



Fermanagh & Omagh
District Council
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Grant Aid Guidance Notes

**Funding for the enclosed Grant Aid Streams covers the period
1 October 2020 to 31 March 2021**

Grant Aid Call Opening Date:
14 October 2020

Grant Aid Call Closing Date:
5 November 2020 @ 5.00pm

Please note retrospective funding is not eligible.

Before submitting an application, groups are recommended to contact the relevant department to discuss the application. Officers are available to assist with any queries you may have regarding your application or the criteria. Please make sure you contact an officer well in advance of the closing date to avoid disappointment. Officer contact details are listed under each Grant Aid Stream over leaf.

These Grant Aid Guidance Notes should be read in conjunction with Fermanagh & Omagh District Council's Grant Aid Code of Practice, which is available to download on the Council's website. <https://www.fermanaghomagh.com/services/funding-and-grants/>

Grant Aid - for Older Persons Groups

On this occasion Older Persons Groups must apply directly through the Council for funding

Grant Aid - Guidance Notes
For this Grant Aid Call 2020/21

- Good Relations
- Irish in the Community
- Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)
- Remembering & Commemoration - Decade of Centenaries
- Seeding Grant
- Ulster Scots in the Community

Name of the Programme	Good Relations
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 October 2020 to 31 March 2021
Brief Description	<p>Good Relations grant aid is available to groups that demonstrate they wish to deliver programmes or organise events that will address one of the following themes:</p> <p>1: Our Children and Young People</p> <p>1.1 Improving attitudes between young people from different backgrounds or</p> <p>1.2 Young people engaging in bringing the community together</p> <p>2: Our Shared Community</p> <p>2.1 Increased use of shared space and services (e.g. leisure centres, shopping centres, education, housing)</p> <p>2.2 Shared Space is accessible to all</p> <p>3: Our Safe Community</p> <p>3.1 Reduce the prevalence of hate crime and intimidation</p> <p>3.2 A community where places and spaces are safe for all.</p> <p>4: Our Cultural Expression</p> <p>4.1 Increased sense of belonging (widens contribution beyond community background)</p> <p>4.2 Cultural diversity is celebrated.</p> <p>This programme has received financial support from the Executive Office. under the Together: Building a United Community Strategy can be viewed on: www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk</p>
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>Applicants should demonstrate that their project focuses on one or more of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To develop opportunities for groups to explore their own cultures, beliefs and traditions, thus increasing their capacity to develop relationships of trust with those of different traditions and values. 2. To develop opportunities for groups to extend their knowledge and understanding of others' cultures, beliefs, and traditions - increasing their acceptance of and respect for diversity. 3. To enable groups to challenge stereotypes of their own and other communities in order to acknowledge and address difference. 4. To increase the ability and confidence of groups and organisations to identify and address those issues that divide them. 5. To develop networks of communication, trust and co-operation between divided communities. 6. To promote models of good practice for community relations work in Northern Ireland. <p>A detailed programme of activities must be submitted with the application.</p> <p>Please note: Refreshments will only be awarded up to a maximum of 20% of grant aid allocation.</p>

Grant Amount	Maximum grant available £1,500
	<p>Activities and items that can NOT be funded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project/Events that are one off • Retrospective applications. • Fundraising events or activities. • Organisations own facility hire – groups cannot claim for and pay for the use of their own facilities. • Commemorative Events should apply to Arts, Culture & Heritage. • Arts/Sports activities • Recognition Events • Salary Costs
Responsible Service Area / Match Funder	Community Services / The Executive Office
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with officers within the Good Relations Team:</p> <p>Hugo Sweeney, Pauline Clarke, Rumena Kostadinova-McCabe, Tommy McLaughlin</p> <p>By telephone: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - 0300 303 1777</p> <p>By email: hugo.sweeney@fermanaghomagh.com pauline.clarke@fermanaghomagh.com rumena.kostadinova-McCabe@fermanaghomagh.com tommy.mclaughlin@fermanaghomagh.com</p>

