

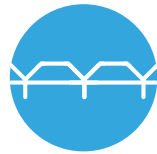


# Bridge

to “Over the Water”



**A Design proposal for purposeful  
tourism**



**Bridge**

## Physical Significance

### Medium of joining two places

During their long history, bridges have brought together valleys, cities, managed to influence our culture and improve the way we travel, do business and forge policies.

Salginatobel Bridge, Switzerland

## Metaphorical Significance

### Bridge between time

Bridge can also be between time, linking two time periods together.



Leshan Sichuan China

## Metaphorical Significance

### Bridge between history and civilizations

People compare civilizations and different periods of history. Some times cultures and civilizations overlap. Bridge can exist between current and old cultures.

A panoramic view of the Istanbul skyline, featuring the Hagia Sophia and several ferries on the Bosphorus. The Hagia Sophia is the central focus, with its large dome and two tall minarets. The city is built on a hillside, with various buildings and domes visible in the background. The Bosphorus is in the foreground, with several ferries and boats. The sky is clear and blue.

Istanbul, Turkey

## Metaphorical Significance

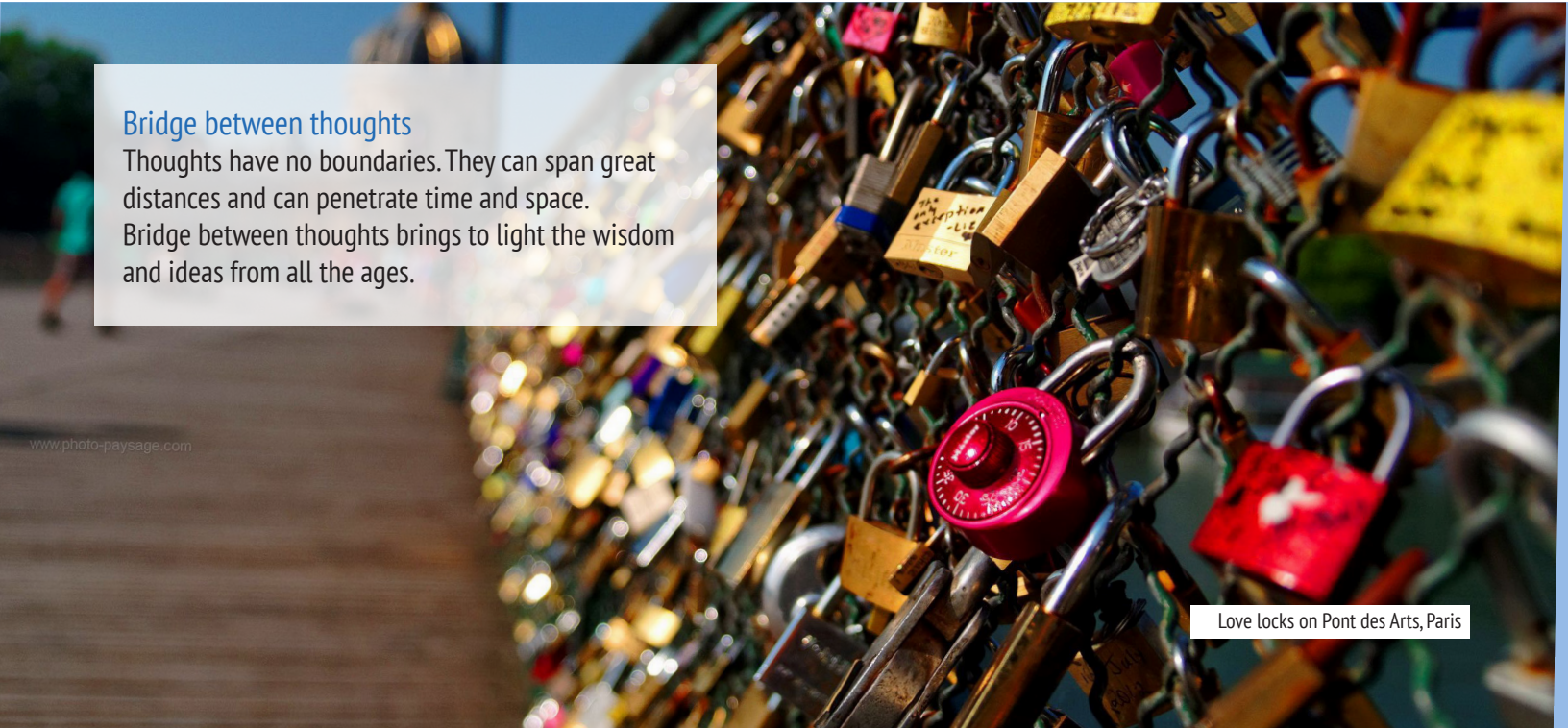
### Bridge between thoughts

Thoughts have no boundaries. They can span great distances and can penetrate time and space.

Bridge between thoughts brings to light the wisdom and ideas from all the ages.

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Love locks on Pont des Arts, Paris





## Bridge between traditions

Traditional wisdom and values define a culture.  
Bridge between new and old gives life a meaning  
and a sense of direction.



