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Creating Sustainable Communities and Places



DIRECTOR'S REPORT- AMENITY GRANT SCHEME 2025

11TH April 2025

Dear Councillor,

Details of the applications evaluated and recommended for funding under the 2025 Amenity Grant Scheme will be circulated to members at the April Council meeting.

Budget- The 2025 budget approved under the Amenity Grant Scheme is €140,000.

Promotion- The Amenity Grant Scheme was advertised in the Council Grant booklet, on the Council's website on the 9th February and in the Kilkenny People Newspaper on the 5th February 2025. An application form was also posted out to each of the previous year's applicants. The closing date for the submission of applications was the 28th March 2025.

Applications:

- A total of 183 applications have been received and assessed.
- 3 applications were deemed ineligible as they did not meet with the objectives of the Amenity Grant Scheme.
- A total of 180 applications are therefore being recommended for funding approval.

Evaluation Committee- the applications were evaluated by the following:

- Frank Stafford
- Sinead Falsey

An evaluation of the applications was undertaken with reference to a range of evaluation criteria and category classifications (i.e. 15 categories A-O, based on size of town or village, number of houses within an estate, community facility, etc).

I recommend that 180 applicants be awarded the prescribed amount which equates to a cumulative allocation of funds in the amount of €140,000 under this scheme.

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Tim Butler
Director of Services,
Planning, Economic & Environmental Services.

Criteria Used for Amenity Grant Awards 2025

The following criteria was used to allocate the awards to the wide variety of application types received: -

Category	Description	Maximum Amount*
A	District Town Tidy Towns Group	€2000
B	Large Village Tidy Towns Group	€1400
C	Small Village Tidy Towns Group	€900
D	Individual street in a village	€276
E	Park / Playground	€690
F	Community Garden/Allotment/FRC/Grotto	€650
G	Sports Clubs (full public access without membership fee)/Other clubs	€460
H	Housing estate under 20 houses	€460
I	Housing estates 21 - 50 houses	€580
J	Housing estates 51-100 houses	€750
K	Housing estates 101 -150 houses	€900
L	Housing estates 151-200 houses	€1220
M	Housing estates 201 – 250 houses	€1400
N	Housing estates over 251 houses	€1550
O	Community Centre/Parish Hall	€900

*Note the above figures are the maximum grant amount available under each category, however, the amount awarded may be less as same will be dependant on the number of eligible applications received in any year.

