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Local Enterprise Office

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Innovative Green Companies in County Longford

In the centre of Ireland with easy access to all four corners of the island of Ireland to include Northern Ireland, **Longford** is a strategic location for any business seeking to get a foothold into the Irish, U.K. or European markets.

County Longford is served with excellent road and rail links to the urban hubs of Dublin, Limerick, Galway, Cork and Belfast. Its strategic location is matched with a lower-cost of doing business, with development land and industrial premises more affordable when compared to the larger urban centres.

Longford also provides your business with a large catchment area with an excellent and educated workforce, drafting from twelve third-level education institutions within a 100km radius that provide a constant stream of new graduates to your business. Lower salaries are also demanded aligned to a lower cost of living, impacting favourably on the cost of housing, rentals and childcare.

The authorities in **Longford** are committed to support the Climate Change Agenda and are delighted to see the emergence of responsible, dedicated green companies who are sympathetic to the environment and determined to make a positive difference. Included here are a sample of companies that are leaders or potential leaders in their field in Ireland. Please feel free to contact the **Local Enterprise Office in Longford County Council** if any of them look interesting to you as an investor, partner or agent.

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Cirtex Ltd is a relatively new company manufacturing an extensive range of technical non-woven wool, fibre and foam products for multiple upcycling textiles. The business is the brainchild of David Garland and Rick Earley, two very successful entrepreneurs in their own right. David has been involved in furniture recycling since 2012, growing that business to become one of the largest operators in this sector in the Republic of Ireland. Rick Earley brings extensive management experience, having owned and sold a number of very successful manufacturing operations. **Cirtex** will focus exclusively on upcycling of old mattresses and the installation of specialised plant will give it capacity to recycle in excess of 100,000 mattresses per annum.

The company has already won several awards and grants to include a CIRCULÉIRE Innovation Grant that will facilitate further research into end use application. The firm is currently selling the rebonded foam back to bed manufacturers while the other major application is in production of insulation product for domestic and commercial buildings.

Cirtex is a real innovator and a leader in its field. It is solving several problems by creating environmentally friendly solutions that demonstrate the real potential in structured recycling.

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**ELITE
ENERGIES**

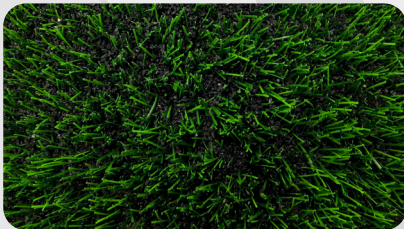
Elite Energies are experts in the supply and installation of powerful glass on glass PV solar panels and related components. They are also exclusive agents and installers of the Elite Fusion 2 - Renewable Energy Solutions Range. The company empowers the homeowner to generate and store electricity via state-of-the-art Solarwatt batteries. Their range of products includes the Zappi EV charger and a high efficiency smart electric radiators solution.

Elite Energies is run by James Gorham and Graham Williamson who have extensive experience in this field. They pride themselves in having exceptional industry knowledge and they deliver high end consultancy services to clients in both Ireland and the U.K.

Elite Energies is one of the leading providers of PV solar solutions in the Republic of Ireland supplying bespoke residential and commercial solutions designed for maximum efficiency. The company is fully committed to the extensive use of renewable power in the home and workplace, ensuring that their customers receive an operational lifetime of clean solar energy comfort with all the economic benefits of substantial financial savings on energy and carbon taxes.

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mimergy

Mimergy manufactures premium grade rubber and fibre fix products. **Mimergy** operates as a full recycling plant, recycling waste tyres for reuse on sports pitches, sand arenas etc.

Their product provides stability to delicate root fibres, durable and improved shock absorption to reduce leg and head trauma on impact. They are currently researching and developing a new environmentally friendly technology which converts waste rubber, especially tyres, into high value chemicals and fuels.

Mimergy has a state-of-the-art plant and is currently the largest operator in this sector in the Republic of Ireland, and their manufacturing process guarantees products 99.9% steel free. Their products are certified to UEFA and FIFA pro standard, and they are UVA and UVB tested. All products are made in Longford and certified for application in the UK.

Mimergy is run by Niall Mimmagh who once appeared in Forbes as a young global entrepreneur to watch out for.

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**GREEN
QUBE**
sustainable living

GreenQube is a new company producing a range of eco-friendly sustainable cleaning products that are ideal replacements to harsh chemical cleaning products and are proven to deliver better cleaning power.

GreenQube also supplies 100% biodegradable water-soluble sachets that dissolve in water. These sachets allow the original plastic bottle to be re-used over and over helping to reduce plastic waste. **GreenQube** is run by a young up and coming entrepreneur Aaron O'Malley who hails from Northern Ireland. Aaron has established strong links with a large Italian manufacturing company and has exclusive rights to a range of products for sale and distribution in Ireland and the UK. He has established a small production facility in County Longford and has his sights set on making market inroads into the United States. The full range of sustainable products is very extensive and includes household products, pet cleaning products along with a chlorine and bromine free agent for cleaning swimming water suitable for use in pools/hot tubs. **GreenQube** estimate savings of over 200,000 plastic bottles to date through their product EcoQubes – with short-term expansion into the mainland UK they aim to save more than 1 million bottles annually. **GreenQube** is a new company with a bright green future.

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RAKO
TEXTILES



Rako Textiles established by Paul Okochi in 2020, is a dedicated recycling business committed to saving thousands of tonnes of clothing from being sent to land-fill each year. **Rako Textiles** purchases or accepts clothing and shoes from clothing banks, charities and clothing suppliers from across the Republic of Ireland.

County Longford's central location facilitates the logistical collection process from every corner of Ireland to the processing base in Longford Town. Once clothes arrive at the 1,000 sq.mtr. facility, they are sorted, graded and baled for shipment to markets across the globe.

Rako Textiles ship to several different markets to include West Africa, Eastern Europe and Pakistan in Asia. They guarantee that no clothes processed by them will end up in landfill. The business operates a specially designed production flow system installed to sort, batch and bale and is one of the largest operators in this space in Ireland.

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