



Comhpháirtíocht Leader Waterford Leader
Phort Láirge Partnership

Decision of Evaluation Committee

Project ID	31LDRWAT106354
Project Type:	Capital
Project Name:	Mountain Rescue Equipment Project (2017 - 2020) Phase 2
Promoters Name:	South East Mountain Rescue Association (SEMRA)
Address:	Neidin, Rathkeevan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary
Description:	Given the potentially hazardous nature of mountain rescue, there is a strong emphasis on the provision of safety equipment for the members of SEMRA. The provision of best in class personal protection equipment (clothing, jackets and over trousers/salopettes) and casualty care equipment for the team. SEMRA are outstanding on the use of one make/model of automatic external defibrillator
Theme:	Theme 1 Rural Tourism
Sub-theme:	SA1.1 Activity Tourism
Link to LDS	Strategic action Activity Tourism taken from LDS

Total Project Costs	€24,090.25		
Eligible Project Costs	€24,090.25		
Funding sought by promoter:	€18,067.69		
Funding recommended by Evaluation Committee:	A maximum of €18,067.69 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.		
Details of private funding:	€6,022.56		
Voluntary Labour: YES / NO (If yes provide detail)	NO		
Synopsis of project:	Funding towards protective and emergency equipment for members of the South East Mountain Rescue Association for call out		
Detail exactly what WLP will be funding (List items from Project Assessment Report)	Detail	Total Cost (Expenditure)	Grant Aid recommend by the Evaluation Committee @ 75%
	Defibrillator & accessories	€4,586.67	€3,440.00

Total Funding	Clothing (jackets, over trousers/salopettes)	€17,437.28	€13,077.96
	Technical Rescue (Rescue strop, ropes, rope bags)	€989.29	€741.97
	Cameras (GoPro & accessories)	€1,077.01	€807.76
		€24,090.25	€18,067.69
Was an assessment completed?: Date: <u>13 Feb '18</u>	Yes		
Are detailed costings provided for the project? Were the costs for the project considered reasonable and how was this measured?	Yes, direct tendering used & the MEAT process used to score winning suppliers		
Where the procurement process resulted in less than 3 quotes, the EC must show the additional steps taken to ensure the reasonableness of costs:	Not applicable		
Innovative Element of the project:	The provision of best in class personal protection equipment (clothing, jackets and over trousers/salopettes) and casualty care equipment for the team		
Consideration of Deadweight:	The promoters would not have sufficient funding to complete this phase of the project in one go. It would have to be staggered out over several years, thereby impacting the safety of their members and the quality of the service they provide		
Consideration of Displacement:	SEMRA is the sole recognised provider of search and rescue in the upland areas of the south east of Ireland.		
Economic justification for project:	Without funding this project would have to be staggered out over several years, thereby impacting the safety of the members and the quality of the service provided.		
Average Score for Project:	89/100		
% level of aid & ceiling:	75% up to a maximum of €18,067.69		
E. C. Executive Summary/Rationale for Funding	The Evaluation Committee agreed to recommend funding this project for the following reasons:- 1. The promoters provide a vital service in the south east of Ireland on a volunteer basis. 2. Funding will provide personal protection equipment and casualty care equipment thereby improving safety for both the rescuers and users of the uplands. A maximum of €18,067.69 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.		

Jobs Created	Jobs Sustained	Match Funding	Previous Grant Aid Received
N/A	N/A	€6,022.56	€18,150 approved on the 9th Nov '17

Confirmation that agencies / communities are supportive of the proposed project.	Date of Confirmation	Signed By
Faite Ireland	14th Feb '18	Hillary Creedon

Detail of Discussion: The following were the main points raised in the discussion of the project:-

- Ms Claire Connors Project Officer advised that funding for Phase One was approved last May. For Phase Two the promoters are requesting additional equipment not funded as part of the original project.
- The Evaluation Committee noted that the promoters are doing reasonably well and have a good cash reserve and discussed the annual Long Way Round fund raiser noting how popular it is.

The Evaluation Committee stated that they were happy to recommend supporting the promoters noting that they cover a very large area providing a valuable and worthwhile service on a volunteer basis.

Amount Recommended: €18,067.69

75% of Eligible Project Funding:

Signed: _____



Signed: _____



Chairperson of Evaluation Committee

Committee Member

Date: 9/4/2018

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Issues / Queries raised by Evaluation Committee	Project Officers Response

Signed: _____ Claire Connors _____

Dated: _____ 4th April '18 _____

WLP Project Officer

Overall Evaluation Committee Scoring Record

Date: 26th March 2018

Time: 11am to 3pm

Project Title: Mountain Rescue Equipment Project (2017 - 2020) Phase 2 Project Reference Number: 31LDRWAT106354

Assessment Criteria	Objective	Issues raised by Evaluation Committee	Weighting	Score
Compatibility with Local Development Strategy	Do the project proposals meet the criteria set out in the LAG business plan for the relevant measure?		Yes / No	
Innovation	Is the product innovative in its nature and does it displace existing enterprises? - Product / Service 9/19 <u>9</u> - Displacement 5/19 <u>5</u> - Job Creation 5/19 <u>1</u>		19	15
Promoters experience	Does the promoter have the training/skills, track record or experience to deliver? - Standards of Operation 6/25 _____ - Track Record 6/25 _____ - Structure of Business 6/25 _____ - Necessary skills base 7/25 _____		25	23
Financial Viability	Are the project costs justifiable (reasonableness of costs) and / is funding available to co-fund the project? - Overall Costs 7/25 <u>7</u> - Co Funding 6/25 <u>6</u> - Financial Plan 6/25 <u>4</u>		25	

	Deadweight	6/25 <u>6</u>			
Sustainability	Is the project viable and will the service continue to be delivered?			13	23
Requirement	Does the proposal target a specific need or address a specific gap in the market?			18	12
Total				100	35

N.B. Project must receive a minimum score of 65% prior to being recommended for approval.

- Has the potential level of deadweight been assessed for this project? YES / NO
- i.e. would the project proceed without LEADER funding? YES / NO

Recommendations of the Evaluation Committee: Approved

Signature: [Signature]

Signature of Evaluation Committee Chair

Date: 26/3/2018