Direct Provision Centre Eyre Powell Hotel

Newbridge Co Kildare Ireland

Asylum seekers 2017



What is Direct Provision?

- Eyre Powell is what the Department of Justice and Equality names as a Direct Provision Centre of which there are over 30 in the country.
- They are institutions in which people who come to seek refuge in Ireland are accommodated.
- They are run by private companies and receive government funding.
- Here they receive food and shelter while their application for asylum is being processed.
- The length of time this process takes varies from months to years.
- Some have waited for 10 years.

Eyre Powell

How it operates

- Over 70 people including about 10 children are accommodated there.
- Adults receive a weekly cash allowance of 21.60 euro a week.
- They are not allowed to work or go to higher education.
- They are provided with three meals a day but are not allowed to cook their own meals. (Changes re cooking are being introduced in some centres)
- They share a room and keep all their belongings in one cupboard.
- They don't know whether they will be there months or years.

People in Eyre Powell come from different Continents

DIFFERENT WORLDS

- They come with their own history
- language
- Cultures
- religion
- customs

- They come from a variety of educational backgrounds and life experiences.
- Painters
- Nurses
- Photographers
- Bakers
- Electricians
- Teachers
- Students

Connecting with the Parish Community

Oct 2016 : Residents were invited to a coffee morning in the Parish Centre

Eyre Powell residents were also invited to join our Parish Community for different

events during the year.

October 2016	: Coffee Mornings were introduced
November	: Walking group was set up
December	: Christmas Coffee morning
February	: Parish Social
March	: Visit to the Cinema
April	: Easter Coffee Morning
July	: A day trip to Glendalough
August	: Diocesan Picnic

Since October 2016 on the first Friday of every month a group of parishioners and asylum seekers meet for coffee and a chat in the Parish Centre.

Christmas singsong







Parish Social



One of our monthly Coffee mornings



Some of the people we have got to know in the past year.

Name	
Marii	
Nino	
Tefera	
Leena	
Vivian	
Marouf	
Zoriana	
Zack	
Anita	
Anna	

Country Ukraine Georgia Etophia Sudan Nigeria Sudan Ukraine Pakistan Mozambique Armenia

Name Sithule Susan Yohana Razu Yalda Gisele James Naveed Blessing Anrii

Country Zimbabwe Cambodia Eritrea Bangladesh Afghanistan Congo Guyana Pakistan Zimbabwe Ukraine



Sr. Esther with Leena from Sudan and Gisele from the Congo



Easter Coffee Morning



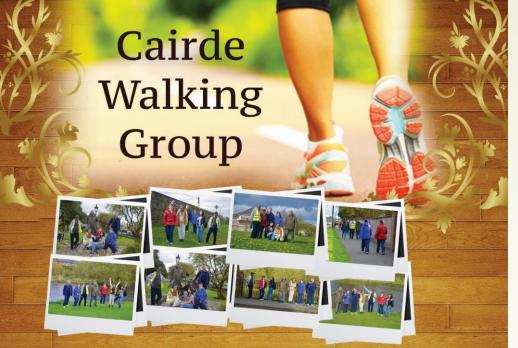
Getting to know our neighbours.



Cairde Walking Group

- A small group of parishioners and a group from Eyre Powell go walking every week
- James a photographer and Lena a graphic designer from Eyre Powell designed a poster which will be included in our Parish monthly Magazine





 * International Walking Group Uniting People from Around the World and Promoting Healthy Lifestyles ...
* We Start from the PARISH CENTRE Every Tuesday at 4:00 pm.

> * Also On The First Friday Of Every Month 11-12 : 00 noon We Will be Hosting a

ALL ARE WELOME

e Morning ...

Cairde walking group



Walking by the river.



Reaching out to our neighbours in Direct Provision

Photographs taken by James from Eyre Powell.

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