

**Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh**

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**Kilkenny County Council**

County Hall John Street Kilkenny  
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Creating Sustainable Communities and Places



**17<sup>th</sup> July, 2023**

**An Cathaoirleach and Each Member of Kilkenny County Council.**

**Re: Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme 2023 - CCFCS**

A Chara,

The Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme (CCFCS) is funded from development contributions and an annual budget of €250,000 is provided. The budget for 2023, therefore, is €250,000.

Applications for the 2023 CCFCS were advertised with a closing date for receipt of applications of Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. The Council received a total of 18 applications and the overall amount being sought is €648,755.

The applications were evaluated having regard to the 2022-2024 Scheme, and in a two stage evaluation process taking account of the following:

- The feasibility and realistic nature of the project and the matching funds being in place,
- The extent to which the capital project supports the objectives of the County Development Plan,
- The community collaboration and consultation involved and the extent to which the project supports broader community uses,

- The need for the project and the added value that the project will bring,
- The capacity of the community group to deliver the project,
- The demonstration of social inclusion and accessibility and
- The level of disadvantage and social circumstances in the area.

The number of applications received and the variety and nature of the projects illustrate significant local community commitment to community, rural and cultural development. Similar to last year a number of applications have a particular focus on providing outdoor recreational facilities in rural communities that can be used all year round.

In the context of the available budget of €250,000 and having regard to the criteria of the Scheme and the evaluation undertaken, I recommend the following applications be grant aided under the Community and Culture Facilities Capital Grant Scheme 2023.

	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount sought</b>	<b>Amount recommended</b>
1	Urlingford Town Team	Community facility/remote working hub	€45,000	€45,000
2	Gowran on the move	Completion of Gowran MUGA & Playground Project	€45,000	€45,000
3	The Rock Youth Centre (Kilkenny Christian Centre)	Upgrade of centre facilities	€45,000	€35,000
4	Ferrybank AFC	Installation of tarmac & concrete surface for disability access for pedestrians	€39,750	€30,000

5	Dunnamaggin GAA Club	Lighting of the Dunnamaggin Walkway	€36,592	€30,000
6	Kilfane Handball Club	Construction of gym	€28,000	€25,000
7	Mooncoin Celtic AFC	LED floodlighting for extra training area	€29,950	€20,000
8	John Lockes GAA Club	Walkway Improvements, CCTV, Sensory activity outdoor wall panels/litter bins/walkway benches & security gate	€38,641	€11,000
9	Graiguenamanagh Hall	Installation of new stage lighting / screen & projector	€11,500	€9,000
			<b>Total</b>	<b>€250,000</b>

A full list of all applications, together with the amount of funds sought, is attached for the information of the Elected Members.

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Anne Marie Shortall  
Senior Executive Officer  
Community & Culture

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Piltown AFC	Walkway with floodlighting	€45,000
Danesfort GAA	Development of a 260 metre LED floodlit community walkway extension.	€41,906
Tullogher Rosbercon GAA	Ancillary works to new pitch to include spectator railing to new GAA field, install new gate, 12 new cycle stands	€10,200

Conahy Shamrocks GAA Club	Extend existing walkway and replace all existing lighting to LED lighting	€45,000
Paulstown Development Association	External upgrade to include a multipurpose ball court, bicycle racks and set down area	€37,216
Dicksboro GAA	Walkway with floodlighting	€45,000
Keep Kilkenny Beautiful	Closh Garden of Remembrance, Reflection & Reconciliation)	€37,000
Ballyragget Enterprise & Community Hub	Replacement of existing roof to community centre	€45,000
Kilfane Handball Club	Repair to roof of large handball alley	€23,000