



# OUTDOOR RECREATION INFRASTRUCTURE SCHEME 2024/2025

## Measure 1 – Project Expression of Interest Form

### Local Development Company Information



<b>Project Name:</b> (This will be used for the Press Release, if approved)	
<b>Lead Organisation:</b>	
<b>Contact Person:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Telephone No.:</b>	





### Local Community Group Information


<b>Community Group:</b>	
<b>Contact Person:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Telephone No.:</b>	
<b>List all other stakeholders involved in this application:</b>	

### Project Information

<b>Indicative prioritisation given to this project i.e. 1, 2, 3...:</b>	
<b>Please provide a clear and concise description of the</b>	

<p><b>proposed project:</b> (This will be used for the Press Release, if approved, max. 30 words)</p>																									
<p><b>Has this project, or part of, previously received funding under ORIS?</b> If so please outline:</p>																									
<p><b>Location of proposed works:</b></p>																									
<p><b>Please provide the Eircode and/or XY (ITM format) Co-ordinates of the project:</b> XY coordinates should be captured in Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM) formats. Coordinates can be converted to ITM format here: <a href="https://gnss.osi.ie/new-converter/">https://gnss.osi.ie/new-converter/</a>. This data will be used to geo-map all successful projects</p>	<p><b>EIRCODE</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="659 555 1037 613"> <tr> <td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td> </tr> </table> <p><b>XY (ITM)</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="659 745 997 804"> <tr> <td>E</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td> </tr> </table> <table border="1" data-bbox="1042 745 1437 804"> <tr> <td>N</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td> </tr> </table>									E								N							
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<p><b>Please provide a map (if applicable) showing the location of the project and the works that are to be completed:</b></p>																									
<p><b>Exact length of proposed works to be funded under <u>this application</u></b> (if applicable): Identify start and end point on map</p>																									
<p> <b>Outline the steps taken to ensure that the proposed locations and projects have been identified in consultation with relevant communities and in particular in consultation with the local residents, local Community Response Fora, LCDC, LDCs and any other stakeholders.</b> List events that facilitated this consultation e.g. Town-Hall meetings, advertisement, local media, social media, consultation with elected representatives, PPN's, resident's associations etc.</p>																									
<p> <b>Please confirm planning consents e.g. planning</b></p>																									

<p>permission/Part 8 planning consent are all in place at time of application. Please provide planning reference number and expiry date:</p>	
<p>If planning permission is not required, please advise why:</p>	
<p>Do you own or have the written consent of the landowner?</p>	
<p>Is the project located on Coillte or NPWS lands? If yes, please provide written consent of the organisation</p>	
<p> <b>Is the project located in any special area of conservation or designated site e.g. Natura 2000, SAC, SPA, NHA etc.</b> [Check <a href="#">here</a>]</p>	
<p> <b>If it is within, or potentially impacts upon any designated site, have the appropriate screenings and assessments been completed e.g. appropriate assessment, environmental assessments, ecological assessments etc.</b> If so what is the result?</p>	
<p> <b>Outline how the project supports climate action and/or biodiversity:</b> e.g. tree/hedgerow planting on trails, native pollinator plants on trails, cycleways, etc.</p>	
<p> <b>Outline how the project will support an inclusive approach or enhance opportunities for people with disabilities:</b></p>	

 <p><b>Confirm how the project is being delivered as per the relevant guidelines</b> e.g.  <a href="#">Blueways Ireland – Blueway Management &amp; Development Guide</a></p>	
<p><b>Is this amenity free of charge to the public?</b></p>	
<p><b>Are these works part of a larger project:</b>  If yes, what are the objectives of the larger project, and give details of funding approved, applied for and planned for the other phases:   Include details of previous funding applied for or granted under ORIS or any other scheme (RRDF, Sports Capital etc.)</p>	
<p><b>Please provide a full and concise description of the proposed project and the works involved</b> (max 500 words)</p>	
<p><b>How will the applicant provide for the ongoing maintenance of the project?</b></p>	

