

# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

**IRISH CONCRETE FEDERATION**



# INDUSTRY MISSION STATEMENT

We will be a customer driven, service oriented, quality business.

We will be viewed by our community and Government as an environmentally responsible industry that operates in a safe and healthy manner.

We will create a work environment where our employees are highly trained and empowered to anticipate customer needs.

We seek to develop successful and mutually beneficial relationships with customers, suppliers, communities and the construction industry.

The concrete products industry will continue to be successful.

The concrete products industry will be guided by positive leadership among the many strategies to be utilised in achieving these goals.

**The End Result;**

**Adequate return on investment & a secure future**



## AFFILIATIONS

ICF is a member of ERMCO, European Readymix Concrete Organisation and of UEPG, the European Aggregates Association. IPCA is a member of BIBM, the European Federation for Precast Concrete.

**ERMCO**

EUROPEAN READY MIXED CONCRETE ORGANIZATION

European Ready Mixed Concrete Organization (ERMCO)



Union Européenne des  
Producteurs de Granulats



European Federation  
for Precast Concrete

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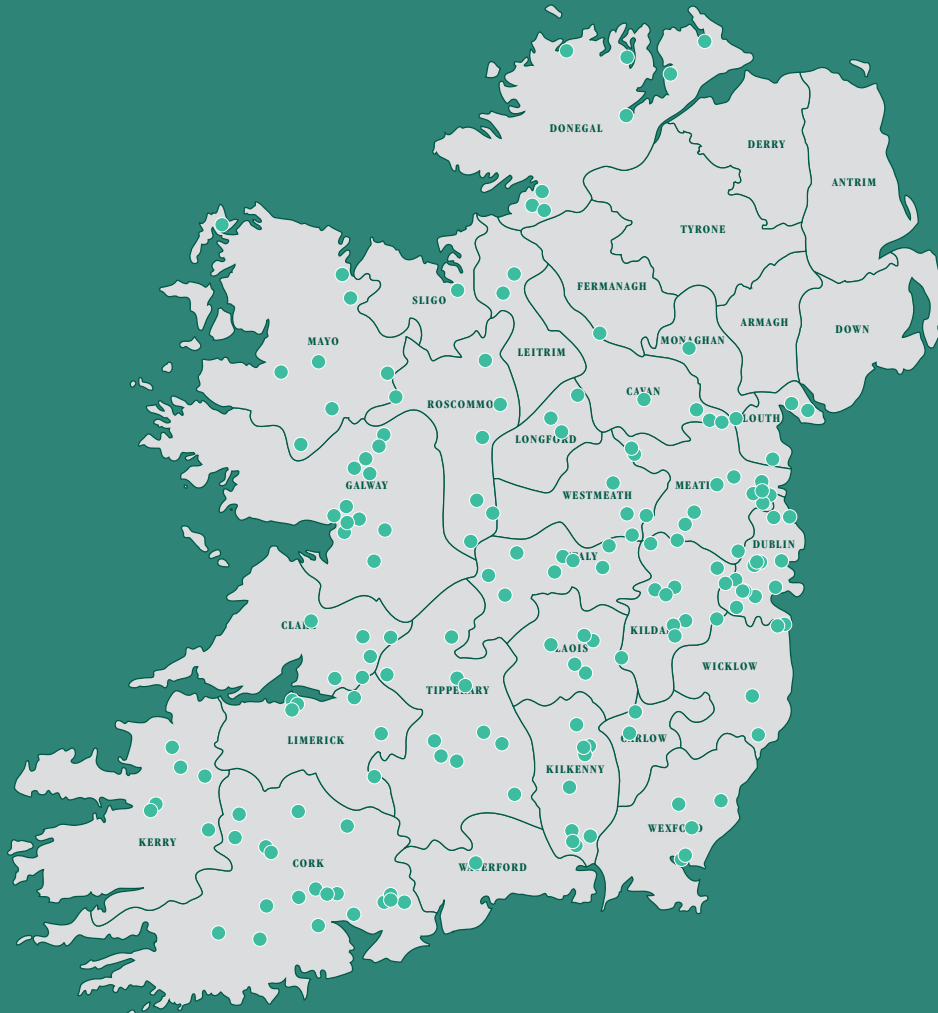
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# ICF MEMBER LOCATIONS 2020



## INDUSTRY FACTS (ESTIMATED)



Industry output of aggregates (stone, sand and gravel) amounted to approximately **36 million tonnes** in 2020



There are approximately **220** concrete manufacturing locations and **350** large active quarries in Ireland



Industry output of readymix concrete was approximately **4.75 million m<sup>3</sup>** in 2020



Agricultural lime output in Ireland was approximately **0.9 million tonnes** in 2020



Industry output of concrete blocks in 2020 was approximately **125 million units**



The value of exports of precast concrete to the UK was approximately **€135 million** in 2019



# FOREWORD BY THE PRESIDENT, CAROLINE QUINN

**It gives me great pleasure to introduce the annual report of the Irish Concrete Federation (ICF) for 2020. The annual report will provide readers with an overview of the activities of the federation for the past year and I hope that you will find it to be informative.**

2020 marked the first year of my Presidency of the federation. I think we can all agree that the 'best laid plans' for the year were undone in March when coronavirus made its way to our country. Little did we know of what lay ahead at that time and while progress in the fight against the virus has been made, particularly with the recent development of vaccines, there is still some way to go before we can finally look to the future in the certain knowledge that some level of normality will return to our lives.

While ICF is a business representative organisation, it would be remiss of me not to pay tribute to the institutions and individuals that played a major role in Ireland's fight against the virus during the year. The lifeblood of our businesses is our staff and our customers and their safety and wellbeing was greatly served by the efforts of Ireland's health workers who were at the frontline of Ireland's defence from the virus. We in business owe them a great debt of gratitude as well as our support for their efforts going forward.

Similarly, I would like to express my gratitude to my fellow employers who adopted new operating procedures to ensure that our employees were kept safe at the worst times of the pandemic. I am happy to say that the ICF and its members harnessed the willingness of businesses throughout Ireland to share information, experiences and knowledge in order to curtail the spread of the virus.

It is in a crisis that the value of a representative body in assisting its membership to adapt to new realities comes to the fore. Throughout the year ICF kept its members updated on developments related to the health and safety of employees, government supports, human resources and government policy on the reopening of business and society. I hope that all members value the work and efforts of the organisation on their behalf in this strangest of years.

