhord Fáilte faoi Alt 15 den Acht um Thrácht Cuartaíochta 1952 agus Alt 9 den Acht um Thrácht Cuartaíochta 1983.

Is socrú pinsin ar an tuarastal deiridh shochair shainithe í an scéim pinsin le sochair agus ranníocaíochtaí atá sainmhínithe trí thagarth do "mhúnla" reatha rialúchán scéimeanna na hearnála poiblí. Soláthraíonn an scéim pinsean (ochtóiduithe in aghaidh na bliana seirbhíse), aisce nó cnapshuim (trí ochtódú in aghaidh na bliana seirbhíse) agus pinsin do chéile agus leanaí. Is í an Ghnáthaois Scoir ná breithlá 65 bliain; roimh 2004 tá comhaltaí i dteideal dul ar scor gan asbhaint achtúireach ó aois a 60 bliain. Go hiondúil ardaíonn pinsin atá le ioc (agus iarchurtha) de réir bhoilsciú tuarastail ghinearálta na hearnála poiblí.

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PINSEAN RANNÍOCACH NEAMH-MHAOINITHE AGUS PLEAN SOCHAR BÁIS (iar-CERT) (DÚNTA D'IONTRÁLAITHE NUA)

Feidhmíonn an tÚdarás scéim pinsin sochar shainithe d'fhoireann incháilithe iar-CERT Ltd. Sainmhínítear sochair agus ranníocaíochtaí trí ghníomhais agus leabhráin na scéimeanna pinsin. Soláthraíonn an scéim pinsin (ochtóduithe in aghaidh na bliana seirbhise), aisce nó cnapshuim (trí ochtódú in aghaidh na bliana seirbhise) agus pinsin do chéile agus leanaí atá faoi réir ag rial má bhíonn 20 bliain de sheirbhís tugtha ag comhalta ag aois a 65 bliain, bronntar 40 bliain seirbhís orthu. Is í an Ghnáthaois Scoir ná breithlá 65 bliain comhalta.

De bharr go bhfuil an scéim seo dúnta; faoin modh aonad fortheilgthe, ardóidh costas na seirbhise reatha de réir mar a bheidh comhaltaí na scéime ag teannadh le scor.

SCÉIM PINSIN EAGRAÍOCHTAÍ TURASÓIREACHTA RÉIGIÚNACHA NEAMH-MHAOINITHE (DÚNTA D'IONTRÁLAITHE NUA)

Oibrítear scéim pinsin sochar shainithe d'fhoireann incháilithe de na sé iar-Údarás Turasóireachta réigiúnacha le sochair maoinithe ag ranníoca ó fhostaithé.

Sainmhínítear sochair agus ranníocaíochtaí trí ghníomhais agus leabhráin na scéimeanna pinsin. Soláthraíonn an scéim pinsin (ochtóduithe in aghaidh na bliana seirbhise), aisce nó cnapshuim (trí ochtódú in aghaidh na bliana seirbhise) agus pinsin do chéile agus leanaí. Is í an Ghnáthaois Scoir ná breithlá 65 bliain comhalta; Tá comhaltaí roimh 2004 i dtéideal dul ar scor gan asbhaint achtúireach ó aois a 60 bliain. Go hiondúil ardaíonn pinsin atá le fóc (agus iarchurtha) de réir bhoilsciú tuarastail ghinearálta na hearnála poiblí. De bharr go bhfuil an scéim seo dúnta; faoin modh aonad fortheilgthe, ardóidh costas na seirbhise reatha de réir mar a bheidh comhaltaí na scéime ag teannadh le scor.

SCÉIM RANNÍOCA SAINMHÍNITHE

Bhí scéimeanna pinsin ranníoca sainmhínithe ar fáil d'fhoireann nach raibh cáilithe don scéim aoisliúntais neamh-maoinithe. Sealbhaíodh sócmhainní na scéimeanna sin astu féin ó shócmhainní Fáilte Ireland a bhí i gcistí a riadar go neamhspleách. Ó mhí na Samhna 2013 níl aon chomhalta fairne ina chomhalta den scéim sin.

(A) Anailís ar Chostais Sochar Scoir Iomlána gearrtha ar Chaiteachas	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Costas seirbhise reatha	5,114	5,117
Ús ar dhliteanais na scéime pinsin	4,762	7,801
Ranníocaíochtaí fostaithe	(717)	(922)
Costais Iomlána na Scéime Sochar Sainithe	9,159	11,996
Scéimeanna Ranníoca Sainmhínithe	-	-
Eile*	68	167
Iomlán	9,227	12,163

* Ar na costais eile atá ann, tá: (I) Tá na costais eile comhdhéanta d'íocaíochtaí préimhe leanúnachas ioncaim arna ndéanamh i leith chomhaltaí na scéime pinsin iar-CERT €35,566

(II) agus €32,570 an difríocht idir teidlíocht na scéime pinsin iar-CERT agus an íocaíocht bhlianachta a ceannaíodh ag an am.