Traditional Irish kitchen



**Site Information**

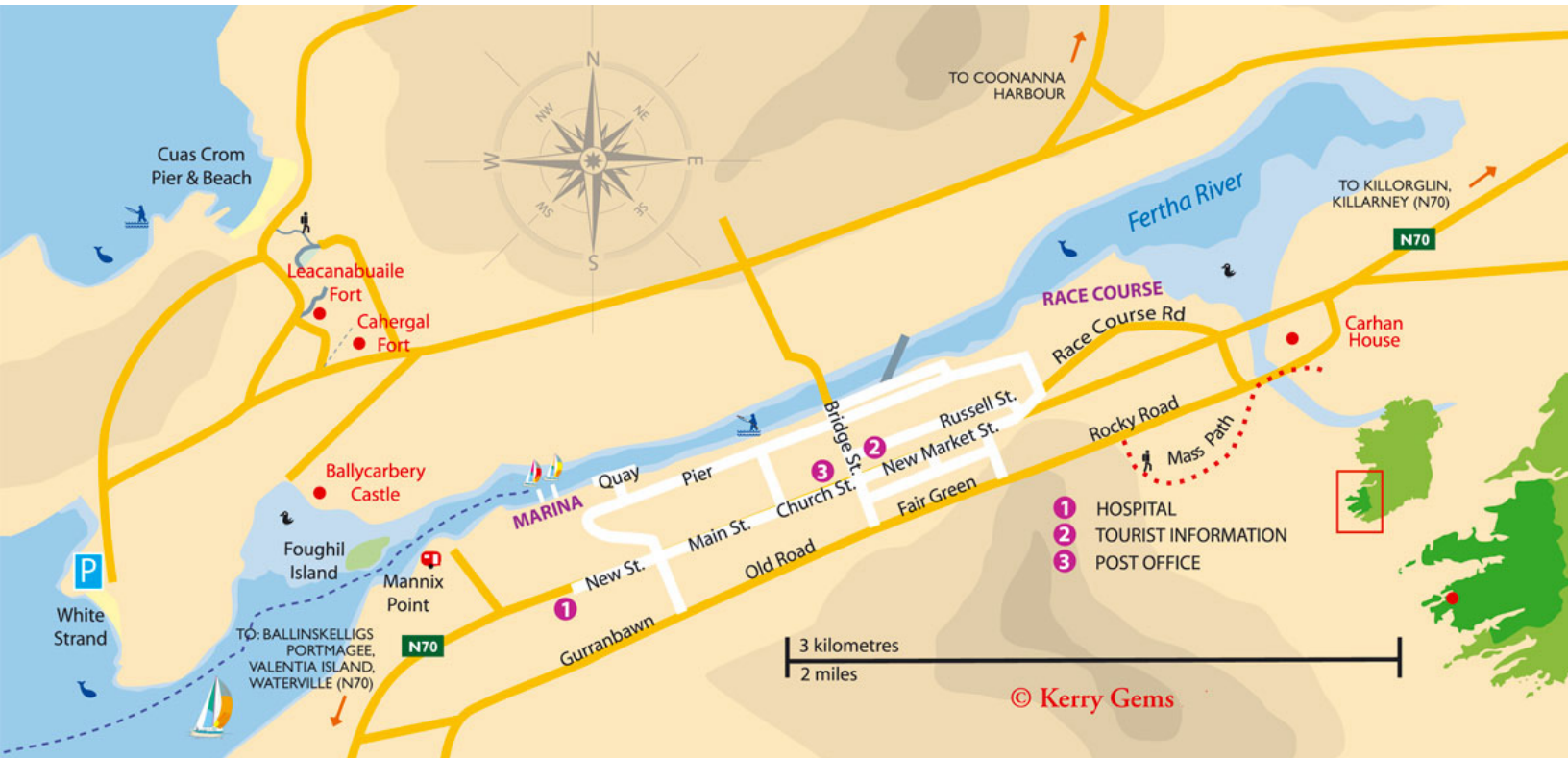


## Location

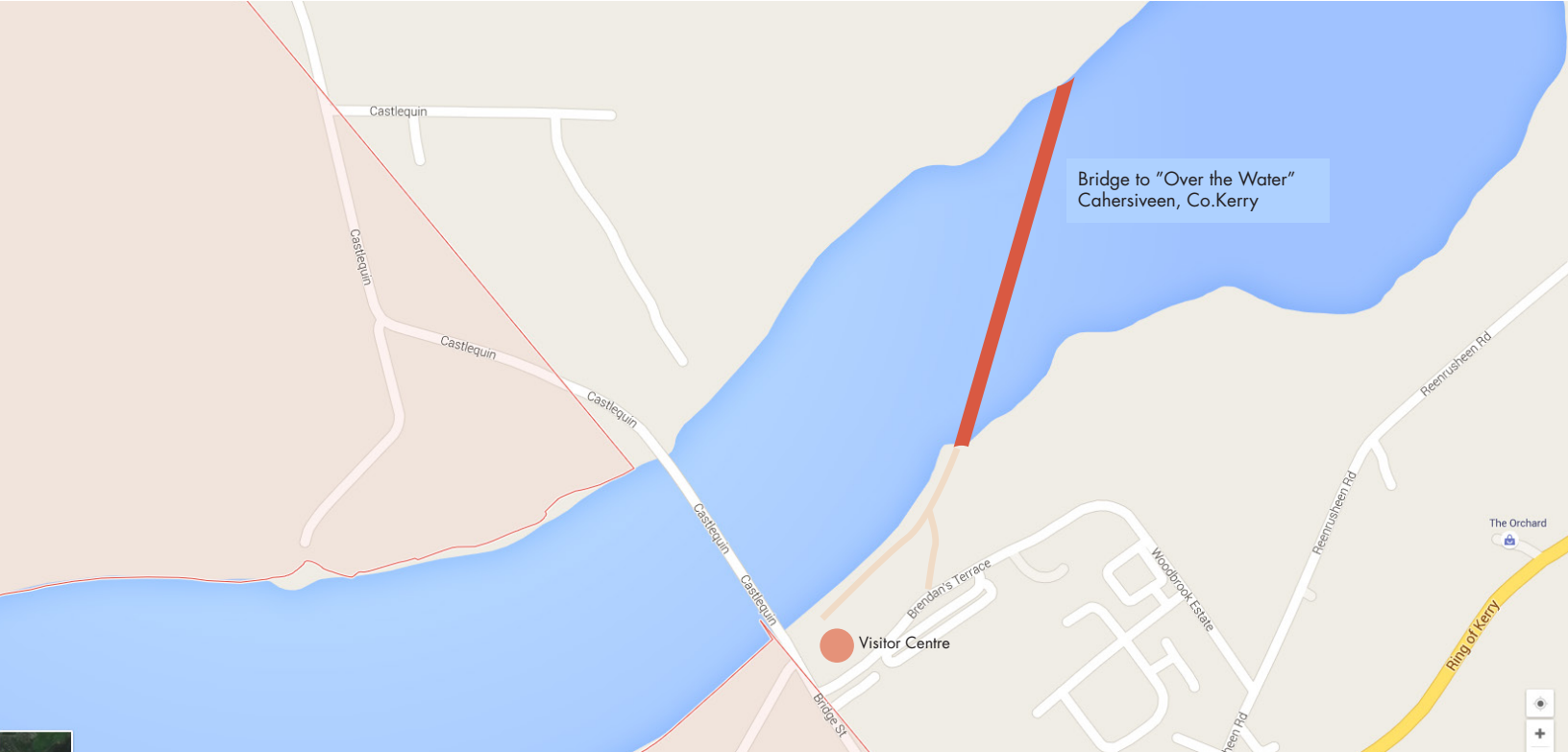
Site is located in Cahersiveen, County Kerry.