A key takeaway for me this year is the affirmation of the essential nature of our industry and the companies throughout Ireland that produce the essential raw materials for the normal functioning of society. This was clearly illustrated by the recognised need for construction and its supply chain to reopen in May. Considering the experience of other sectors such as hospitality, we are thankful that we have been spared the fate of many businesses that have remained closed for most of the

## FOREWORD BY THE PRESIDENT, CAROLINE QUINN

year. This can be attributed to the professionalism and diligence of our members, all of which successfully reopened their businesses and maintained operations thereby meeting our customers' and societal needs.

COVID presented new communication challenges for us all, particularly for organisations like ours which depend on effective sharing of knowledge with stakeholders. Similar to many organisations, ICF relied heavily on online meeting platforms to progress our work agenda during the year. While we look forward to a day when physical meetings return, the enhanced knowledge of new communication tools will contribute positively to more effective communication in the future.

While COVID dominated the year, ICF continued to represent its members across a wide variety of policy areas to benefit the membership. Our Chief Executive will report more comprehensively on the work of our policy committees later in this publication. I would simply like to briefly mention some of the key achievements of our organisation this year.

In February ICF held a major quarry planning conference to follow up on our quarry planning policy publication *"Essential Aggregates - Providing for Ireland's Needs to 2040"* which we launched in 2019. ICF was delighted to welcome stakeholders from a wide variety of perspectives and backgrounds to this event which was also attended by the majority of local authorities throughout the country. Our marketing committee, the Concrete Development Group ran a digital advertising and social media promotional campaign for concrete construction towards the end of the year, harnessing the suite of promotional videos developed over the past two years. The ICF's technical committee continued to contribute to the ongoing development and improvement of standards within the National Standards Authority of Ireland, along with other stakeholder organisations. Apart from dealing with the pandemic, our health and safety committee continued to highlight safety risks in the industry with the assistance of the Health and Safety Authority. Tragically there was a fatality in our industry in 2020, a stark reminder of the need to constantly increase safety standards in our industry. Our transport committee successfully lobbied to achieve legislative change at EU level related to deliveries of ready mixed concrete with the support of the Department of Transport. ICF will seek to have these changes implemented in Ireland in the coming year. The Irish Precast Concrete Association continued to assist its members to prepare for new customs arrangements for exporting to the UK, due to enter into force in January 2021. The Ground Limestone Producers Association of

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Ireland continued to promote greater use of agricultural lime to optimise soil pH, thereby increasing productivity at farm level while reducing emissions.

In conclusion I would like to thank the members of the federation for their unwavering support during the year. A special word of thanks to my fellow Council members for their guidance and contribution to the organisation. The engine of the federation are the committees and I thank all of those individuals who take time out to contribute to the betterment of their industry despite heavy workloads with their own companies. Finally, a word of thanks to the staff of the ICF for their professionalism and commitment over the past twelve months.



**Caroline Quinn**  
President





*Meridian Water Rail Station Enfield, London – International Award Winner, 38th Irish Concrete Society Awards*  
*Irish Export Company: Shay Murtagh Precast*



# CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

While recent Irish Concrete Federation annual reports have invariably focused on political developments on both sides of the Atlantic, all of which were hugely significant, it seems difficult to attach the same level of importance to these developments as before, given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on global society over the past year. 2020 was certainly a year like no other for many different reasons and while we have reason to hope that next year will see meaningful progress in the battle against the virus, there is still some distance to travel before we can put COVID behind us and get back to our 'normal' lives.

The cliché that we live in strange times is very overused and repeated, but while a lot of water has passed under the bridge since, the reality of the global pandemic certainly hit home when our members were instructed to close their businesses on Friday, March 27th at 9pm and certainly I think we would all agree that this year's prospects were indeed looking very bleak and uncertain at that time.

It is easy to forget the manic confusion which prevailed over the following hours, days and weeks, but looking back at it now, our sector has proven very resilient to the devastating impact of COVID-19. Throughout the country our industry has been busy, particularly since May 18th when construction reopened. Sometimes it is worrying that we are not fully certain why that is the

case, but we'll take it, and we should be grateful for the way the year has turned out.

ICF is a member of the Alliance for Insurance Reform which has among its members, pubs, hoteliers, restaurants, coach operators and many other small businesses dependent on hospitality and tourism. I can honestly say that the pandemic's impact on these businesses has been so devastating to the effect that while participating on the Alliance's COVID-19 sub-committee, I often understated activity levels in our own sector in the round table discussions to 'soften the blow' on the other representatives within the Alliance.

Therefore, our members are most definitively relieved to be operational, unlike many other businesses and all things considered, we are thankful for the year we've had, and we will look towards next year with cautious optimism for the future.

In articulating the resilience of our members' performance this year, I would like to focus on one word which has come to mean so much more to us over the past twelve months - that word is 'essential'. From discussions on essential shoes and socks, to essential and non-essential societal activities and essential and non-essential businesses and services, it is fair to say that most parts of society and business are now seeking to be categorised as essential. Therefore, when looking



at 2020 and our industry, we got definitive living proof, or in our case a definitive reminder if we needed it, that our industry is indeed essential to modern society and the modern economy. Our member companies are essential to this country's future, and we should never shy away from saying it, and this has proven to be our greatest asset in this most unusual of years. While many industries legitimately claim that they are strategically important, coronavirus has clearly demonstrated the reality that society needs basic raw materials as evidenced by the extent to which our industry was called upon, with the support of suppliers, employees and customers, to supply essential works to meet vital societal needs, while most of society and businesses were closed.

It is very tempting to say it was exceptional foresight of our Planning & Environment Committee in late 2019 when we launched our planning policy paper with the title *"Essential Aggregates – Providing for Ireland's Needs to 2040"*. The main driver behind this publication is the reality that few among policy makers and the public make the link between the sustainable supply of aggregates and the provision of the essential built environment upon which society depends. Continuous supply of essential aggregates is just assumed and rarely is considered or questioned

However, the reality is that when the entire economy and society was shut down on Friday March 27th, Government were required to clarify to us, no sooner than the following Monday, that our members should remain open to supply essential agricultural lime. Shortly after we were required to open to supply essential agricultural construction, then it was essential public infrastructure and social housing. Bizarrely, we also had politicians, who only days previously were seeking the immediate closure of all construction activities, critical of the difficulties their constituents were encountering in sourcing concrete products. The key message is that we are an essential industry in this country and we in the industry need to realise it firstly and secondly, we need to ensure that others realise it also.

