

## Questions Case Study Glencar 2012

Look at 2010 Case Study Questions, Similar.

**Q. Difference between Voluntary Organisation, Commercial Organisations, Community Enterprises.**

Voluntary/GAA/SVDP - None-profit making and Commercial Shops/Businesses – Profit making.

Community Enterprises – Tidy Towns and Neighbourhood Watch.

**Q. Three ways the community can raise money to fund the development of the building “focal point” of the town.**

1. Lotto Funding, Fundraising from events, tickets etc.
2. Get sponsorship from local businesses
3. Donations from local people.
4. County Council part finance of the development of the business.

**Q. Three ways in which the people of Glencar Community were asked their opinions.**

1. Questionnaire – Suggestion box (Students should be able to do our layout for Questionnaire with sample questions which could have been asked to derive findings of survey).
2. Interview – personal questions asked face to face.
3. Community meetings – brainstorming ideas in groups.  
(Students should know differences between each method)

**Q. What facilities do the local people feel that they need most in their area from the sample population asked?** (The Committee’s first task was to survey local townspeople to help identify the community needs that the resource centre could meet – Note! only 100 of out of 2,200 local people asked, is the sample a true reflection of what people wanted, it seemed to be geared at the younger age profile!).

**Q. Using the information in the table outline two projects using the community resource centre should prioritise:**

**Uses for Resource Centre:**

1. Crèche – 30% from 100 people asked.
2. Youth Club / Café & Meeting and Training Facilities – 20% from 100 people asked.
3. Retirement Group – only 15% from people asked, that is why it seem to be a younger age profile!.
4. Recreational Classes – 15%, for yoga, gym, knitting, sowing, reading etc.
5. Note also that the Council insisted that a seasonal tourist office be located in the main reception area of building from April to October.
6. Also computer facilities are in the building, how could these be used?

**Q. What other facilities could Glencar Community Resource Centre need for the new building?**

The building is large; some of the rooms could be used for incubation centres for new businesses, there are ICT computer facilities, which could enable a technology training centre. Hall could be used for GAA events, fundraising events, drama classes, plays, music concerts, this could generate money for the businesses.

**Q. Employment in the area, getting people back to work and creating new employment:**

The renovation of the buildings will assist in creating jobs, the County Council has applied to the FAS/Solas Community Employment Scheme (CES) to get local unemployed construction workers to renovate the building. New jobs could be created in the tourism area, Council has insisted putting in seasonal tourist office to increase tourists footfall. The building has access to a garden area, picnic area for tourists, food could also be provided, sandwiches, tea coffee. It could also be used by the local community could have a recreation area, for having meeting and barbecues.

**Q. Using the table provided suggest facilities most needed by the local community.**

- Small number of people asked, 100 out of 2,200 people asked (sample a small number 100 out of 2,200). Age profile seems to be a younger age group, as 20% asked for Youth Club.
- Sample not true reflection of full population needs.

**Q. How did the County Council and local community pick the committee members:**

General meeting of local residents, have team building courses to establish the group member's skills and abilities to carry out various tasks. "Dirty Old Town" programme on RTE, demonstrated that by taking teambuilding courses the local residents could establish how they would contribute best to the group. Look at the benefits of Teamwork.

**Q. Identify two and explain the benefits of teamwork for Glencar.**

1. Work can be completed faster/work is shared and more than one person is involved.
2. Workers have an appreciation for the work involved in all areas.
3. It creates a sense of belonging among workers, who will be more contented at work.
4. Different opinions and ideas are encouraged.
5. Problem solving is easier because of a variety of skills.

**Q. Members of the Committee, roles duties, name people involved –**

What does the Chairperson do, Treasurer, Secretary!! Need to know!

**Chairperson:** Convenes the meeting, ensures that there is a quorum, read minutes of meetings, get them proposed and seconded. Puts motions to the vote, he/she has the casting vote in the event of a tie and closes the meeting.

**The Secretary:** Calls meeting, sends emails, notices, agendas of meeting and writes up minutes of meeting.

**The Treasurer:** Keep records of accounts, lodges the money, pay bills, prepares Financial Reports for the AGM (*Annual General Meeting*).

**Q. SWOT Analysis on the Community Centre:**

**Strengths** – It exists and County Council has done a survey to determine what the community needs and wants in the locality. Set up a committee and a development plan for the Community Centre.

**Weaknesses** – Funding, raising money for the renovation, do the committee have the right skills.

**Opportunities** – Increase job for unemployed, increase tourism, events in hall to raise money.

**Threats** – Getting the best use out of the centre, using the money in the area to the best advantage, money could be spent in another more beneficial area to increase jobs etc. Downturn in economy effect on area. Cost of finance for loans, banks reluctant to give loans.

**Q. One reason why the local people could get involved in the community development.**

Increase skills and self-worth, contacts for the future.

Help improve the image of the area, bring a sense of pride in the town.