Bridge is near former Royal Irish Constabulary (Police during British occupation) Barracks. The building was burned by anti-treaty forces in 1922 and has been restored and converted to Cahersiveen's Heritage centre. Bridge crosses Fertha river which runs north-west of Cahersiveen.

# Cahersiveen, County Kerry



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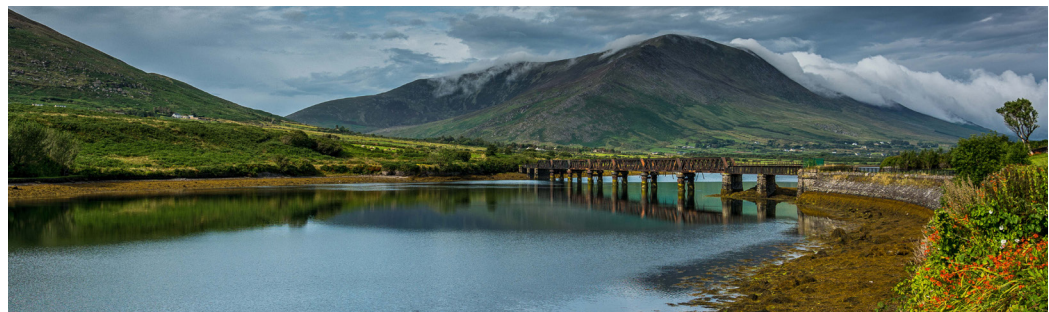


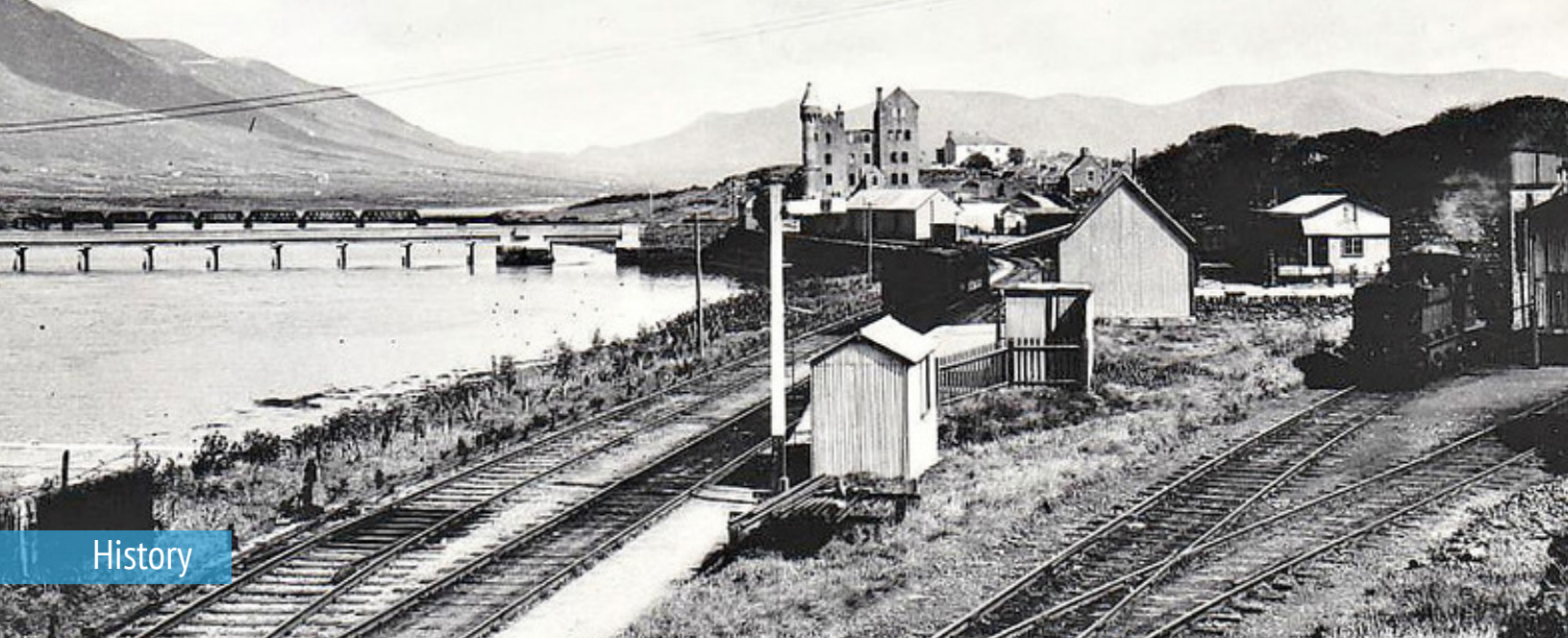


## Bridge

Bridge is made of iron bars and stone pillars.  
Structure is still sturdy after almost 100 years  
People use this bridge to cross "Over the Water" and see the 2 ring fort  
Bridge will soon become a part of "Kerry Green Way",

