



Tarbert Development Association

What was the idea

Tarbert Development Association is one of the longest established voluntary groups in Kerry. Their main aim is to sustainably improve the economic, social, cultural and ecological wellbeing of the people of the community of Tarbert. The group work to improve Tarbert's standing in the annual Tidy Towns competition and to seek funding that would help in improving the environs. As part of their ongoing work the group decided on a project to replace two old seats and add an additional one at the John F Leslie Wood Walk and renew soil and planting in some areas of the sensory park.

Challenges

There was a need for some of the older seating to be replaced along the walkway. The Sensory Park is an important amenity which needed to be refurbished to meet the needs of the community.

How has this funding made a difference?

This Park is within a short walk with no road crossings, on a foot path from the national school and is regularly used by various classes for studying biodiversity, art, geography, the senses and nature study.

‘Strategically placed seating encourages those who might be reluctant to take exercise if they were fearful of being able to go the full distance. We are an aging population so 30 or so people use these seats on a regular basis’

The community of Tarbert are very proud of the way the area is presented to the Tidy Town adjudicators, the tourists on the Wild Atlantic Way and those who work and/or live here’



EIRGRID COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP FUND

 Amount Awarded
€8,000 commitment

Joan Murphy, Secretary Tarbert Development Association



“Sitting outside in such beautiful natural surroundings could help to reduce stress. A bench is a place which allows you to stop and sketch or draw the abundance of flora and fauna around you”

Key Users

The local community
Local Schools
70+ people during Summer months
Tourists/Visitors

Linked to Sustainable Development Goals



Project Financing

EIRGRID Community Sponsorship Fund