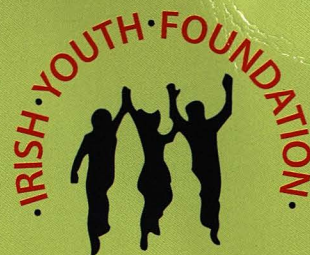


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Registered charity No.328265



## **Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited (incorporating The Lawlor Foundation)**

**Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2006**





**Mary McAleese, President of Ireland**  
Patron, Irish Youth Foundation



Uachtarán na hÉireann  
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

**MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT McALEESE**

As Patron of the Irish Youth Foundation, it gives me great pleasure to send warmest greetings to the members on the occasion of their Annual Report for the year 2006. I would like to congratulate everyone involved in the Irish Youth Foundation on your tremendous work over the past year, a year in which you distributed the highest ever awards in grants to welfare, educational and cultural groups working with disadvantaged and troubled young Irish people in Britain and Northern Ireland to relieve their poverty and advance their education.

Your dedication and commitment has helped many young people in Britain and Northern Ireland to face daunting challenges in their lives, and to release previously untapped potential that lies within themselves. We are fortunate to have the Irish Youth Foundation to support so many young people – rebuilding hope and energy, reshaping their world for the better.

I am honoured to be associated with such a wonderful organisation and I would like to extend my good wishes to everyone involved. Your work makes an enormous difference to the most vulnerable of our young people and I wish you every success in that work in the years ahead.

*Mary McAleese*

MARY McALEESE  
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

## **Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited (A company limited by guarantee)**

### **History**



The Irish Youth Foundation (UK) is a voluntary charity set up in 1989 by a small group of Irish men and women who were concerned about the consequences of heavy, sustained emigration from Ireland to Britain. In the decade of the 1980's tens of thousands of young Irish people came to Britain to seek a new and better future, but many of these were unprepared for life in a different culture and environment.

The IYF and its founders set out to raise money to support organisations and projects which aim to improve the lives of children and young Irish people under the age of 25 in both Britain and Northern Ireland who are socially, economically or culturally disadvantaged and assist them in leading a more integrated and fulfilling life. These projects provide help and support for the homeless, employment and training schemes, women and children escaping violence, young offenders and prisoners, drug rehabilitation, and cultural activities. It is the only national charity in Britain specifically aimed at helping young Irish people and has raised over £3 million – an average of £200,000 annually – since it started. The charity was honoured in 2000 when Mary McAleese, President of Ireland, agreed to become Patron.

An independent Advisory Committee, using well-defined criteria, assesses grant applications on an annual basis and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees. In 2004 two special awards were inaugurated: the Innovation Award for the project judged to be the most innovative in addressing the changing needs of the young Irish community, and the Quality Award for outstanding achievement and excellence over time.

In the last few years, the Irish Youth Foundation (UK) and the Irish Youth Foundation (Ireland) have established a joint fund to provide support for community and voluntary groups in Northern Ireland, and a joint Advisory Committee to assess grant applications.

A major innovation occurred in 2005 when the Lawlor Foundation chose the Irish Youth Foundation as its partner for the future, and on 30th June 2005 the IYF formally incorporated the Lawlor Foundation. The merger was seen as a natural fit as both organisations had similar aims and objectives. The Lawlor Foundation was established in 1988 by Edward and Virginia Lawlor in memory of their son, Peter. Since inception the charity distributed over £2.2 million in grants to organisations working with troubled adolescents, projects underpinning the peace process, the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in Northern Ireland. Virginia Lawlor and Frank Baker, Lawlor Foundation trustees, joined the IYF Board and the merged organisation provided a new dynamic for the future, as well as additional funds, to help improve the lives and opportunities of young disadvantaged Irish people.

The IYF is aware of the changing needs of young Irish people in the United Kingdom. In particular, reduced emigration from Ireland is changing the structure of the Irish population. While there are still those arriving in Britain fleeing from difficult social and personal circumstances in Ireland, there is a renewed focus on the needs of the young second and third generation Irish people, born in Britain but with particular requirements.

Irish Youth Foundation is now entering its 18th year and, with the continuing help of its friends and supporters amongst the Irish business community in Britain, as well as many British companies and individuals, the charity looks forward with both pride and confidence to the future.

## Chairman's Report



The Irish Youth Foundation has now reached the milestone of having raised £3 million since inception in 1989 for Irish welfare, educational and cultural groups working with disadvantaged Irish youth in Britain and Northern Ireland. This is a remarkable achievement for a largely voluntary organisation and the funds really make a difference to the lives of these young people who find themselves in difficult circumstances, often isolated and alone, and who have not experienced Ireland's latter-day economic prosperity.

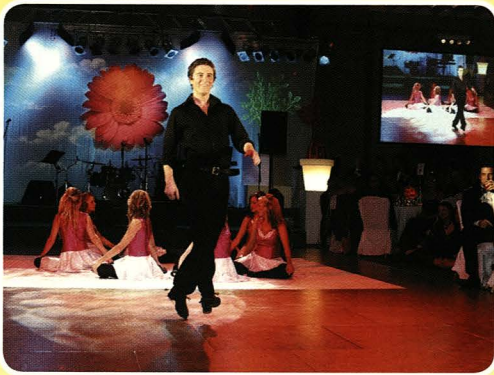
On behalf of the Board of Trustees and everyone involved with the Irish Youth Foundation, I wish to express our gratitude to all our supporters and sponsors who so generously contributed to our success in 2006. In particular, I would like to thank Anglo Irish Bank, our major sponsor throughout the year, for their continuing generosity and for the personal contribution of David Murray, who is a member of our Board of Trustees and co-Vice Chairman of the charity.

Following our merger with the Lawlor Foundation in June 2005, the Irish Youth Foundation is proud to continue its work with troubled adolescents and the advancement of education in Northern Ireland. Last year Virginia Lawlor and I visited some more schools in Northern Ireland on the recommendation of Baroness Blood, John Hume MP and his wife Pat. We were most impressed by the achievements of the head teachers we met who were working together to increase integration between their respective pupils and communities. As a result we have expanded our support for disadvantaged students to include Protestant and integrated, as well as Catholic schools. In recognition of the contribution that our merger with the Lawlor Foundation has made to the future strength of our organisation, and in order to preserve the history, we have decided to name our programme of student support in future "The Lawlor Educational Grants".

