



Active Retirement Ireland

AGM 2011

Gleneagle Hotel

Killarney

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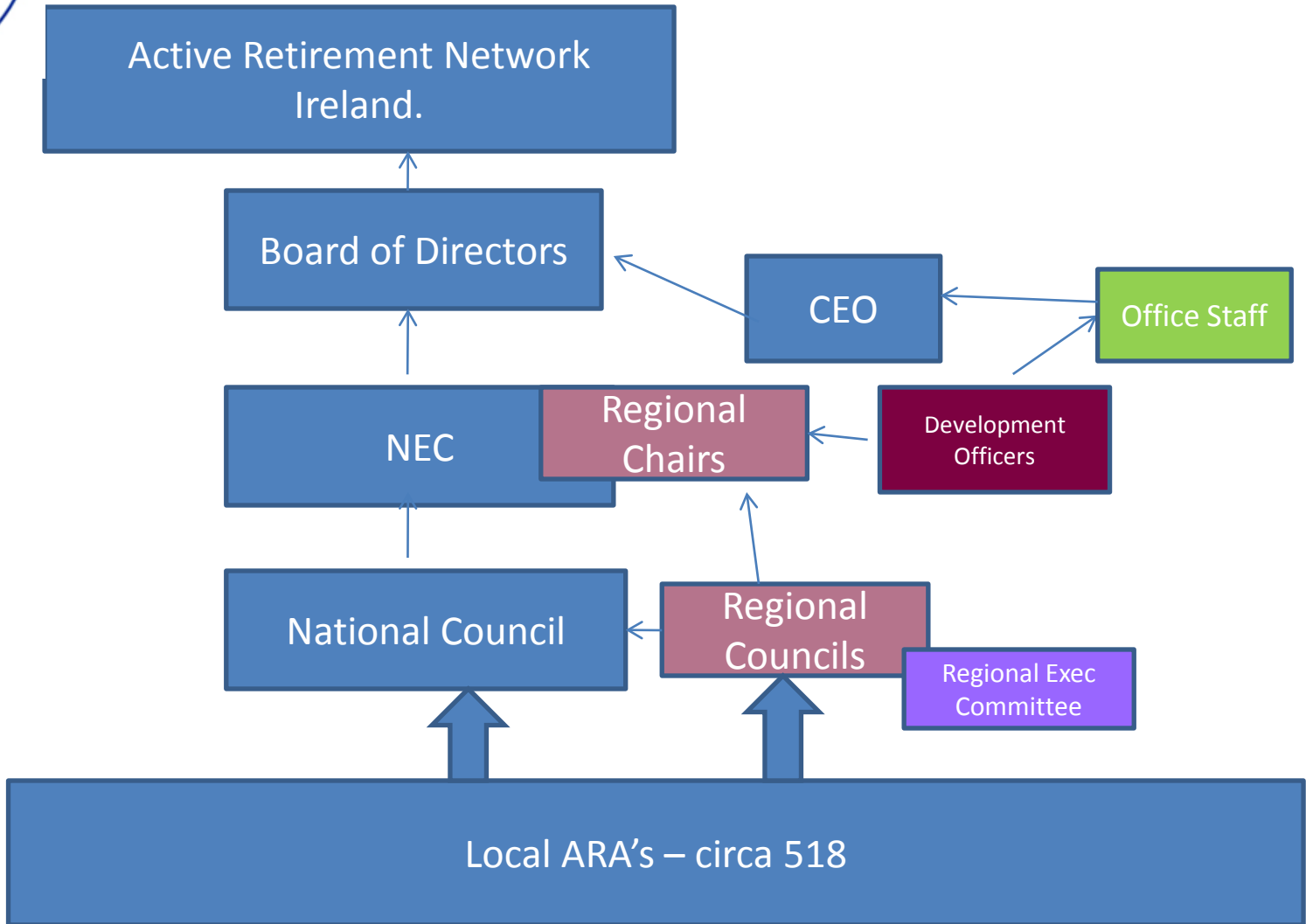
Purpose: To enable retired people enjoy a full and active life and advocate for them

How is Active Retirement Ireland Funded?

- 3 year Grant from Dept. Of Community, Equality & Gaeltacht Affairs finished in 2010
- HSE grant (reduced by 5%)
- Membership fees (constant)
- Atlantic Philanthropies grant for capacity building finishing 2011
- Mailshot income



Current Structure



Grant from Atlantic Philanthropies

The purpose of this grant is to support ARNI to build the capacity of the National organisation by;

- Sourcing new premises and new equipment
- Recruit 3 new key staff – In 2009 an Office Manager Maria McMullen and Information and Networking Officer Peter Kavanagh, in 2010 a National Training and Development Officer Susan Shaw.
- Develop both internal and external communication strategy
- Develop a sustainable funding strategy
- Improve communications
- Deliver training opportunities for the voluntary committees
- Build the capacity of the local ARAs through information and training.
- Support to the working groups of the Strategic plan

From Shamrock Chambers to The Capel Building



Strategic Outcome 1: Be an organisation that people would be proud of.....

Working group

- Pride rating with members
 - Friendship 90%
 - Prevents loneliness 75%
 - Meeting people 90%
 - Improved mental & physical health 68%
 - Full & active life 89%
- Membership badge
- Cluster meetings
- Regional & national activities
- Cruise 2011
- Promote Your ARA training
- Committee skills
- Having your say report
- Publicity on healthy ageing
- Newsletters
- Website
- Information updates
- Round table discussions at regional meetings

Strategic Outcome 2: Be a recognised voice for retired people on social, health, learning and economic issues in collaboration with other organisations

- Essay & Poetry Competition
- Art exhibition
- Membership poster
- Log and Learn promotion
- Gender balance & GAA Social Initiative
- Collaboration work with a range of organisations
- Promotion of organisation with other organisations of retired people
- Letters to Government
- Representation to Government
- Position papers & submissions

Strategic outcome 3: Develop the database, structures, skills, funding sources and activities of the organisation in a professional manner

- New premises
- Organisation structure template
- Fundraising strategy
- Support booklet for ARAs
- Information booklet
- Review of ARI forms
- Funding information
- Support developed to ensure volunteers are valued
- Website input
- Financial templates for regional treasurers
- Training for regional treasurers on new system
- Support and team building for regional committees
- Support and team building for Development Officers
- National Raffle

Regional Structure

8 Regions

- The Eastern Region – Dublin, Wicklow & Kildare 103 ARAs
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- The Mid Western Region – Limerick, Clare & North Tipperary 50 ARAs
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- The Midland Region – Westmeath, Laois, Offaly & Longford 52 ARAs
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- The Southern Region – Cork & Kerry 71 ARAs
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- The South East Region – Wexford, Waterford, Kilkenny, Carlow
& Tipperary South 63 ARAs
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- The North East Region – Cavan, Monaghan, Louth & Meath 45 ARAs
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- The North West Region – Leitrim, Sligo & Donegal 47 ARAs
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- The Western Region – Galway, Mayo & Roscommon 74 ARAs

Why all this?

- ARI is a voluntary national organisation with over 500 ARAs
- Run by a voluntary NEC and Board
- Voluntary committees at regional and local levels
- Voluntary Development Officers
- This organisation is about older people doing things for themselves
- All events and support is designed to ensure the members can continue to do things for themselves.