



Comhpháirtíocht Leader Waterford Leader
Phort Láirge Partnership



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Phort Láirge
Waterford Local Community
Development Committee

SEPT 2021 TARGETED CALL FOR FUNDING ADVANCE NOTICE

The following online information workshop will be held in advance of opening the next official call for Expression of Interests (Eoi) for funding under the new Transitional LEADER Programme 2021-2022

Participation in our online information sessions is compulsory if you intend to apply for funding.

Date	Format	Time
Tues 7th September	Teams Online session	10am - 11am

NB: Please register your interest in this targeted call for funding by emailing info@wlp.ie or claire.connors@wlp.ie, before 12 pm on Friday 3rd September 2021. If you wish others in your organisation to attend online provide email addresses in the body of your email. Max of two per organisation.

Following participation in our online workshop, Waterford Leader Partnership CLG, on behalf of County Waterford LCDC, will seek Expressions of Interest (EOIs)

OPENING DATE FOR EOI'S IS 11AM ON TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER TO 12PM ON FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

Successful & unsuccessful EOIs will be advised by 5pm on Friday 10th September

Successful applicants must be available to participate in an online workshop on completing the funding application on **Tuesday 14th September 10am - 11am**

All Calls for applications open at 11am on Tuesday 14th September however there are two deadlines for submission of applications dependent on whether planning permission is required

If planning is not required, the closing date for applications is Friday 5th November at 12pm

Please note that if planning permission is required, the closing date for applications is longer to facilitate this process with a deadline of Friday 19th November at 12pm

Invitation to application stage does not mean that you will be awarded grant aid as it is a competitive process.
(Please note that the minimum grant amount is €5,000 and the maximum is €200,000)

Funding may be awarded under all themes and sub themes to a maximum of 75% of the total project cost for private promoters subject to participation in an energy base line study (with WLP or LEO) and up to 75% for community group applicants. Consideration of the rate of aid offered will be done on a project-by-project basis.

An Irish version of this Call will be available on our website www.wlp.ie

CALL THEMES & BUDGETS AS FOLLOWS;

**Total Budget under Transitional LEADER Programme €480,000.
Plus European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI) funding of €500,000.**

Local Objective	Strategic Action	Focus of new programme & EURI
LO1 Rural Tourism	1.1 Activity Tourism	Support for new and innovative projects in the areas of climate change, environmental protection and the green, bio and circular economy
	1.4 Community Hostels/RV Parks/Glamping	
LO2 Enterprise Development	2.1 Investment in existing & start up technology	Supports to rural businesses seeking to reach new markets, expand, innovate or diversify in response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic
LO3 Rural Towns	The revitalisation of local Villages through the development of Human Capital, and Capital Investment in two infrastructural projects	Maximising the potential of broadband and the digital economy in communities, including through skills development and building awareness and usage of available remote working facilities
LO 5 Basic services for hard to reach communities	Underpinning Social Inclusion initiatives in Rural Areas through investment in Physical and Human Capital	Community Projects that have not received LEADER Assistance & those seeking to address emerging challenges as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, promoting greater social inclusion
LO 7 Rural Environment	The promotion of greater environmental awareness through training and exemplar projects	Biodiversity measures
LO 8 Protection & Sustainable use of water resources	The promotion of greater awareness around water and water usage through training and exemplar project	Water conservation and recycling initiatives

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NATIONAL FOOD CALL: Please note that we are accepting projects on a rolling basis subject to Departments budgets being available.



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