# **Research Opportunity:**

Community and Cultural Asset-Based Overview

dlr Arts Office is looking for suitably qualified individuals or organisations to research, consult and collate a community and cultural asset-based overview of the Kilternan and Glencullen areas of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County.

The purpose of this research is two-fold:

- 1. To identify existing community and cultural assets in the Kilternan and Glencullen areas in order to support the future development of creative projects in the area with local people.
- 2. To enable dlr Arts office to understand better how we can further develop our services for and with people living and working in the Kilternan and Glencullen areas.

This research is being commissioned by dlr Arts Office and funded by Arts Council.

## Background

This research is aimed at supporting the development of future projects where the participation of the local people in the areas identified is the primary focus. The approach is based on previous place based participatory arts work, for example EXIT 15,a longterm creative programme based in Ballyogan (www.dlrcoco.ie/en/arts-community/exit-15). dlr Arts Office recognises that foccusing on the existing community and cultural activities, spaces, groups and people is key to creating a better understanding and insight into the areas for planning participatory arts projects.

This approach is based on Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) practice. The ABCD method prioritises a grassroots, bottom-up approach.

#### **Research brief**

The scope of this work includes desk research, consultation with local people, services, community and cultural groups and local authority staff that are currently living and working in the Kilternan and Glencullen areas.

# The expected outcome from this process will be a written report with the following outputs required:

**1.** An overview of existing community and cultural assets in the Kilternan and Glencullen areas.

We want the researcher/s to create an overview of the community and cultural assets of the areas identified. This will include community and

cultural spaces (for example what are the schools, parks, sports facilities), people (for example voluntary and creative groups), services and other assets in the areas.

2. Identify and capture information about current creative and community activity from people living and working in Kilternan and Glencullen.

Developing an understanding about the local areas of Kilternan and Glencullen is key to this work. Working with communities requires recognising and identifying key existing connectors and groups as assets to co-create and co-produce participatory arts practices in the future. Based on conversations with people and groups living and working in the area, we require the researcher/s to create a picture for dlr Arts Office as to what activities are currently taking place in the community and cultural spaces identified in the overview.

**Research Fee:** A maximum budget of  $\in$ 5,500 is available to include all associated costs and VAT (if applicable).

## Timeline:

Deadline for applications: Thursday 13 October 2022 at 5pm.

Research is required to be completed by early January 2023 and final report submitted to dlr Arts Office by Monday 6 February 2023.

# **Selection Criteria:**

The following criteria will apply and be weighted accordingly:

1. Demonstrated understanding of requirements and approach to this research opportunity. (35/100)

2. Evidenced research experience in similar contexts

(50/100)

3. Value for money

(15/100)

# **Requirements:**

The proposal should provide the following information:

- Outline of research approach (please outline proposed methods and project plan).
- 3 examples of relevant previous experience (please include the names of referees for each example).
- Cost include full breakdown of costs.

Queries: Please contact Máire Davey, Assistant Arts Officer email: mdavey@dlrcoco.ie or phone: 01 2362756

## Deadline for applications: Thursday 14 October 2022

Email application to <a href="mailto:mdavey@dlrcoco.ie">mdavey@dlrcoco.ie</a>

#### Insurance

The selected researcher agrees to keep Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council fully indemnified against all claims howsoever arising and howsoever caused in respect of any damage, loss or injury of any kind or nature, whether arising directly or indirectly from the provision of the research and to provide evidence of Public Liability insurance which indemnifies Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council with a limit of indemnity of €6.5 million.

It is the responsibility of the selected researcher to ensure that other person(s) not employed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council but employed by the researcher to assist them with the project have adequate Public Liability ( $\in$ 6.5 million) and Employer's Liability ( $\in$ 13 million) cover which indemnify both Dún LaoghaireRathdown County Council and the researcher.

#### **Freedom of Information**

The provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 apply to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. Applicants should state if any of the information supplied by them is confidential or sensitive and should not be disclosed to a request for information under the aforementioned Act. Applicants should state why they consider the information to be confidential or commercially sensitive.

#### GDPR

All information provided for this expression of interest will be held in line with Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Data Protection Policies and will remain in the sole ownership of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office. Information supplied in the application will only be used by dlr Arts Office and the local services involved for the purposes of administering and managing this research opportunity.

You may withdraw your consent to the retention of the information relating to your application at any point by sending an email to <a href="mailto:arts@dlrcoco.ie">arts@dlrcoco.ie</a>

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right not to select if none of the applications received are deemed to be suitable. In this instance, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right to pursue a different procurement process.