



Kelly (left) of Stillorgan and Suzanne Waller of Dundrum, both Dublin, enjoying an afternoon at town yesterday. See Sport 8 & 9. Picture: Tom Burke.

Job cuts highest in three years 1,000 more hit

A further jobs blow for Dublin and Cork took the jobs of some 315 workers and led to claims that the Government had no strategy for dealing with the worsening situation.

Logica CMG also announced the loss of 220 jobs in Dublin and 95 from its software development operation in Cork which will close.

The announcement came days after it was revealed that Ballinasloe was to lose up to 380 jobs at the Square D plant and software company Marra-kesh revealed 30 jobs were to go.

Up to 160 are also expected to go following the sudden withdrawal by the UK authorities of regional airline EuroCeltic's flying licence forcing it to cease operating.

The beleaguered airline - which operated flights from Sligo and Donegal to Dublin and between Waterford and Dublin and Luton and Liverpool - was reported to have been in financial difficulty for some time and it returned losses of €1.1m last year.

SFA director Pat Delaney said redundancies were up by 28pc last year on the previous year and while the number of jobs lost was averaging at 490 a week in 2002, last week was twice as bad.

According to Mr Delaney, more strikingly, the jobs being lost are not being replaced. "Our ability to create jobs is at an eight year low and we are back to 1995 levels of job creation in Ireland. The critical point is that alternative employment is not available."

The SFA boss pointed out that apart from the substantial losses, the number of hours being worked is declining. And he said the average 42 hour week being worked in 2001 had slipped to 39 hours last year.

"Even when people are in work they are getting less hours and overtime is not needed. We are looking at cut backs in production," he said. According to the SFA, there has also been a 52pc reduction in part time jobs.

"The figures show there are record redundancies but every day small companies are also laying people off. This is not being captured in the headline figures," said Mr Delaney.

Unions and employers close to new national wage pact, claims IBEC

"One of the big problems we had in the last number of years is the appropriateness of a one-size-fits-all agreement with what is now a large constituency of businesses and organisations. Many of them are suffering. And that certainly brings into question whether a one-size-fits-all agreement is appropriate."

Speaking yesterday, he said: "I think the package that we have negotiated is capable of addressing that range of situations. There are opportunities there for firms in real difficulties to plead inability to pay."

Mr O'Sullivan said that a breakthrough had been made whereby the Labour Court or Labour Relations Commission can now bring in independent assessors to look at those individual cases. "Therefore, I think the decisions that will be made would be well-considered based on very professional assessment."

He said he believed that "while there certainly are businesses who will find this difficult to deal with on the whole, I think this is the best deal we could do at national level."

Mr O'Sullivan believes the proposed agreement would provide stability for the next 18 months, without being locked into a three-year deal with no opportunity to revisit it in the event of a downturn in the economic climate.

House still on for repairs Mersey call to spare landmark from axe

NOTICE OF RATES HAVING BEEN MADE COUNTY OF SOUTH DUBLIN

Notice is hereby given that on 24th January 2003 County Rates have been duly made on the property rateable thereto in the County of South Dublin.

The Annual Rate on Valuation for the year ending the 31st day of December 2003 is 58.13.

COUNTY CHARGES

ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION 58.13

The rate books are now in my custody and may be inspected by any person affected thereby at the Offices of South Dublin County Council, Town Centre, Tallaght, Dublin 24 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. The said rates will be payable from and after the publication of this notice.

Dated this 27th day of January, 2003.

L.G. Quinn,
Head of Finance,
County Hall,
Town Centre,
Tallaght,
Dublin 24.

COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, 2001

Provision of Flood Lighting at St. Catherines Park, Rush, Co. Dublin to facilitate winter training

In accordance with Part VIII of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 Fingal County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to provide Flood Lighting at St. Catherines Park, Rush, Co. Dublin to facilitate winter training.

Plans and particulars of the proposed development will be made available for inspection between the hours of 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday from Monday 27th January, 2003 at the following locations:

- Parks Division, Fingal County Council, County Hall Swords, Co. Dublin.
- Rush & Loughshinny Combined Club Centre, Upper Main St, Rush, Co. Dublin.

Submissions or Observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, may be made in writing to:

Mr Michael Lynch, Senior Parks Superintendent, Parks Division, Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin, on or before Tuesday, 18th March 2003 (4.00 p.m.)

