

**Community Recognition Fund 2024**

**Expression of Interest**

**The submission of Expression of Interest will be assessed by Kilkenny County Council and notification**

**will issue if the application has been deemed successful for the next stage of the application process to**

**the Department of Rural and Community Development.**

**Closing Date: Friday 10th May, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**

Only towns and villages in County Kilkenny that are hosting high levels of Beneficiaries of Temporary

Protection or International Protection Applicants are eligible for this funding. These locations are:

**Note:** **Additional towns and villages may be considered for inclusion at a later stage should numbers and locations change during 2024.**

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| Kilkenny City |
| Thomastown |
| Bennettsbridge |
| Knocktopher |
| Freshford |
| Ballyragget |
| Castlecomer |

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| **Contact Details Information** | |
| **Name of group/organisation** |  |
| **Contact name for project** |  |
| **Address for correspondence** |  |
| **City/Town/Village** |  |
| **E-mail** |  |
| **Telephone number** |  |

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| **Project Details**  *Please provide as much information as possible when completing responses.* | |
| **Project Title** |  |
| **Project Description** |  |
| **Coordinates for location of project**  *Use ITM XY coordinates with*  *format: 123456.123.* |  |
| **Project Address**  *(must be the address of the actual project and*  *include an Eircode where possible)* |  |
| **Outline the capacity of the group to deliver the project as outlined**  *(Include details of the track record of project*  *partners and experience of delivering similar*  *projects)* |  |
| **Outline the community engagement and consultation which has taken place** |  |
| **Total Costs (€)**  *(Total gross costs of the project including*  *any match funding)* |  |
| **Total Grant Sought (€)** |  |
| **Rate of Aid Sought**  *(up to a max. of 100%)* |  |
| **Estimated Commencement Date**  *(dd/mm/yyyy)* |  |
| **Estimated Completion Date**  *(dd/mm/yyyy)* |  |
| **Project rationale for funding.**  **Clearly detail any gap in**  **community facilities/infrastructure**  **that will be addressed by this**  **project** |  |
| **Outline how the proposed project**  **will deliver tangible benefits to the**  **community** |  |
| **Has any element of this proposal previously been approved under any other Government Department scheme (including Community Recognition Fund 2023)?**  **If so, please provide details** |  |

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| **Is there a Lease Agreement in place for the land/buildings the subject of project proposal.**  **If Yes, please provide term of Lease Agreement.** | **Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_           No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **If Yes, Term of lease agreement \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Years** |

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| **Additional Information for Projects Up to a Maximum of €200,000** | |
| **Outline the governance structures**  **which will be put in place to ensure**  **the effective delivery of the project**  **on-time and within budget,**  **including arrangements for financial oversight and accountability** |  |
| **Is the organisation in a position to demonstrate that adequate cashflow is available to ensure delivery of the project in line with the terms of the Scheme?** |  |

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| **Project Details** | | | |
| **Project Elements** | **Total Costs** | **Detail position re. the required consents/ permissions /ownership** | **Estimated Completion Date** |
| Please list all elements of the proposed project. |  | Appropriate assessment, planning, land ownership etc. if not in place please specify and specify the estimated timeline. | *(50% of the proposed project*  *must be completed by*  *2nd October 2025 and final*  *project to be completed by*  *2nd October 2026)* |
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| **2.** |  |  |  |
| **3.** |  |  |  |
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**Use of Data**

The information on this form will be used by Kilkenny County Council for the purposes of processing the application. Further information may be sought by Kilkenny County Council to clarify aspects of the project proposal. The form may be shared with other Government Departments for assessment purposes.

The Applicant and the Department of Rural and Community Development are subject to the data protection and privacy laws of Ireland and the EU, in particular the Data Protection Act 2018 and Regulation (EU) 2016/679, known as the EU General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”). Any personal information which you provide as part of the application process will be obtained and processed in compliance with Data Protection legislation.

Kilkenny County Council retains the right to disclose for the purposes of a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 or otherwise, in connection with the funded project(s) –

1. any information supplied by the Applicant to the Department of Rural and Community Development, and
2. any relevant data gathered by the Department of Rural and Community Development in administering grant aid to the project, except where the information is considered to be personal or commercially sensitive.

**Declaration by Lead Applicant**

This declaration must be signed by an authorised person i.e. chairperson, secretary.

I confirm that I have read and understood this document and declare that the particulars supplied in this funding proposal are true and correct and that –

* The costings are accurate and reasonable.
* All necessary permissions are in place e.g. planning consent etc.
* All relevant ecological survey work (if applicable) has been undertaken or will be undertaken e.g. Appropriate Assessment Screening Report.
* There is evidence of ownership (if applicable) or the consent of the landowner.
* The project will comply with Public Procurement Guidelines.
* The project conforms to the Local Economic and Community Plan and other local or regional plans.
* No funding has been allocated for the same works from any other sources.

Proof of the above is not required at the time of application but must be available to Kilkenny County Council, the Department of Rural and Community Development or its agents on request.

I acknowledge the information regarding the use of data set out above and give consent to Kilkenny County Council for the sharing of all information, personal or otherwise, contained in this funding proposal and any attachments accompanying it, in accordance with the uses of the data and information provided above.

**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name in Block Capitals: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Position: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Expressions of Interest should be submitted to [community@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:community@kilkennycoco.ie) on or before **4.00 p.m. Friday 10th May, 2024.** **Please state in the subject line of the e-mail – Community Recognition Fund 2024 Proposal.**

Queries may be directed to:

**Email:** [community@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:community@kilkennycoco.ie) **Telephone:** 056-7794920