

## chair's report



IN OUR LAST ANNUAL REPORT we recorded the celebration of our new and permanent home at No.48 Middle Abbey Street, and also the arrival in November 2005 of Tony Duffin as our new Director. Since then we have enjoyed a settling in period with both premises and Director.

It has been a period of consolidation and planning, as well of course of continuing to offer services to our clients.

In 2006 part of our planning was to examine very carefully our organisational structure and how it delivered that service. Resulting from that, we arrived at an Interim Organisational Restructure, the essence of which was a much closer integration of our Children's Project into the mainstream of our programme.



We believe that this will ensure an improved programme both for families (parents and their children) as well as for our low-threshold services in the project. Amongst the new posts created by this interim restructure was the post of Deputy Services Co-ordinator and we warmly welcome Dermot Murphy to this role.

We are aware of and are grateful for the consistent support of those bodies that provide funds for our work. We are also happy at the increased and genuine cooperation that exists with the other Community, Voluntary, Statutory and Corporate Services.

As we look forward we are actively planning to celebrate our 25th Anniversary in 2007. A number of events are in the pipeline and we look forward to celebrating with our friends.

On behalf of the Management Council I want to thank our staff for their professional and concerned service to all our clients.

David Poole  
NOVEMBER 2006

## director's report



AS DAVID POOLE HAS HIGHLIGHTED, 2005 was the beginning of significant change in the delivery of services at the Ana Liffey Drug Project. I would like to thank our staff and partner agencies for their support throughout this process of change.

The Ana Liffey Drug Project is committed to an ongoing process of evaluation and adaptation to ensure the highest quality of service delivery. As with all 'Low Threshold - Harm Reduction' projects this process is essential to ensure that our interventions impact positively on the lives of those who use our services.

### statistics for 2005

Numbers of service users that crossed our threshold at 48 Middle Abbey St in 2005:

In 2005 the ALDP saw 13,644 people cross our threshold. Of these, 7938 were men, 5706 were women and 1160 were children (these figures include repeat users).

The breakdown of males, females, children and new clients attending 48 Middle Abbey St in 2005:

In 2005, the number of males who attended the ALDP was 690, the number of females who attended the ALDP was 383, the number of children who attended the ALDP was 59 and the number of new people using our services was 281.

### prison work

In 2005, the six-week Prison Programme was run six times in Mountjoy Prison's Medical Unit with 51 participants.

### peer Support Programme

In 2005, the eight-week peer Support Programme was run four times at 48 Middle Abbey St with 43 participants.

### literacy

In 2005, 13 people regularly availed of an external literacy specialist one afternoon and one morning a week for 30 weeks of the year.

### holistic programme

In 2005, 343 people availed of the ALDP holistic programme.

Regarding the breakdown of people attending, it is clear that women and children are outnumbered by their male counterparts. However, it is also clear from the breakdown of the number of 'service users that crossed our threshold' that while the number of women and children is lower this group attend more regularly. We know that some men also attend with their children and this bolsters these family statistics further. With this in mind, I would like to highlight the diversity of our client group and the variety of services which we deliver that are designed to impact directly on the 'obvious harm' and the 'hidden harm' of problem substance use.

Statistics are important as they let people see, in the simplest way, what the Ana Liffey Drug Project has done over the course of any given year. However, if you wish to get a real sense of what the Ana Liffey Drug Project does on a day-to-day basis then please contact us here at the project to arrange a visit - after all, we are a service with an open door. For our contact details please turn over this annual report and you will find a poster of our logo with our web site details at the bottom. Please visit us at our website for further information on the Ana Liffey Drug Project. Also, please place this poster in a prominent position in your office to keep us in your mind's eye throughout the year.

Finally, I would like to thank all those that support the Ana Liffey Drug Project in any capacity - your help truly assists us in our day-to-day work.

Tony Duffin  
NOVEMBER 2006

## Seeds of Change 2005 annual report & aldp wall poster



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## treasurer's report for the year ended 31<sup>ST</sup> december 2005

THE INCOME FOR THE YEAR was €681,500 while Expenditure amounted to €680,320 leaving a Surplus on Operations of €1,180.

Grants from Statutory Authorities totalled €663,230 and were provided by the Health Services Executive, the North Inner City Drugs Task Force and the Probation and Welfare Service. Support also came from the Irish Youth Foundation and from fund raising activities.

The main Expenditure during the year was the cost of Staff Salaries, Employers' PRSI and Pension Contributions, which amounted to €563,225 or 85% of the total. The remaining Expenditure was €117,095 of which Depreciation of Fixed Assets accounted for €25,476.