TENDERS

MONAGHAN COUNTY COUNCIL

MONAGHAN MOBILE LIBRARY VAN

Tenders are invited for the supply and delivery of

One complete Mobile Library Van

For full tender information please visit the Public Sector Procurement Opportunities website at: www.etenders.gov.ie

Closing date for receipt of tenders is: **5.00 p.m. on Friday, 29th February, 2002**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Planning Permission is sought by Zapl Properties Limited for the relocation of twelve proposed two-storey houses (nos. 657-668) including comprising 4 no. 3-bedroom units and 8 no. 2-bedroom units and all associated site works on two sites of 1,420 sq metres and 1,495 sq metres. Planning permission has been granted for these houses as part of a planning application (ref. no. 01/49101-P27-126760) for residential, creche and community centre uses and a new dual carriage way from the R71 to Mill Road (R762) on lands of approximately 16.06 hectares in area generally located in the townlands of Charlestown and Killincarrig, Greystones, Co. Wicklow. The proposed houses will be relocated from the position indicated in the planning application (ref. no. 01/49101) bordering the southern boundary of the application site to 2 no. locations on the northern side of the site fronting onto the main area of public open space facing the Three Trout Stream. This planning application will facilitate compliance with the archaeological requirements arising out of Condition No. 8 attached to the existing grant of permission on the planning application. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the Planning Authority at Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Wicklow Town.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Planning Department, Block 4, Ground Floor, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8. The Planning Authority will receive applications for a change of use of the premises at Our Lady's Nursery, Silloge Avenue, Dublin 11, give notice of application for planning permission to erect a 2.5 metre high galvanneal steel fence that will be located on the east side of the fence 3.4 metres wide, the double entrance gates will open inwards on to the site. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Authority, Ground Floor, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8, between 9 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. Monday to Friday. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on the payment of the prescribed fee of €20.00. Submissions or observations must be made within the period of five weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the planning authority of the application.

COUNTY CHARGES

Annual Rate on Valuation

And whereas the Annual Rate on Valuation for the year ending the 31st day of December 2003 is 58.13, the charges specified in Col. 2 of the table below have been made on the town specified in Col. 1 of the said table.

TOWN CHARGES

Name of Town (Col. 1)	Annual Rate on Valuation (Col. 2)
Balbriggan	2.51

And the said rate will be collected with the annual rate.

The rate books are now in my custody and may be inspected by any person affected thereby at the Offices of County Council, County Hall, Swords, Fingal, Co. Dublin between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays, the said rates will be payable from and after the publication of this notice.

Under Section 7(1) of the Local Government (Financial Provisions) Act 1978, any person who is aggrieved by a failure of a rating authority to make him an allowance to that made to him may, within 2 months of the date of the making of the rate, request the rating authority in writing to grant the appropriate allowance. If such request is not complied with within 28 days, the person may, within 4 months of the date of the making of the rate, apply to the District Court to have the appropriate allowance made. The above rates were made on 24th January 2003.

Any request in respect of them under Section 7(1) of the Local Government (Financial Provisions) Act 1978, should therefore be made to this Fingal County Council on or before 24th March 2003. Any application to the District Court under the same provision must be made on or before 24th May 2003.

Dated this 24th day of January 2003

P. Keane
Head of Finance
Fingal County Council
County Hall,
Swords,
Fingal
Co. Dublin

APPLICATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A WASTE LICENCE

Atlas Waste Licencing Ireland Limited, Clonnaman Industrial Estate, Portlaoise, Co. Laois is applying to the Environmental Protection Agency to replace its existing integrated licence for the collection, transport, storage, disposal and recovery of waste at its facility at Clonnaman Industrial Estate, Portlaoise, Co. Laois and located at the following coordinates: 52° 46' N 10° 18' W.

The relevant waste recovery disposal activities are as per the Third and Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996 and as amended by the European Communities (Waste Management Act 1996) Regulations (S.I. No. 166 of 1996):

- 3rd Schedule: Waste Disposal Activities (treatment not included) which results in final compounds or mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.
- 4th Schedule: Waste Recovery Activities:
 2. Recycling or reclamation of organic substances, which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological treatment processes).
 3. Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
 4. Regeneration of acids or bases.
 5. Oil re-refining or other re-use of oil (principal activity).
 6. Use of waste as a principal part of a fuel or other means to generate energy.
 7. Use of waste obtained from any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this schedule.
 8. Exchange of waste for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this schedule.
 9. Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this schedule.
 10. Temporary storage pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced.

A copy of this waste management licence application including a preliminary environmental impact statement (in accordance with Part III of S.I. 185 of 2000) and further information furnished to the Agency in the course of the Agency's consideration will be available for inspection or purchase at the Agency's headquarters at Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford.

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