

Social Farming Ireland in the South East

Healthy Waterford

Social Farming Ireland along with Healthy Waterford have placed 17 participants on farms in the county in 2018. Some of these farms were newcomers to Social Farming Ireland. Brian Sullivan and Evie Connolly were trained by Social Farming Ireland in all aspects of Social Farming in 2018 and took on participants soon after their training had been completed. Participants came from different services throughout the county including Brothers of Charity Waterford, Rehab Care, Down Syndrome Ireland, Waterford Mental Health and Carriglea Cáirde Services.



Evie Connollys Farm



Spencers Farm



Sullivans Farm

New Services

Links with new services were forged in South Tipperary with the help of South Tipperary Development Company. An open invitation information evening was held in February at the Moorehaven Centre in Tipperary town. There was a great turnout on the night of parents, service providers and members of the IFA. Presentations were made by Paul Kidd of Social Farming Ireland and Mary Kinane of South Tipperary Development Company. This information evening brought about a number of new placements on farms in South Tipperary.



Farmer Training

There were 21 new Social Farms from the South East who took part in training in 2018. Four of these farms have begun taking participants already and there are two more which will begin towards the end of 2018. The remainder of the farms have to complete their training and will be ready to take participants in 2019. We are so grateful to these farmers who have taken the time to work with us as they are the people who make social farming what it is.