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(B) Anailís ar an méid a aithníodh in Ioncam Cuimsitheach

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
	Arna athlua	
Taithí Gnóthachain	473	4,751
Athruithe ar Bhóinn Tuisceana	(256)	(20,473)
Gnóthachain/(Cailteanas) Achtúireach	217	(15,722)
Gnóthachain/(Cailteanas) Achtúireach aitheanta ag maoiniú comhfhereagrach	(2,409)	8,478
Iomlán	(2,192)	(7,244)

(C) Oibleagáidí maidir le Glan-Sochair Scoir le linn na bliana

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Glan-dliteanas Pinsin amhail an 1 Eanáir	(242,135)	(221,485)
Sochair íoctha	7,606	7,990
Costas seirbhíse reatha	(5,114)	(5,117)
Ús ar dhliteanas na scéime pinsin	(4,762)	(7,801)
Gnóthachain/(Cailteanas) Achtúireach	217	(15,722)
Glan-dliteanas Pinsin amhail an 31 Nollaig	(244,188)	(242,135)

(D) Glan-Mhaoliniú larchurtha do Shocair Scoir

Aithníonn an tÚdarás sócmhainn ag comhfhereagairt don dliteanas iarchurtha neamh-mhaoinithe maidir le Scéim Pinsin Neamh-mhaoinithe na nEagraíochtaí Réigiúnacha Turasóireachta agus le scéim pinsin neamh-mhaoinithe (iar-CERT) mar atá leagtha amach sa mBeartas Cuntasálochta maidir le pinsin.

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Scéim pinsin neamh-mhaoinithe (iar-CERT) agus Scéim na nEagraíochtaí Réigiúnacha Turasóireachta Neamh-mhaoinithe (Bunaithe ar Fhorálacha an Acharta um Bearta Airgeadais 2009).	99,397	99,735
Iomlán	99,397	99,735

Is mar seo a leanas a bhí an Glan-Mhaoliniú larchurtha do Phinsin a aithníodh sa Chuntas loncaim agus Caiteachais:

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Maoiniú in-aisghabhála maidir le costais sochar scoir na bliana reatha - Scéim pinsin neamh-mhaoinithe (iar-CERT) agus Scéim Neamh-mhaoinithe na nEagraíochtaí Réigiúnacha Turasóireachta	4,494	5,619
Deontas Stáit i bhfeidhm chun pinsinéirí a foc	(2,104)	(2,207)
Ranníoca forne i bhfeidhm chun pinsinéirí a foc	(320)	(357)
	2,070	3,055

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Tá cainníochtú an dliteanais bunaithe ar na boinn tuisceana airgeadais atá leagtha amach i nóta (E) thíos.

Tugtar na boinn tuisceana, atá bunaithe ar chomhairle achtúireach gairmiúil, ar aird na Roinne lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt.

(E) An Scéim agus na Boinn Tuisceana Achtúireacha

Tá luacháil dhliteanais na scéimeanna ar baineadh úsáid astu chun críocha noctuithe faoi Alt 28 de FRS 102 bunaithe ar luacháil achtúireach iomlán amhail an 31 Nollaig 2015 ag achtúire neamhspleách cáilithe. Tomhaiseadh dliteanais na scéime pinsin ag baint úsáide as an modh aonaid theilgthe.

Príomhbhoinn tuisceana a úsáideadh chun dliteanais na scéime a ríomh:	31/12/2015	31/12/2014
Ráta lascaine	2.30%	2.00%
Ráta an ardaithe i dtuarastail	3.10%	2.75%
Arduithe pinsean stáit sa todhchaí	3.10%	2.75%
Arduithe pinsean sa todhchaí	2.6%*	2.25%*
Ráta Boilscithe	1.60%	1.25%
Athluacháil maidir le hiarchur	2.60%**	2.25%**

Boinn Tuisceana Dhéimeagrafacha	31/12/2015	31/12/2014
Básmhaireacht Réamhscoir	Fir 62% de PNML00 Mná 70% de PNML00	Fir 62% de PNML00 Mná 70% de PNML00
Básmhaireacht larscoir	Fir 58% de PNML00 Mná 62% de PNML00	Fir 58% de PNML00 Mná 62% de PNML00
Liúntais d'fheabhsuithe maidir le básmhaireacht	Tá	Yes
Aois Scoir	Iontrálaithe nua 65, fostaithe eile 62***	Iontrálaithe nua 65, fostaithe eile 62***
% pósta aimsir scoir	90%	90%
Éagsúlacht aoise idir na céili	Meastar an fear a bheith 3 bliana níos sine ná a chéile	Meastar an fear a bheith 3 bliana níos sine ná a chéile