The IYF is fortunate to benefit from the particularly generous support from the Women's Irish Network which, in recent years, has donated annual sums ranging from £25,000 to £35,000. In return, we direct these funds towards welfare groups working with young Irish women and their children. We admire the success of WIN and congratulate Lady Hatch, Nessa O'Neill and their fellow members on their exceptional achievement in raising nearly £200,000 since the network was established. WIN's contribution to our fundraising efforts is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

Cecilia Gallagher, our Fundraising & Events Manager, organised an exceptional evening in November. The Art Auction at Mary Ward House combined a great party with a hugely successful auction of paintings generously donated by Irish artists and collectors. It was a unique occasion and made a great contribution to our fundraising efforts this year. Cecilia is to be congratulated on her enthusiasm and dedication in making the event happen, and our warmest thanks are extended to all the sponsors, particularly Ian Whyte, of Whyte's auctioneers in Dublin, whose personal contribution to the evening was overwhelming.

## Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited (A company limited by guarantee)



Our Annual Ball, held in November at The London Hilton on Park Lane, is always the highlight of our social calendar, and last year's "Avant Garden Ball" was no exception. I would particularly like to thank Cecilia and Linda Tanner, our Administrator, along with all the members of our Fundraising Committee, for their hard work in making the night so memorable.

Cecilia stepped down from her role as Fundraising & Events Manager at the end of last year and I would like to take this opportunity to thank her on behalf of all of us for her enormous contribution to the charity over the last few years. We wish her well in all her future endeavours.

For many years the IYF has enjoyed the support of the Ambassador of Ireland, Dáithí O'Ceallaigh and his wife Antoinette. The elegant surroundings of the Embassy in London have been the venue for the annual ceremony celebrating our grant awards for many years. This occasion is always rewarding and enables our friends and supporters to hear directly from those who benefit from their generous help throughout the year. Our warmest thanks are due to all the staff at the Embassy of Ireland for their traditional hospitality and generosity. We would like to extend our very best wishes for the future to Dáithí and Antoinette as they leave London to take up their new post, and to 1st Secretary Michael Lonergan and his wife Kirsty who are returning to Dublin.

I look forward to continuing the development of the Irish Youth Foundation in future with my fellow trustees and with the very generous support of our sponsors and friends.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John O'Neill'.

John O'Neill  
Chairman



**Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited  
(A company limited by guarantee)  
(Incorporating The Lawlor Foundation)**

**Trustees' Report And Financial Statements  
For The Year Ended 31 December 2006**

# **Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2006**

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## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2006**

The Trustees present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2006.

### **Reference and Administrative Information**

<b>Charity name</b>	Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited
<b>Charity registration number</b>	328265
<b>Company registration number</b>	2397878
<b>Registered office and Operational address</b>	c/o The Irish Centre Blacks Road Hammersmith London W6 9DT
<b>President</b>	Norma Smurfit
<b>Chairman of Trustees</b>	John O'Neill
<b>Vice Chairmen</b>	David Murray Jim O'Hara
<b>Other Trustees (in alphabetical order)</b>	Frank Baker Mary Clancy John Dwyer Mark Gilbert (appointed 13 June 2006) Fred Hucker Virginia Lawlor Colin McNicholas Nessa O'Neill
<b>Company secretary</b>	Linda Tanner
<b>Treasurer</b>	Declan Cunningham
<b>Bankers</b>	AIB Group (UK) plc Private Banking Berkeley Square House Berkeley Square London W1J 6BZ
<b>Auditors</b>	Day Smith and Hunter Chartered Accountants Batchworth House Batchworth Place Church Street Rickmansworth Hertfordshire WD3 1JE



## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2006 (continued)**

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **Governing document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee not having a share capital. The company was incorporated on 22 June 1989 and registered as a charity on 7 July 1989. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which establishes the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. The Trustees of the company are liable to contribute £1 each should the company be wound up insolvent.

#### **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law.

Much of the charity's fundraising work consists of the staging of prestigious fundraising events and Trustees are often people who are able to use their contacts to encourage corporate attendance at such events. A wide range of business and occupations is represented in the Board of Trustees, reflecting the diverse nature of the people whom the Charity seeks to benefit.

Many Trustees are also company directors and are familiar with the duties and responsibilities under Company Law. They are also encouraged to attend relevant courses held by the Charity Commission and remain apprised of Charity Law in relation to Trustees' duties.

#### **Risk Management**

Following the merger with the Lawlor Foundation with effect from 1 July 2005 the charity acquired an investment portfolio with a value in excess of £2 million pounds. The portfolio is spread amongst various investment funds designed for charities and is under the management of three investment management companies. The charity has set up an investment committee to oversee the performance of the investment managers and to consider the Charity's investment strategy, balancing the need for income with the desire for capital appreciation.

Public liability Insurance is purchased in respect of certain events where the potential for liability exists.

Appropriate financial controls have been in place for many years to minimise the risk of misappropriation of Charity assets.

#### **Organisation structure**

The charity's trustees meet quarterly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A strategy day is held annually, with the purpose of focusing on high level direction and policy.

## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2006 (continued)**

### **Organisation structure (continued)**

The company secretary is also the Charity's Administrator but has no voting rights. The Administrator's time is divided between the organisation of events with the fund raising manager, the organisation of the grant application programme, processing grants awarded to applicant bodies, as well as the duties of running the office and liaising with Trustees and third parties.

Grants are awarded by an Advisory Committee, which is independent of the Board of Trustees. The sum available to be awarded by the Advisory Committee is advised by the Board of Trustees.

### **Objectives and Activities**

For the year under review, the objectives of the charity were to raise funds and make grants available for:

- (a) Projects in the UK that assist young Irish people and their families
- (b) The advancement of education in Northern Ireland for example by making available grants for individual students and support for organisations

### **Achievements and Performance**

#### **Summary of the main achievements during the year**

The charity continues to organise well-attended and prestigious fundraising events that it hopes are seen as highly enjoyable.

