

Applications invited for Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) Funding 2018



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Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee is pleased to announce that grant applications are being invited under the national Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) Grants Programme 2018. This is a new scheme with a total budget of €4.5m announced by the Minister for Rural and Community Development Michael Ring on the 31st of May 2018.

The CEP is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development and administered by the Local Community Development Committees (LCDDCs) in each Local Authority area. The total funding allocated for the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown area is €142,108. This new scheme replaces two former schemes, the RAPID programme and the Community Facilities Scheme from 2017. The funding allocation represents an increase of €13,108 over the combined funding from the two previous schemes.

A minimum of 30% of the funding will be ring-fenced for projects costing up to €1,000 with the remaining funding being directed towards larger projects.

Applications are invited for funding for capital projects that target the relevant groups or issues in disadvantaged areas and seek to enhance communities in disadvantaged areas as identified in the DLR Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2021. Applications should relate to strategic themes in the DLR Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2021 in order to be eligible for consideration.

In line with the ethos of the Scheme, applications for funding for projects targeting the following (non-exhaustive) list of groups and issues, including complementarity with the DLR Local Economic and Community Plan, will receive priority:

- Youth
- Older people
- People with a disability
- Immigrants
- Refugees
- Travellers
- Ex-prisoners and families of prisoners/ex-prisoners

- Projects promoting cultural activity
- Projects promoting equality
- Community development projects
- Projects promoting integration
- Projects which qualify under the Creative Ireland Programme 2017-2022 pillars

Please see the [Application Form and Guidelines](#) on how to apply for the funding.
Applications are to be received by **5 p.m. on the 30th of July 2018.**