Amenity Grant Applications 2025						
Ref.	Location	Group Name	Description of Project	Grant amount	No of houses	Criteria
Kilkenny City MD						
1		Ayrfield Residents Association	Grass Cutting, trees	€ 580.00	45	I
2		Beech Park Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	26	I
3		Cashel Downs Res Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	88	J
4		Clongowen Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 1,280.00	230	M
5		College Court Res	Repair damaged heathers	€ 460.00	13	H
6		College Square Res Assoc	Wildflower area	€ 750.00	52 + 22	J
7		Dukesmeadows Residents Association	Upkeep	€ 750.00	75	J
8		Glendine Court Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	14	H
9		Glendine Heights Residents Association	Painting of wall and upkeep	€ 750.00	80	J
10		Glendine Woods Res Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	12	H
11		Hillcrest Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	13	H
12		Kilkenny Allotments and community garden ass	Maintenance of allotment	€ 650.00	N/A	F
13		Kilkenny Road Residents Association	Upkeep of public area	€ 500.00	20	I
14		Kilkenny Traveller Community Movement	Maintain Statue, shrubs	€ 650.00	9	F
15		Kilkenny War Memorial Committee	Cleaning and upkeep0	€ 650.00	N/A	F
16		Larchfield Res Association	Referb benches and upkeep	€ 650.00	90	J
17		Lintown Hall Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 1,475.00	358	N
18		Loreto Park Resident Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	15	H
19		Mayfield Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	37	I
20		Newpark Lawn Residents Association	Upkeep of estate	€ 460.00	10	H
21		Outrath Court Residents Assoc	Upkeep of estate	€ 460.00	19	H
22		Parcnagowan Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 1,190.00	189	L
23		Parkview/Parkview Drive Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	27	I
24		Patricks Gate, Outrath Road, Loughboy	Upkeep of estate	€ 580.00	36	I
25		Richview Residents Association	Grass cutting, Benches	€ 750.00	70	J
26		Rioch Court Residents Association	Grass cutting	€ 580.00	48	I
27		Robertshill Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 1,190.00	200	L
28		Rose Hill Court Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	20	H
29		Rosewood Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	96	J
30		Sion Meadows	Grass Cutting	€ 580.00	21	I
31		Smithlands Court	Upkeep of Estate	€ 500.00	36	I
32		Springfield's Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	71	J
33		Springmount Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	22	I
34		St Canice's Parish Homes	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	20	H
35		Steeple Court Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	23	I
36		Sycamore/Aylesbury Res Assoc	Flower pots, flowers, maintenance	€ 1,475.00	254	N
37		Talbot's Court Residents	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	72	J
38		Talbot's Gate Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	67	J
39		Talbot's Grove Estate	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	18	H
40		The Fairways Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	98	J
41		The Grange, Dunningstown Road	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	17	H
42		The Orchard Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	78	J
43		The Paddocks & Breaghagh Place Res Assoc	Upkeep of Estate and seating	€ 900.00	106	K
44		The Weir Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	71	J
45		Talbots Inch Residents Association	New railing around green	€ -	48	Ineligible
46		The Weir View Residents Assoc	planting and pruning of trees	€ 1,190.00	180	L
47		Whitegate Lawn Resident s Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	12	H
Castlecomer MD						
48	Ballinakill	Doheny Memorial Grotto	Upkeep of grass margins	€ 650.00	N/A	F
49	Ballyfoyle	Ballyfoyle Active Retirement	Garden tools, compost	€ 390.00	N/A	E
50	Ballyragget	Brookfield Residents Assoc	Upkeep of estate	€ 580.00	23	I
51		Glenvale Residents Association	Upkeep of Village	€ 750.00	90+	J
52		Ballyragget Playground Committee	General Maintenance	€ 690.00	N/A	E
53		Ballyragget Development Association	Upkeep of estate	€ 750.00	N/A	B
54	Castlecomer	Castlecomer & District Men's shed	Bird and bat boxes	€ 450.00	N/A	F
55		Acorns Upper Residents Association	Planting and upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	36	I
56		Ard Crann Residents Association	Grass Cutting	€ 460.00	10	H
57		Castlecomer Tidy Towns	Maintenance, planting	€ 1,950.00	N/A	A
58		Clogh Community Council	resurface entrance, leaf blower	€ 900.00	N/A	C
59		Cloneen Hurling Club	Upkeep of the grounds	€ 460.00	N/A	G
60		Deenview	Upkeep of estate	€ 650.00	N/A	F
61		Deerpark Grotto	Grass cutting	€ 650.00	N/A	F
62		Donaguile Heights Residents Association	Upkeep of estate	€ 580.00	26	I
63		Oakhill Residents Assoc	Grass Cutting	€ 750.00	86	J
64		The Acorns Lower Res Assoc	Upkeep of estate	€ 580.00	25	I
65	Castlewarren	Castlewarren Hall Committee	Grass Cutting & flower planting	€ 900.00	N/A	O
66		Castlewarren Cultural Development Group	Upkeep of Area for sports	€ 900.00	N/A	C