During 2006 the following events were staged:

Saturday 13th May, Spring Ball at the Crown Moran Hotel, Cricklewood, London NW2

Wednesday 24th May, Golf Day at St George's Hill Golf Club, Weybridge, Surrey

Friday 24th September, The Great Wine Lunch at Stationers' Hall, Ave Maria Lane, London EC4

Thursday 9th November, The Art Party at Mary Ward House, Tavistock Place, London WC1

Saturday 25th November, Annual Ball at the London Hilton on Park Lane, London W1

#### **Performance achieved in charitable activities against objectives set:**

The Irish Youth Foundation continued its programme of support for a wide range of welfare organisations and community groups whose work aimed to improve the lives of young Irish people and children in the UK who are socially, economically or culturally disadvantaged. Grants ranging from £500 to £12,000 were awarded to projects including help for the homeless, employment and training schemes, support for women and children escaping violence, help for young offenders, drug rehabilitation, cross-community initiatives as well as social and cultural activities. Support for community and welfare organisations spreads throughout the United Kingdom, not only financially, but also recognising the work, commitment and needs of all those involved. Two special annual awards are made over and above the grant recommendations from applications received: the Innovation Award for the project judged to be the most innovative in addressing the changing needs of the young disadvantaged Irish community, and the Quality Award for outstanding achievement and longstanding excellence. The work of the Lawlor Foundation continues in the advancement of education in Northern Ireland with increased support for Irish students and educational organisations.

## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2006 (continued)**

### **Performance achieved in fund raising activities against objectives set:**

The Irish Youth Foundation's fund raising activities during the year continued to enhance its reputation for organising successful and enjoyable events and to expand its network of Irish and British friends and supporters. Funds raised through these well-attended events and from voluntary corporate and individual donations have enabled the charity to make a difference to the lives of young Irish people in need in the UK and help them toward a more integrated and fulfilling future.

### **Investment performance achieved against objectives set:**

The performance of the charity's investments during the year provided income to meet the requirements of grant commitments continuing the work of the Lawlor Foundation whilst preserving and increasing the capital value of the portfolio.

## **Financial Review**

### **Review of the Charity's financial position**

The surplus from events was £206,932 (2005: £159,745) and other donations totalled £59,642 (2005: £86,069). Income from events includes approximately £66,000 raised at the Art Party. This was a unique event, with established artists generously donating their work and involving an enormous contribution from Whyte's, the Dublin-based auctioneers, in terms of resources and publicity as well as the very generous personal contribution of Ian Whyte as auctioneer.

Income from events in 2007 will not include an Art Party.

Fundraising services totalling £32,282 (2005: £38,176) consisted of the fundraiser's costs and an appropriate proportion of the costs of the Charity's administrator. Recruitment of a replacement for Cecilia Gallagher as fund raising manager is underway and it is not yet possible to anticipate the cost of finding a suitably qualified replacement.

Governance costs were £34,414, (2005: £35,702), and include the Administrator's costs in managing the day-to-day business of the Charity, rental and office operating costs, audit fees and other sundry items. Trustees' and officers' liability insurance was acquired during the year at a premium of £840 and is included within this heading.

Grants awarded totalled £249,800 (2005: £280,120).

Income from the charity's investment portfolio was £105,325 and of this, £84,312 was transferred from the Designated Fund to the General Fund.

Net incoming resources on the general fund were £38,716, increasing general funds to £171,678.

Net incoming resources on the designated fund were £21,013.

Other recognised gains and losses comprised unrealised gains on the quoted and unquoted investment portfolio totalling £289,561. This reflects the performance of the Stock Market in general and commercial property in particular.

The balance on the designated fund became £2,879,731.

Total funds at the end of the year were £3,051,409.

## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2006 (continued)**

### **Principal financial management policies**

The charity exists to award grants out of the income it generates. The level of grants that can be awarded is determined by reference to the balance in the General fund, and also by reference to income from investments that can reasonably be expected to arise in the forthcoming year. Overhead costs are kept as low as realistically possible and are hoped to be covered by donations or covenants, so that funds raised at events are available for grants.

### **Investment policy**

The charity's investment policy is to achieve sufficient income to meet grant commitments, whilst maintaining growth in capital value. Investment managers are appointed who advise on specific investments suitable for Charity Trustees.

### **Plans for future periods**

#### **Aims, objectives and activities planned to achieve them**

To further the charity's well-established reputation for organising enjoyable events with the minimum of formality, and to expand the network of supporters, with the aim of raising funds to help projects in the UK than benefit young Irish people and their families. An annual calendar of fundraising events will continue to be organised including the Annual Golf Day, a Wine Lunch and the Annual Ball in November, as well as other events.

To continue to address the changing needs of the young disadvantaged Irish community, with particular reference to the requirements of the young second and third generation Irish people born in the UK. A discussion day with Irish Youth Foundation's stakeholders will be organised to discuss these changing needs.

Following the merger with the Lawlor Foundation in June 2005, the Irish Youth Foundation (UK) and the Irish Youth Foundation (Ireland) intend to increase the joint fund supporting organisations based in Northern Ireland.

## **Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 December 2006**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities in respect of the financial statements**

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- \* select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- \* make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- \* prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and which enables them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **Members of the Board**

Members of the Board, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the beginning of the Trustees' Report.

In accordance with company law, as the company's directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- as the directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

### **Auditors**

A resolution to reappoint Messrs. Day, Smith & Hunter as auditors will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

On behalf of the Trustees on 10 April 2007.

.....  
J. O'NEILL  
Trustee

**IRISH YOUTH FOUNDATION (UK) LIMITED**  
**(A company limited by guarantee)**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE**  
**MEMBERS OF IRISH YOUTH FOUNDATION (UK) LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements of Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2006 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors**

The Trustees' (who are also directors of Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited for the purposes of company law) responsibilities for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion, the information in the Trustees' Annual Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition, we report to you if, in our opinion, the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Trustees' Annual Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information beyond that referred to in this paragraph.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**IRISH YOUTH FOUNDATION (UK) LIMITED**  
**(A company limited by guarantee)**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE**  
**MEMBERS OF IRISH YOUTH FOUNDATION (UK) LIMITED**  
**(Continued)**

**Opinion**

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2006 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended; and
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information in the Trustees Annual Report is consistent with the financial statements.

