

**KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL – ATHY RURAL LIGHTING ASSISTANCE  
SCHEME**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**Q1: Where can application forms be obtained from?**

Roads, Transportation & Public Safety Department, Level 4, Áras Chill Dara,  
Devoy Park, Naas, County Kildare or Athy Municipal District Office,  
Rathstewart, Athy, Co. Kildare or Kildare County Council's website –  
[www.kildare.ie/countycouncil](http://www.kildare.ie/countycouncil)

**Q2: Who can apply?**

Residents in rural locations in Athy Municipal District who are  
66 years of age (or over) and living on their own or with a spouse or  
with another person 66 years of age (or over) – proof of age may be required.

**Q3: How much Rural Lighting Assistance can I get?**

A maximum once off payment of €200 is to be applied to each property.

**Q4: Who pays the Contractor?**

It is the responsibility of the property owner to arrange payment to the contractor.

**Q5: What is the purpose of the assistance?**

The scheme proposes to assist residents in rural locations to erect external lighting  
on their property with a view to enhancing the security & safety of the property  
and not to illuminate the public highway or adversely compromise the rural  
setting.

**Q6: Who carries out the work?**

Works are to be carried out by RECI approved contractors only.

**Q7: Where is the electrical supply for the lighting obtained from?**

Electrical supply for the lighting is to be via the property domestic connection.

**Q8: Who is responsible for future maintenance?**

The houseowner is responsible for the cost of future maintenance and cost of  
providing energy for the operation of the new lighting installation.

**Q9: What is the extend of the funding for this Scheme?**

The extend of funding for this scheme will be determined on an annual basis by the elected members in Athy Municipal District.

**Q10: Who awards the Assistance?**

The awarding of the assistance is at the discretion of the members of Athy Municipal District.