



Comhpháirtíocht Leader Waterford Leader
Phort Láirge Partnership

Decision of Evaluation Committee

Project ID	31LDRWAT111752
Project Type:	Capital
Project Name:	Clashmore Community Bio Diversity Action Plan
Promoters Name:	Clashmore Tidy Towns Group
Address:	Clashmore, Co. Waterford
Description:	The main objective of the project is to maximise the bio diversity factor of the pre-existing habitats within the environs of Clashmore village including the River Greagagh and related pond habitats, increasing the bio diversity of green areas by adding wild flower meadows while reducing the level of grass cutting which was traditionally associated with the village. Increase the biodiversity within our hedgerows and other areas through initiatives such as 'managed for wildlife' areas to promote habitats for bees, hedgehogs, birds etc.
Theme:	LO7 Rural Environment
Sub-theme:	SA 7.2 Improving Biodiversity
Link to LDS	Promotion of greater environmental awareness through exemplar projects

Total Project Costs	€3,583.96		
Eligible Project Costs	€3,583.96		
Funding sought by promoter:	€2,687.97		
State one of the following: - First Review / Previously Deferred or Not Recommend	First Review		
Funding recommended by Evaluation Committee:	€2,687.97		
Details of private funding:	€895.99 In house funds		
Voluntary Labour: YES / NO (If yes provide detail)	No		
Synopsis of project:	Funding sought for actions that will lead to improved biodiversity through the creation of wildflower meadows rather than grass cutting, natural hedgerows, wildlife corridors and a timber shed for composting etc.		
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%
	14ft x 10ft Timber shed	€1,825	€1,368.75

Total Funding	Wildflower mix	€299.50	€224.62
	25m round top fencing	€1,109.46	€832.09
	10m Post & Rail Timber Fencing	€350	€262.50
	Total	€3,583.96	€2,687.97
Was an assessment completed?: Date:	Yes, on the 14th Jan 2020		
Are detailed costings provided for the project? Were the costs for the project considered reasonable and how was this measured?	Yes, direct tendering was used, and the MEAT process used to select the chosen supplier		
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 due to the low value items of expenditure and required number of quotations received		
Innovative Element of the project:	The community's effort to increase biodiversity actions by setting wildflower seeds in all green areas to create wildflower meadows that not only alleviate grass cutting but also attract bees. Creating wild hedgerows to encourage bee friendly flowers etc. Fencing off pond areas for wildlife etc		
Consideration of Deadweight:	Project would not proceed without access to public funding as funds are limited		
Consideration of Displacement:	Displacement is not applicable in a project like this that's encouraging biodiversity		
Economic justification for project:	The value is in improving the rural environment whereby the community will benefit from more bio-diversity actions to support flora and fauna		
Average Score for Project:	81/100 (Ranked 2)		
% level of aid & ceiling:	A maximum of €2,687.97 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser		
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 is a good use of Rural Development funds as it supports community volunteering as well as being good for the environment. 2. The Evaluation Committee agreed to recommend funding as this project scored 81 A maximum of €2,687.97 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser		

Jobs Created	Jobs Sustained	Match Funding	Previous Grant Aid Received
0	0	€895.99	€0

Confirmation on the applicant's position re De-Minimis and double from the relevant agencies.	Date of Confirmation	Signed By
Ella Ryan, Environmental Awareness Officer, WC&CC	6 th Feb 2020	Ella Ryan

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

- Ms Claire Connors advised the Evaluation Committee that WLP ran a biodiversity training session for Tidy Towns Committees. Following training there was a biodiversity call in October and the four applications are a direct result of that call. There were two others, but one was more of a construction project and the other was under the threshold allowed. The threshold for these projects is the LEADER rules of €1250 and not the minimum €5,000 required by WLP.
- For Clashmore the plan is to plant a wild meadow on the common area along the existing River Walk.
- The project fits in with the Co Waterford LCDC Plan for Biodiversity projects.
- The Evaluation Committee agreed that this is a good use of Rural Development funds as it supports community volunteering as well as being good for the environment.
- The Evaluation Committee agreed to recommend funding as this project scored 81%

The Evaluation agreed to recommend funding this project to the Waterford LCDC as presented.

A maximum of €2,687.97 or 75% of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser.

Amount Recommended: €2,687.97

75% of Eligible Project Funding: €3,583.96

Signed: _____

Signed: _____

Chairperson of Evaluation Committee

Committee Member

Date: _____

Date: _____

Issues / Queries raised by Evaluation Committee	Project Officers Response

Signed: _____ Claire Connors _____

Dated: _____ 10th Feb 2020 _____

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: 10th Feb 2020

Time: 11.30am

Project Title: **Clashmore Community Biodiversity Action Plan**

Project Reference Number: **31LDRWAT111752**

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>10</u> - Displacement 5/19 <u>3</u> - Job Creation 5/19 <u>2</u>		19	16
Promoters experience	Does the promoter have the training/skills, track record or experience to deliver? - Standards of Operation 6/25 <u>5</u> - Track Record 6/25 <u>5</u> - Structure of Business 6/25 <u>5</u> - Necessary skills base 7/25 <u>5</u>		25	20
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>		25	20

	Financial Plan	6/25	5		
	Deadweight	6/25	5		
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	15
Total				100	81

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: 10/02/20

Denise Walsh

From: John Harnedy <johnjharnedy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday 11 February 2020 09:07
To: Denise Walsh
Subject: Re: draft minutes for you to review 10th Feb 2020

Hi Denise

I received and reviewed the minutes of our meeting of monday February 10th 2020. and i agree with same and all is in order

Thanks

John.

On Mon 10 Feb 2020, 17:39 Denise Walsh, <Denise.Walsh@wlp.ie> wrote:

Hi John,

Attached please find the draft evaluation minutes for you to review.

Thanks & Regards,

Denise Walsh
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Seiceáladh gach iatán le scanóir aimsithe víreas agus ceaptar iad a bheith saor ó víreas. Iarrtar ort áfach, a

dheimhniú go ndéanfar gach teachtaireacht a scanadh ar fhaitíos víris, mar nach féidir aon dliteanas a ghlacadh maidir le haon ionfhabhtú nó damáiste a dhéantar do do chóras ríomhaireachta tríd an ríomhphost seo a fháil.

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