**Day, Smith & Hunter**  
**Registered Auditors and Chartered Accountants**

Batchworth House  
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Hertfordshire WD3 1JE

10 April 2007

**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2006**

	Notes	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			31 December 2005 Stg£ Total
		31 December 2006		Total	
		Designated	Stg£ General		
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>					
Donations	4		266,274	266,274	245,814
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>					
Deposit interest			4,626	4,626	4,442
Investment income - quoted		45,175		45,175	21,472
- unquoted		60,150		60,150	29,011
<i>Other incoming resources</i>					
Capital fund transferred from Lawlor Foundation					2,269,895
Income fund transferred from Lawlor Foundation					10,228
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		105,325	270,900	376,225	2,580,862
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<i>Charitable activities</i>					
Allocation of grants			(249,800)	(249,800)	(280,120)
Fundraising services			(32,282)	(32,282)	(38,176)
<i>Governance costs</i>					
	5		(34,414)	(34,414)	(35,702)
			(316,496)	(316,496)	(353,998)
<i>Net incoming resources before transfers</i>		105,325	(45,596)	59,729	2,226,864
<b>TRANSFERS</b>					
Income transferred		(84,312)	84,312	-	-
<i>Net incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses</i>		21,013	38,716	59,729	2,226,864
<b>Other Recognised Gains And Losses</b>					
Unrealised gains on quoted investments		153,525	-	153,525	120,407
Unrealised gains on unquoted investments		136,036	-	136,036	178,855
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>					
Funds brought forward		310,574	38,716	349,290	2,526,126
Funds brought forward		2,569,157	132,962	2,702,119	175,993
Funds carried forward		£2,879,731	£171,678	£3,051,409	£2,702,119

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those shown in the statement of financial activities. Therefore no statement of total recognised gains and losses has been prepared. All the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The following notes form part of these financial statements.



**Balance Sheet at 31 December 2006**

	Notes	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	6	1,135	899
Investments	7	2,833,996	2,544,435
		2,835,131	2,545,334
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Bank		265,178	193,715
Debtors	8	19,000	19,320
		284,178	213,035
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors	9	67,900	56,250
		216,278	156,785
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		£3,051,409	£2,702,119
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			
<b>FINANCED BY</b>			
Designated Fund		2,879,731	2,569,157
General Fund		171,678	132,962
	10	£3,051,409	£2,702,119

Approved by the Trustees on 10 April 2007

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J. O'NEILL  
Trustee

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D. CUNNINGHAM  
Treasurer

The following notes form part of these financial statements.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

### **31 December 2006**

#### **1. The Company**

The company, which is limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, is incorporated in the United Kingdom and was formed to provide grants for the following activities:

- (a) Projects in the UK that assist young Irish people and their families.
- (b) The advancement of education in Northern Ireland for example by making available grants for individual students and support for organisations.

#### **2. Accounting Policies**

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

##### **(a) Basis of preparation of accounts**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of listed investments, and comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice", published in March 2005, and applicable accounting standards.

##### **(b) Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the charitable objectives of Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds for whose use special attention is to be paid to the wishes of those Trustees who were previously Trustees of The Lawlor Foundation.

Income and capital funds acquired on mergers are introduced as additions to General funds and are transferred in accordance with the transfer of undertaking document.

Income generated from the Designated fund, less resources expended, is transferred to the general fund to match grants allocated.

##### **(c) Incoming resources**

Income from fundraising events, grants and covenants, is brought into account in the year to which it relates, after receipt is known to be certain.

##### **(d) Resources expended**

Expenditure is charged in the period to which it relates.

Grants are charged to Income in the year in which they are awarded.

Fundraising costs are those costs expended in connection with fundraising events.

Governance costs are those costs incurred in connection with the management of the charity's assets, organisational administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

### **31 December 2006 (continued)**

#### **2. Accounting Policies (Continued)**

##### **(e) Depreciation**

Depreciation is charged on tangible fixed assets at a rate of 25% on the written down value of the assets, so as to write them off over their expected useful lives.

##### **(f) Investments**

Listed investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date.

Unlisted investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date, where market value is readily ascertainable.

Unrealised gains and losses, representing the movement in market values during the year, are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of gain or loss.

#### **3. Taxation**

As a result of the company's charitable status no liability to corporation tax arises.

#### **4. Donations**

	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£ (as restated)
Activities and events	206,932	159,745
Other donations	59,342	86,069
	<b>£266,274</b>	<b>£245,814</b>

Activities and events are shown net of any expenses incurred on the event. A donation of £25,000 in 2005 in respect of the IYF Ball, which was previously included within Other donations, has been restated to be included within Activities and events.

#### **5. Governance Costs**

	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£
Office and secretarial services	29,409	22,293
Venues and meeting costs	934	903
Sundry	432	255
Depreciation	379	300
Audit fee	3,260	2,000
Merger costs	-	9,951
	<b>£34,414</b>	<b>£35,702</b>

All governance costs have been borne by the General Fund.

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**6. Tangible Fixed Assets**

	Computer Equipment	Total
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 January 2006	1,919	1,919
Additions	615	615
At 31 December 2006	2,534	2,534
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 January 2006	1,020	1,020
Charge for the year	379	379
At 31 December 2006	1,399	1,399
<b>Net Book Value</b>		
At 31 December 2006	£1,135	£1,135
At 31 December 2005	£899	£899

**7. Investments**

	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£
Analysis of investments at 31 December by category of holding		
<b>Quoted</b>		
The Fledgeling UK Equity Fund	1,264,134	1,094,114
The Fledgeling Bond Fund	354,971	371,466
	1,619,105	1,465,580
<b>Unquoted</b>		
COIF Charities Property Fund Income Units and the Charities Property Fund	1,214,891	1,078,855
	£2,833,996	£2,544,435
Analysis of movements in quoted investments		
Market value at 1 January 2006	1,465,580	1,345,173
Net gains	153,525	120,407
Market value at 31 December 2006	£1,619,105	£1,465,580

Unquoted investments with a cost of £900,000 had a market value of £1,214,891 at the year end. On transfer to the company they were stated at cost. The revaluation to market value was shown as an unrealised gain in the year to 31 December 2005 following the merger with The Lawlor Foundation.

