

To: The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

Report to Council on the proposed Community Initiative Scheme 2016

12th July 2016

Grants are provided by the Council under the Community Initiative Scheme (formerly the Contribution Scheme) which was established to encourage and support a number of community, cultural or heritage initiatives. The scheme is open to community based organisations which include initiatives, events and activities which promote cultural and local heritage and generate civic pride. The total budget for the scheme in 2016 is €100,000 and it is recommended that €80,000 be allocated at Municipal District level. It is further recommended that €20,000 be reserved for projects that have a regional culture remit.

The members of each Municipal District were asked to nominate organizations within their district for the scheme for 2016 who meet the above criteria.

The following projects are recommended to the full Council for approval.

Adare - Rathkeale Municipal District

Budget €20,000.

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| 1. Askeaton Civic Trust | €5,000 |
| 2. Foynes Aviation Museum | €5,000 |
| 3. Adare Heritage Company | €4,000 |
| 4. Knockfierna Heritage Society | €2,000 |
| 5. Pallatine Association | €2,000 |
| 6. Crisis Response Team | €1,000 |
| 7. Limerick Community Games | €1,000 |

Cappamore-Kilmallock Municipal District

Budget €10,000.

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| 1. East Limerick Community Radio | €2,000 * |
| 2. Friars Gate Theatre , Kilmallock | €3,000 |
| 3. Comhaltas Fleadh Luimni | €2,000 |
| 4. Lough Gur Development Society Ltd | €3,000 |

**East Limerick Radio is in the process of moving location and not operational at present. If approved the grant will only be issued once the radio station is fully operational.*

Limerick Metropolitan District

Limerick City North

Budget: €10,000

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| 1. Limerick Womans' Network | €1,250 |
| 2. Limerick Autistic Children (DOCHAS) | €1,750 |
| 3. St. Mary's Band | € 750 |
| 4. St. Mary's/St. Senans Boys School (School of Music) | €1,750 |
| 5. Families in Need (Salesian Sisters) | €1,500 |
| 6. St. Mary's Bell Ringers | €1,500 |
| 7. Limerick Senior Citizens Club | € 750 |
| 8. Limerick 23 RD Scouts Caherdavin | € 750 |

Limerick City East

Budget: €10,000

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| 1. Garryowen Comhaltas Ceoltoirí Eireann | €2,000 |
| 2. Mens Shed, Southill | €1,000 |
| 3. Mens Shed, Garryowen | €1,000 |
| 4. Monaleen Active Retirement | € 500 |
| 5. Care for the Aged | € 500 |
| 6. St. John's Senior Citizens | € 500 |
| 7. St. Brigid's / St. Patrick's Senior Citizens | € 500 |
| 8. Monaleen Allotments | € 500 |
| 9. Monaleen Scouts | € 500 |
| 10. Castleconnell Scouts | € 500 |
| 11. Our Lady of Lourdes Centre | € 500 |
| 12. Limerick Community Games | € 500 |
| 13. Limerick International Harp Orchestra | €1,000 |
| 14. O.N.E. | € 500 |

Limerick City West

Budget: €10,000

The elected members for Limerick City West have yet to finalise their recommendation for this scheme and once finalised a report on the recommendations for the area will be submitted to the full Council for consideration.

Newcastle West Municipal District

Budget €20,000

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| 1. Abbeyfeale District Search and Rescue | €5,600 |
| 2. Abbeyfeale Community Leisure | €2,600 |
| 3. Glórach Theatre | €5,600 |
| 4. West Limerick Tourism | €3,600 |
| 5. West Limerick Community Radio | €2,600 |

Regional

It is recommended that the regional element of the budget be allocated to:

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| 1. University Concert Hall Ltd. | €17,000 |
| 2. Irish Chamber Orchestra | € 3,000 |

Recommendation:

Section 66 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended provides for the approval of such grants and the decision to approve the grants as recommended above is a reserved function of the Council.

The members are requested to consider the recommendations listed above for approval.



Pat Dowling
Deputy Chief Executive