Memorandum



Heritage Officer Forward Planning Kildare County Council Comhairle Connate Chill Dara

To: Meetings

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From: Bridget Loughlin, Heritage Officer

Date: 03/05/2022

Re: Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022

A total of 41 applications were received under the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022. The projects applied for cover a number of themes which are compatible with the County Heritage Plan i.e. gathering data, raising awareness, dissemination of information, tourism and the creation and conservation of heritage sites or items.

37 of the applications were deemed to be eligible for grant purposes. 4 applications that did not receive funding: 2 applications did not meet the criteria of the scheme and 2 provided bank details of a private individual for payment of grant which is not permitted.

The total value of the applications seeking funding under the 2022 Grant Scheme is €74,558. Please see attached recommended allocation for the Community Heritage Grant Scheme for 2022.

Table 1 Community Heritage Grant recommendations per MD

| MD | No of Apps | Total |
|-------------------|------------|--------|
| Athy | 2 | 2,290 |
| Celbridge | 4 | 4,800 |
| Kildare/Newbridge | 16 | 19,080 |
| Clane/Maynooth | 5 | 6,350 |
| Naas | 7 | 6,330 |
| County | 3 | 3,400 |
| Total | 37 | 42,250 |

Table 2 Allocation to Clane/ Maynooth MD

| No | File Ref. | MD | Name of Group | Project Details | Allocated |
|-------|--------------|-----------------|--|---|-----------|
| 1 | 2 | Clane/ Maynooth | Newtown Community Group | Planting native hedgerows. | €1,200 |
| 2 | 15 | Clane/ Maynooth | Irish Peatland Conservation Council | Prepare a report 'Ireland's Biodiversity Emergency – Peatland Species of Concern in County Kildare'. The aim of this project is for the first time create a list of peatland species in Kildare and present their status. | €1,500 |
| 3 | 16 | Clane/ Maynooth | Maynooth Tidy Towns | Conservation and reuse of the Harbour Field Gates Maynooth. Once restored, the gates will be donated to Maynooth Scouts for installation at the entrance to the Scouts Hall at the Harbour Field. | €1,300 |
| 4 | 18 | Clane/ Maynooth | Ardkill & Templetuagh Graveyard Committee | Heritage Information boards | €950 |
| 5 | 24 | Clane/ Maynooth | John Sullivan IWA | Biodiversity talks, pollinator projects & summer camps for centre members, members of the local community. | €1,400 |
| Total | | | €6,350 | | |

Table 3 Allocation to projects the cover the whole county or more than one MD

| No | File ref | MD | Name of Group | Project Details | Allocated |
|-------|----------|--------|--|---|-----------|
| 1 | 1 | County | Kildare Bat Groups | Identify new brown long eared roost. The group hope to identify new brown long eared roosts within the county through a social media campaign and check each site using a thermal scope, as well as at a dusk emergence count bat survey. | €1,200 |
| 2 | 27 | County | Birdwatch Ireland Kildare branch | Thermal Imaging equipment | €1,200 |
| 3 | 35 | County | North Kildare Beekeepers' Association | Beekeeping education for members | €1,000 |
| Total | | | €3,400 | | |

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Projects not funded in 2022

| No | File Ref | Name of Group |
|----|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | 3 | Narraghmore Development CLG |
| 2 | 31 | Naas Tidy Towns |
| 3 | 30 | Rockfield Res Assoc. |
| 4 | 33 | Cloncurry Heritage Committee |