Great news has finally broken for Swords and the whole North County, with the return of a St Patrick’s Day Parade. Representatives from the County Council, local Chamber of Commerce, Swords Community Council, Swords Tidy Towns Committee, DAA and the Pavilions Shopping Centre have been planning a series of events in the town centre to bring this plan to fruition. Le Chéile is a group of people representing key organisations in Swords and came together to look at ways of involving the local community in more activities based around the town centre. The initiative started last Summer with their ‘Sounds Of Summer’ festival, which was a great success and saw bands playing all over Swords, with clowns and face painters entertaining people. Le Chéile’s success has been ongoing with the recent success of their ‘Christmas Family Fair’. Chairman of Swords Le Chéile, Joe Harford, told the County Leader, “Bringing people who live and work in Swords together is our aim and we want to generate a renewed sense of community for the many thousands of men, women and children in the town. Our next venture is to have a St Patrick’s Day Parade to celebrate the many sporting, social and community groups who are so active in the area. Together with the participation of many commercial organisations and businesses, it is hoped to have a revival of St Patrick’s Day as a great family day. Swords Le Chéile is calling on local restaurants, bars and businesses to

get into the festive spirit and organise a great day for March 17th”.