**COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMME:**

**2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings**

**NOTE: Closing Date 3pm on Thursday, 1st October 2020**

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date Received:

Reference Number:

LCDC recommendation:







GROUP /ORGANISATION NAME:

**ALL APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE RETURNED TO:**

**Donegal LCDC**

**Community & Enterprise**

**Donegal County Council, Station Island, Lifford, F93 X7PK, Co Donegal**

**By 3pm on Thursday, 1st October on 2020**

**CLOSING DATE & TIME WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO.**

**Please read the Application Guidelines for the ‘Community Enhancement Programme: 2020 fund for community centres and community buildings’ before completing this form.**

**Department of Rural and Community Development**

**Community Enhancement Programme: 2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings**

The Department of Rural and Community Development (“the Department”) funds the Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) which provides capital grants to enhance facilities in disadvantaged communities.

It is administered by Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs) in each Local Authority area.

New €5m fund under the CEP

The Department is now launching a new €5m fund, under the CEP, which will provide capital grants towards the maintenance, improvement and upkeep of community centres and community buildings. Similar expenditure on other community facilities will also be considered.

This funding is available under the Government’s July stimulus package, and is targeted at measures that stimulate local economies, while enhancing facilities in disadvantaged areas.

Applications should relate to one or more key priority areas identified in their LCDC’s Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) in order to be eligible for consideration.

##### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

* Under the Community Enhancement Programme (CEP): 2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings, which is funded by the Department, grants will be provided towards capital projects to enhance facilities in disadvantaged areas while stimulating the economy locally. The scheme does not provide funding for the employment of staff.
* The activity or project must benefit the local community and relate to the key priority areas identified in the LECP.
* The information supplied by the applicant group /organisation must be accurate and complete.
* Misinformation may lead to disqualification and/or the repayment of any grant made.
* All information provided in respect of the application for a grant will be held electronically. The Department reserves the right to publish a list of all grants awarded on its website.
* The Freedom of Information Act applies to all records held by the Department and Local Authorities.
* The application must be signed by the Chairperson, Secretary or Treasurer of the organisation making the submission.
* It is the responsibility of each organisation to ensure that it has proper procedures and policies in place, including appropriate insurance, where relevant.
* Applications must be on the 2020 form.
* Applications must include Bank Account Details for organisation/group
* Applications must include Tax Registration No/Tax Clearance Access No or Charitable Status No
* Evidence of expenditure, receipts /invoices must be retained and provided to the LCDC or their representative if requested.
* Grant monies must be expended and drawn down from the LCDC by 31st March 2020. Photographic evidence may be required to facilitate draw down of grants.
* The Department’s contribution must be publicly acknowledged in all materials associated with the purpose of the grant.
* Generally no third party or intermediary applications will be considered.
* Late applications will not be considered.
* Applications by post should use the correct value of postage stamps and allow sufficient time to ensure delivery not later than the closing date of 1st October 2020**.** Claims that any application form has been lost or delayed in the post will not be considered, unless applicants have a Post Office Certificate of Posting in support of such claims.
* Breaches of the terms and conditions of the grants scheme may result in sanctions including disbarment from future grant applications.
* Please ensure the application form is completed in full. Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding.
* In order to process your application it may be necessary for Donegal County Council to collect personal data from you. Such information will be processed in line with the Local Authority’s privacy statement which is available to view on <http://www.donegalcoco.ie/footer/dataprotectionstatement/>.

## All questions on this form must be answered. Please write your answers clearly in block letters.

## SECTION 1 – YOUR ORGANISATION

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| **Name of Group / Organisation** |  |
| Address |  |
| **Eircode** |  |
| Contact name |  |
| Role in Group/Organisation |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| E-mail |  |
| Website |  |
| Alternative Contact name |  |
| Alternative Telephone number |  |
| Alternative E-mail |  |

Please provide a brief organisational description of your group / organisation e.g. committee structure, meeting schedule etc.

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Has your Organisation / Group registered with the relevant local Public Participation Network (PPN)?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

If **NO**, then perhaps you would consider joining the PPN.