**Q. What facilities do Teenagers require in the new resource centre?**

Meeting place to play pool, cards and listen to music.

Place to study after school, around examinations time and to do homework in general.

Encourage to get into clubs to prevent antisocial behaviour.

**Q. Volunteers are important to the resource centre, give four reasons why you would consider volunteering or not volunteering your services.**

***Why you would:***

Experience.

Improving interpersonal skills

Meeting contacts for the future.

Improving the morale in the area, more teamwork and sharing of ideas.

References for the future.

***Why you would not:***

Too much time wasted.

Don't get paid for work done.

Might get bored with the work.

**For Glencar it is a cheap and effective way of getting people involved and work done in the new Community Centre as money is short, also getting people involved helps the community spirit.**

**Q. Describe the opportunities and challenges the Glencar Community Resource Centre faces in the future:**

**Opportunities:**

Expand, have more club and activities in the area, because at present there does not seem to be a lot of resources.

Better morale in the town, the town will be more alive and attract businesses.

Keep the youth out of trouble, as there will be activities to do.

**Q. Challenges**

Finances in the future, getting grants and funds to run the resource centre.

Lack of volunteers, trying to get the local people involved for free.

Keeping the young people in the town, need to come up with new ideas for job opportunities.

**Q. List three stakeholders other than the County Council that could be involved in the programme.**

**GAA** – People involved in Sports.

People be involved in Tourism

Suppliers of resources to the Community Development Resource Centre.

Leader Group involved with funding projects for the Community Centre.

People involved in the educational, running various courses in the education centre, after school homework club, extra grinds in subjects.

**Q. Give one reason what each stakeholder would be involved in the Community Development Programme.**

**GAA** – would have the facilities to run the sports, hall and rooms and fundraising activities Music events.

**Tourism** – promote the town and bring in tourists from outside, increase B&B businesses in the area.

**Suppliers** – Food/Services to keep the Resource Centre going.

**After School Services** – Homework Club, helping local families to get assistance with education.

**Q. What is the Local County Council doing to improve the local area.**

- Organising a committee to finalise the Development Plan for the Centre and to run the new resource centre.

*(Student should be able to do a draft general layout, of the Development Plan for the Centre, its Aims, Objectives, Sources of Finance, Team etc.).*

- County Council has committed to part finance the development costs of the building.

- County Council has looked into FÁS Community, Employment Scheme (CES) to help with the unemployed in the area, create jobs.

**Q. Layout the Agenda for the Glencar Community Centre meeting:**

**AGENDA OF GLENCAR COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**

The meeting will take place at Glencar Community Resource Centre next Wednesday evening 9 May 2012 at 8pm sharp.

1. Election of Officers\* Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer.

2. Draw up work plan/delegate tasks.

3. Discussion on Finances.

4. Discussions of Activities, Fundraising.

5. Arrange a date for the activity.

7. Arrange next meeting.

8. AOB (Any Other Business).

*(Need to put information into each of these headings for Glencar)*

**Secretary – M Monahan Dated: 2 May 2012**

**Q. Explain “Minutes” as it relates to meetings. (1 Mark).**

Minutes are written record of what has taken place at the meeting/decisions made at a meeting.

**What steps should be taken to ensure that a meeting is properly organised and run efficiently.**

Send out Notice of The Meeting.

Have an Agenda.

Book a room for the meeting.

Make sure room is properly prepared.

Have a Chairperson.

Adhere to the items on the Agenda.

Only one person allowed to speak at a time during the meeting.

Allow each item on the Agenda to be properly discussed.

Appoint Secretary/Make sure a written record is being taken.

Vote properly where/when needed.

Decide on relevant actions from the meeting\*\* \*\* Compulsory item.

**Q. Action Plan for an Activity to Fundraise for Glencar Community Resource Centre.**

Advantages: Fundraising – good way to get locals involved.

Lottery grants – large sums for major projects.

Donations from individuals/Groups.

Disadvantage: Lack of funds/hard to raise finance.

Lack of volunteers for fundraising.

You cannot plan from year to year.

**STUDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO FILL OUT AN ACTION PLAN FOR FUNDRAISING EVENT!**

**ACTION PLAN:**

*To Plan a Fundraising Event in the school*

*Presented by the Committee of Glencar Community Resource Centre*

**Objectives:**

- The committee and local community hope to raise money for the Glencar Resource Centre.
- We will work as a team to organise a raffle/sell tickets/concert/barbecue etc.

**Research:**

**Analysis of Research:**

**Actions/ Schedule of Time:**

**Team Members involved, Resources and Costs necessary for Fundraising:**

**Evaluation Methods to see if Fundraising Worked:**

- If all our tickets are sold xxxx

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Brennan

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE!! SECTION C: Students should be able to write up an evaluation of Work Placement, topical subjects Career Investigation and the area of unemployment what options are available?**