Report to Council on the Graveyard Grant Scheme 2016

20 applications have been received for the Graveyard Grants Scheme 2016. Applicants are seeking over €34,000 and the budget allocation is €10,000.

Five applications were received after the closing time and due to the limited funding available under the scheme they are not being considered at this stage.

One of the applications was for a private graveyard with application being made by an individual, rather than a community group. This was contrary to the conditions of the grant and so it has not been recommended for funding either.

11 of the applications are now being recommended for approval at the July 2016 Council Meeting (see summary overleaf).

Some applications are premature as they will require consent from the Department Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (DAHG). They are therefore not being recommended for funding this year. These applicants will be advised to seek the necessary permissions in 2016 so that funding can be considered in 2017 should a budget be made available.

With regard to the application for Kilmacar graveyard, permission has previously been acquired from the Department. A method statement (as per Conservation Engineer's Report submitted in 2014) is now required to be submitted to the National Monuments Section of DAHG prior to undertaking the next phase of the works. Funding for items v. and vi. of the Conservation Engineer's report is being recommended (i.e. prepare and submit specification, drawings and method statement).

Recommendation:

Approval is sought for a funding commitment of €12,424.00 for 11 Graveyards. As only €10,000 has been allocated for graveyards within the Amenity Grants budget, it is proposed to fund the remaining €2,424 from the Burial Grounds Improvements budget (€5,000 available).

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LIST OF APPLICATIONS FOR 2016 GRAVEYARD GRANT SCHEME

File Ref.	Applicant Group/Organisation	Graveyard	Amount Sought	Recommended	Consent required	Notes
GGS 2016 - 1	Calvary Cemetery Committee	Calvary Cemetery, Graiguenamanagh	€6,500.00	€2,000.00	No	Replace cross and figure - part funded
GGS 2016 - 2	Eigse Sliabh Rua	Rathpatrick	€1,000.00	€0.00	Yes	Applicant cannot carry out any works without Department consent
GGS 2016 - 3	Kilmacow Parish Old Graveyard Committee	Lower Kilmacow, Dunkitt, Ballinamorahan, Ullid,	€5,524.00	€3,224.00	Yes	General maintenance and tree pruning only
GGS 2016 - 4	Owning Development Group	Old Graveyard, Owning	Unspecified	€500.00	No	General maintenance only.
GGS 2016 - 5	St. Lachtains Old Graveyard Group	St. Lachtains Old Gravevard	€400.00	€400.00	No	General maintenance only.
GGS 2016 - 6	St. Riochs Cemetery	St. Riochs Cemetery	Unspecified	€300.00	No	General maintenance only.
GGS 2016 - 7	Maeve & Seamus Kennedy	Clashacrow Cemetery	Unspecified	€0.00		INELIGIBLE APPLICATION
GGS 2016 - 8	Conahy Heritage Society	St. Mochara's RC Medieval Church, Kilmacar	€4,000.00	€3,000.00	Yes	Preparation of specification, drawings and method statement
GGS 2016 - 9	Bennettsbridge Tidy Towns	Bennettsbridge Graveyard	€3,650.00	€500.00	Yes	General Maintenance only. Applicant cannot carry out other works without Department consent.
GGS 2016 - 10	Kells Tidy Towns	ID - 41 - Rathduff	€1,000.00	€500.00	Yes	General Maintenance only. Applicant cannot carry out other works without Department consent.
GGS 2016 - 11	Kells Union of Parishes	Burnchurch	€1,000.00	€0.00	Yes	Applicant cannot carry out any works without Department consent
GGS 2016 - 12	Inistioge Parish Committee	The Rower Graveyard	€1,750.00	€500.00	Yes	General Maintenance only. Applicant cannot carry out other works without Department consent.
GGS 2016 - 13	St. Colmcilles Graveyard Committee	St. Colmcilles Graveyard, Inistinge	€500.00	€500,00	No	General Maintenance only.
GGS 2016 - 14	Thomastown Tidy Towns	The Thomple, Grennan	€1,500.00	€0.00	Yes	Applicant cannot carry out any works without Department consent
GGS 2016 -15	Cuffes Grange Church Hill Cemetery Committee	Church Hill Cemetery	€1,600.00	€1,000.00	Yes	Replace tarmac and trim trees only. Applicant cannot carry out other works without Department consent.
GGS 2016 -16	Windgap Community Development Ltd	Windgap Graveyard	€1,000.00	€0.00		LATE APPLICATION
GGS 2016 - 17	Paulstown and Goresbridge	Our Lady Queen of Peace	€2,000.00	€0.00		LATE APPLICATION
GGS 2016 - 18	Paulstown and Goresbridge	Holy Trinity Church	€600.00	€0.00		LATE APPLICATION
GGS 2016 - 19	Paulstown and Goresbridge	Holy Family Cemetery	€2,000.00	€0.00		LATE APPLICATION
GGS 2016 - 20	Paulstown and Goresbridge	Church of Assumption	€150.00			LATE APPLICATION
			€34,174.00	€12,424.00		