## Bridge & Structure





## History

Bridge was build on Cahersiveen railway line and it was part of the Great Southern and Western Railway  
The bridge opened around September 1893 and was abandoned in February 1960





**Guidelines**



## Honouring the landscape

Celebrate the landscape and original structure of the bridge  
Build in a non intrusive manner



- Must not interfere with Kerry Green Way
- Kerry Greenway (Proposed), Walking and Cycling Route – Glenbeigh to Cahersiveen and Valentia Island, Ireland
- From Glenbeigh, the 30km Kerry Greenway route hugs the side of Drung Hill Mountain over 100m (400ft) above the Atlantic Ocean with spectacular views, passing through tunnels cut into the mountain and also passing through Cahersiveen Old Railway Bridge



Extend the tourist season

The current tourist season is mainly focus in summer season  
Winter season is very slow for tourism



**Tourism in Ireland**



## Tourism in Ireland

Tourism is a big industry in Ireland.

Ireland has a lot to offer, breathtaking landscape, hospitable people and rich Irish culture attract tourists from all corners of the globe.

The country has many historical sites and castles, some dating back to prehistoric time.

Ireland has a strong history of emigration. People often come back to their native country to trace their roots and to reconnect with history. Irish music and dance has a special lure to people. Many festivals and events in Ireland have large following from around the globe.

## Tourism in Ireland | Genealogy and ancestry



## Traditional music and dance



McKinney Academy of Irish Dance

Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre

Marry Black

Merry Ploughboy Pub Traditional Night



## Historical sites



Kilkenny Castle, Kilkenny City

Newgrange, County Meath

Hill of Tara, County Meath

Rock of Cashel, County Tipperary

Ceide Fields, County Mayo

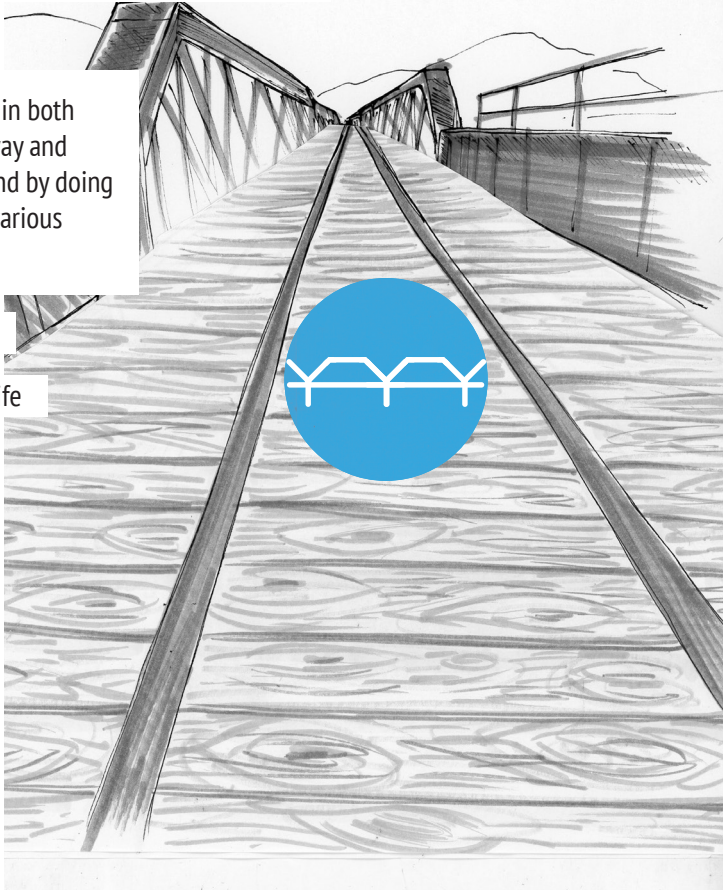
Skellig Michael, County Kerry

## Making a Bridge between past and present

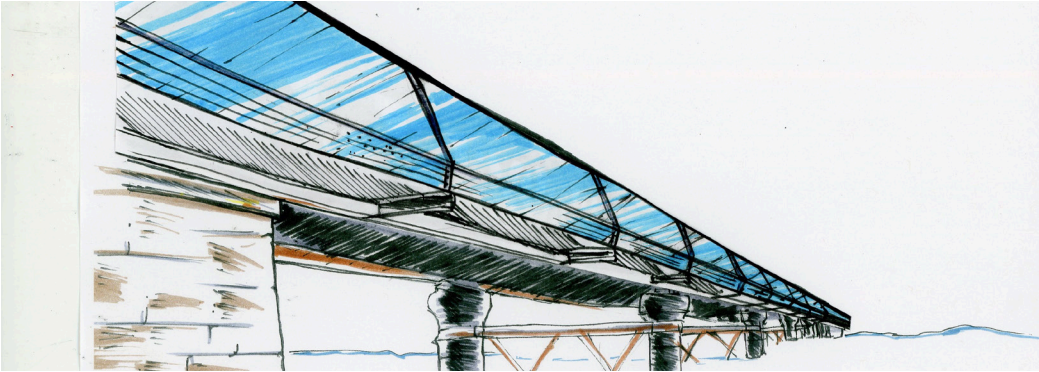
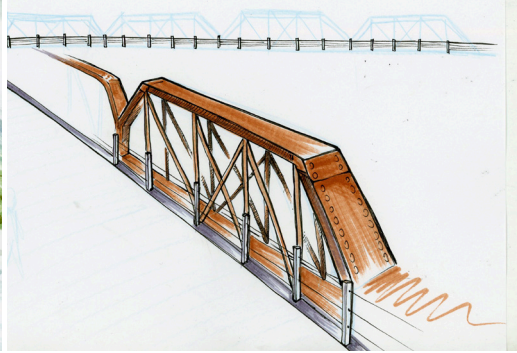
Our concept is to use bridge in both physical and metaphorical way and connect past with present, and by doing so make it a focal point for various activities and events.