67	Conahy	Conahy Ladies Club	Flowers	€ 500.00	N/A	C
68	Coon	Coon Tidy Towns	Upkeep, bird box, bee area	€ 900.00	N/A	C
69	Clontubrid	Clontubrid Village Group	Maintenance & Hedgehog highway	€ 900.00	N/A	C
70	Crosspatrick	Crosspatrick Community Benefit Group	Upkeep of village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
71		Crosspatrick Tidy Towns	Upkeep of village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
72	Dungarvan	Dungarvan Residents Assoc	Benches and upkeep	€ 900.00	N/A	C
73	Freshford	Freshford Tidy Towns	Bedding and plants	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
74		Freshford Heritage Group	Upkeep of Village	€ 700.00	N/A	B
75		Freshford Development Assoc	Planting around village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
76	Gowran	Gowran Development Association	Grass cutting. PI insurance	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
77		Gowran Paddocks Res Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	27	I
78		Parkmore Residents Association	Upkeep of Grass, Lawnmower	€ 460.00	20	H
79		The Steeples, Gowran, Kilkenny	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	26	I
80	Gathabawn	Gathabawn Rural Development	Upkeep of the village & Insurance	€ 900.00	N/A	C
81	Goresbridge	Barrack St Residents Group	beds and plants	€ 600.00	N/A	B
82		Goresbridge Rural Development	Upkeep of Village and insurance	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
83	Johnstown	Spa Development Assoc	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
84	Lisdowney	Lisdowney Development Association	Planting, tree pruning	€ 850.00	N/A	C
85	Moneenroe	Old School Crescent Residents Association	Lawnmower & Maintenance	€ 460.00	16	H
86		Moneenroe Community Council Ltd	Purchase of equipment	€ 900.00	N/A	C
87	Muckalee	Muckalee Grotto Restoration Committee	Maintenance of grotto	€ 250.00	N/A	F
88	Paulstown	Marble Court Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	55	J
89		Paulstown Development Association	Upkeep of Community Areas	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
90		Whitehall Residents Group	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	35	I
91		Paulstown Goresbridge Active Retired Group	upkeep of Ollies Way	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
92		Paulstown Community Playground Group	Planting in the playground	€ 650.00	N/A	F
93		Oaklawns Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	70	J
94		An Choill Rua Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 700.00	68	J
95	Urlingford	St Marys Ave Urlingford	Upkeep of green areas, repairing cap	€ 580.00	38	I
96		Mill Family Resource Centre	Upkeep of Community Garden	€ 650.00	N/A	F
97		Urlingford Town Development	ladders, tools, flags	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
98		Urlingford Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
99		Riverside Park Residents Association	Grass cutting	€ 580.00	30	I
100		St Kieran's Homes for the Elderly	Planters and flowers	€ 460.00	9	H
101		Togher Crescent Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	23	I
102		Togher Lawns Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate & planters	€ 580.00	21	I
103	Tullaroan	Tullaroan Development Association	Upkeep of Tullaroan Walkway	€ 900.00	N/A	C
104		Tullaroan Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
Piltown MD						
105	Carrigeen	Residents Club Cooleigh	Grass cutting	€ 460.00	10	H
106	Ferrybank	Abbeypark Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 1,200.00	157	L
107		Arbourmount Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	28	I
108		Ard Glas Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 900.00	123	K
109		Bellfield Residents Assoc	Grass cutting and plants	€ 1,200.00	192	L
110		Blackthorn Hills Residents Association	Grass cutting	€ 750.00	72	J
111		Clover Meadows Estate	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	93	J
112		Christendom Estate Residents Group	Upkeep of Estate	€ 900.00	117	K
113		Estuary Woods	Upkeep of Estate	€ 450.00	15	H
114		Ferrybank Tidy Town	grotto, upkeep of area	€ 600.00	N/A	A
115		Ferrybank Meds Shed	biodiversity projects	€ 600.00	N/A	F
116		Glenmore Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
117		Hollybrook Res Ass	Grass cutting and landscaping.	€ 750.00	60	J
118		The Beeches Estate Committee	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	64	J
119	Kilmacow	Chaplegate Maintenance 2025	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	65	J
120		Mullinabro Woods Res Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 500.00	30	J
121		Dunkitt Residents Association	Upkeep of Grotto	€ 550.00	N/A	F
122		Kilmacow Men's Shed	biodiversity projects	€ 650.00	N/A	F
123	Kilmoganny	Kilmoganny Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
124	Linguan Valley	Linguan Valley Tourism CLG	Maintenance of sign post at high cross	€ 600.00	N/A	F
125	Listerlin	Listerlin Tidy Towns Group	Planting, signage and insurance	€ 900.00	N/A	C
126	Mooncoin	Sinnott's Cross Monument	PI on monument, upkeep	€ 650.00	N/A	F
127		Mooncoin Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
128	Mullinavat	Mullinavat Matters	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
129		Bigwood Residents Association	Upkeep of public area	€ 900.00	N/A	C
130	Owning	Owning Development Group	Maintenance of village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
131	Piltown	Banagher Court Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	100	J
132		Clonmore Hall Residents Assoc	Grass cutting	€ 580.00	28	I
133		Keep Piltown Tidy	Hanging baskets	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
134		Pil River Park	Upkeep of Playground/park	€ 690.00	N/A	E