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**8. Debtors**

	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£
Event income	£19,000	£19,320

**9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	31 December 2006 Stg£	31 December 2005 Stg£
Trade creditors	2,744	-
Grants allocated but not yet disbursed	60,300	47,750
Accruals and deferred income	4,856	8,500
	£67,900	£56,250

**10. Analysis of Total Funds**

	Unrestricted Funds		2006 Total	2005 Total
	Designated Funds	General Funds		
Tangible fixed assets	-	1,135	1,135	899
Quoted investments	1,619,105	-	1,619,105	1,465,580
Unquoted investments	1,214,891	-	1,214,891	1,078,855
Net current assets	45,735	170,543	216,278	156,785
	£2,879,731	£171,678	£3,051,409	£2,702,119

## **Irish Youth Foundation Grants 2006**

### **Awards for Projects in England, Scotland & Wales**

#### **ARTSWAVE, Wales**

£500 was awarded towards early tuition in creative writing, traditional music, dance, singing, story telling and Irish language to encourage awareness of cultural roots and identity amongst young people. Artswave aims to raise the profile of the region through its rich and diverse culture, including strong Irish presence, by forging links between Wales and Ireland through cultural workshops, exchange visits and festivals.

#### **BIAS (BRENT IRISH ADVISORY SERVICE), London**

£10,000 was awarded towards the salary of a London Prisons Development Caseworker to expand and develop a Resettlement component of the existing Prison Project, aiming to increase the number of young Irish and Irish Travellers accessing accommodation and resettlement support services on release from prison. BIAS is a community development and welfare agency providing a range of advice, information and specialist support services to the Irish community in North-West London primarily and London generally.

#### **THE BRANDON CENTRE, London**

£5,000 was awarded towards the provision of a priority counselling and psychotherapy service for young Irish people aged 12-21. The Brandon Centre was formerly The London Youth Advisory Centre which was founded in 1968. The principal objective of the centre is to provide an accessible and flexible professional service in response to the psychological, medical, sexual and social problems of troubled young people aged 12-25 and their families. It aims to relieve distress, mobilise personal resources and facilitate growth in adolescents towards responsibility and self-fulfilment.

#### **BRENT ADOLESCENT CENTRE, London**

£10,000 was awarded towards the Mental Health Project. The service has been available to vulnerable young people since 1967. It provides advice and psychotherapeutic treatment, independently of any formal referral, to disadvantaged adolescents who otherwise would not be able to afford this kind of therapy. The Brent Adolescent Centre provides a comprehensive service to young people 14-21 years of age in the following areas: Mental Health, Drugs & Alcohol (Advice and Treatment), Sexual Health and a Connexions Personal Adviser Service. These services are provided mainly to residents (including Irish) of the borough of Brent, and other London boroughs.

**“If it was not for the Irish Youth Foundation grant, which kept us going and provided the after school and pre-school services, all work at South Gloucestershire Traveller Sites would have ceased.”**

#### **BRISTOL PLAYBUS**

£12,000 was awarded towards salary costs for the development of culturally sensitive play & youth provision for young Irish Travellers in the Bristol area. Bristol Playbus is a mobile community development play and youth resource first established in 1974 which aims to work with people isolated from community provision throughout Bristol and the surrounding areas. Running a fully converted double-decker bus, the project provides training, crèche facilities, youth and play sessions and liaises with other agencies to provide a high quality service and help achieve equal access to mainstream services.

## **Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited (A company limited by guarantee)**

### **CAMDEN WOMEN'S AID, London**

£12,000 was awarded towards the salary costs for a specialist Child Worker at the Sólás Anois refuge and a contribution towards staff training costs. Sólás Anois integrated into Camden Women's Aid in April 2005 to preserve a specialist service to Irish women and children escaping domestic violence. CWA is a large domestic violence specialist with a thirty-year history of successfully managing refuges and services. This arrangement maintains the Sólás Anois refuge as a culturally sensitive specialist project within a larger organisation and enables clients to access a wide range of services including a Children's Service, a Floating Support scheme, and Parenting Project and a Legal and Advice Service.

**“The child and her mother were able to enjoy each others company outside the refuge setting, relax and perhaps forget for a while the reasons why they were there... For one family it was their first time to ever visit a beach, and the impact of that is difficult to measure. We are grateful for being able to provide such an opportunity.”**

### **CAMDEN WOMEN'S AID, London**

£9,000 was awarded towards the annual Play Scheme and summer holiday for the Sólás Anois refuge.



### **CAUSEWAY IRISH HOUSING ASSOCIATION, London**

£5,000 was awarded towards the Life Skills Co-ordinator's salary, and a contribution towards administration and general running costs of the Lifeskills Project, newsletter and website production, sports, social activities and a music festival. Formerly known as An Teach Irish Housing Association, the organisation was set up in 1986 to provide culturally sensitive housing and support services for young Irish people emigrating to London in urgent housing need. It aims to provide an affordable housing service which responds flexibly to the individual needs of young Irish people and to enable tenants to maintain maximum independence and achieve their full potential.

**“Since being homeless, Lisa really wanted to work with other homeless young people. Lisa recently moved into her own permanent accommodation, and called to tell us that she had been offered employment at a young women's hostel.”**

### **HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM IRISH CENTRE, London**

£6,000 was awarded towards the Irish Arts & Education programme for children and young people incorporating a children's Irish Saturday school, 2-week Irish Summer School and afterschool Irish education courses including drama, dancing & language. Hammersmith & Fulham Irish Centre aims to provide a high quality Irish Arts and Education programme which is available to all Irish people and to everyone who wishes to share and participate in Irish arts, education and cultural activity.

