Ethos and focus of awards

The purpose of the Wicklow County Councils Community Pride Scheme is to support group with **LARGE projects that make a significant impact and difference to the lives of the people in their community** under any of the following headings:

- Community Wellbeing
- Communities reaching out to new communities
- Community Tourism
- Community Enterprise

A maximum of 5 grants will be awarded under this category. The maximum grant available is €10,000.

The Award Scheme gives the County Council the opportunity to recognise and value the voluntary contribution made by local groups in their own localities.

Social inclusion is a central theme of the Programme – Social Inclusion is about focusing on the needs of marginalised and disadvantaged groups such as people with disabilities, the unemployed/low income groups, travellers, homeless, lone parents, gay/lesbian/bi-sexual/transgender community, older people, children/young people, rurally isolated etc.

Applications will not be accepted from statutory bodies. Proposals from individuals will generally not qualify.

Pride of Place 2018

Pride of Place in the Community is a National All-Island competition which is directed towards recognising improvements by local communities to create civic pride in their area. The competition focuses on people coming together to shape, change and enjoy all that is good about their area. It is a unique opportunity for community groups to be officially recognised for the valuable work undertaken in their local areas. Successful applicants may be nominated to represent County Wicklow at the All-Island National Pride of Place competition. Wicklow County Council will support these Community Pride winners to represent Wicklow in the All-Island Pride of Place competition.
Appraisal and decision process
A small appraisal committee including representation from the Municipal Districts will consider all applications made under the Community Pride Scheme.

Key considerations in assessing applications will include:

- The strength of the application – it is very important to supply all information requested on the form
- Social inclusion and anti-racism projects
- Sports participation opportunities for disadvantaged
- The ability of the group to carry out the project
- The impact, scope and inclusiveness of the project.
- Sustainability
- Beneficial if the group adheres to the Governance Code
- Beneficial if your group is a member of the Public Participation Network (PPN)

When will grants be paid?
The grants will be paid out to successful applicants at awards ceremonies to be held in each Municipal District during May/June 2018. Dates to be confirmed.

Closing Date
The closing date for receipt of completed applications is **12 noon on Thursday 29th March, 2018**.

An original signed copy of the application form must be received prior to the closing date. Fax or email copies are not acceptable. Late applications will not be considered.

Application Process
Completed application forms should be returned to:

The Office of Community, Cultural & Social Development
Wicklow County Council,
County Buildings
Wicklow

Any queries to Community, Cultural & Social Development. Tel. (0404) 20208 or email: ccsdadmin@wicklowcoco.ie

**PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUPPLIED.**

- Copy of current Bank, Credit Union or An Post statement.
- Copy of group constitution.
WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARDS
2018
APPLICATION FORM

Name of Community/Voluntary Group

Category being applied for:
- Community Wellbeing
- Communities reaching out to new communities
- Community Tourism
- Community Enterprise

Tax Reference Number or Charitable Status (CHY) Number: (if Applicable)

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What are the aims, objectives and ethos of your group?

What are the activities of your group?

What is the activity/project for which you are seeking a grant?

How will this activity be managed?
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<td>Is your group a member of the Public Participation Network?</td>
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DECLARATION:

I declare that all the information given in this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I acknowledge that any funds awarded must be used for the purpose stated.

I also accept as a condition of the grant scheme:

- That it involves no commitment to any other grants from Wicklow County Council in the future.
- Wicklow County Council reserve the right to request further information, if required.
- Wicklow County Council will undertake to review the scheme from time to time and as a result may make any changes necessary without any prior notice and at the Council's discretion.
- That Wicklow County Council hold no responsibility for the project and that the project must meet with all Planning and Health and Safety Regulations.
- To have the project monitored by Wicklow County Council or by its agents, to allow access to its premises and records, as necessary for that purpose.
- To provide details of the grant spent in the Evaluation Form provided by the 31st December, 2018.
- That grant allocation must be used for the project approved and grant monies unspent within the 12 month period must be returned.

Signed: _________________________ Date: ____________________
CHAIRPERSON
Wicklow County Council is currently preparing a database of Community & Voluntary Groups in the county. This will be used exclusively by WCC to inform groups and organisations (by email) of any upcoming grants or community news.

If you wish to be included on this database please complete and sign this form:

Name of Community Group ____________________________________________

Contact email: _____________________________________________________
(Please print)

Contact Name: _____________________________________________________

Signature: _________________________________________________________

Date: ____________________________________________________________