Thankfully, at time of writing, level 5 restrictions in Ireland are much clearer and our industry has been clearly designated as essential. Much valuable work was done this year, largely unseen, with other representative bodies influencing key decision makers to keep our businesses open and I would like to express a sincere word of thanks to colleagues in our industry and within other organisations with whom we worked closely this year. As an organisation, ICF's reputation and contacts and our ability to communicate an accurate and timely picture of our industry to civil servants and elected politicians, both directly and indirectly, greatly helped in this regard.

I would like to express a special word of thanks to those in our own membership who helped to ensure that our message and views were getting to the right people who take decisions which directly impact our industry. This unseen work is crucial and benefits us all greatly and is clear evidence of the value of an effective national representative body.

Being permitted to open is one achievement, staying open is another. I would like to commend our members for their efforts to keep their businesses open throughout the year. Naturally, it is to their commercial benefit that they do so, but I know the effort that went into adopting new practices and procedures in places of work throughout the year to keep everybody safe. While many of our members' locations are naturally suited to social distancing, members also have significant numbers of office-based staff and it is no mean feat that, to my knowledge, all members were able to maintain operations throughout the year.

A key element of this achievement has been the willingness to share knowledge and assist in the area of employee safety and I would like to thank Joanne Boylan and the health and safety committee for all their efforts in sharing best practice and developing guidance on our industry's behalf.

Notwithstanding the dominance of COVID-19 on the work agenda during the year, it is also imperative to remember that our industry is a high-risk one, and the same risks that existed before COVID are still there. Tragically we had a fatal accident in the industry this year, a stark reminder to all of us of the need to keep safety to the forefront of our minds every day at work. ICF will continue to work closely with the Health and Safety Authority (HSA) to assist and advise our members in maintaining safety in workplaces. Our organisation's track record in safety is well regarded by the HSA and we look forward to working with them in the coming year.

I have already referred to our planning publication *"Essential Aggregates – Providing for Ireland's Needs to 2040"* and notwithstanding the major progress made in recent years, planning and environment issues will continue to be highly important for all involved in the sector. With the help of Liam Smyth and our planning and environment committee, our members' quarries are on a much better planning footing than in years gone by due to a more proactive approach to planning by our members. However, much work remains to be done as planning authorisation becomes ever more contentious, litigious and protracted. Our 2019 planning policy publication has highlighted the need for legislative and planning reform which we shall pursue, as we did

recently with the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government and earlier this year at our planning seminar for all stakeholder organisations.

While on the environmental theme, there is little doubt that the sustainability of concrete will come under ever increasing scrutiny in the future. It is clear that the environment will most likely dominate or at the very least, largely influence decision making in the coming years. Often, the basic facts and realities can be lost in the 'noise' surrounding climate change, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and carbon footprint. However, concrete has a good story to tell, if based on fact, the societal needs, the progress to date on reducing the carbon footprint of concrete and the roadmaps to future progress and this will become a critical issue for ICF to address in the coming year.

Concrete is not just essential, it is sustainable and 2020 was a busy year for the Concrete Development Group, comprising ICF and Cement Manufacturers Ireland representatives that, under the stewardship of Joanne Boylan, was active in promoting concrete's sustainable benefits in housebuilding. This is always going to be work for the longer-term and Covid did disrupt our plans this year, but a quick glance at our online and social media presence, allied to our digital advertising and social media promotional effort is testament to the group's work. We need all members to get involved in this promotional work using their own social media and online platforms to target customers and staff. I would also like to commend the achievements of the Ground Limestone Producers Association of Ireland for the promotional campaign behind our trademark 'Grolime', and to acknowledge the valued assistance of Teagasc and the Department of Agriculture & Food, with whom we have developed mutually beneficial relationships in recent years.

While we will continue to promote concrete construction, it is obviously equally important that we promote the highest standards of quality in all our industry's products. Towards the end of the year there was some coverage in the national media on isolated, but significant local issues, linked to the integrity of concrete construction. While ICF is not a regulatory or enforcement body, we fully support the greater enforcement of standards in the industry by the relevant regulatory authorities. In addition, ICF will continue to contribute to the ongoing revision and improvement of national standards, codes and guidance which apply to our members' products. Our technical committee, under the guidance of Liam Smyth, has made a major contribution on committees and panels within the National Standards Authority of Ireland and CEN in Europe for many years. Additionally, it is imperative that our members are kept fully updated on developments in guidance and standards in order to

promote compliance with the key standards relevant to the industry and ICF will continue to educate and inform members into the future in this area.

ICF's influence in decision making extended to Europe this year with our successful lobby to remove ready mixed concrete deliveries from tachograph regulations on driving hours, breaks and rest periods, a position which was supported by the Irish Department of Transport, and which we will now seek to have enacted in Ireland. While many countries supported the effort, the Irish input, following a detailed submission by our Transport committee led the debate, showing that despite the complexity of EU decision making, there is value in a clear, reasoned and logic-based approach to achieving legislative change.

I will now give a short report on some of the activities of our Council and committees. Obviously, it is impossible to report on the entirety of the organisations' achievements but I hope it will inform readers of the nature of our efforts on behalf of members.

## ICF COUNCIL

The members of the ICF Council are:

Ms Caroline Quinn  
**Concast Precast Group, President**

Mr John Farragher  
**Concrete Manufacturing Company**

Mr Larry Byrne  
**Roadstone**

Mr Peter Gleeson  
**Gleeson Quarries**

Mr David Wright  
**Wright Quarry Products**

Mr Christy Loughnane  
**Loughnane Concrete (Birr)**

Mr Derry McKeown  
**Kilsaran International**

Mr Finbarr O'Neill  
**Finbarr O'Neill**

Mr Frank Healy  
**Ducon Concrete**

As with all ICF committees this year, the physical meetings of our Council were reduced to a minimum due to the arrival of the pandemic in March. However, this did not impact on the work of the Council which met on twelve occasions in total, predominantly via online video meetings. In particular, the Council met on a weekly basis during April and May to review developments on

the public health measures announced by Government resulting from COVID's arrival to Ireland. The Council oversaw the timely updating of our general membership on developments, through the issuing of guidance on the many impacts of the pandemic from workplace safety measures, human resources, government supports and public health restrictions. The decision in 2019 to add a human resources service for members proved particularly timely in achieving this objective and I would like to thank Stratis Consulting for their service and advice to members throughout the year. Unfortunately, ICF was not able to hold a 'physical' Annual General Meeting during the year. However, the Council oversaw a virtual event which was well attended by members and we are hopeful that a return to our usual event schedule will be possible in the coming year.