A Journey through history

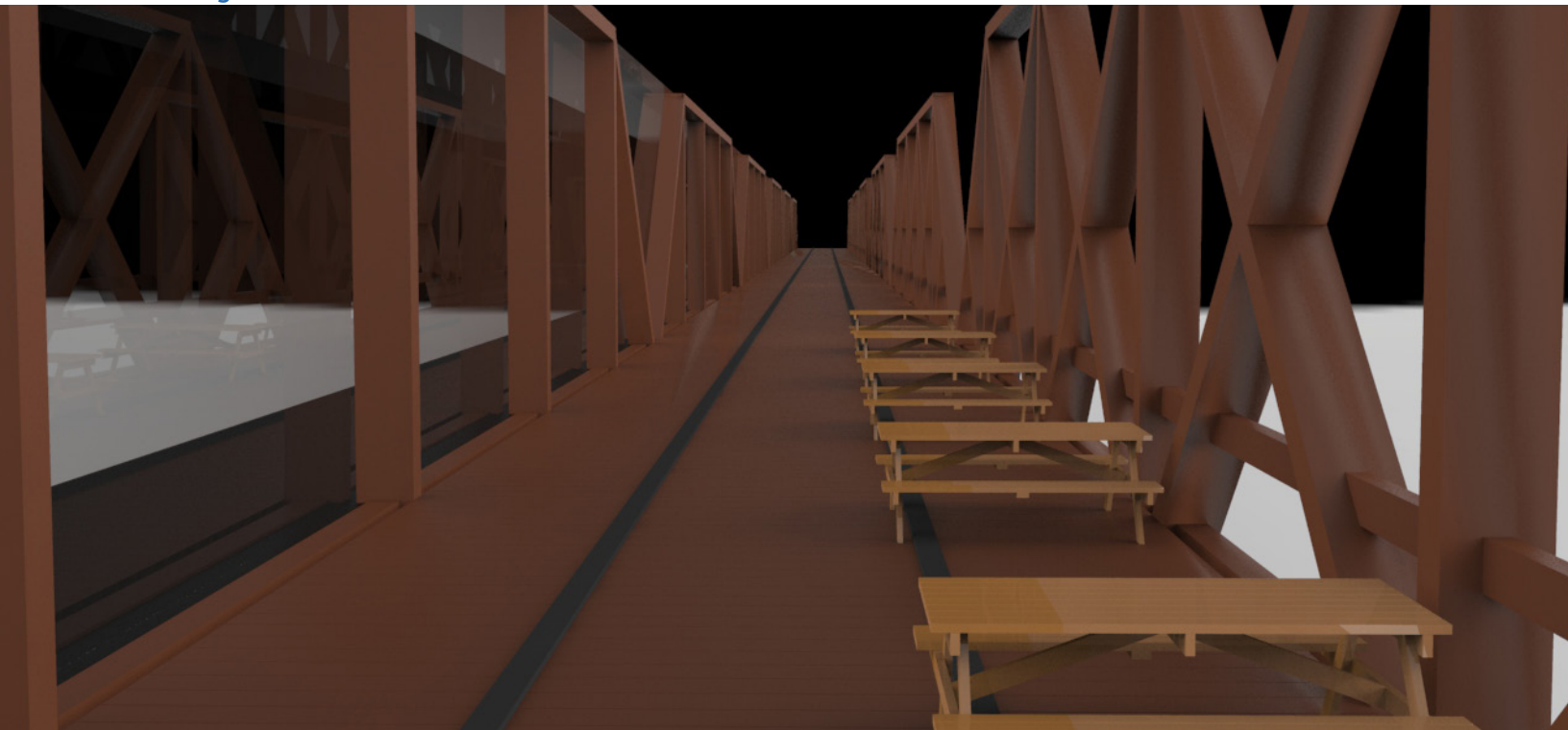
Bringing memories back to life



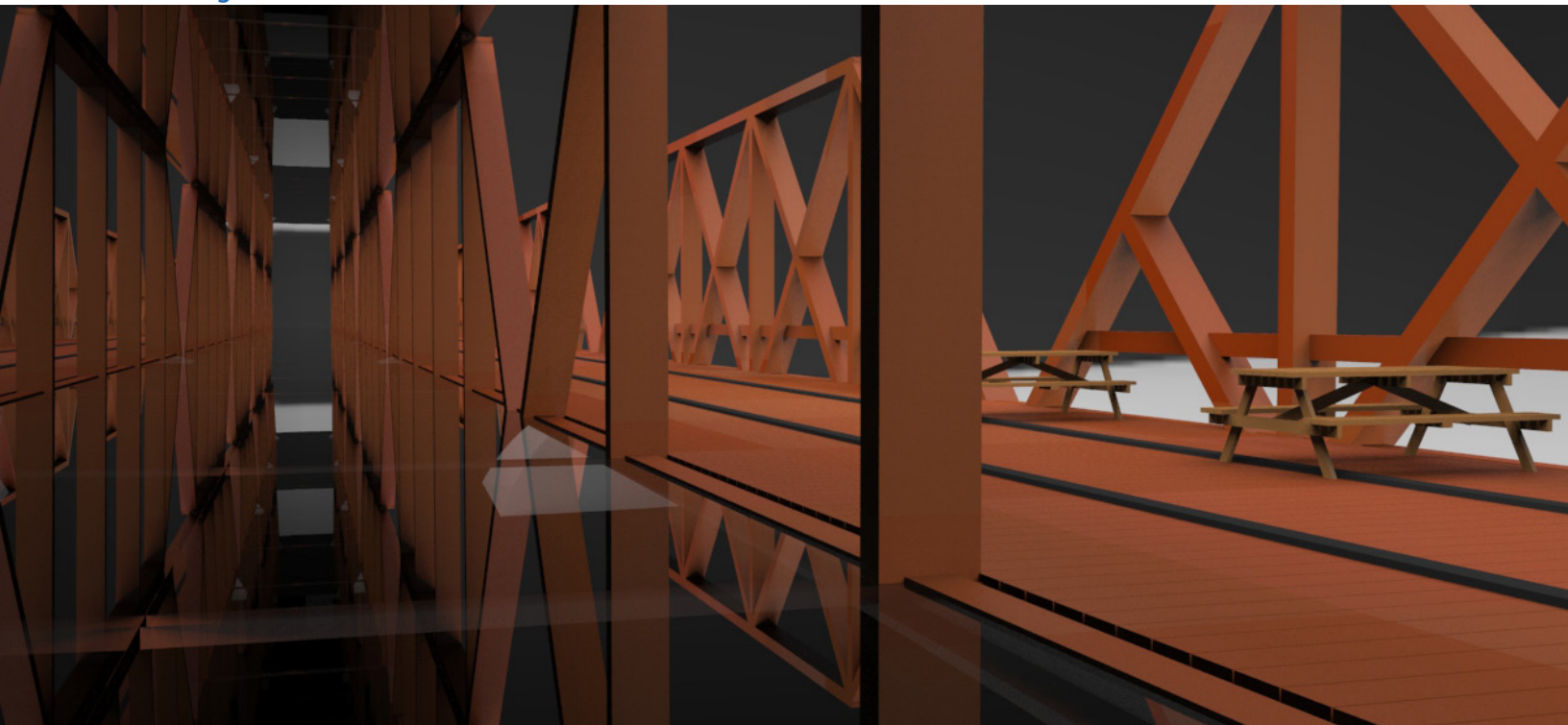