Name of the Programme	Irish in the Community
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 October 2020 to 31 March 2021
Brief Description	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council wants to support projects, activities and groups that will actively contribute to enhancing the cultural life of the district.</p> <p>Through this grant scheme the council wants to open up opportunities for people to experience high quality access to the Irish Language. Applications must be about a project or an activity that takes places within the district.</p> <p>If the project / activity is unable to take place in a venue due to COVID 19 restrictions. Alternative online costs will be considered.</p> <p>Applicants are advised to contact an officer to discuss their application prior to submission.</p>
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>Sample Programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short courses or more sustained courses in your area. • One day intensive courses • Programmes exploring literature, songs, sport etc. in Irish. <p>These sample programmes are for illustration only, groups will not be restricted to these formats.</p> <p>Eligible Expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme with a minimum of 16 teaching hours (5 hrs per tutor for a one day intensive course) • Venue Hire • Learning resources • Facilitator (maximum contribution £25 per hour) <p>Applications will be assessed against the potential of the project to contribute and enhance the cultural life of Fermanagh and Omagh District through the following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engaging Communities – (weighted at 50%) - Strengthening the Sector – (weighted at 50%) <p>Your proposed project must address and score against at least one of the two priorities.</p> <p>Engaging Communities - we mean that the proposal must include some kind of active participation (audiences are not active) such as classes, workshops or a masterclass. It might be with a community of interest (e.g. young people) or the wider community.</p> <p>Strengthening the Sector - we mean the Irish Language sector in the district. This is likely to mean addressing gaps in provision (e.g. geographical, format), collaboration with others and supporting the delivery of the Community Plan priorities (quality of life, Early Years, families, environment, Older People, health & well-being).</p>

	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council is keen to support opportunities for children and young people to access Irish within their local communities.</p> <p>Please ensure to provide as much information as possible in your application.</p>
Average Grant Amount	<p>Irish language Conversation circle £250; Irish language Classes with facilitator £1000; One day Irish intensive Irish Language Course £500</p> <p>Please note a tutor must be external to the organisation / group.</p>
Responsible Service Area	Arts and Heritage / Council Funding
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with the following officers: Fiona Crudden, Irish Language Officer (Policy and Planning) Kevin Goodwin, Irish Language Development Officer</p> <p>By telephone: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - 0300 303 1777</p> <p>Email: fiona.crudden@fermanaghomagh.com or kevin.goodwin@fermanaghomagh.com</p>

Name of the Programme	Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Security Equipment Grant
Programme Dates	<p>The project must be <u>completed by 1 March 2021</u>. There will be no extensions or ability carry over funding into the next financial year. All claims and reports must be submitted no later than 31 March 2021.</p>
Brief Description	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh Policing and Community Safety Partnership aims to create safer, shared communities. To help achieve this, the Fermanagh and Omagh Policing and Community Safety Partnership Security Equipment Grant has been designed to assist groups to implement practical crime prevention initiatives for their community owned premises.</p> <p>Only one application per group/organisation can be submitted.</p> <p>Applications will only be accepted from groups/organisations based in the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council area.</p> <p>Successful projects will be expected to complete and provide all monitoring and evaluation requirements in line with Outcomes Based Accountability (OBA) identifying how much you did, how well you did it and the change the project made to people's lives i.e. is anyone better off as a result.</p> <p>PCSP Project Officers will assist successful applicants in fulfilling this requirement.</p> <p>This programme has received financial support from the Department of Justice and the Northern Ireland Policing Board and is administered through Fermanagh and Omagh District Council.</p>
Eligibility	<p>Applicant groups must be a not for profit constituted community or voluntary group with an annual AGM.</p> <p>The following are excluded from applying to this funding stream:</p> <p><u>Applicant groups</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools • Sports Clubs • Places of Worship • Commercial Enterprises <p><u>Activities that</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duplicate existing services • Retrospective funding • Substitution for statutory funding • Promote religious belief • Party political activity