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### **HARINGEY IRISH CULTURAL & COMMUNITY CENTRE, London**

£500 was awarded towards a Child protection training programme to enable the Centre to develop its activities and services for children. Haringey Irish Cultural & Community Centre is a focus for a wide range of community activities including the Advice & Information Service, Social Club and a Resource Centre.

### **icap IMMIGRANT COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY, London**

£4,000 was awarded towards clinical costs for the Young Irish Mothers Project: a pilot project to provide one-to-one therapeutic support, on a weekly basis for 8 young mothers of Irish origin. icap, established in 1996 aims to provide accessible, culturally sensitive professional counselling and therapeutic services to people of Irish origin.

Whilst the target group is Irish, immigrants from any ethnic background are also welcomed. icap is focused on working with community based organisations as well as with the Primary Care Services to provide specialist support through counselling and psychotherapy.

### **IDL JUNIOR MEMBERS CLUB, Lancashire**

£1,500 was awarded towards the expansion of the junior section. The Club is situated in an area of nationally recognised deprivation. Members indicated that young people had few recreational/sporting opportunities and, with parental and local community agreement, the junior section was formed to provide a safe and stimulating environment in which junior members could be involved in sporting, cultural and recreational activities.

### **IRISH COMMISSION FOR PRISONERS OVERSEAS, London**

£4,000 was awarded towards the salary costs of the Administrative Assistant.

ICPO's work focuses on providing information for the prisoners, their families and friends with regard to status and conditions of imprisonment, welfare benefits, international law and other relevant matters; establishing and defining the precise rights of people in prison overseas, irrespective of the crime; making representations on behalf of prisoners to the appropriate authorities.

### **IRISH COMMUNITY CARE, MANCHESTER**

£4,000 was awarded towards a Repatriation Service for Irish youth arriving in the UK completely unprepared in respect of job prospects and accommodation. Irish Community Care, founded in Manchester in 1986, aims to promote the welfare of the community in general and Irish people in particular in Manchester and surrounding districts regardless of gender, sexual orientation, disability, religious, cultural or political considerations.

### **IRISH COMMUNITY CARE, MERSEYSIDE**

£12,000 was awarded towards ICCM's work with young Irish people and young Irish Travellers in Merseyside. Irish Community Care Merseyside is a small dynamic needs-led agency aiming to identify and respond to the needs of Irish people, offering a range of professional and culturally sensitive services. This funding will assist ICCM to continue to offer a comprehensive range of services to vulnerable young Irish people and young Irish Travellers presenting with a range of complex needs including homelessness, poor physical and mental health, drug and alcohol misuse, isolation and poor literacy.

### **'Wolverhampton' by Eileen**

**Wolverhampton is my special place  
I loved living there  
I had good friends and happy times  
My very favourite Town  
But what I loved most about Wolverhampton  
Was that no one wanted to fight me there.**

Poems by children on Tara Park written as part of the production  
at the Everyman Theatre during the Liverpool Irish Festival -



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### **IRISH COMMUNITY CARE, MERSEYSIDE**

£2,500 was awarded towards ongoing financial and material support for young people using ICCM's services.

**\*IRISH COMMUNITY CARE, MERSEYSIDE** was also awarded the Irish Youth Foundation Quality Award for 2006 and £1,000 for the consistently high quality of their funding proposals and practical delivery of their services for young Irish people and young Travellers in Merseyside over the years.

### **IRISH MUSIC PROJECT, LEEDS**

£4,000 was awarded towards the costs of two additional Irish music tutors for capacity building and further development of the after school music club, family events & activities. Irish Music Project Leeds is a community based youth and cultural development inner city project providing access to and participation in Traditional Irish music and cultural activities.

**“Playing the fiddle is the only thing which gives me plenty of will power. I remember the first time I played in front of a crowd, my nerves were in pieces and I was scared stiff but when I had finished, I was so proud of myself. From that moment on I knew I would never stop playing Irish music.”**

### **LONDON GYPSY AND TRAVELLER UNIT**

£5,000 was awarded towards a life skills training project for young Irish Travellers aged 15-17 in the Hackney, Haringey areas. London Gypsy and Traveller Unit provides direct services, support and advocacy to Irish Travellers living in Hackney, Haringey and adjacent London boroughs. It aims to influence and improve policy and practice, particularly on accommodation issues in London and nationally, and to provide an information and resource service.

### **LONDON IRISH CENTRE**

£12,000 was awarded towards the salary of a dedicated Youth Resettlement Project worker. The Youth Resettlement Project aims to prevent or alleviate homelessness among young vulnerable Irish people by providing a service including advice, information, referral, advocacy, counselling and practical help. The London Irish Centre charity provides a culturally sensitive service to Irish people including welfare, information, advocacy, training and advice, and promotes Irish culture and the counteraction of discrimination towards Irish people.

### **LONDON IRISH CENTRE**

£2,500 was awarded towards the Repatriation Project. The Repatriation Project is a long established service provided by the London Irish Centre which facilitates the emergency repatriation of vulnerable and at risk young Irish people.

### **LONDON IRISH CENTRE**

£500 was awarded to the Return to Camden Town Festival towards the cost of Irish traditional dance and music workshops, concerts and ceilis for young people. The festival is London's flagship Irish music, song and dance Festival. Started in 1999 it has become the largest annual festival of its kind in the UK, featuring a ten-day programme of showcase concerts, music and dancing workshops, ceilis, talks and sessions.

### **LONDON IRISH WOMEN'S CENTRE**

£9,000 was awarded towards the continued development of the established advice and culturally sensitive counselling service for young disadvantaged Irish women across London into a holistic counselling, advice, information and healthy living service. London Irish Women's Centre aims to provide a specialist advice service tailored to individual needs, information, counselling, group work and outreach work with women of Irish origin and descent. The service targets vulnerable and disadvantaged groups of women, homeless women, Travellers, women with mental and physical health problems and women in abusive situations.