## Preliminary sketches



## Renderings

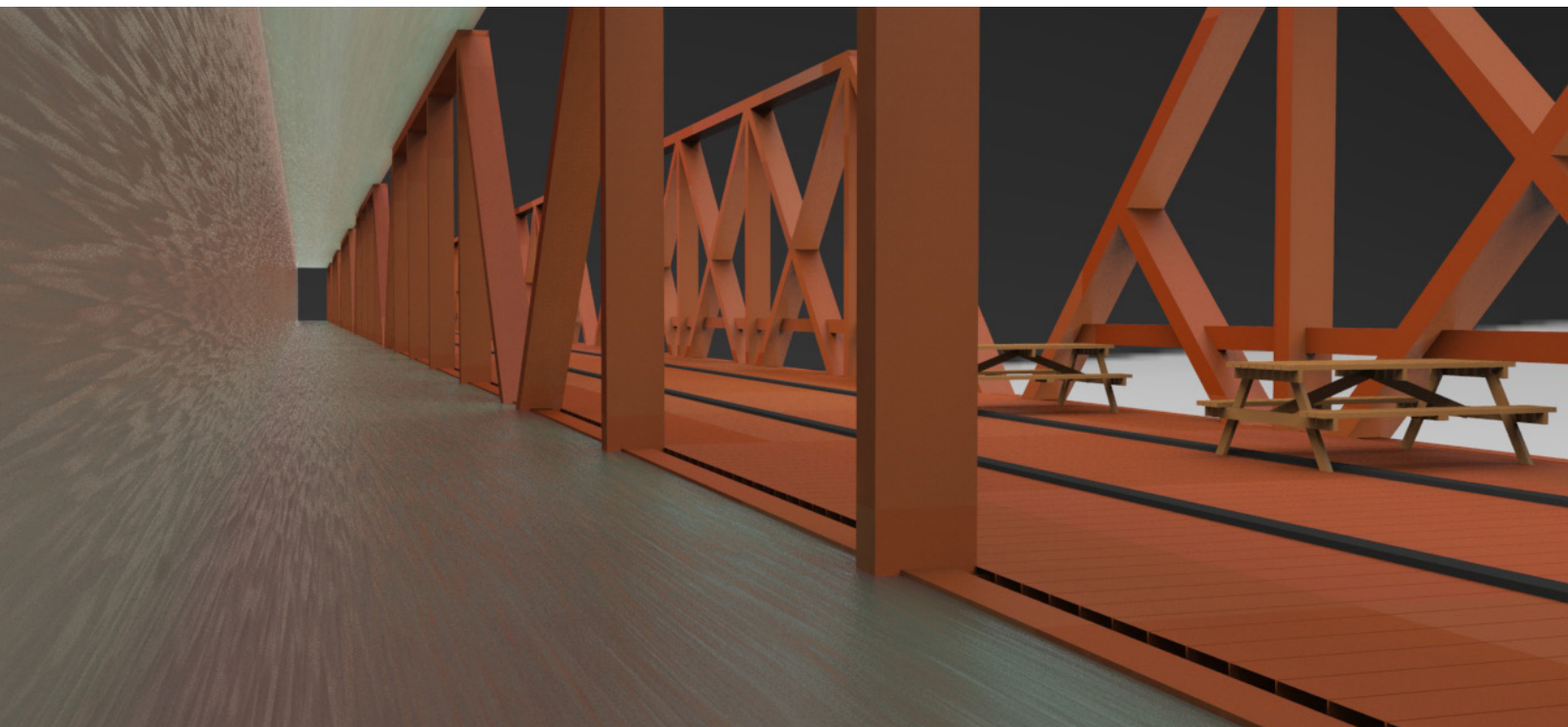


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## Time line and Virtual reality





