

# Report to Cork City Development Board

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I wish to bring the following items to the notice of the Board:

- a) **Cork City Council Corporate Plan 2004-2009:** A presentation on this plan will be made by John Flynn, Director of Services – Corporate Affairs (see attached).
- b) **Endorsement Process:** Action Plans for 2005 have been received from Cork City Childcare Company Ltd, Mayfield Community Development Project, The Glen Community Development Project, We the People (Knocknaheeney), Farranree Community Development Project and Ballyphehane Togher Community Development Project. The City Monitoring Group is considering these plans and a report will be made to the Board at its April Meeting.
- c) **Improved Local Cohesion:** The Cork City Learning Forum is in the process of appointing a Development Worker in accordance with the funding granted by the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources. The Commonground Project preparing to appoint design consultants.
- d) **Shanghai:** Cork City Council and the Shanghai Municipal People's Government will sign a sister city agreement in 2005. This agreement will focus initially on links in the areas of Trade/Business (including Tourism), Education and Culture. Some Board Members will have been involved in the initial contacts between Cork and Shanghai. Progress reports will be made to the Board periodically. The involvement of Board Members in developing the relationship between the two cities is important.