

Template for case studies

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Title of the Institution / Project in English	Locke's Distillery Museum
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Summary of Case study/project	Restoration of former whiskey distillery to visitor's centre.
Organisations Concerned	K.P.D.A and FAS
Case study/Project detailed description	Locke's Distillery in Kilbeggan is believed to be the oldest licensed pot still distillery in the world. It was licensed in 1757 but it may have been producing whiskey before then. The Locke's became involved in the 1840s and three generations of John Locke's ran the distillery with the last John Locke's two daughters running it until its closure. Locke's Distillery provided employment to a large number of Kilbeggan's population and contributed greatly to the prosperity of the locality in the old days. The last year of production was the season of 1953/1954.

	<p>In 1982, twenty years after the distillery had finally shut its doors, the onerous task of restoration was begun by the local community in the form of the K.P.D.A.</p> <p>Restoration and conservation is ongoing as finance permits.</p> <p>Thanks to the foresight of the community back in 1982, the old distillery building now houses a museum dedicated to the history of John Locke and his triple distilled whiskey – making industry.</p> <p>The Museum is now one of Ireland’s premier tourist attractions and certainly one of the Midlands most famous. In 2002, Locke’s Distillery Museum welcomed over 42,000 visitors through its doors.</p> <p>The museum is open all year round, seven days a week. April to March: 9.00am-6.00pm and from 10.00am to 4.00pm in November to March.</p>
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