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals • Initiatives that involve the redistribution of funding as small grants • Organisations that did not comply with previous grant aid reporting requirements.
<p>Programme Specific Criteria</p>	<p>The PCSP Security Equipment Grant small grants programme has been developed to provide groups/organisations with funding that will enable specific activities to be implemented. These activities will result in positive and measurable change in terms of community safety.</p> <p>The objective of the PCSP Security Equipment Grant is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • help prevent crime in communities • assist people to feel safer and become more engaged in their communities. <p>The PCSP Security Equipment Grant will provide grants of up to £5,000 for community organisations to implement practical crime prevention initiatives. The Grant will provide funding for security equipment for community facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • locks • replacement doors* • security lighting • security screens • alarms (without video surveillance i.e. CCTV is NOT eligible) • fencing • gates. <p>*Building Control approval is required for replacement doors and evidence of such approval is required to support the funding expenditure claim.</p> <p>The following costs are NOT eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCTV <p>All queries re eligibility should be directed to Carol Follis, PCSP Manager – see contact details below.</p> <p>Retrospective funding will NOT be considered. Groups must be in receipt of a Letter of Offer before they incur any project expenditure.</p> <p>Successful groups must also adhere to the terms and conditions of the Letter of Offer.</p> <p>To be considered, applications must demonstrate how their project addresses the following:</p> <p>Essential:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrates evidence of need for the identified community safety issue 2. Increases community safety through local intervention 3. Identifies the positive outcomes/changes the project will deliver. <p>The PCSP reserves the right to carry out a site visit as part of the assessment process.</p>

Funding Acknowledgement	Successful applicants are expected to acknowledge funding support from the Fermanagh and Omagh PCSP e.g. group Facebook page, annual report etc. Successful applicants must participate in a photo opportunity post project completion and for the images to be used on PCSP Facebook page, annual report and other publications.
Average Grant Amount	Grant aid of 100% of total project costs is available up to a maximum of £5,000. The grant will be paid out on submission of funding expenditure claim form. Smaller grants will be considered.
Responsible Service Area	Community, Health and Leisure Service / Department of Justice and the Northern Ireland Policing Board
Primary Contact	Carol Follis, Policing and Community Partnership Safety Manager
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	Applications can be discussed with officers within PCSP PCSP Officers who are trained in crime prevention are available to assist with planning for the project. Please contact Carol Follis if you wish to avail of this service. By telephone: 07712540263 By email: carol.follis@fermanaghomagh.com

Name of the Programme	Remembering and Commemoration - Decade of Centenaries
Programme Dates	<p>Funding covers the period: 01 October 2020 to 31 December 2023</p> <p>It is anticipated that this grant stream will be open at the following times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October 2020 - February 2021 - September 2021 - February 2022 - September 2022 <p>The priority for 2020/21 is “NI2021 – Partition and the birth of Northern Ireland”</p> <p>The priority for 2021/22 is “1912 – 1922; Connection and Division”</p>
Brief Description	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council has established a Councillor led working group to oversee the delivery of a programme to mark the key centenary anniversaries taking place in in the period 2012 – 2023.</p> <p>Funding is now available for groups that wish to organise centenary initiatives, events, activities, record and archive local stories or carry out research leading to public lecture, exhibition or publication relating to the period 1912 - 1923.</p> <p>Applications will only be accepted from Groups based in the Fermanagh & Omagh District Council area or for projects with a specific relevance to the Fermanagh and Omagh District area.</p> <p>The priority for 01 October 2020 to 31 March 2022 is “NI2021 – Partition and the birth of Northern Ireland”.</p> <p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council is keen to see applications for projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on the local impact of the Partition of Ireland and the birth of Northern Ireland on 03 May 1921 • Mark the centenary of a specific event or events relevant to the Fermanagh and Omagh District • Capture local stories and oral histories • Mark the role of women in the events of the “Decade of Centenaries” • Explore and increase understanding of the events of the “Decade of Centenaries” in Fermanagh and Omagh District