Responsibility for the organisation's financial sustainability, which remains on a solid footing, lies with the Council with the valued assistance of our financial controller and company secretary, Patricia Craig. I would like also to thank members for the ongoing financial support for the organisation in this most challenging of years and to thank Cement Manufacturers Ireland for their support to ICF which is greatly appreciated.

## TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

The members of the Transport Committee are as follows:

Mr Christy Loughnane  
**Loughnane Concrete (Birr) (Chairman)**

Mr Conan Curley  
**Killeshal Precast Concrete**

Mr Denis Doyle  
**Doyle Concrete**

Mr Brendan Dunne  
**Roadstone**

Mr T J Lennon  
**Lennon Quarries**

Mr Roy Hegarty  
**Kilsaran International**

Mr Michael Keohane  
**Keohane Readymix**

Mr Micheál Gleeson  
**Gleeson Concrete**

Mr Shane Tierney  
**B D Flood**

The culmination of many years' representation by ICF and the European Ready Mixed Concrete Organisation on reform of legislation governing driving hours, breaks and rest periods for commercial drivers came to fruition this year. In July, the European Parliament and

European Council passed the final legal text of revisions to Regulation 561/06, thereby granting member states the option of derogating ready mixed concrete deliveries from certain provisions of the regulation. This derogation makes eminent sense given the short delivery distances and perishable nature of ready mixed concrete. In the coming year ICF will seek full implementation of the derogation by the Department of Transport which fully supported the ICF position in negotiations to date.

The committee is currently preparing guidance for members on the implementation of the "Dangerous Substances (Flammable Liquids and Fuels Distribution and Commercial Supply Stores) Regulations 2019" which will require a license application to local authorities next year. In addition, ICF will make representations in 2021 for changes to the maximum gross vehicle weight limits for certain delivery vehicles in use in members' fleets to remove confusion, reduce fuel consumption and increase delivery efficiencies with the obvious benefits for the environment.

## PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The members of the Planning and Environment Committee are as follows:

Mr Fergus Gallagher  
**Kilsaran International (Chairman)**

Mr Stephen Linden  
**Mannok**

Mr Billy McGrath  
**McGraths Limestone, Cong**

Mr Ronan Griffin  
**CRH**

Mr John Glynn  
**Roadstone**

Mr Vincent Flanagan  
**B D Flood**

Mr Mark Galvin  
**Ardfert Quarry Products**

Ms Amanda Tarpey  
**Harrington Concrete and Quarries**

Mr John Quirke  
**M F Quirke & Sons**

Ms Sarah O'Connell  
**O'Connell Concrete**

Mr Brian Downes  
**Lagan Asphalt**

In February, ICF held a hugely successful quarry planning conference entitled “*Essential Aggregates-Planning for a Sustainable Extractive Industry*”. A highly knowledgeable and influential list of speakers from industry, environmental non-governmental organisations, the legal profession, government organisations and environmentalists ensured that a robust and valuable exchange of views from all stakeholders was held. ICF was delighted to welcome planning officials from many local authorities across the country to this event as well as invited guests from other stakeholder organisations. Quarry planning is becoming ever increasingly contentious, litigious and protracted and ICF looks forward to working with all stakeholders to plan for a sustainable future for the quarry sector in Ireland. Unfortunately, due to public health restrictions, planned on-location briefings on quarries and the environment for local authority planning officials had to be postponed and we look forward to holding these events as soon as public health measures facilitate.

During the year, ICF met with the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government on legislative changes necessitated by High Court and Supreme Court judgments. In addition, we met with An Bord Pleanála to make a presentation on our 2019 quarry planning policy publication “*Essential Aggregates - Providing for Ireland’s Needs to 2040*”. This publication highlighted, among other issues, the protracted timeframe for planning decisions related to quarries in Ireland.

In February, ICF submitted an environmental risk assessment to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the use of recycled aggregates from waste concrete. ICF met with EPA later in the year to follow up on this issue, which will most likely require the submission of a further risk assessment in the coming year. ICF continues to participate on the Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment’s construction waste resource group and we made a submission on the Department’s draft publication – “*Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy*” in early 2020.



*Essential Aggregates - Planning for a Sustainable Extractive Industry*  
- Feb 2020. Gerry Farrell, ICF; Dirk Fincke, European Aggregates Association; Eoin McGrath, Geological Survey Ireland

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

The members of the Health and Safety Committee are as follows:

