



15th July, 2024

An Cathaoirleach and Each Member of Kilkenny County Council.

Re: Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme 2024- CCFCS

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The Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme (CCFCS) is funded from development contributions and an annual budget of €250,000 is provided. The budget for 2024, therefore, is €250,000.

Applications for the 2024 CCFCS were advertised with a closing date for receipt of applications of Friday, 10th of May, 2024. The Council received a total of 23 applications and the overall amount being sought in grant funding is €704,902.

The applications were evaluated having regard to the 2022-2024 Scheme, and an evaluation process taking account of the following:

- The feasibility and realistic nature of the project and the matching funds being in place,
- The extent to which the capital project supports the objectives of the County Development Plan,
- The community collaboration and consultation involved and the extent to which the project supports broader community uses,
- The need for the project and the added value that the project will bring,
- The capacity of the community group to deliver the project,
- The demonstration of social inclusion and accessibility and
- The level of disadvantage and social circumstances in the area.

The number of applications received and the variety and nature of the projects illustrate significant local community, rural and cultural development. Similar to previous years a number of applications have a particular focus on providing outdoor recreational facilities in rural communities that can be used all year round.

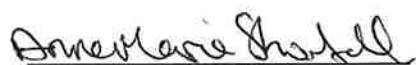
In the context of the available budget of €250,000 and having regard to the criteria of the Scheme and the evaluation process undertaken, I recommend the following applications be grant aided under the Community and Cultural Facilities Capital Grant Scheme 2024.

	Applicant	Project	Amount sought	Amount recommended
1	Cois Nore	Develop and Refurbishment of Community Space	€45,000	€40,000
2	Piltown AFC	Walkway, Lighting and Security Fencing	€45,000	€36,000
3	Callan United AFC	Upgrade of Dressing Rooms and Storage facilities	€39,000	€35,000
4	Gowran Community Compex	Fit out and works to be completed on shell of building to develop community space.	€45,000	€27,000
5	Windgap Handball Club	Replace glass wall, installation of ventilation, upgrade of heating system, lights, shower and toilet facilities, painting of handball alley.	€25,279	€25,000
6	Conahy Shamrocks GAA Club	Replacement of lights and extension of walkway	€45,000	€25,000
7	Inistioge Community Council	Bi folding doors to increase space for large functions	€17,655	€14,000
8	Johnstown Community Hall	Upgrade Seating, enhancements to floor balcony, curtains stage	€20,000	€15,000
9	Danesfort GAA Club	Extension of floodlit walkway	€41,906	€15,000
10	Mullinavat Community Group	Installation of CCTV and fob entry system	€9,000	€9,000

11	Ballyhale Shamrocks	Upgrade of toilets/disability access	€10,930	€9,000
		TOTAL GRANT ALLOCATION		€250,000

A full list of all applications, together with the amount of funds sought, is attached for the information of the Elected Members.

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Anne Marie Shortall
Senior Executive Officer
Community & Culture

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Stoneyford Development Association	Refurbishment of floor, audio visual, lighting and sound, painting of Stoneyford Community Centre	€17,600
John Lockes GAA	Installation of HVAC Air Quality system, ancillary works, electrical & carpentry for club gym	€12,513

Hugginstown District Community	Extension to existing community centre, refurbishment of dressing rooms, kitchen upgrades, repurposing of old gym to community meeting room	€45,000
Droichead Family Resource Centre	Sensory Garden for community and education programmes	€9,000
Lisdowney GAA	Fire Alarm system, emergency lighting, renovation of public toilet	€36,543
Gowran Athletics Club	Enhancement Athletics Training Facilities	€32,625
Castlecomer Hall	Restoration of floor, drainage of play area, intercom system, table and chairs	€21,655
Piltown GAA Club	Install Modern Unisex Dressing Rooms	€45,000
Glenmore Camogie Club	Walkway Upgrade	€45,000
Christian Rock Youth Centre	Increase in costs on previous years project - upgrade of centre	€23,350
Kilkenny Cricket Club	Toilets & Electrics	€35,000
Kilkenny Community Radio	Remove existing roof and recladding	€37,546
	Total Grant Applications	€704,902

