



Bursary - Guidance Notes

**Funding for the enclosed Bursary Streams covers the period
1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023**

Opening Date: 13 February 2023

Closing Date: 13 March 2023 @ 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 Bursary 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/sponsorship-grants-bursaries/grant-aid/grant-aid-arts-community-sports/>

For Sports, applications **MUST** be submitted **PRIOR** to the Tournament, Competition or Event taking place, applications cannot be made retrospectively.

Application forms can be completed through the Council's Grant Manager Portal which can be accessed at:- <https://fermanaghomagh.eformz.info/>

If you require any assistance with completing the application form please contact the Grants & Investment Unit, Fermanagh and Omagh District Council:

Tel: 0300 303 1777

Email: grants@fermanaghomagh.com

Bursary - Guidance Notes 2023 / 2024 (1st Call)

Bursaries:

- Irish Language Gaeltacht (Minors, Adult, Family)
- Irish Language (Academic)
- Sport

Name of the Programme	Irish Language Gaeltacht - Bursary (Minors 1, 2 3, 4, Adult, Family)
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 July 2023 - 31 August 2023
Brief Description	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council wishes to support Irish Language learners through the provision of bursary awards opening up opportunities for people to experience Irish language, cultural and heritage experiences.</p> <p>Minor 1 - Bursary Up to £150 for attending a 1 week course for students aged 12-14. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council area to apply and evidence of attendance at a Gaeltacht course must be produced to receive the award.</p> <p>Minor 2 - Bursary Up to £270 for attending up to 3 week course for students aged 12-14. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council area and evidence of attendance at a Gaeltacht course must be produced to receive the award.</p> <p>Minor 3 - Bursary Up to £270 for attending up to 3 week course for students aged 14-16. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council district and evidence of attendance at a Gaeltacht course must be produced to receive the award.</p> <p>Minor 4 - Bursary Up to £270 for attending up to 3 week course for students aged 16-18. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council area and evidence of attendance at a Gaeltacht course must be produced to receive the award.</p> <p>Adult Bursary 18+ Up to £150 for attending a 1 week course for learners 18+. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council area and evidence of attendance at a Gaeltacht course must be produced to receive the award.</p> <p>Family Bursary Up to £300 for attending a course at the Gaeltacht. At least one adult and one child are required to attend, and evidence of attendance must be produced to receive award. Applicants must be a resident within Fermanagh and Omagh Council area.</p>

Programme Specific Criteria	<p>All applications will be assessed on the contributions to and enhancements of the cultural life of Fermanagh and Omagh District under the following headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of significant benefit to the applicant(s) • Development of linguistic skills of the applicant(s) • Contribution to the cultural life of the FODC district <p>The form can be completed in English, Irish or a combination of both languages. Language choice will have no adverse effect on your application.</p> <p>All applications will be assessed to ensure applicants meet the basic threshold for application. If an application is successful at this point, applicants will progress to random selection.</p>
Average Grant Amount	<p>Range between £150 - £300 Irish Language Bursaries are subject to funding availability.</p>
Responsible Service Area	<p>Community & Wellbeing Directorate</p>
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with Irish Language Officer:</p> <p>Fiona Crudden Telephone: 0300 3031777 Email: fiona.crudden@fermanaghomagh.com</p>

Name of the Programme	Irish Language Academic - Bursary
Programme Dates	Funding covers the period: 1 April 2023 to 29 February 2024
Brief Description	<p>Fermanagh and Omagh District Council wishes to support Irish Language learners in pursuing academic achievement in Irish.</p> <p>Applicants must be aged 18+ who intend to enrol in an Irish Language diploma/degree at either undergraduate or postgraduate level or who are already enrolled.</p> <p>Applicants are advised to contact an Officer to discuss their application prior to submission.</p>
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>Applications will be assessed against the following key priority of the Irish Language Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empower Irish Language speakers and communities <p>Empower Irish Language speakers and communities – this means that the applicant should give details of their language learning journey and their contribution to the Irish Language community within the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council area.</p> <p>This bursary is only available once per academic achievement, successful applicants cannot apply for this bursary again while still studying for the same academic achievement.</p>
Average Grant Amount	<p>£500</p> <p>Irish Language Bursary is subject to funding availability.</p>
Responsible Service Area	Community & Wellbeing Directorate
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Applications can be discussed with Irish Language Officer:</p> <p>Fiona Crudden Telephone: 0300 3031777 Mobile: 07740454962 Email: fiona.crudden@fermanaghomagh.com</p>



Name of the Programme	Sports Bursary
Brief Description	<p>The Sports Bursary Grant Aid is to support and provide assistance to sporting individuals who have been selected to represent their sport at National, European, and/or International level.</p> <p>Individuals can avail of Sports Bursary funding to assist with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tournament / Competition / Event Entry Fee• Tournament / Competition / Event Travel Costs• Tournament / Competition / Event Accommodation Costs <p>A maximum Sports Bursary amount of £250.00 per individual is available within any financial year.</p> <p>Sports Bursary applications must be received prior to the tournament / competition / event taking place. Applications cannot be made retrospectively.</p> <p>Applications will be received on an ongoing basis and assessed twice per year. This may not be until after your tournament / competition / event takes place, however, the application form must be received by the Council before the event takes place.</p> <p>Submission of a Sports Bursary application is not a guarantee of financial assistance.</p> <p>Applicants should retain evidence of all expenditure incurred.</p>
Programme Specific Criteria	<p>Applicants must;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be involved in an amateur capacity.• Be selected for National / European / International duties.• Reside within the Fermanagh & Omagh District Council area (unless currently studying at College or University).• Enter only one competition / event per application.• Provide a signed letter from a National Governing Body of Sport (NGB), confirming selection for National / European / International duties. NGB must be recognised by a Sports Council e.g., Sport NI, Sport Ireland, UK/GB; or the NGB is affiliated to a NGB recognised by a Sports Council. This letter must be submitted with the Sports Bursary application.• Check and confirm that the NGB is recognised by a Sports Council e.g., Sport NI, Sport Ireland, UK/GB; or the NGB is affiliated to a NGB recognised by a Sports Council. Please click the links below: <p>Sport NI - Recognised English and UK ngbs (sportni.net) Sport Ireland - NGB Contact Finder Sport Ireland</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If required, provide evidence that the NGB is affiliated to a NGB recognised by a Sports Council. This must be a signed letter from the NGB that the NGB is affiliated to. <p>The following is ineligible criteria for the Sports Bursary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Applications received after the tournament / competition / event has taken place. Sports Bursary applications will not be considered if received retrospectively. 2. No signed letter from the NGB confirming the selection of the person seeking the bursary. 3. NGB is not recognised by a Sports Council e.g., Sport NI, Sport Ireland, UK/GB; the NGB is not affiliated to a NGB recognised by a Sports Council; and/or no evidence that the NGB is affiliated to a NGB recognised by a Sports Council. 4. Expenditure incurred with training camps, training programmes or friendly events.
Average Bursary Amount	£250 per individual (per financial year). Sports Bursary is subject to funding availability.
Responsible Service Area	Community & Wellbeing Directorate
Contact Information for applicant support purposes	<p>Ryan Hanna - Community Facilities and Club Development Team Leader Email: ryan.hanna@fermanaghomaggh.com Tel: 0300 303 1777 ext. 21168 Mob: 07702 919798</p> <p>Keith Collen - Community Wellbeing Manager Email: keith.collen@fermanaghomaggh.com Tel: 0300 303 1777 ext. 21165 Mob: 07979 530765</p>