Ms Nicky Mulchrone  
**McGraths Limestone, Cong (Chairperson)**

Mr Vincent Flanagan  
**B D Flood**

Mr Noel Morgan  
**Flood Flooring**

Mr Clive Carty  
**Roadstone**

Mr John McWeeney  
**CRH**

Mr Brian Coogan  
**Wright Quarry Products**

Mr Ian Hall  
**Wright Quarry Products**

Ms Emma Murphy  
**Harrington Concrete & Quarries**

Mr Mark Patterson  
**Oran Precast**

Mr Paul Gallagher  
**Ducon Concrete**

Mr Brendan Donagher  
**Concast Precast**

Mr Mark O’Dea  
**Techrete**

Mr David Whyte  
**Shay Murtagh Precast**

Mr Denis Byrne  
**Irish Industrial Explosives**

Mr Gerry Reidy  
**Irish Cement**

Mr Jamie Barrett  
**Banagher Precast**

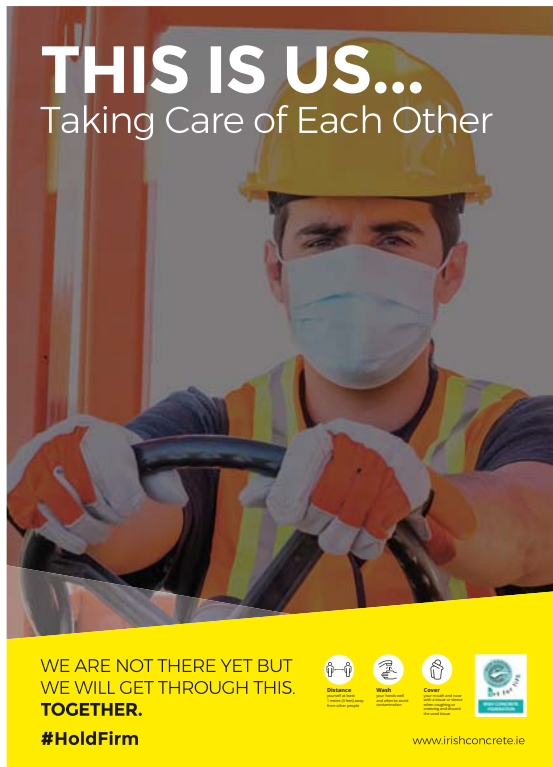
Mr Cillian Casey  
**Keohane Readymix**

Mr Paul Conway  
**Kellys of Fantane**

Mr Paul Clarke  
**O’Reilly Concrete**

Mr Clive Kelly  
**Clive Kelly Safety, Consultant**





ICF COVID-19 Awareness Poster

It goes without saying that the priority for our Health and Safety Committee during the past year has been the impact of the pandemic. Our Health and Safety Committee certainly rose to the occasion in this instance by displaying a generous willingness to share experiences, knowledge and best practice to reduce the transmission of the virus in industry workplaces. The committee produced a series of useful guidance documents for members, in particular an industry specific workplace checklist template, a pre-return to work form template and awareness posters promoting adoption of best practice in social distancing, signage and use of personal protective equipment. The regular meetings of the committee highlighted the need to avoid complacency in the workplace as the year progressed and it is essential that this work continues into the coming year as COVID persists.

Unfortunately, the pandemic with its associated public health measures, severely impacted on our planned safety awareness events for the year. Two campaigns had been planned in association with the Health and Safety Authority for June and September. However, both were cancelled but we plan to hold Quarry Safety Week 2021 in the first quarter of next year. The importance of not losing sight of the established risks in our industry was tragically highlighted by a fatality in the industry in September. ICF will redouble our efforts to communicate the safety risks of working in quarries and production facilities in our industry in the coming year, particularly as activity levels increase.



In early March, the committee met with Geoscience Ireland for a presentation on the new driller apprenticeship in IT Carlow. Committee members also participated on the SOLAS plant working group reforming the Quarry Safety Certification Scheme. The committee also participated on the Quarry Safety Partnership within the Health and Safety Authority (HSA) and welcomed the publication of a machinery guarding training pack and updated guidance to the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Quarries) Regulations by the Authority.



ICF Covid-19 Awareness Poster

## TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

The members of the Technical Committee are as follows:

Mr Alan Lowe

**Roadstone (Chairman)**

Mr Peter Deegan

**Banagher Precast**

Mr William Farrell

**Killeshal Precast Concrete**

Mr Tom Holden

**Roadstone**

Mr Diarmuid McCarthy

**Roadstone**

Mr Richard Bradley

**Irish Cement**

Mr Aidan Fogarty

**Ecocem**

Mr Kevin Maguire

**Mannok**

Mr Gareth McMeekin

**Wright Quarry Products**

Mr Vincent Anderson

**Kilsaran International**

Mr Keith Goodwin

**Kilsaran International**

Mr Patrick Cullivan

**B D Flood**

Mr Brendan Lynch

**Consultant**

Mr Eanna Nolan

**Irish Concrete Society**

Notwithstanding COVID-19, much of the work of the ICF's Technical Committee continued uninterrupted during 2020, facilitated by online video meetings which proved particularly effective for the committee. ICF is represented on many National Standards Authority of Ireland (NSAI) panels and committees, most notably the Construction Standards Consultative Committee, the Aggregates Panel, the Masonry Panel and the Concrete Standards Consultative Committee. These panels continued their work throughout the year due mainly to the efforts of the chairpersons, secretariat and committee members. Standard Recommendation (S.R.) 18 - Guidance on Aggregates for Mortar was completed and is going for public consultation in the New Year. S.R. 325 - Design of Masonry Standards in Ireland to Eurocode 6, is currently under review. At European (CEN) level, our representatives on TC-154 (aggregates)

and TC 104 (concrete) monitored developments on aggregate standards and the move towards a performance-based approach for exposure resistance of concrete respectively. ICF also responded to an initial questionnaire on the review of the Construction Products Regulation. Unfortunately, our planned research into the impact of freeze-thaw exposure on masonry durability with Technological University Dublin was delayed due to the unavailability of laboratories because of COVID. We look forward to commencing this research next year. Similarly, planned presentations by our Technical Committee to other stakeholder groups were also deferred due to the pandemic.

The Technical Committee has been closely monitoring new requirements for certification of products post-Brexit. All notification bodies used by our members for compliance with Construction Products Regulation must be EU based and therefore cannot be UK based with effect from January 1st next year. Similarly, our members must ensure that imported products are certified by EU based notification bodies from the same date.

In February, ICF in association with the Irish Concrete Society, hosted the launch of a new website "www.specifyingconcrete.ie" at an event held in the Aviva Stadium in Dublin. The website has been developed to assist all professionals involved in concrete construction with responsibility to ensure the quality of the finished structure. The website provides background and references to regulations, standards and guidance documents. In addition, it provides information on many key properties of concrete from the viewpoint of designer, builder and producer for consideration at specification and planning stage rather than later in the project.

## CONCRETE DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The members of the Concrete Development Group, which comprises representatives of the Irish Concrete Federation and Cement Manufacturers Ireland are as follows:

Mr Richard Bradley

**Irish Cement**

Mr Derek Duffy

**Oran Precast**

Mr Brian Gilmore

**Cement Manufacturers Ireland**

Mr David Kelly  
**Hanlon Concrete**

Ms Eibhlin Keohane  
**Keohane Readymix**

Mr David McKeown  
**Kilsaran International**

Mr Eamon Finnegan  
**Breedon Cement Ireland**

Mr Diarmuid O'Sullivan  
**Roadstone**

The Concrete Development Group (CDG) oversees the concrete promotional activities of ICF and the development of linkages with third-level institutions and concrete designers and specifiers.

