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Dear Resident,

Ireland's membership of the European Union has had a huge impact on our lives: from the use of a common currency to protecting our environment, from increased economic growth to tackling gender inequality, and from giving the country a stronger voice on the global stage to promoting social inclusion.

Communities, businesses, farmers, schools, universities and cultural organisations are just some of those who have benefitted from EU support across Ireland.

While we should never lose sight of the broader benefits of EU membership in terms of peace, prosperity and political stability, this report zooms in at a county level to illustrate just a few of the stories of how the EU has worked with partners to deliver positive results on the ground.

In many ways, these stories capture the essence of what EU membership means to people at a local level across the length and breadth of Ireland.

Yours faithfully

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**Taking sustainability
to heart**



Monaghan Mushrooms have participated in many EU projects and is a true success story. Read how they have put sustainability at the heart of their business.

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Saving the Hen Harrier



The Slieve Beagh covers much of the eastern and south-eastern sectors of the Slieve Beagh upland area that extends from County Monaghan into Northern Ireland. It is a Special Protecting Area for the Hen Harrier.

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Biodiversity and Heritage



Monaghan County Council has compiled a draft five-year plan that combines the areas of heritage and biodiversity into a strategic plan for the county, in line with EU directives. By 2025, the role of biodiversity and heritage will be embedded in the activities of the council.

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Support for Monaghan Farmers



Irish Agriculture received EU support worth over €1.7 billion in 2020. In Monaghan, basic payments to farmers alone amounted to over €27 million in 2019, with an average payment of €7k per recipient.

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Moving to Monaghan



County Monaghan was chosen to be a pilot area in a European project that is trying to establish how to make rural places and professions more attractive. Depopulation, land abandonment and the loss of biodiversity are changes that may proceed very slowly yet are often irreversible.

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EU Support for Monaghan Communities



The EU Leader programme has supported communities, businesses and farming enterprises for years. Take a look at how Leader funding has supported Monaghan in recent years.

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Social Farming



Social farming offers activity on family farms as a form of social support service. Benefitting from EU support, they are located throughout the country and have many different types of farm holdings and different farm activities to offer participants. There are three social farms in Monaghan that are based in Carickmacross and Ballybay.

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**Cultural Exchange at
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Teacher Training



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Cultural Exchange at Monaghan Institute



Over the years, Monaghan Institute has been dynamic in initiating and developing broader educational links within Europe and beyond. A number of highly successful exchange projects have resulted, thanks to the Erasmus+ programme.

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Teacher Training



Preparing students for living and working in the 21st century requires education systems to give citizens core knowledge along with a set of key competences. The rapid growth of digital tools use by the youth challenges national ministries of education and teachers throughout Europe. An Erasmus+ funded project is helping Monaghan Education Centre to overcome this in Monaghan.

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**Patrick Kavanagh Centre Wins
European Cultural Heritage
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Festival in a Van



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Patrick Kavanagh Centre Wins European Cultural Heritage Award



The recently opened Patrick Kavanagh Centre in Monaghan has triumphed in the Film and Video category at the Heritage in Motion Awards 2020. A joint initiative of the European Museum Academy and Europa Nostra, the Awards are a celebration of the best examples of innovative multimedia and digital projects in cultural heritage in Europe.

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Festival in a Van



Partnering with Cavan Monaghan Music Generation and EDIC Centre in Clones Library, musicians aimed to visit a number of locations across Monaghan for individuals who work and care for adults with disabilities.

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Journeys leads to better understanding

Crossing Borders, Breaking Boundaries



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Journeys Cross-Border Project reaches youth



Hundreds of young people from disadvantaged communities in Monaghan as well as Belfast, Limavady and the border regions of Monaghan and Cavan have embarked on a shared voyage of self-discovery and understanding.

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The Migrant Rights Centre is running an innovative project to support the participation of migrant workers to secure their rights with a focus on the service and agri-food sectors. With EU funding, the cross-border project is being rolled out in Monaghan/Newry-Down as well as in Donegal/Derry and Cavan/Armagh.

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