## **Our history**

- 1992 Soilse piloted
- o Represented on Eastern Health Board (EHB) first community drug team in Dublin
- 1994 Evaluation and mainstreaming of Soilse
  - o Represented on EHB Social Development Committee
  - Represented Ireland as Model of Excellence in the European Social Fund (ESF) Horizon conference in Barcelona
- 1996 Soilse represented on the EHB Eastern Regional Committee on Drug Rehabilitation
  - Research on vocational guidance and drug abuse undertaken by the Department of Adult and Community Education, the National University of Ireland, Maynooth. Supported by the ESF Leonardo Programme
- 1997 Soilse represented on the Lord Mayor of Dublin's Commission on Drugs
  - Soilse/Rutland partnership formed, supported by the North Inner City Local Drug Task Force
- 1998 HYPER magazine established
- 1999 O Soilse represented on EHB Rehabilitation Blueprint Committee
  - SHAPE Soilse, Health and Arts Project, Experience. Soilse took part in a pilot project between the EHB / Eastern Regional Health Authority (ERHA) and the Arts Council to gauge the benefits of arts in healthcare settings
  - o Soilse drug-free facility brought on stream
  - o HYPER magazine wins international award for innovation and design
- 2000 o HYPER mainstreamed
  - o Soilse/Rutland Partnership mainstreamed
- Soilse representative addressed the first European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCCDA) conference on vocational rehabilitation and drugs in Europe
  - Dedicated career guidance service established with the City of Dublin Vocational Education Committee (CDVEC)
- 2003 Arts Health Policy launched by the Eastern Regional Health Authority (ERHA) Soilse involved for previous six years in contributing to the process which resulted in the national policy
- 2004 Soilse participates in 'Streets' art exhibition in Dublin's north inner city

- 2005 Education Development Worker post created with CDVEC to support Soilse participants in college
- 2007 Soilse awarded a FETAC Quality Assurance certificate
- 2008 Received the Dublin and region STAR award from Aontas, the Irish National Adult Learning Organisation, for both innovation in practice and teamwork in adult education.