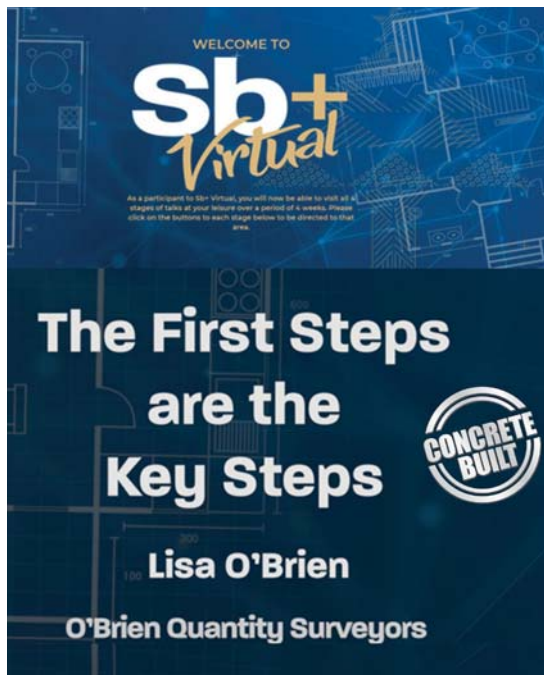


As mentioned earlier, ICF in association with the Irish Concrete Society, hosted the launch of a new website “[www.specifyingconcrete.ie](http://www.specifyingconcrete.ie)” at an event held in the Aviva Stadium in February. At the launch, ICF President Caroline Quinn acted as event host while Chairman of the Irish Concrete Society, Mr Eamon Booth, highlighted the importance of effective communication between designers, contractors and suppliers in the specification of concrete. Richard Bradley of Cement Manufacturers Ireland and CDG, who chaired the working group that developed the website, presented guests with an overview of the website.

Unfortunately, the promotional activities of the CDG were hampered to some extent by COVID. However, the CDG ran two ‘concrete-built’ promotional campaigns during the year. The first campaign which commenced in late 2019, featured the promotion of our existing suite of ‘concrete-built’ videos on social media. Our second campaign commenced in October and featured two new videos targeted at home buyers and self-builders. These videos focused on the benefits of concrete and also provided useful information for both target audiences. Simultaneously we ran a digital advertising campaign on the Selfbuild supplier hub and participated in the Selfbuild virtual event at the end of October. Our promotion of concrete construction directly to home purchasers continued on the Daft.ie and myhome.ie platforms.



*Specifyingconcrete.ie Launch: Shane Santry, SSA Architects; Gerry Farrell, ICF; Eamon Booth, Irish Concrete Society; Jim Mansfield, Kavanagh, Mansfield & Partners*



ICF has developed a suite of high-quality and effective videos suitable for promotion on social media and in digital advertising and we look forward to commencing a new campaign in 2021.

In March, the CDG met with the Construction Industry Federation to discuss the shortage of new apprenticeships in wet trades such as block laying and plastering. The lack of skilled block layers is now seen as the single biggest challenge facing masonry construction in the years ahead, an issue which will require to be addressed to protect concrete's position in the marketplace.

## BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The members of the Business Development Committee are as follows:

Mr Frank Bracken  
**Killeshal Precast (Chairman)**

Mr Bernard Quinn  
**Concast Precast**

Mr Barry O'Brien  
**CRH**

Mr Fergus O'Hara  
**Hanlon Concrete**

Mr Francis Harrington  
**Harrington Concrete & Quarries**

Ms Geraldine Grace  
**Gleeson Quarries**

Mr John O'Carroll  
**Ardfert Quarry Products**

Ms Onagh Murphy  
**Loughnane Concrete (Birr) Ltd**

Mr Pat Freeman  
**McGrath Limestone Quarries, Clare**

Mr Pat McGrath  
**McGraths Limestone, Cong**

Mr Thomas King  
**Wright Quarry Products**

Mr Tom Gallagher  
**B D Flood**

Mr Tony Curran  
**Kilsaran International**

The Business Development Committee of the ICF met once during the year to review the impact of COVID on the construction sector in general and the potential impact on the trade credit insurance sector and the level of insurance cover available to suppliers.

## IRISH PRECAST CONCRETE ASSOCIATION

The members of the IPCA Council are as follows:

Mr Derek Duffy  
**Oran Precast (Chairman)**

Mr Frank Healy  
**Ducon Concrete**

Ms Caroline Quinn  
**Concast Precast Group**

Mr David Wright  
**Wright Quarry Products**

Mr Barry O'Reilly  
**O'Reilly Bros**

Mr Brendan Mahon  
**Banagher Precast**

Mr Marcus Sweeney  
**Techrete**

Mr Frank Bracken  
**Killeshal Precast**

Mr John O'Connor  
**Flood Precast**

Mr Paddy Mohan  
**Mannok**

Mr Denis Doyle  
**Doyle Concrete**

Mr John Cleary  
**Moylough Concrete Products**



Unsurprisingly COVID was the dominant issue for members of the Irish Precast Concrete Association (IPCA) during 2020. As a result, IPCA held monthly meetings for most of the year to keep abreast of developments, both nationally and internationally. Similar to ICF members generally, all IPCA members were faced with the closure of their businesses in late March due to public health measures. However, IPCA members found themselves, uniquely within our industry, in the position that the majority of their customers in the United Kingdom remained open throughout the pandemic. This placed precast concrete exporters facing potential loss of customers or breach of contract, due to circumstances beyond their control. Thankfully, in the aftermath of reopening in May, normal trade resumed and precast concrete exporters remained busy for the remainder of the year, supplying both domestic market and UK customers.

During the early stages of the pandemic in Ireland, IPCA members were generous in exchanging knowledge, best practice and experiences in dealing with the many diverse challenges facing individual businesses at the time. All members updated standard operating procedures, risk assessments, signage and internal communications during the period of closure and it is testament to the professionalism of the industry that all members remained open without interruption following reopening in May. Hopefully members will agree that IPCA membership helped in this achievement.

The spectre of Brexit, while somewhat diminished throughout the year, returned to the forefront of IPCA members' thoughts in the autumn, particularly given the lack of progress in negotiations of a trade deal between the EU and UK. Thankfully all IPCA members are well prepared for the introduction of new trading arrangements, which will come into effect in January. Members welcomed the decision by the UK to impose 0% tariffs on imports and are confident that once the initial inevitable complexities of new customs procedures are resolved, there is a strong pipeline of work ahead for Irish precast exporters to the UK, notwithstanding the competitiveness pressures caused by increased raw material costs, particularly in cement and steel which were emerging by year-end.

