



Comhpháirtíocht Leader Waterford Leader  
Phort Láirge Partnership

### Decision of Evaluation Committee

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| <b>Project ID</b>      | <b>31LDRWAT110753</b>                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Project Type:</b>   | SA 5.1 Community service delivery hubs                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Project Name:</b>   | <b>All Weather Sports Facility</b>                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Promoters Name:</b> | <b>St Declan's Community Development</b>                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Address:</b>        | <b>Duffcarrick, Ardmore, Co. Waterford</b>                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Description:</b>    | To develop an all-weather sports facility for both young and old people in Ardmore to have access to an exercise facility, walking facility and sporting facility to be used by all clubs and visitors. |
| <b>Theme:</b>          | LO5 Basic Services                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Sub-theme:</b>      | SA 5.1 Community service delivery hubs                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Link to LDS</b>     | LO5 Basic Services, SA 5.1 Community service delivery hubs                                                                                                                                              |

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| <b>Total Project Costs</b>                                                                       | €256,450.98                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Eligible Project Costs</b>                                                                    | €256,450.98                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Funding sought by promoter:</b>                                                               | The cost of this project is <b>€256,450.98</b> , and the promoter has requested funding of <b>€192,337.50</b> or 75% of eligible costs whichever is the lesser.                                         |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>State one of the following: -<br/>First Review / Previously Deferred or<br/>Not Recommend</b> | <b>First Review</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Funding recommended by Evaluation Committee:</b>                                              | A maximum of <b>€192,337.50</b> or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser including the following condition: -                                                                            |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Details of private funding:</b>                                                               | Cash/Money in account 20,600 8%<br>Loan/Bridging Finance 38,790.88<br>11,209.12(+5,886.50) 19.5%(2.5% ++)                                                                                               |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Voluntary Labour: YES / NO (If yes provide detail)</b>                                        | <b>No</b>                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Synopsis of project:</b>                                                                      | To develop an all-weather sports facility for both young and old people in Ardmore to have access to an exercise facility, walking facility and sporting facility to be used by all clubs and visitors. |                                 |                                                              |
| <b>Detail exactly what WLP will be funding (List items from Project Assessment Report)</b>       | <b>Detail</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Total Cost (Expenditure)</b> | <b>Grant Aid recommend by the Evaluation Committee @ 75%</b> |
|                                                                                                  | <b>Astro Turf Pitch</b>                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>256,451</b>                  | <b>192,337.50</b>                                            |
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| <b>Total Funding</b>                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |             |            |
| <b>Was an assessment completed?: Date:</b><br>_____                                                                                                     | The Evaluation Committee agreed that the project assessment was completed on the 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2019.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |            |
| <b>Are detailed costings provided for the project? Were the costs for the project considered reasonable and how was this measured?</b>                  | The Evaluation Committee agreed that the promoters followed Category 1 national procurement guidelines therefore deem the cost reasonable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |             |            |
| <b>Where the procurement process resulted in less than 3 quotes, the EC must show the additional steps taken to ensure the reasonableness of costs:</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |            |
| <b>Innovative Element of the project:</b>                                                                                                               | Sports and recreational facilities are a vital community resource and enhance the well-being and quality of life and funding this project will bring a valuable amenity to the area benefiting both locals and visitors to the area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |             |            |
| <b>Consideration of Deadweight:</b>                                                                                                                     | The Evaluation Committee agreed that deadweight is not an issue as without funding this project will not proceed in a timely fashion. The promoter is predicting up to ten years for completing without funding.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |            |
| <b>Consideration of Displacement:</b>                                                                                                                   | Funding this project will not cause displacement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |             |            |
| <b>Economic justification for project:</b>                                                                                                              | The project fits in with the Co Waterford LCDC Plan under the Basic Services activity.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |            |
| <b>Average Score for Project:</b>                                                                                                                       | 77/100 (3 ranking)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |            |
| <b>% level of aid &amp; ceiling:</b>                                                                                                                    | A maximum of €192,337.50 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser including the following condition: -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |             |            |
| <b>E. C. Executive Summary/Rationale for Funding</b>                                                                                                    | <p><b>The Evaluation Committee agreed to recommend funding this project for the following reasons:-</b></p> <p><b>The Evaluation agreed to recommend funding this project to the Waterford LCDC as presented for the following reasons: -</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The project links to the Co Waterford Local Community Development Plan Local Objective 1 for Basic Services.</li> <li>2) The project scored 77/100.</li> <li>3) The Evaluation Committee agreed that funding this project is a good use of Rural Development funds as it will provide an additional amenity in an expanding village.</li> </ol> <p><b>A maximum of €192,337.50 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser including the following condition: -</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The facility must be open for rent by all comers.</li> <li>2) Signage must be displayed to indicate that the facility can be rented to the general public detailing how to do so.</li> </ol> |             |            |