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### **MANCHESTER IRISH EDUCATION GROUP**

£1,200 was awarded for the Irish Music Day run in partnership with the Manchester Music Service: towards funding for musicians to provide workshops in 14 participating schools prior to the festival on 17 March. Manchester Irish Education Group was founded in 1986. Its aim is to promote a positive image of Ireland and the Irish in schools, community, colleges and universities in the belief that the large Irish community should have access to its cultural background and that this should be shared with others. It also gives support to people of any age who want to explore and reaffirm their Irish identity.

\***MANCHESTER IRISH EDUCATION GROUP** was also awarded the Irish Youth Foundation Innovation Award for 2006 and £1,000 for their Irish Music Day organised in partnership with the Manchester Music Service involving some 380 children in a one-day event.

### **THE MAYA CENTRE: COUNSELLING FOR WOMEN, London**

£1,500 was awarded towards a Therapy Group for Young Irish Women: the provision of culturally sensitive counselling support for young Irish women including mothers of young children who may have suffered violence or alcohol-related abuse in childhood. The Maya Centre's aim is to develop the inner strength of the most vulnerable women and children in the community to enable them to break out of generations of social and economic disadvantage and improve their personal relationships.

### **NEW HORIZON YOUTH CENTRE, London**

£12,000 was awarded for the Women's Open Space – Irish Project: to provide a culturally sensitive service to help young Irish women involved in drug abuse and prostitution in the Camden/Kings Cross area, combining outreach work and in-house support and advocacy. This project aims through a range of services to support and divert young Irish women involved into housing, health and other related services providing an alternative to their street activity. The New Horizon Youth Centre provides a 7 day a week service including advice and tenancy sustainment as well as facilities such as food, laundry, showers and clothes store to young homeless people from 16-21years old. The street outreach team complements the day centre services and operates in the boroughs of Camden and Islington. Projects provided in-house include drugs education, literacy & numeracy training, basic skills training, counselling, peer education and training programmes that focus on young people between 16-21 as well as sex workers 16-35.



### **NEW HORIZON YOUTH CENTRE, London**

£2,500 was awarded as a contribution towards funding to cover fares for training courses and for securing identification/birth certificates to accessing benefits and hostel accommodation for young Irish homeless people.

### **ROUND TOWERS/SEAN TREACEYS MINOR GAELIC FOOTBALL AND HURLING CLUB, North Cheam, Surrey**

£3,000 was awarded to allow underage Gaelic games to continue in South London and to introduce new young people in the area to Irish culture and sports with improved facilities and coaching. Round Tower Minor Gaelic Football Club and Sean Treaceys Minor Hurling Club have been training South London youth since 1985 and now provide 6 under-age Gaelic football teams and 4 under-age hurling teams.

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### **SANDWELL IRISH SOCIETY, West Midlands**

£500 was awarded towards the provision of Irish set/team dancing in the Sandwell area of the West Midlands. Sandwell Irish Society was established in 2003 to raise the profile of Irish culture and the Irish community in the borough.

### **SHEFFIELD GYPSY & TRAVELLER SUPPORT GROUP**

£5,000 was awarded towards the salary of the Youth Skills Development Worker to help young Travellers develop confidence and learning skills to increase their opportunities for employment. Sheffield Gypsy and Traveller Support Group provides welfare rights advice, pre-school playgroups, women's and family support, skills development and drop-in services to the Gypsy and Traveller community.



### **SOUTHWARK IRISH YOUTH, London**

£1,000 was awarded towards the development of a promotional video/DVD involving the young people in the creative process – editing, filming, production and distribution. Southwark Irish Youth provides an Irish and Arts Education programme which ensures that Irish traditional culture is kept alive and passed on to future generations in a disadvantaged area of London where Irish are the 2nd largest ethnic group.

### **ST JOHN BOSCO YOUTH CLUB, London**

£1,500 was awarded towards the running costs of the Youth Club. St John Bosco Youth Club runs Irish dancing classes and sporting activities in the deprived Tower Hamlets area of East London.

### **ST MICHAEL'S IRISH CENTRE, Liverpool**

£5,000 was awarded towards the salary of an Activities Facilitator to continue the provision of activities for young people and increase the use of the centre. St Michael's Parish Centre was given to the Irish Community on Merseyside by the Liverpool Archdioceses in May 1999. In October 2001 it became St Michael's Irish Centre and a registered charity with its own constitution and management structure, since when it has been the centre of Irish social, cultural, sporting and recreational activities in the area.

### **TIR CONAILL HARPS, Glasgow**

£5,000 was awarded towards the salary of a full-time Development/Health Promotion Officer to continue to develop the club's impact on the young Irish people of Glasgow. Tir Conaill Harps is a community-based club in Glasgow, founded in 1994. Although its principal activity has been the playing of Gaelic games and promotion of Irish identity among young people in the city, the club has taken on a youth development role in the inner city communities as it has become more established. This includes tackling issues such as sectarianism, racism, diversionary activities relating to youth crime and an award-winning programme focused on health promotion and drug awareness training aimed at primary school children.

### **TYNESIDE IRISH CULTURAL SOCIETY, Newcastle upon Tyne**

£2,000 was awarded towards the North East Ceili Revival Project Phase 2. This is the continuation of a successful project which has attracted children and young people firstly to ceili dancing and subsequently to music workshops and associated activities. Tyneside Irish Cultural Society's Irish youth project organises music, drama, cultural and educational activities for young Irish people.

## **Irish Youth Foundation Grants 2006**

### **Awards for Projects in Northern Ireland**

**“I learned that we don’t need to be on our own... There is always someone there to listen and we shouldn’t allow anyone to make us feel alone and sad.”**

#### **ARDOYNE YOUTH CLUB, Belfast**

£4,000 was awarded to provide support to the educational, cultural and social development of young people.

Ardoyne Youth Club aims to provide support structures for the most vulnerable young people in Ardoyne. Benefits envisaged include increased social and life skills, educational ability, support services and a reduction of alienation.

#### **CAUSEWAY WOMEN'S AID, Derry**

£3,000 was awarded to refurbish and refresh existing crèche facilities in order to improve the quality of play opportunities available to children accessing services at Causeway Women's Aid.

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI YOUTH CENTRE, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded to help support and develop the Youth Council for Upper Springfield, Ballymurphy and Whiterock estates through a training and capacity building program.

