

Community Involvement Scheme

**The Scheme is limited to the most cost effective proposals submitted
(subject to funding being made available)**

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What is the Community Involvement Scheme?

This scheme encourages a joint approach (on a voluntary basis) with groups of local residents and landowners for the restoration of local roads that are lightly trafficked, single lane or cul de sac roads. As well as being cul de sacs they may also link two local primary roads or two local secondary roads. While the Community Involvement Scheme will relate to mainly local roads, the scheme may be carried out on a regional road where the local community contribution is monetary only.

How to apply?

Complete the attached application form and return to Roads Maintenance & Operational Services, Kerry County Council, Room 115, County Buildings, Rathass, Tralee, County Kerry.

How much can the applicant receive?

The Community Involvement Scheme will be based on community contributions within the range of 8% to 20% and will be based on the following table:-

Local contribution rates for the Community Involvement Scheme	
Minimum Local contribution rate	Where applicable
8%	Local community contribution is monetary only - no works are undertaken by the local community
20%	Local community contribution comprises works only

How does the Council decide on applications?

1. The Council will assess the condition of the road under consideration using the Paving Rating Manual (rating range is 1 to 10 with 1 being very poor and 10 being excellent).
2. The Council will record the road length, width and the number of dwellings along the roads under consideration.
3. The Council will estimate the overall cost of each scheme taking account of material, labour, machinery and traffic management costs. The community contribution may in each case be in money or in kind (labour/machinery) or both. This will then determine the percentage contribution.
4. Taking into account the findings of points 1-3 above, the Council will then prioritise the roads for funding.

Works suitable for inclusion under the scheme:

General works:

- Providing hard stands at field entrances
- Removal of grass verges or banks
- Site preparation works including the removal of grass from the centre of the road (where required)

Drainage:

- Opening, deepening and generally maintaining drains alongside roadway and adjoining land including the laying of drainage pipes, where appropriate
- Providing gully traps at suitable locations and piping to drains, where appropriate
- Opening inlets
- Opening backshores
- Unblocking of shores/surface water drains

Pavement works:

- Repair of potholes
- Surface dressing works
- Road strengthening works

Footpath works:

- Repair of footpaths
- Construction of new footpaths

The Area Engineer/Municipal District Engineer will contact the Applicants' Representative in regard to the work he/she considers appropriate for the beneficiaries to carry out or facilitate.