## GROUND LIMESTONE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND

The Ground Limestone Producers Association of Ireland (GLPAI) represents 17 companies operating in approximately 30 locations throughout the country that

are licensed by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine to produce agricultural lime as a soil pH enhancer.

The members of the GLPAI committee are as follows:

Mr Eoin O'Carroll

**Bennettsbridge Limestone (Chairman)**

Mr Joe McGrath

**McGrath Limestone Quarries**

Mr Francis Harrington

**Harrington Concrete & Quarries**

Mr Christy Loughnane

**Loughnane Concrete (Birr)**

Mr Fraser Thom

**Breedon**

Mr Enda Hanly

**Hanly Quarries**

Mr Tony Healy

**Kilsaran International**

Mr Kevin Morrissey

**Dan Morrissey & Co**

Mr Diarmuid O'Sullivan

**Roadstone**

Mr Billy McGrath

**McGraths Limestone Works**

Mr Mike Cronin

**Michael Cronin Readymix**

Mr Peter Gleeson

**Gleeson Quarries**

Mr Tom McDonald Jnr

**Kilcarrig Quarries**

Mr Trevor Mortimer

**Mortimer Quarries**

Mr Andy Fogarty

**Fogarty Concrete**

The GLPAI continued to gain momentum in 2020 as the recognised voice of the agricultural lime manufacturing industry in Ireland. The association has built up strong linkages with other stakeholder organisations in the sector which will hopefully lead to a more coherent approach towards promoting the greater use of lime and nitrogen use efficiency in the future.

There were two major statements of intent issued by Government on the importance of soil pH in reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the agricultural sector in 2020. The Programme for Government of June 2020 included a national liming programme to optimise soil pH. More importantly, in December the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine published 'Ag Climatise' a national climate and air roadmap for the agriculture

sector. This publication set a target of 2 million tonnes of lime usage annually, which is the first tangible target set by government in this area. The GLPAI looks forward to participating on the department's stakeholder group to implement 'Ag Climatise' in 2021.



Grolime FB

Throughout the year GLPAI met regularly with the Department of Agriculture and Teagasc on the policy instruments and advice provision to farmers related to lime and soil pH. The requirement for all 7,000 farmers in nitrates 'derogation' to adopt a farm-scale liming programme was introduced in January. This requirement will be extended to an additional 5,000 farmers exporting slurry in 2021.

Unfortunately, planned research in association with Teagasc on the barriers to adoption of liming programmes at farm level and the impact of soil pH optimisation on reduced greenhouse gas emissions was delayed due to COVID. GLPAI is part-funding this research and looks forward to its commencement in 2021.

Throughout the year GLPAI promoted its trademark 'Grolime' extensively in the farming press and online. A comprehensive promotional campaign of advertising in the traditional farming press, digital advertising and social media promotion was undertaken during the spring and autumn. This included the development of new video content specifically targeted at farmers highlighting the benefits of 'Grolime'. We look forward to continuing and expanding this promotional campaign in the coming year.

## EUROPE

ICF is a member of UEPG - the European Aggregates Association, ERMCO - the European Ready Mixed Concrete Organisation and BIBM - the European Precast Concrete Federation and remains highly involved in all three organisations. ICF is very supportive of the work programme of these organisations, particularly in the areas of the environment, technical standards and health and safety. In February, Dirk Fincke, Director General of UEPG was a

guest speaker at our quarry planning conference. Indeed, throughout the year, ICF benefited greatly from the exchange of information at European level on the impact of COVID-19 in various countries and the best practice industry responses to curtail the spread of the virus in workplaces.

## STAKEHOLDER RELATIONS

As a representative body for a strategically essential sector, ICF greatly depends on its ability to develop linkages and relationships with stakeholder organisations in the wider construction and regulatory sphere. ICF is thankful for the access afforded by these organisations and for their ever-willing agreement to engage with us on a wide variety of issues. Some of the organisations which ICF engaged with throughout 2020 are included on the following list and I apologise for any inadvertent omission from the list.

- Alliance for Insurance Reform
- All Local Authorities
- An Bord Pleanála
- An Garda Síochána
- An Taisce
- Association of Consulting Engineers of Ireland
- Cavan and Monaghan Educational Training Board
- Cement Manufacturers Ireland
- Construction Industry Council
- Construction Industry Federation
- Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government
- Department of Employment & Social Protection
- Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht
- Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment
- Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Education and Training Boards
- Engineers Ireland
- Enterprise Ireland
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Fertiliser Association of Ireland
- Freight Transport Association of Ireland.
- Geological Survey Ireland

- Health and Safety Authority
- HomeBond
- Housing Agency
- InterTradeIreland
- Invest Northern Ireland
- Irish Concrete Society
- Irish Mining & Quarrying Society
- Irish Water
- Mineral Products Association (UK)
- National Construction Training Centre
- National Monuments Service
- National Standards Authority of Ireland
- Office of Permanent Representation of Ireland Brussels
- Quarry Products Association (Northern Ireland)
- Regional Skills Forum
- Roads Safety Authority
- Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland
- Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland
- Society of the Irish Motor Industry
- Solas
- Teagasc
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- Valuation Office

## ICF COMMUNICATIONS

As a business representative organisation, ICF relies greatly on its ability to communicate effectively with members and other stakeholder organisations with whom we interact daily. Needless to say, 2020 brought with it a major communications challenge as social distancing became the new normal and all forms of gatherings and meetings were severely curtailed in line with government public health advice. ICF postponed all association meetings with effect from mid-March. The ICF Council has met only once in person since and we will carefully consider any return to physical meetings in line with the best public health advice. While engagement on zoom calls and other platforms may never be as effective as in person, they certainly have facilitated ICF and many other similar organisations, to maintain visibility and to provide information to our stakeholders at the current time. There is no doubt that video conferencing is here to stay and ICF will embrace this new communication tool to the greatest extent possible in the future to maximise effectiveness and efficiencies in all our communications.

Throughout the year, the federation's work agenda continued to be communicated through our newsletters, news flashes and websites. We now operate three websites and our external communications are provided through an ever-increasing presence on social media adding to the visibility of the sector and the contribution it makes.