#### **EAST BELFAST MISSION**

£4,000 was awarded towards the Youth project aiming to offer young people alternatives to street pressures, taking them away from violence and building their confidence in their abilities and hope for the future through creative, cultural and life skills workshops.

#### **HARMONY COMMUNITY TRUST, Strangford, Co Down**

£3,000 was awarded to provide socially excluded young people aged 14–17 with access to personal and skills development through cross community volunteering opportunities, enabling them to achieve increased confidence and self esteem, which will benefit them in education and general life skills.

#### **PUBLIC ACHIEVEMENT CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION, Belfast**

£4,000 was awarded towards work with groups of young people in a community setting, youth clubs, community centres, schools, museums, etc identifying issues important to them in their community and to develop and deliver a project related to that issue, helping young people from a diverse range of backgrounds, perspectives, and beliefs to develop important skills, knowledge and values central to active civic engagement.

#### **R.E.A.C.H. ACROSS, Derry**

£3,000 was awarded towards the Spring Induction Residential Programme. The principal aim of the project is to establish cross-community contact between young people, primarily from disadvantaged /isolated areas or young people who have limited opportunities for personal development. The project is to include training courses to be decided on following consultation with their youth committee.

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### **THE NERVE CENTRE, Derry**

£3,000 was awarded towards a project addressing rural reconciliation and regeneration through the provision of a music access and development programme, to provide opportunities on a cross community basis for those who have been excluded from the arts and to increase the opportunities for creative participation in music activities in the rural areas of Northern Ireland.

### **VOICE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded towards the development of a communication tool kit for care experienced children and young people aged 12-15 years with varying ability, to ensure that their views are vocalised on issues that affect them. The tool kit will be developed and designed in partnership with young people and the project will evaluate the usefulness and effectiveness of the toolkit in enabling children and young people to have a voice and contribute to decision-making that affects their lives.

### **YOUTH INITIATIVES – LIFELINE INITIATIVE, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded towards The Lifeline Initiative which aims to reach out and connect forty 15-18 year old young people from East and West Belfast to a dynamic multi-faceted model of youth work that trains young people in volunteer leadership roles and equips them to fulfil their potential, enter the world of work and contribute to their local communities.

*Projects based in Northern Ireland are jointly by the Irish Youth Foundation (UK) and the Irish Youth Foundation (Ireland)*



## **Lawlor Educational Grants 2006**

**“I graduated in September 2006. My course was life changing - Education was my way to freedom. I am now in a loving relationship and my finances are good. We had a baby boy at the end of September 2006. Blessings to you.”**

### **GRANTS TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS**

£17,900 was awarded to a total of 35 Irish students in full time education to assist them with the costs of fees and/or maintenance at university or training colleges in the UK.

**“I am thrilled to have finally achieved my life-long ambition! Thank you once again for your kind support, it has been very much appreciated and I hope that someday, I will be in a position to contribute to your foundation, so that your amazing work continues.”**

### **ASHFIELD BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded to help underprivileged students and school projects at the Principal's discretion. Some of this fund was used to provide PE kits and a taxi service for a year 8 pupil who is autistic and could not afford or handle public service transport.

### **HAZELWOOD INTEGRATED COLLEGE, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded to help financially disadvantaged students at the Principal's discretion, in particular those pupils with a talent to be developed.

### **LA SALLE BOYS' SCHOOL, Belfast**

£6,000 was awarded to help financially disadvantaged former pupils attending UK universities and to support school projects and individual pupils at the Principal's discretion. The school has a large number of students from low-income families. In total 85 deserving pupils at the school were part-funded for various activities including sports and music tuition, and a number of ex-students were able to seek higher education outside Northern Ireland.

### **LISNEAL COLLEGE, Londonderry**

£3,000 was awarded to assist pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds and school projects at the Principal's discretion. The funds were used to purchase laptops for sixth form students who would otherwise have been unable to afford them.

### **OAKGROVE INTEGRATED COLLEGE, L'Derry**

£3,000 was awarded to assist the school's significant number of disadvantaged pupils at the Principal's discretion.

### **ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE, Belfast**

£3,000 was awarded to help disadvantaged pupils and school projects at the Principal's discretion. £1,500 was also awarded to assist with costs of taking 20 pupils from 2 Catholic and 2 Protestant schools to the All-Ireland Hurling Final at Croke Park in Dublin – a unique and special occasion for the children.

### **ST CECILIA'S COLLEGE, Derry**

£6,000 was awarded to help disadvantaged students and former pupils attending universities in the UK. This school has an excellent reputation for its academic and musical achievements and pastoral care. A proportion of the bursary went towards financing laptops for Year 14 students.

**“Stacy is at the University of Ulster studying Therapeutic Radiography. Her course requires expensive textbooks... Her dream is to work with cancer patients.”**

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**ST LOUISE'S COMPREHENSIVE COLLEGE, Belfast**

£10,000 was awarded to assist former pupils of St Louise's from disadvantaged backgrounds attending university or training college in the UK.

**"I am also dyslexic so the computer helps me with my spelling and also my English. The laptop helps me with coursework and research. The laptop is mobile so when my house gets a little loud and I can not study I can take it to the liberty (sic) to study. The laptop has helped me incredibly with my studies."**

**ST MARY'S CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Belfast**

£6,000 was awarded to help financially disadvantaged students who have gone to university and to support school projects and individual students at the Principal's discretion. The "Falls Community Council" service providing independent confidential counselling for over 40 pupils on issues such as bereavement, drugs, and bullying was made possible by this funding.

**ST MARY'S COLLEGE, Derry**

£6,000 was awarded to help former pupils attending university in the UK, and to assist pupils at the school from financially disadvantaged backgrounds with activities such as music tuition at the Principal's discretion.

**"Thank you for your organisation's kind donation. I think on an almost daily basis about how much I enjoy being here (mainly when not enduring an essay crisis). The money also means I may eat a more varied diet, of both pasta and ham!"**

♥ To Linda and John X

Thank you for  
your donation  
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For Solas Best Wishes

All the Children and Staff



Solas Anois X

Thank you x



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