



TARBERT COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL PROJECT



What was the idea

Tarbert Comprehensive school was established in 1977 with a school population of over 300 pupils. It has grown and developed as a respected and highly committed organisation within the North Kerry and West Limerick Community. The sports hall is the biggest building in the local community. Replacement of the old sports hall floor which was over 40 years old with a suspended timber floor, formed part of a long-term effort to improve the standard of the facility so that it becomes the 'go to' venue for fundraising events and concerts.



Challenges

Local sports organisations who were using the sports hall had raised the issue of injuries resulting from falls on the old concrete floor. Funding from the EirGrid Community Sponsorship Fund along with Sports Capital Funding ensured the project could proceed.



How has this funding made a difference?

'More people will be attracted to the school sports hall now that it has been revamped. The old hall was in much need of a lift and numerous groups have now expressed an interest in using the facility. The floor is a floating floor and will be less severe on joints and there will be a reduced chance of injury should someone fall on it. It has reduced the sound echo in the hall and makes instruction and communication easier'

The quality of the new floor is more attractive and motivating to play on and will attract more participation.

The reduction in sound reverberation issues has improved the teaching and learning experience. The new floor has been welcomed with open arms by local sporting organisations'



EIRGRID COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP FUND



Amount Awarded
€10,000 commitment

Martin Trench – Assistant Principal



'The key lessons learned from this project were good planning and organisation skills were enhanced. The highlights of our project were seeing the finished product and establishing relationships with the people involved'



Key Users

The pupils of Tarbert Comprehensive School
Local Sports organisations
GAA Club
Soccer Club
Youth Club
Gym Classes
Cycling Clubs

Linked to Sustainable Development Goals



Project Financing

EIRGRID Community Sponsorship Fund
A State Capital Grant