<p>Programme Specific Criteria</p>	<p>All proposals must demonstrate how they will adhere to the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council agreed key principles of Commemorating and Remembering: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Start from the historical facts 2. Recognise the implications and consequences of what happened; 3. Understand that different perceptions and interpretation exist; and 4. Show how events and activities can deepen understanding of the period. <p>All to be seen in the context of an ‘inclusive and accepting Society’.</p> <p>Further explanation of these principles and other relevant background information can be found at - https://www.community-relations.org.uk/decade-centenaries.</p>
<p>Programme Specific Criteria</p>	<p>The following criteria will be used in the assessment process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A demonstration of how the proposed initiative, event or activity is relevant to a centenary and has a local resonance 2. Evidence of how the initiative, event or activity meets the key principles of remembering 3. The capacity of the applicant to deliver the event, initiative or activity <p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council will prioritise projects that;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Encourage groups with differing perspectives to work together towards a shared narrative. 2. Are inclusive and encourage people from a range of backgrounds to take part. <p>All costs associated with the delivery of an initiative, event or activity are eligible for funding. However, no more than 20% of the grant applied for can be used for hospitality and catering.</p>
<p>Grant Amount</p>	<p>It is anticipated that Fermanagh and Omagh District Council will be making the following awards in 2020/21:</p> <p>Small Grants of up to £1,000 A maximum of 4 Grants of up to £5,000</p> <p>Small Grants of up to £1,000 are for community led projects of local interest.</p> <p>Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are for significant projects that will achieve at least two of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Leave a lasting legacy ii. Create lasting local/regional/national partnerships iii. Increase knowledge and understanding of the period
<p>Responsible Service Area / Match Funder</p>	<p>Community, Health and Leisure / Council Funding</p>

Contact Information	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District council is keen to work with and support groups seeking to mark, research and remember the Decade of Centenaries. It is therefore strongly advised that you discuss any potential application prior to submission.</p> <p>Applications can be discussed with officers: Sarah McHugh, Pauline Clarke, Ian Davidson</p> <p>By telephone: 0300 303 1777</p> <p>By email: ian.davidson@fermanaghomagh.com sarah.mchugh@fermanaghomagh.com pauline.clarke@fermanaghomagh.com</p>
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Name of the Programme	Seeding Grant Aid
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 October 2020 to 31 March 2021
Brief Description	A seeding grant is available to new groups/organisations within the first 12 months of existence to assist with initial administrative expenses whilst they are establishing themselves.
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>Groups/Organisations should identify how their activities will meet identified need and further address the themes and strategic actions outlined in the Fermanagh & Omagh District Council Corporate Plan. (See Grant Aid Code of Practice).</p> <p>To apply for a seeding grant groups/organisations must have an adopted constitution and a group bank account.</p>
Average Grant Amount	£200
Responsible Service Area / Match Funder	Community Services / Department for Communities
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with officers within the Community Services Team:</p> <p>Gary Mortland, Catherine Garry, Josephine Treanor, Kellie Beacom, Neville Armstrong, Steven Ormsby</p> <p>By telephone: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - 0300 303 1777</p> <p>By email: gary.mortland@fermanaghomagh.com catherine.garry@fermanaghomagh.com josephine.treanor@fermanaghomagh.com kellie.beacom@fermanaghomagh.com neville.armstrong@fermanaghomagh.com steven.ormsby@fermanaghomagh.com</p>

Name of the Programme	Ulster Scots in the Community
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 October 2020 to 31 March 2021
Brief Description	The Ulster Scots in the Community Grant Aid will provide support to a variety of organisations towards the delivery of programmes addressing Ulster Scots in the community.
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>The applicant organisation should demonstrate how the proposed programme is responsive to local need.</p> <p>Programmes must promote Ulster Scots language and culture, music, drama dance or heritage.</p> <p>Applicant organisations must address one or more of the following: All programmes may include but not limited to: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Language 2. Musical activities 3. Dance 4. Literature 5. Drama 6. Heritage 7. Short talks 8. Educational visits exploring any significant anniversaries or historical period
Average Grant Amount	£500
Responsible Service Area	Community Services
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with the following officer:</p> <p>Tommy McLaughlin Good Relations Officer</p> <p>By telephone: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council - 0300 303 1777</p> <p>By email: tommy.mclaughlin@fermanaghomagh.com</p>