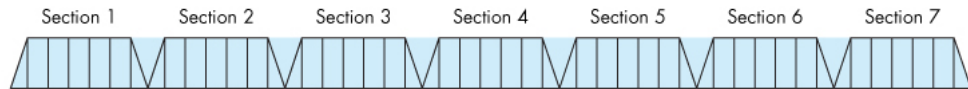
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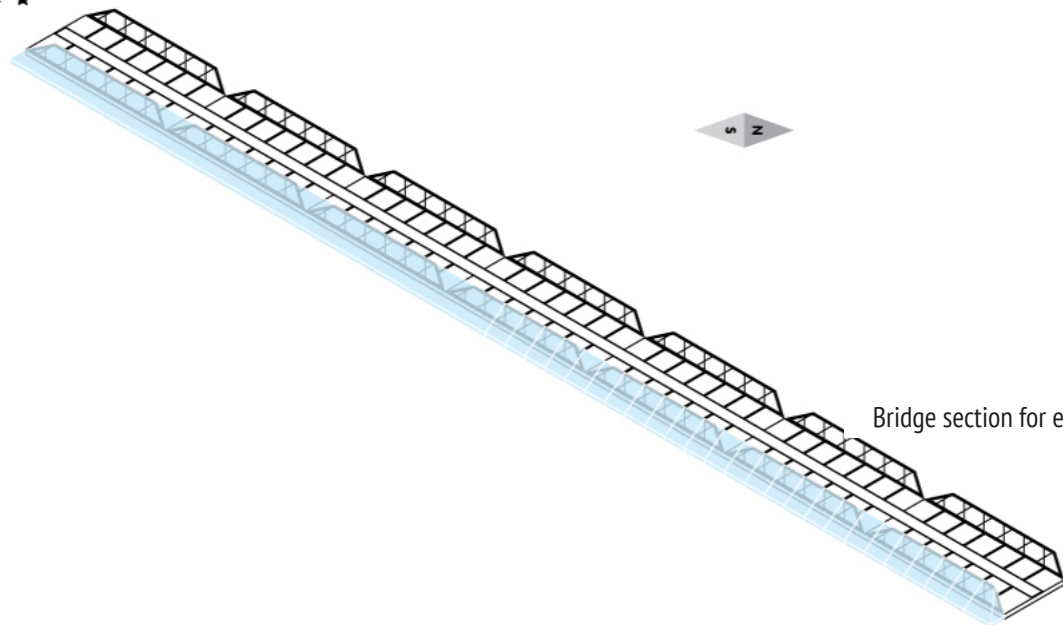
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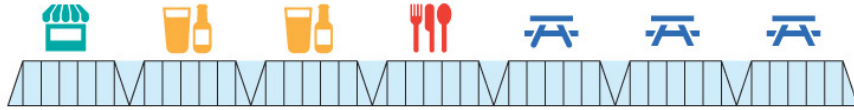
## Events & Festivals