135		Piltown AFC	Strimmer, hedge cutter and upkeep	€ 460.00	N/A	G
136		Stoneybridge Resistance	Sign, planting	€ 580.00	25	I
137		The Meadows Res Ass	Maintenance of green areas	€ 580.00	32	I
138		Carrick on Suir Rugby Football Club	Strimmer and Clipper	€ -	N/A	Ineligible
139		Turkstown Tidy Towns	Maintenance of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
140	Rosbercon	Millbanks Grove Res Ass	Grass cutting	€ 460.00	8	H
141		Rosbercon Parish Hall & Sport Centre	Upkeep	€ 900.00	N/A	O
142	Tullogher	St Moling Holy Well	Upkeep	€ 650.00	N/A	F
143		Bishops Mountain Clay Target Club	Refurbishment of entrance	€ -	N/A	Ineligible
144	Windgap	Windgap Tidy Towns	upkeep of estate and plants	€ 900.00	N/A	C
Callan - Thomastown MD						
145	Bennettsbridge	Bennettsbridge Community Development	Maintenance of Playground	€ 690.00	N/A	E
146		Bennettsbridge Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
147	Ballyhale	Hazelbrook Res Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	6	H
148		Ballyhale Development Association	Maintenance of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
149	Callan	Kingscourt Community Group	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	32	I
150		Bolton Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	9	H
151		Bolton Woods Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	82	J
152		Callan Tidy Towns	Purchase Planters	€ 1,950.00	N/A	A
153		Clonkil Residents Assoc	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	65	J
154	Danesfort	Danesfort Cross Community	Upkeep of area at cross	€ 900.00	N/A	C
155	Dunamaggin	Gairdin an Ghorta	Flowers, garden equipment	€ 650.00	N/A	F
156		Dunnamaggin Development Group	Remove Trees	€ 900.00	N/A	C
157		Hunter's Wood Residents	Power Washing	€ 460.00	5	H
158	Ennisnag	Ennisnag Church & Community	Maintenance of roadside approaches	€ 800.00	N/A	C
159	Galmoy	Galmoy Community Group	upkeep of village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
160	Graiguenamangh	Cottage Garden Residents	Upkeep of Areas	€ 580.00	28	I
161		Graignamanagh Canoe Club	Outdoor Pods	€ 460.00	N/A	G
162		Graignamanagh Mens Shed & Comm Gdns	Maintain public space	€ 650.00	N/A	F
163		Graignamanagh Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,950.00	N/A	A
164	Inistioge	Inistioge Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 1,400.00	N/A	B
165	Kells	Bridgetown Management - Oldtown	Upkeep of estate	€ 460.00	16	H
166		Burgess Court Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	32	I
167		Kells Region Economic Enterprise	Strimmer	€ 590.00	N/A	C
168		Kells Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
169		Priory Grove Residents Group	Hedge cutter, brushes	€ 460.00	11	H
170	Knocktopher	Kyleva Development	Grass cutting and upkeep	€ 650.00	N/A	F
171		Knocktopher Development	Maintenance of Village	€ 550.00	N/A	F
172	Stoneyford	Chapelview Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 580.00	36	I
173		Lawcusfields Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	54	J
174		Stoneyford Development Association	Maintenance	€ 900.00	N/A	O
175		Stoneyford Tidy Towns	Upkeep of Village	€ 900.00	N/A	C
176	Thomastown	Berkley Lawns Residents Committee	Grass Cutting, Upkeep	€ 460.00	12	H
177		Friars Hill Mews Residents	Upkeep of Estate	€ 460.00	10	H
178		Maudlin Court Residents Association	Upkeep of Estate	€ 900.00	101	K
179		The Belfry Residents Association	upkeep of estate	€ 580.00	43	I
180		The Greens Residents	Upkeep of Estate	€ 750.00	51	J
181		Thomastown Community Centre	General maintenance and planting	€ 900.00	N/A	O
182		Thomastown Tidy Towns	Maintenance of areas	€ 1,950.00	N/A	A
183		Upper Paddock Biodiversity Garden	Maintenance of space	€ 650.00	N/A	F
Total Amount to be allocated				€ 140,000.00		