



Thatching Grant Scheme Information



Purpose of the scheme

Kildare County Council operates a Thatching Grant Scheme to assist the owners/occupiers of thatch properties in the county to maintain their thatch roofs. Grants are awarded annually and work must be completed within the year. Applications for retrospective works (works completed prior to application) will **not** be considered.

Examination(s) and/or inspection(s) of the property carried out on behalf of the Council are for the Council's purposes only and payment of a grant involves no warranty on the part of the Council or its employees or agents for the otherwise structural soundness of the dwelling.



The Application Process

Applications for re-thatching and thatching repairs of an existing thatched dwelling will be invited by Kildare County Council. Application forms must be completed in accordance with the **Making an Application** Section below.

Applications will be assessed on the criteria in **Assessment of Applications** below. Applicants will be notified in writing or by email as to the outcome of their application. Works must be completed by 31st October 2025.

Making an Application

Your application form should be accompanied by the following:

1. A detailed estimate of the cost of the proposed works.
2. A map or sketch drawing showing the exact location of the dwelling.
3. Photographs of house & roof current condition.
4. Planning permission register number and Record of Protected Structures /NIAH Reference number where applicable

Submit Your Application

Complete applications can be emailed conservation@kildarecoco.ie or posted to;
The Conservation Section,
Planning Department,
Kildare County Council,
Aras Chill Dara,
Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare.

Closing date

Closing date; 15th April 2025.



Assessment of Applications

The Council may have regard to the following when assessing applications:

Necessity of proposed works.

Quality of works and materials to be used (straw must be replaced with straw).

Funding awarded from other sources.

Status on the Record of Protected Structures /NIAH.

Conditions of grant offer

Funding The balance of the cost of works will be met by the applicant.

Monitoring The Structure will be inspected before a grant offer is made and when works are finished before a grant is paid.

Re-allocation of funding If you are not in a position to proceed with the works, your grant offer will be withdrawn and the funds will be reallocated.

Payment of grant Grants will be paid once work is completed to the satisfaction of Kildare County Council and only to the applicant by EFT. In exceptional circumstances, payment of the grant can be made to the contractor.

Completion date All works must be complete by 31st October 2025.

Notes

A grant is only payable after completed approved works have been inspected and completed satisfactorily by Kildare County Council.

The determination of the amount of any grant shall be a matter for the Council.

Further Enquiries

Enquiries to conservation@kildarecoco.ie