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| Year established |  |
| What is the purpose of group / organisation |  |

**Successful applications for funding under this programme will only be paid to the applicant organisation’s Bank Account.**

**Please ensure you submit your Bank/Credit Union Account details with the application – i.e recent Statement. Failure to submit same will deem application invalid.**

Have you received funding under any capital grants schemes from 2017 to current date- i.e. grants from Government Departments, Local Authority or LEADER?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

If **YES** please give details below

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| **Name of scheme** | **Funding organisation** | **Amount received** | **Date received** |
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If any of the above funding was paid through the Local Authority, have you submitted your Bank Account Details previously?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Do you receive funding from any other organisation?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

If **YES** please give details below:

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| **Funding organisation** | **Amount received** | **Date received** |
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Is your organisation affiliated or connected to any relevant local regional or national body?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

If **YES** please give details below:

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| Name of organisation(s): |
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How does your organisation link in with other organisations in your area?

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| Charitable Status Number (if applicable) |  |

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| Tax Reference Number (if applicable) |  |

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| Tax Clearance Access Number (if applicable) |  |

**Failure to provide Charitable Status No or Tax Reference No or Tax Clearance Access No relevant to your group will deem application invalid**

**SECTION 2 – Project Details**

## How much funding are you applying for? Tick one of the below options.

## ☐ Small scale capital grant of €1,000 or less

## ☐ Capital grant in excess of up to €5,000

## PURPOSE OF GRANT

What will the funding be used for?

Note: This list is not exhaustive, but gives examples of types of capital expenditure

☐ Upgrade of community building ☐ Development of community facility

☐ Energy efficiency upgrade ☐ Signage

☐ CCTV ☐ Equipment

☐ Training Equipment ☐ Safety Equipment

☐ Other (Give details)

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What is the purpose of the grant? (Outline details of the project).

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When will your project begin?

When will your project be completed?

Are all relevant permissions in place (e.g. planning, written consent from landowner/property owner if your project involves the development of a property)?

**Not applicable** ☐ **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Is this part of a phased development and/or linked with (or funded by) other schemes operated by Government Departments or the Local Authority?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

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| If **YES** please provide the details below: |
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**FUNDING**

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| Amount being applied for under the CEP: |  | |
| Is this amount a partial or total project cost?  € | ☐Partial | ☐Total |
| If partial, give the estimated total project cost: |  | |

**Important note:** Please include supporting documentation. Please include estimates/quotes from a minimum of three different independent suppliers with this form.

**To be eligible for funding under this programme you must state where you will source any shortfall of funding. Please provide these details below.**

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| **Source** | **Amount** |
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Has your organisation availed of funding under the Communities Facilities Scheme or RAPID in 2017, or the 2018 CEP, or the 2018 Men’s Shed fund, or the 2019 CEP, or the 2019 Men’s and Women’s Shed fund or the 2020 CEP?

**YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

If  **YES**, please give details of the project which received funded in 2017 and/or 2018 and/or 2019 and/or 2020:

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| Please state how your group proposes to publicly acknowledge the Department and LA or LCDC |
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The LCDC will check to ensure that this application works towards addressing priorities within its Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) which you can access on your local authorities’ website. **If your application is for an amount greater than €1,000**, please complete the below table to state which key priority area(s) in the LECP this grant application relates to and the estimated number of people to benefit.

If your application is for a small scale capital grant of €1,000 or less, then you may wish to complete the below table, but you are not required to do so.

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| **Key priority area of LECP** | **No. of beneficiaries** |
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**SECTION 3 - DECLARATION**

* I declare that the information given on this form is accurate and correct.
* I confirm I have read and fully understand the Terms and Conditions of the ‘Community Enhancement Programme: 2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings’ (see page 2 of this form).
* I confirm that I have read the Application Guidelines for the ‘Community Enhancement Programme: 2020 fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings’ prior to completing this form.
* I confirm that this grant application is submitted in acceptance of and compliance with the Terms and Conditions.
* I confirm that the applicant group/organisation does not have the funding to undertake the work/project without this grant aid or alternatively that the grant will facilitate a larger project which they would otherwise be unable to afford.
* I confirm that the applicant group/organisation is tax compliant (if tax registered).

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| **Name in block capitals (on behalf of group / organisation):** |  |
| **Signature:** |  |
| **Position held in group / organisation (block capitals):** |  |
| **Date:** |  |

**CHECKLIST:**

**Signed and completed Application Form □**

**Copy of recent Bank Statement/Credit Union Statement (if necessary) □**

**Details of Charitable Status or Tax Reference or Tax Clearance Access No □**

**Estimates/quotes from three different independent suppliers □**