

LEADER 2017 Targeted Call

Sub Theme	Obj. #	Local Objective	Eligible Actions/Projects	Investment Type	Targeted Call Budget (2017)	Grant Ceiling
Broadband	11	To develop Donegal as a connected place physically and digitally, by enhancing accessibility to quality infrastructure and ICT in rural areas	Broadband access & digital participation projects such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT training to priority groups e.g. digital skills, basic e-skills, programming for young people, digital marketing etc. • Small scale equipment e.g. computer suites in community centres, boosters etc. • Feasibility studies to determine broadband deficiencies 	Capital, Training, A&D	€100,000	€10,000
Basic Services	15	To foster local community participation in the Digital Society by supporting projects and initiatives that facilitate the growth of sustainable and inclusive communities through the use of ICT and digital technologies				
Basic Services	14	To develop community space & infrastructure within the county that will ensure better access for example to ICT, Training, Language, Business and Public Services for hard to reach communities	Social, cultural & recreational facilities & amenities such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community centres & halls • Community gardens • Community playgrounds/outdoor play areas • Community gyms • Youth facilities e.g. youth cafes, youth centres, youth clubs etc. 	Capital	€650,000	€100,000
Rural Youth	20	To work in partnership with key stakeholders to widen social, cultural, economic and employment opportunities; and address the issue of isolation for young people in rural areas				
Rural Towns	10	To stimulate rural towns and village cores, to enable them to act as the hubs to drive economic, social and cultural renewal for the surrounding hinterland	Town & village renewal works such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General appearance upgrading • Environmental upgrading 	Capital	€130,000	€16,000
Water Resources	22	To support programmes and projects that assist with sustainable coastal zone management	Coastal protection initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal erosion prevention initiatives • Beach management plans 	Capital, Training, A&D	€30,000	€10,000
	24	To complement and support the implementation of the North Western International River Basin Management Plan within which Donegal is located	Water conservation/management initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness creating initiatives • Research activities & feasibility studies • Water conservation plans etc. 		€20,000	€10,000
Biodiversity	26	To support measures which will coordinate, promote, protect and enhance Donegal's rich biosphere and facilitate opportunities for the development of sustainable tourism and enterprise and social development	Biodiversity protection & awareness creating initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native species conservation, invasive plant species eradication, bird conservation, habitat creation etc. • Production of information packs, awareness creating workshops • Feasibility studies and action plans (for larger scale projects) 	Capital, Training, A&D	€20,000	€5,000

Total Budget

€950,000

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Rural Tourism	1	To harness the potential of Donegal's world class authentic tourism offerings (including the Wild Atlantic Way) for the benefit of rural communities by facilitating diversification and the creation of indigenous tourism enterprises, community based tourism initiatives and ancillary facilities	Tourism projects such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tourism attractions, facilities & recreational amenities along the Wild Atlantic way e.g. interpretative signage, viewing points, shelters, car parking, toilet facilities, specialist accommodation, activity providers etc. • Equestrian facilities • Digital tourism e.g. apps, digital promotional material • Heritage based tourism attractions e.g. heritage visitor centres, historical landmarks etc. • Green trails & greenway infrastructure e.g. walking/ hiking/cycling routes, wildlife & heritage trails etc. • Improved access to tourism amenities e.g. Interpretative signage & maps, wheelchair access etc. • Marine Tourism such e.g. water sports, marine heritage attractions etc. 	Capital, Marketing
	2	To encourage initiatives that facilitate accessibility and access to engage and participate in the enjoyment in activity, adventure and recreational based activities		
Rural Towns	10	To stimulate rural towns and village cores, to enable them to act as the hubs to drive economic, social and cultural renewal for the surrounding hinterland		
Enterprise Development	3	To collaboratively support and promote an enterprise ecosystem, which will improve competitiveness, investment and job creation; and nurture innovation and entrepreneurship throughout Donegal	Support for micro, small and medium enterprises including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland development e.g. development of forests for recreational and activity tourism • Farm diversification/alternative farm enterprises • Creative industries • Artisan food (micro-enterprises only) • Other enterprises 	Capital, Marketing, Training, A&D
	4	To support enterprises and initiatives which add value to local produce and which build on the core competencies and resources of the region		
	8	To support initiatives that unlock the potential of Donegal's built, natural and cultural heritage		
	9	To facilitate the development of cultural facilities that support artistic endeavour and provide training and mentoring programmes to increase the capacity and skills base of arts organisations and artists within the county		
Enterprise Development	5	To stimulate job creation across all rural areas in County Donegal and address the distinctive training and support needs of operating businesses in rural areas		Training
	7	To support and facilitate research and knowledge transfer on the potential of Donegal's natural resources		A&D

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Enterprise Development	6	To support social enterprises promoted by local community and voluntary groups which address local needs and services	Support for social enterprises such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social enterprise development within community facilities e.g. recreational or other commercial activities 	Capital
Basic Services	17	To support the establishment, growth and development of social enterprises		
Basic Services	13	To build more inclusive communities throughout County Donegal through the provision of a number of capacity, animation and leadership training programmes that are based on local needs, complement existing programmes and maximise the uptake of funding	Training & capacity building such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building training for community groups, social enterprises, priority groups (e.g. women, farmers etc.) • Social prescription initiatives e.g. that address health issues, suicide prevention etc. • Initiatives targeted at older people • Youth entrepreneurship training & mentoring support e.g. traditional skills training, business idea development etc. 	Training
Basic Services	18	To support environmentally sustainable initiatives that promote energy conservation and energy independence, and do not impact negatively on the needs of future generations	Energy conservation initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of Smart IT, use of green technology in community buildings etc. • Awareness creating initiatives to promote uptake of renewable technology • Skills development for installation of renewable technologies 	Capital, Training, A&D
Renewable Energy	27	To support initiatives that will increase the use of renewable energy and promote sustainable energy use in the transport realm, and in homes, businesses and communities		
Biodiversity	25	To value the benefits provided by the environment and the potential they offer to develop activities based around spiritual enrichment, eco retreats, cognitive development, reflection, recreation and aesthetic enjoyment	Initiatives that showcase the natural heritage such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marine & water-based events, wildlife events, garden shows, food festivals etc. • 'Golden Mile' initiatives 	Capital
Biodiversity	26	To support measures which will coordinate, promote, protect and enhance Donegal's rich biosphere and facilitate opportunities for the development of sustainable tourism and enterprise and social development	Renewable energy initiatives such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable energy enterprise development • Eco-friendly woodland harvesting methods 	Capital, Training