* I gcás na scéime CERT, meastar arduithe pinsean 3% sa bhliain a bheith ann amach anseo

**I gcás na scéime CERT, baineann athluacháil reachtúil le sochair iarchurtha. Mar thoradh air sin, meastar athluacháil 1.6% ar an ráta iarchurtha in aghaidh na bliana a bheith ann. I gcás scéimeanna pinsean eile de chuid Fáilte Ireland, meastar athluacháil a theacht ar shocair iarchurtha sa tslí is go dtiocfaidh siad le harduithe paireachta pá 2.6% in aghaidh na bliana.

***Is í an aois scoir do scéim pinsin CERT ná 65 bliain le haghaidh gach comhalta.

Ceadaíonn an bunús básmhaireachta thusa d'fheabhsuite san ionchas saoil le himeacht ama, i dtreo is go mbeidh ionchas saoil ag brath ar an mbliain ina sroicheann comhalta aois scoir. Taispeánann an tábla thíos an t-ionchas saoil do chomhaltaí a bhaineann amach aois 65 in 2015 agus in 2035.

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Bliain a mbaintear amach aois 65

	2015	2034
Ionchas saoil - Fir	20.9 bliain	23.5 bliain
Ionchas saoil - Mná	23.5 bliain	25.6 bliain

(F) Stair oibleagáidí sochair shainithe, sócmhainní agus taithí gnóthachain agus caillteanais

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Oibleagáidí sochair shainithe	244,188	242,135	221,485	231,888	177,194
Gnóthachan/(easnamh) ó thaithí ar dhliteanais scéime					
• Méid(€'000)		4,751	8,540	1,632	5,186
• Céatadán de luach reatha dhliteanais na scéime		2.0%	3.9%	0.7%	3.0%

26. AISTRIÚ GO FRS102

Comhréiteach Cúlchistí

	Nóta	Amhail an 01/01/2014	Amhail an 31/12/2014
		€'000	€'000
Cúlchistí (mar a tuairiscíodh cheana)		(125,914)	(128,990)
Fabhrú Pá Saoire	1	(433)	(408)
Méadú ar Luach Maoine Infheistíochta Athaicmithe	2	-	450
Aistriú chuig Cúlchistí Caipitil	3	-	(450)
Cúlchistí athráite		(126,347)	(129,398)

Comhréiteach Barrachais don bhliain dar críoch

	An Bhliain Dar Críoch
	31/12/2014
	€'000
Barrachas don bhliain (mar a tuairiscíodh cheana)	4,168
Fabhrú pá saoire	1
Méadú ar Luach Maoine Infheistíochta Athaicmithe	2
Aistriú chuig Cúlchistí Caipitil	3
Barrachas don bhliain (arna athlua)	4,193

1. Fabhrú Pá Saoire

Ní raibh fabhrú déanta ag Fáilte Ireland cheana le haghaidh pá saoire a shaothraigh fostaithe ach nár bhain siad leas as ar dháta an tuairiscithe. De réir FRS 102, ní mór go n-aithneofaí fabhruithe dá leithéid sna Ráitis Airgeadais. Tionchar an athraithe seo méadú €433,000 ar nithe iníoctha ar an dáta aistrithe agus meadú €408,000 an 31 Nollaig 2014.

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2. Méadú ar Luach Maoine Infheistíochta Athrangaithe

D'aithin Fáilte Ireland méadú €450,000 ar mhaoin infheistíochta sa Chaipiteal agus sna Cúlchistí sa Tréimhse go dtí an 31/12/2014. De réir FRS 102, ní mór luachálacha dá leithéid a aithint sa chuntas brabús agus caillteanais. Tá an brabús agus an caillteanas curtha in iúl an athuair ag Fáilte Ireland in ioncam eile d'fhonn an t-athrú polasaí a léiriú.

Níl aon tionchar ag an athrú seo ar an dáta aistrithe agus tá méadú €450,000 ar chúlchistí ann an 31 Nollaig 2014.

3. Aistriú chuig Cúlchistí Caipitil

Tar éis na cúnchistí caipitil a choigeartú d'fhonn FRS102 a chomhlíonadh, is gá coigeartú comhfhereagrach a dhéanamh le gur mar a chéile an maoiniú caipitil agus an Leabharluach Glan na Sócmhainní.

