#### THE ENTERPRISING COMMUNITY

#### **Endorsements**

#### Sr. Patricia Wall, Ballingarry, Co. Tipperary National Volunteer of Year Award Winner 2017

From my work with Ballingarry Community Development, Slieveardagh Rural Development and Millennium Family Resource Centre, I have long been aware of, and interested in the amazing work that Senan does with Dunhill Eco Park, DFBA Enterprises and Communities Creating Jobs.

Senan's book "The Enterprising Community" is an inspirational read which gives many case studies outlining the amazing work going on throughout the country by small groups, having a huge effect on their communities.

I believe fervently in localities helping themselves to develop facilities and employment among their own communities, of course, with the help of Government agencies. The book helps to open the mind to possible opportunities and gives clear advice on how to start the process of developing those ideas, what questions a group need to ask themselves and where to get help, when needed.

The concept of Communities Creating Jobs, pioneered by Senan and his colleagues interests me greatly and if each community developed 10 jobs it would have a major impact, both from a national perspective in terms of employment and at local level in terms of community self-development. Anybody involved in community development in Ireland needs to read this book.

#### Linda Ledger CEO, St Munchin's Enterprise Centre, Limerick

I couldn't leave the book out of my hands until I had finished reading it. The content is brilliant with so many great ideas and suggestions on the development of social enterprise.

# Eddie Keher, Former Kilkenny Hurling Star

The Enterprising Community is a unique resource and a mine of information for those engaged in developing social, sporting, enterprise and environment projects in local communities.

# Walter O Leary, Barrister, New Ross and Waterford Institute of Technology

I have read the book with great interest. It is a marvellous achievement and a blueprint for best practice.

# Margaret Murphy, Southern Region Waste Management Office

Senan's book is a wonderful source of guidance and inspiration to help different communities to develop their own initiatives. The case studies from across the country clearly demonstrate the capacities that communities have to be resourceful and innovative.

# **Teresa Hinchey-Manager Tipperary Community Council**

The "The Enterprising Community" is an outstanding piece of work. I would recommend it to every voluntary community project team and support agency in the country. There is so much useful information in it.