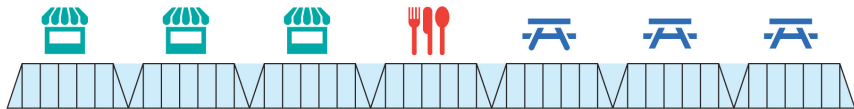


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Bridge section for events





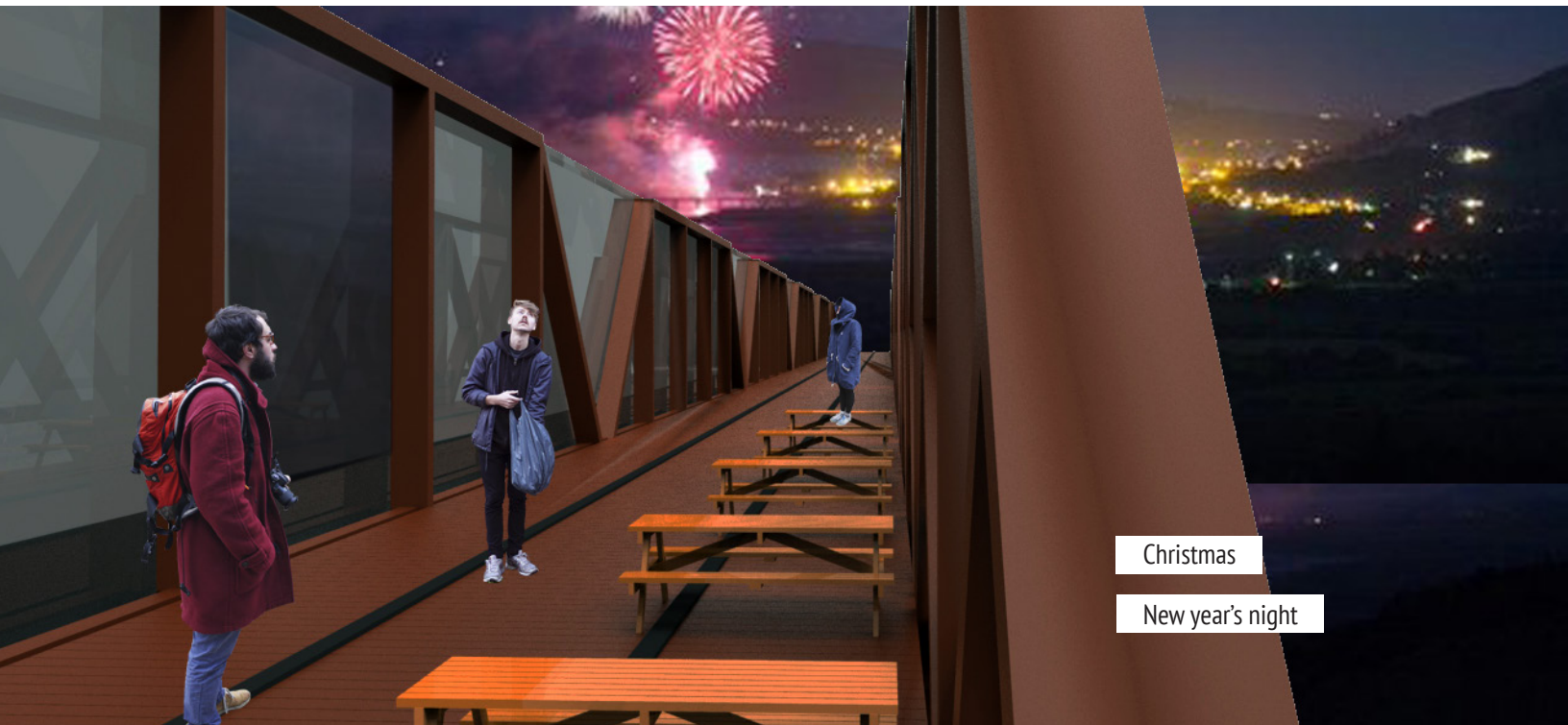
## Summer Events



St. Patrics day

Oktoberfest

## Winter Events



Christmas

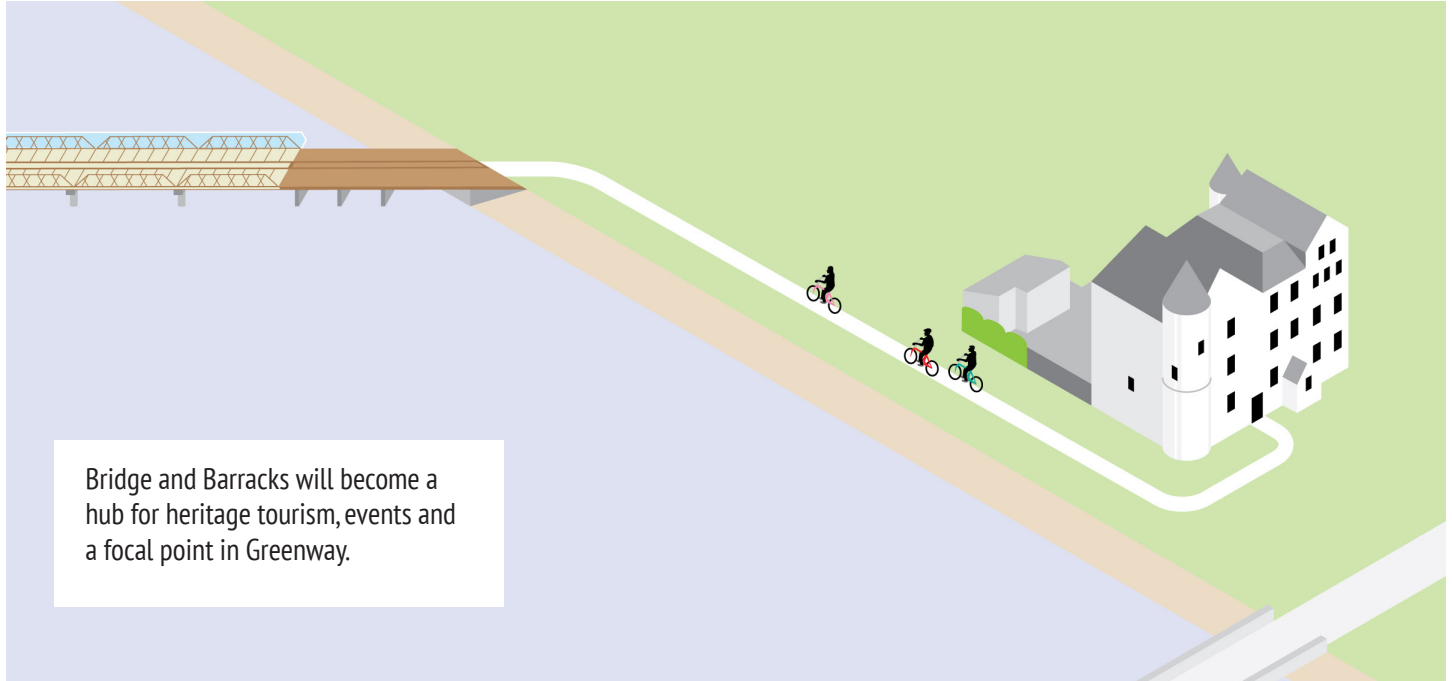
New year's night



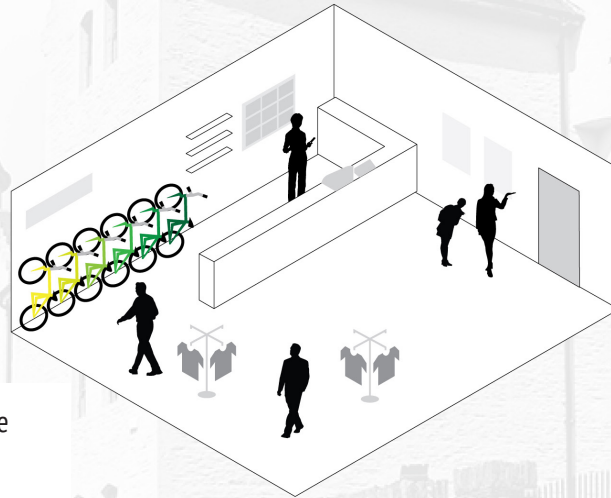
## Cycling Events



## The Barracks Heritage Centre



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Bike rental and Ipads (for time line experience) will be available from the Barracks.

## Precedents

## World's longest glass bridge, Hunan Province, China



Bridge is 984 feet long

Spans a 590-foot deep crevasse

## Grand Canyon Skywalk at Grand Canyon West



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**User profile**



**Joanna Hunt**  
**Kenmare, Kerry**  
**Shop owner**  
**Age : 39**

Joanna grew up in Cahersiveen and moved to Vancouver for studies and has been living there since 20 years. She plans to visit her sister next Christmas in Cahersiveen and enjoy their nostalgic talks about their childhood and find out more about her family's roots and history.





**Mike Kelly**  
**New York, USA**  
**Architect**  
**Age : 36**

Mike has is taking 6 months off and is travelling around Europe. He is interested in cycling and architecture. He loves to visit remote places with unique architecture and history.



**Patrick O'Connell**  
**Cahersiveen, Kerry**  
**Shoe Vendor**  
**Age : 68**

Patrick is a shoe vendor who sells outside the Cahersiveen library. He has been selling every week and has had regular customers. Lately, he has been looking up places to sell his items indoors to reduce rain damage to his items.