Níl aon tionchar ag an athrú seo ar an dáta aistrithe agus tá méadú €450,000 ar chúlchistí ann an 31 Nollaig 2014.

27. GNÓTHAS LEANTACH

Ullmhaíodh na Ráitis Airgeadais de réir bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh. Ag tráth síntíte na Ráiteas Airgeadais 2015 tá éiginnteacht ann maidir le maoiniú fadtéarmach Scéime Aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta á leanúint ar aghaidh ag an Oireachtas toisc nach luitear an scéim san Acht um Bearta Airgeadais (Forálacha Ilghnéisitheacha) 2009 a thugann tacaíocht reachtúil do dhá scéim pinsin eile an Ghrúpa.

Tá dearbhú á lorg ag an Údarás ón Roinn lompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt agus ón Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe maidir le maoiniú leanúnach na scéime sin agus go dtí seo níl an dearbhú sin faigte. Dá réir sin, tá cinneadh déanta ag an Údarás gan foráil a dhéanamh do shócmhainn iarchurtha sna Ráitis Airgeadais ar fiú €142.400m é san iomlán, ar luach dliteanais iarchurtha na scéime.

Agus measúnú á dhéanamh ar sheasamh gnóthais leantaigh an Ghrúpa tá an méid seo i leanas measta ag an Údarás

1. Cuireann an tOireachtas maoiniú ar fáil i gcónaí ar bhunús íoc-mar-a-úsáidtear do Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta tríd an bpróiseas Meastachán bliantúil.
2. Is comhlacht stáit í an eagraíocht a bunaíodh leis an Acht um Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta 2003 agus 96% maoinithe ag an Oireachtas.
3. Níl i gceist an eagraíocht a thuaslagadh i láthair na huaire.
4. Is saincheist leanúnach í maoiniú na scéime pinsin agus níl seasamh cianntitheach déanta ag an Údarás fós maidir le cé acu an leanfar le maoiniú nó nach leanfar leis.
5. Cuimseoidh criostalú an dliteanais a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ann tréimhse 34 bliain amach sa todhchaí.

Bunaithe ar na breithnithe thus tá comhaltaí an Údarás sásta go bhfuil dóthain acmhainní ag an nGrúpa chun leanúint ar aghaidh ar feadh 12 mí ar a laghad ó dháta ceadaithe na Ráiteas Airgeadais seo agus is iomchuí glacadh le bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh agus na Ráitis Airgeadais seo á n-ullmhú.

Chinn comhaltaí an Údarás chomh maith nach ionann an éiginnteacht maidir le Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta agus éiginnteacht ábhartha a fhágann go bhfuil amhras suntasach ann maidir le cumas an Ghrúpa leanúint ar aghaidh mar ghnóthas leantach agus ar an mbonn sin leanfaidh an tÚdarás ag glacadh le bonn an ghnóthais leantaigh agus na Ráitis Airgeadais á n-ullmhú aige.

28. CEADÚ NA RÁITEAS AIRGEADAIS

Cheadaigh an tÚdarás na ráitis airgeadais seo an 12ú Meán Fómhair 2015.

Íocaíochtaí Prasa le Comhlachtaí na hEarnála Poiblí

dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2015

Teimpléad Tuairiscithe de bhun Chinneadh Uimh S29296 an Rialtais an 2ú agus an 8ú Márta 2011 maidir le híocaíochtaí 15 Lá ó:

Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhise Sláinte, Údarás Áitiúla, Gníomhaireachtaí Stáit agus gach Comhlacht san Earnáil Phoiblí (gan Comhlachtaí Leath-Stáit Tráchtala) san áireamh)

Máthair-Roinn Rialtais: An Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta & Spóirt
Comhlacht Earnála Poiblí: An tÚdarás Náisiúnta Forbartha Turasóireachta
An bhlian lena mbaineann: 01ú Ean 2015 go 31ú Nollaig 2015

Sonrai	Líon	Luach (€)	(%) d'íocaíochtaí iomlán a rinneadh
Líon iomlán na n-íocaíochtaí a rinneadh	13,165	€59,367,366.60	100.00%
Líon íocaíochtaí a rinneadh laistigh de 15 lá	11,993	€54,749,044.66	91.10%
Líon íocaíochtaí a rinneadh laistigh de 16 go 30 lá	923	€3,802,536.26	7.01%
Líon sonrasc a íocadh sa bheis ar 30 lá	249	€815,785.68	1.89%
Sonraisc a Raibh Díospóid Fúthu	272	€1,590,132.14	
Iomlán	13,437	€60,957,498.74	

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