**Describe in detail how the proposed project supports outdoor recreation with particular reference to Embracing Ireland's Outdoors:**



**Outline how the proposed project addresses an identified need:**



**How will the project impact the local area:**



**How will the project support tourism in the local area:**



**How will the intended outcome be measured** (2 bullet points):

**Detailed Costings for Proposed Project:**

Please provide detailed breakdown of all elements of the proposed works including any professional/other fees/costs:

<b>Project Elements*</b> (provide details of each element )	<b>Cost (inc. VAT)</b>	
1.	€	
2.	€	
3.	€	
4.	€	
5.	€	
6.	€	
7.	€	
8.	€	
<b>Local Development Company costs</b> (if applicable)		
1.	€	
2.	€	
3.	€	
4.	€	
<b>Professional fees</b> (e.g. architectural, engineering, survey costs)	€	% of total project cost:
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	€	
<b>Grant Aid amount sought</b> (Max of 90% of total project costs)	€	
<b>Match Funding:</b> (Min 10% of total cost)	€	

\*Failure to provide adequate detail and costings will result in the project receiving lower marks

**Timelines:**

Projects funded under Measure 1 should be completed within 18 months of approval. It is expected that these projects will be approved in Q2, 2025.

Please provide an indicative time frame for completion of the project:

<b>Indicative time frame: (Weeks/Months)</b>	
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## **Use of Data**

The information on this Application Form will be used by the Department of Rural and Community Development for the purposes of processing the application. Further information may be sought by the Department to clarify aspects of the project proposal. The application form will be shared with Fáilte Ireland for assessment purposes. The Department may draw on broader, more specialist expertise where required, and such information as considered necessary to complete an assessment of your application may be shared with those experts

The Applicant and the Department are subject to the data protection and privacy laws of Ireland and the EU, in particular the Data Protection Act 2018 and Regulation (EU) 2016/679, known as the EU General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”). Any personal information which you provide as part of the application process will be obtained and processed in compliance with Data Protection legislation.

The Department retains the right to disclose for the purposes of a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 or otherwise, in connection with the funded project(s) –

- i. any information supplied by the Applicant to the Department, and
- ii. any relevant data gathered by the Department in administering grant aid to the project, except where the information is considered to be personal or commercially sensitive.

## **Declaration by Lead Applicant**

This declaration must be signed by an officer authorised at a senior level within the lead applicant organisation i.e. at least Director of Services level in a local authority or Chief Executive Officer in a local development company.

I confirm that I have read and understood this document and declare that the particulars supplied in this application are true and correct and that –

- This project is eligible under the ORIS criteria and *Embracing Ireland’s Outdoors*.
- The costings are accurate and reasonable.

- Match funding is available for the project.
- All necessary permissions are in place: planning permission/Part 8 planning consent (if applicable) etc.
- All relevant ecological survey work has been undertaken e.g. Appropriate Assessment screening, bat surveys etc.
- There is evidence of ownership (if applicable) or the consent of the landowner.
- The project will comply with Public Procurement Guidelines.
- The project conforms to the LECP and other local or regional plans.
- No funding has been allocated for the same works from any other sources.

Proof of the above is not required at the time of application but must be available to the Department or its agents on request.

I acknowledge the information regarding the use of data set out above and give consent to the Department of Rural and Community Development for the sharing of all information, personal or otherwise, contained in this application and any attachments accompanying it, in accordance with the uses of the data and information provided above.

**Signed on behalf of** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Lead Applicant Organisation)**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name in Block Capitals** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

All completed Expression of Interest Forms under Measure 1 must be submitted in **WORD Format** to [info@wcdp.ie](mailto:info@wcdp.ie) by **4.00 p.m. on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. All submissions will be subject to a competitive selection process.  
**Expression of Interest Forms received after this date and time will not be considered for the 2024/2025 Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme.**