## SOCIAL

Unsurprisingly we were not able to go ahead with our Annual Dinner and Social Weekend this year for obvious reasons. At time of writing our event planned for 2021 looks unlikely to proceed. However, we are hopeful that brighter days lie ahead and we will be able to welcome members to our annual social event in 2022 which as usual will be organised expertly by Diane O'Donoghue in our head office.



## CONCLUSION

In conclusion I think we should be thankful for the year we have had, at least since May 18th. Next year remains uncertain, but Government capital spending on infrastructure and housing will increase and should support construction activity. It is likely that farm building activity will at least remain on a par with this year. Obviously, Brexit will impact directly and indirectly on all of us, but the ability of our Irish Precast Concrete Association members to continue to win new and valuable export business in the UK notwithstanding the challenges of new customs arrangements is another positive indicator of this industry's resilience.

I would like to thank our President, Caroline Quinn, as well as Derek Duffy, Frank Healy and Eoin O'Carroll for their leadership of the various organisations within the ICF. As ever, I thank our Council and many policy committee members who contribute to ICF and take what they learn

back to their companies to 'raise the bar' as well as our general membership throughout the country for their ongoing support on a daily basis. Our ability to influence is obviously a key measure of our success and we are deeply appreciative of the many organisations with whom we interact for the opportunity to represent our views to them on a regular basis. Lastly but by no means least, for their commitment, input and support throughout a uniquely demanding year, a very special word of thanks to Liam, Diane, Trish and Joanne in the ICF office.

I have always believed that a crisis, whatever its nature, brings to the fore the true value and benefits to business of their membership organisation. The need for accurate and timely information communicated effectively is at its greatest at a time of crisis. Hopefully our members will agree that they were well served by the ICF in 2020 when the need was greatest.

I wish all readers of our Annual Report a safe and prosperous 2021.



## ICF MEMBER APPOINTED APPRENTICESHIP AMBASSADOR

In April, the Apprenticeship Council announced details of 25 national employer ambassadors who are actively promoting the value and benefit of apprenticeship for Irish businesses. The ambassadors are from around the country and work in industry sectors which include finance, tech, insurance, engineering, electrical, logistics, hairdressing, hospitality and biopharma.

In the Midland region, Brendan Mahon of Banagher Precast Concrete and Irish Concrete Federation member stepped forward to drive the "Generation Apprenticeship 2020" message to local and regional employers.

Banagher Precast Concrete currently employs 8 apprentices and are working at local and national level to communicate the power and benefits of apprenticeships, focusing primarily on business to business promotion, but also working with local schools, parents and community groups.





*The Curragh Racecourse, Co Kildare – Infrastructural Category Winner, 38th Irish Concrete Society Awards  
Major Suppliers: Banagher Precast Concrete and Kilsaran International*

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF IRISH CONCRETE FEDERATION CLG

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Irish Concrete Federation CLG, which comprise the Statement of comprehensive income, the Statement of financial position, the Statement of cash flows, the Statement of changes in equity for the financial year ended 31 December 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is Irish law and accounting standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland).

In our opinion, Irish Concrete Federation CLG's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31 December 2020 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the financial year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, namely the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA) Ethical Standard concerning the integrity, objectivity

and independence of the auditor, and the ethical pronouncements established by Chartered Accountants Ireland, applied as determined to be appropriate in the circumstances for the entity. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities, and the responsibilities of the directors, with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

## Other information

Other information comprises information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, including the Directors' report. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and,

in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies in the financial statements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Act 2014**

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements. Based solely on the work undertaken in the course of our audit, in our opinion, the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

Based on our knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

Under the Companies Act 2014, we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by sections 305 to 312 of the Act have not been made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### **Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements**

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, including FRS102, and for such internal control as they determine necessary to enable

the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the management either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.

#### **Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements**

The auditor's objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), the auditor will exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. They will also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the effectiveness of the company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF IRISH CONCRETE FEDERATION CLG (CONT'D)

## Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If they conclude that a material uncertainty exists, they are required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify their opinion. Their conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves a true and fair view.

The auditor shall communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that may be identified during the audit.

## The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. 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.

Colin Feely FCA  
for and on behalf of

**Grant Thornton**

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## Statement of Comprehensive Income

### For the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 €	2019 €
Turnover	1,143,927	1,176,850
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>1,143,927</b>	<b>1,176,850</b>
Administrative expenses	(757,619)	(847,356)
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>386,308</b>	<b>329,494</b>
Interest receivable and similar income	3	14
Interest payable and expenses	(630)	(837)
<b>Profit before tax</b>	<b>385,681</b>	<b>328,671</b>
Tax on profit	(1,313)	(1,316)
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	<b>384,368</b>	<b>327,355</b>

## Statement of Financial Position

### For the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 €	2019 €
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	925	1,234
	925	1,234
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	655,688	741,717
Cash at bank and in hand	2,296,542	1,871,452
	2,952,230	2,613,169
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(131,726)	(177,342)
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>2,820,504</b>	<b>2,435,827</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>2,821,429</b>	<b>2,437,061</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>2,821,429</b>	<b>2,437,061</b>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>		
Other reserves	99,420	99,420
Profit and loss account	2,722,009	2,337,641
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>	<b>2,821,429</b>	<b>2,437,061</b>

# ICF COUNCIL MEMBERS 2020

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**MS CAROLINE QUINN** (President)

Concast Precast, Hazelhatch, Newcastle, Co Dublin

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**MR LARRY BYRNE**

Roadstone, Fortunestown, Tallaght, Dublin 24

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**MR PETER GLEESON**

Gleeson Quarries, Laffansbridge, Thurles, Co Tipperary

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**MR DAVID WRIGHT**

Wright Quarry Products, Swanns Cross, Monaghan

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**MR CHRISTY LOUGHNANE**

Loughnane Concrete (Birr), Woodlands, Birr, Co Offaly

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**MR JOHN FARRAGHER**

Concrete Manufacturing Company, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, Co Galway

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**MR FINBARR O'NEILL**

Finbarr O'Neill, Poulavone, Ballincollig, Co Cork

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**MR DERRY MCKEOWN**

Kilsaran International, Flathouse Lane, Piercetown, Dunboyne, Co Meath

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**MR FRANK HEALY JNR**

Ducon Concrete, Ballymaquirke, Kanturk, Co Cork

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**MS PATRICIA CRAIG**

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