The increased activity in the work of the Project was reflected by increases under the headings of Cleaning, Client Expenses and Holistics, Peer and Outreach support Expenses and some administrative expenses related thereto.

The Net Assets of the Project stood at €904,149 on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2005 which were represented by

COMPANY GENERAL FUND	€206,591
GOVERNMENT GRANT	€697,558

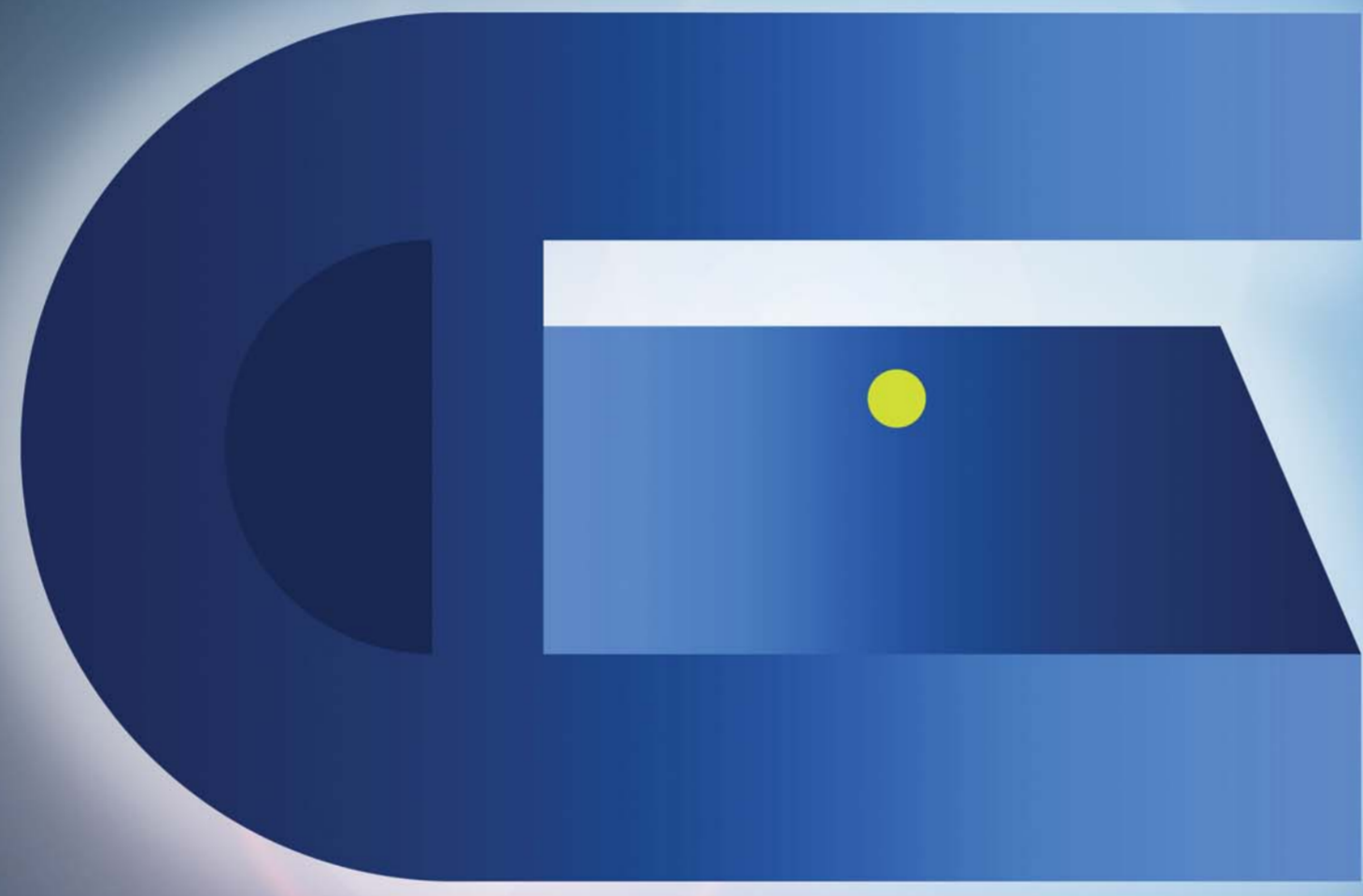
The Management Council wish to thank the Statutory Authorities and other donors most sincerely for their support of the Project and are confident that the Director and Staff will continue to provide full support to their clients.

The Council are appreciative of the dedication of the Administrator to the Financial Affairs of the Project which are always kept up-to-date.

Frank Woods  
NOVEMBER 2006







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