

FEEDBACK REPORT - NOVEMBER 2000

This report outlines activities of the Board for the period October -November 2000. It is quite brief this month. Following the October Board meeting a reminder was sent to Community and Voluntary Organisations regarding the Service Provision Questionnaire and the Strategic Issues. The Service Providers (listed in Appendix I of the October Feedback Report) were also reminded to return their questionnaires. Please treat this feedback report as a further reminder.

Community Participation

Over 100 responses to the leaflet have been received resulting in the identification of 25 additional community and voluntary organisations. Each organisation has received the relevant documents and has been added to the Register of Community and Voluntary Organisations. Each response is individually acknowledged and the responder is advised, if they wish to get involved in the work of the Board, to participate in a community or voluntary organisation.

Audit of Service Provision

121 responses (19.6 per cent) have been received from community and voluntary organisations with 14 responses (42 per cent) from service providers. These are being analysed at present and will be presented in a report to the Board

Strategic Issues Draft strategic issues have been circulated to each of the Service Providers. They have been requested to consider them and formally endorse them with or without amendments. These organisations have also been requested to carry out a Strengths/Weaknesses/ - Opportunities/Threats (SWOT) analysis of Cork City from their perspective. This will help inform the Board's own SWOT analysis.

65 community and voluntary organisations (10.5 per cent) have responded to the draft Strategic Issues. The results thus far indicate:

- 47 expressed a wish to be involved in working groups, 24 of these proposed additional issues;
- 18 groups rated the issues but for one reason or another could not partake in the working groups and 3 of these contributed additional issues.

The strategy development process will now proceed with meetings of Community & Voluntary Organisations designed to reach agreed positions on the issues facing the City.