



Comhpháirtíocht Leader Waterford Leader
Phort Láirge Partnership

Decision of Evaluation Committee

Project ID	31LDRWAT106967
Project Type:	Environment Bio-diversity training
Project Name:	Bio Diversity Training
Promoters Name:	Waterford Leader Partnership
Address:	Mayfield Road, Lismore, Co. Waterford.
Description:	The project will provide Bio Diversity Training for up to 12 Groups throughout the County
Theme:	Local Objective 7 The promotion of greater environmental awareness through training and exemplar projects
Sub-theme:	Rural Environment SA 7.1 Training Initiatives for Local Communities on the need for & benefits of Bio-diversity
Link to LDS	L.O. 7

Total Project Costs	€10,300		
Eligible Project Costs	€10,300		
Funding sought by promoter:	€10,300		
Funding recommended by Evaluation Committee:	A maximum of €10,300 or 100% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser		
Details of private funding:	None		
Voluntary Labour: YES / NO (If yes provide detail)	No		
Synopsis of project:	The purpose of this project is to provide quality introduction to local people and groups in Co Waterford as to the need for Bio Diversity and how they as citizens and volunteers can undertake actions to promote bio diversity. It is envisioned that up to 20 people will be trained and will be particularly important to Tidy Towns groups going forward		
Detail exactly what WLP will be funding (List items from Project Assessment Report)	Detail	Total Cost (Expenditure)	Grant Aid recommend by the Evaluation Committee @ %
	Bio Diversity Training	€10,300	100%
Total Funding		€10,300	100%
Was an assessment completed?: Date: _14/03/2018	Yes		
Are detailed costings provided for the	Yes – This project followed Category 1 – National Procurement Guidelines –		

project? Were the costs for the project considered reasonable and how was this measured?	Project was put out for direct tender
Where the procurement process resulted in less than 3 quotes, the EC must show the additional steps taken to ensure the reasonableness of costs:	N/A
Innovative Element of the project:	This project is innovative in that it will be introducing Tidy Towns groups and community organisations to Bio Diversity.
Consideration of Deadweight:	This project will not go ahead without funding
Consideration of Displacement:	No other community orientated Bio Diversity training is being offered in the County at this time.
Economic justification for project:	Bio Diversity Training is core to positively improving climatic effects
Average Score for Project:	79/100
% level of aid & ceiling:	100%
E. C. Executive Summary/Rationale for Funding	The Evaluation Committee agreed to recommend funding this project for the following reasons:- 1. The Evaluation Committee agreed that this project fits the Co Waterford Local Development Strategy for training under the Rural Environment Theme. 2. The Evaluation Committee expressed the opinion that the project will meet the needs of volunteer groups in terms of understanding Bio Diversity in a local context. Recommendation: A maximum of €10,300 or 100% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.

Jobs Created	Jobs Sustained	Match Funding	Previous Grant Aid Received
None	None	N/A	N/A

Confirmation that agencies / communities are supportive of the proposed project.	Date of Confirmation	Signed By
Bernadette Guest	18/04/2018	B Guest

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

- Ms Claire Connors briefly outlined the project to the Evaluation Committee, as the Project Staff involved in project evaluation and administration process, noting that it is an in-house project.
- The purpose of this project is to provide quality introduction to local people and groups in Co Waterford as to the need for Bio Diversity and how they as citizens and volunteers can undertake actions to promote bio diversity. It is envisioned that up to 20 people will be trained and will be particularly important to Tidy Towns groups going forward. Ms Mieke Muyllaert & Associates Ecological Consultancy is the successful tenderers for the provision of Biodiversity Training for local communities in County Waterford. Up to 20 people, 2 from each village/tidy town group will be trained over a period of 6 weeks.
- The Evaluation Committee agreed that this project fits the Co Waterford Local Development Strategy for training under the Rural Environment Theme.

- The Evaluation Committee expressed the opinion that the project will meet the needs of volunteer groups in terms of understanding Bio Diversity in a local context.
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Recommendation: A maximum of €10,300 or 100% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.

Amount Recommended: A maximum of €10,300 or 100% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.

100% of Eligible Project Funding:

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Chairperson of Evaluation Committee

Committee Member

Date: _____

Date: _____

Issues / Queries raised by Evaluation Committee	Project Officers Response
None	

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

WLP Project Officer

Overall Evaluation Committee Scoring Record

Date: 9th April 2018

Time: 11am to 3pm

Project Title: **Bio Diversity Training**

Project Reference Number: **311DRWAT106967**

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>4</u> - Job Creation 5/19 <u>3</u>	19		16
Promoters experience	Does the promoter have the training/skills, track record or experience to deliver? - Standards of Operation 6/25 <u>6</u> - Track Record 6/25 <u>4</u> - Structure of Business 6/25 <u>4</u> - Necessary skills base 7/25 <u>7</u>	25		21
Financial Viability	Are the project costs justifiable (reasonableness of costs) and / is funding available to co-fund the project? - Overall Costs 7/25 <u>5</u> - Co Funding 6/25 <u>5</u> - Financial Plan 6/25 <u>5</u>	25		20

	- Deadweight	6/25 <u>5</u>			
Sustainability	Is the project viable and will the service continue to be delivered?			13	9
Requirement	Does the proposal target a specific need or address a specific gap in the market?			18	13
Total				100	79

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: 9/4/2018

Denise Walsh

From: pclerkin@cablesurf.com
Sent: Tuesday 17 April 2018 15:36
To: Denise Walsh
Subject: Minutes April 9 2018
Attachments: Minutes 9 4 18-1.doc

Denise,

I have reviewed the attached draft minutes and I am in agreement with them.

Regards,

Paul Clerkin
Chairman of Evaluation Committee