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| <b>Jobs Created</b> | <b>Jobs Sustained</b> | <b>Match Funding</b>               | <b>Previous Grant Aid Received</b> |
| None                | None                  | Cash/Money in account<br>20,600 8% | No                                 |

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|  |  | Loan/Bridging Finance<br>38,790.88<br>11,209.12(+5,886.50)<br>19.5%(2.5% ++) |  |
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| Confirmation that agencies / communities have confirmed that there is no double or duplication. | Date of Confirmation | Signed By |
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| Waterford LEO                                                                                   | 02/10/2019           | B Kirby   |

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

- Mr Jimmy Taaffe advised that the GAA are giving a 15-year lease to the promoters and confirmed that the facility will be open to all.
- The project is like the one funded in Rathgormack but without the running/walking track around it.
- The facility will cater to the growing resident's population and visitors to Ardmore.
- A discussion ensued on the growth of Ardmore and the rising cost of property on the Coast.
- It will be the largest facility in West Waterford and will be used to attract Rugby, GAA, Soccer, Hockey, groups to stay in Ardmore for the weekends.
- It was noted that there is a similar smaller facility in Old Parish but that they will not be competing.
- Mr Jimmy Taaffe confirmed that the facility will be open to all and will not just be used by the GAA. It will be a booking process that anyone can rent including the GAA.
- There are changing rooms already there that can be used by groups that book the facility. Parking is also available.
- The Evaluation Committee noted that clear signage should explain that it is open for booking by the general public.
- The promoters have the match and brigading finance in place.

**Amount Recommended: €192,337.50**

**75% 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

Please insert photos below of reference purposes:

(for example a photo of the building to be renovated/machinery being purchased, etc)



# Overall Evaluation Committee Scoring Record

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Time: 11am – 3pm

Project Title: All Weather Sports Facility

Project Reference Number: 311DRWAT110753

| 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                                    | <p>Is the product innovative in its nature and does it displace existing enterprises?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Product / Service 9/19</li> <li>- Displacement 5/19</li> <li>- Job Creation 5/19</li> </ul>                                                     |                                       | 19        | 14    |
| Promoters experience                          | <p>Does the promoter have the training/skills, track record or experience to deliver?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Standards of Operation 6/25</li> <li>- Track Record 6/25</li> <li>- Structure of Business 6/25</li> <li>- Necessary skills base 7/25</li> </ul> |                                       | 25        | 20    |
| Financial Viability                           | <p>Are the project costs justifiable (reasonableness of costs) and / is funding available to co-fund the project?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Overall Costs 7/25</li> <li>- Co Funding 6/25</li> <li>- Financial Plan 6/25</li> </ul>                             |                                       | 25        | 21    |

|                | Deadweight                                                                        | 6/25 |  |     |    |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--|-----|----|
| Sustainability | Is the project viable and will the service continue to be delivered?              |      |  | 13  | 10 |
| Requirement    | Does the proposal target a specific need or address a specific gap in the market? |      |  | 18  | 12 |
| Total          |                                                                                   |      |  | 100 | 77 |

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 of Evaluation Committee Chair

Date: 26-09-2018

## Denise Walsh

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**From:** pclerkin@cablesurf.com  
**Sent:** Thursday 3 October 2019 17:23  
**To:** Denise Walsh  
**Subject:** Evaluation Committee Meeting on 26th September 2019

Hi Denise

I confirm that I am in agreement with the draft minutes of the above meeting.

Regards,

Paul Clerkin  
Chairperson  
Evaluation Committee

