

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
APPLICATION FOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COST OF WORKS

To: G. Gibson,
 Director of Service,
 Laois County Council,
 Aras an Chontae,
 J. F. L. Avenue,
 Portlaoise,
 Co. Laois

1. We, the undersigned, each being the occupier of agricultural land in the townland(s) referred to at (1) overleaf, hereby apply to Laois County Council for a grant towards the cost of the work described in (1)-(4) Part 1 of the Schedule overleaf, and if the grant is made available, we apply to have the said work carried out by the County Council as Agent for each of us. We and each of us hereby agree to be bound in all respects by each and every of the items and conditions of the Scheme as set forth in Part II of the Schedule hereto.
2. We hereby appoint and delegate full power to Mr./Ms. _____ to act for us in all correspondence and other business arising out of this application and we and each of us agree to be bound by such correspondence and by all acts of the said Mr./Ms. _____.

3. LIST I (Houses which are directly served by proposed works)
 (only one member of each residence should be listed below)

SIGNATURE (Each Applicant should personally sign the form)	POSTAL ADDRESS

(Further signatures, with postal addresses, may be written on a separate sheet).

4. LIST II (Landowners, whose land is directly served)

SIGNATURE (Each applicant should personally sign the form)	POSTAL ADDRESS

SCHEDULE

PART I – PARTICULARS OF WORKS FOR WHICH APPLICATION IS MADE

1. County
- Electoral Division(s)
- Townland(s)
2. Brief description of work
-
3. Approximate Length (Yards)
4. Exact Location of Work (Describe where it starts and ends and attach Site Location Map)
-
-
5. Has the proposed work ever been maintained by or repaired by the County Council?
6. Does the proposal serve any outside families, or the public generally, and if so for what purposes?
-
7. Are all persons whose interest or lands would be affected in any way by the proposal, if carried out, prepared to give the necessary consent to the execution of the work?
8. I certify that List I and List II on page 1 contain the names of all landowners and other whose land, houses or other property would be served or benefited by the proposed work. A SITE LOCATION MAP is enclosed indicating the road to which this application refers.

Signature of Applicant's Representative: _____

Date: _____

Contact Phone No: _____

SCHEDULE

The Local Improvement Scheme applies to work on non-public roads which benefit two or more parcels of land owned or occupied by different persons.

Part II - TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- (1) The scale of grants range from 85% to 90% depending on the total cost of the project.
- (2) The work must be for the joint benefit of two or more parcels of land of which at least two are owned or occupied by different persons engaged in separate agricultural activities, or provides access for harvesting purposes (including turf or seaweed) for two or more persons or shall, in the opinion of the County Council, be used by the public. The benefit to be derived must be reasonably commensurate with the cost.
- (3) Drainage works alone will not be eligible under this Scheme.
- (4) The cost must be strictly necessary and not merely ordinary maintenance of a kind which the applicants could reasonably be expected to do for themselves.
- (5) The applicants must make the necessary apportionment amongst themselves of their respective portions of the joint contribution, and must arrange to collect the agreed amount and lodge it with Laois County Council before the work is put to hands.
- (6) The contributors and any other persons whose lands or interests appear to be affected by the proposed work must, when required prior to the commencement of Operations, sign the prescribed form giving their full consent to the execution of the work including entry to their lands, etc.
- (7) The applicants must arrange amongst themselves for the provision without cost to Laois County Council of any lands which may be required for the construction or widening of the roadway or drain as the case may be.
- (8) Laois County Council, in their discretion, will decide on the specification of the work to be done and on the best manner of carrying it out, and the applicants shall not have any claim against Laois County Council for any imperfection which may exist in the finished work, nor for any failure to complete the full amount of the work which was envisaged.

- (9) Laois County Council will expend upon the work the sum agreed upon (i.e. the estimated cost); and in the event of that sum not being sufficient to complete the entire work specified Laois County Council will not have any liability to be bound to expend on the work for its completion any sum in addition to the agreed sum, but the making of a supplementary grant will be considered on its merits if the applicants so request and agree to pay such sum as may be required by way of additional local contribution.
- (10) When the work has been carried out, the applicants shall maintain it in good order and repair at their own charge and expense, and Laois County Council will not have any liability for the maintenance of the work.
- (11) The offer may be subject to withdrawal or alteration without notice and to payment of local contribution. The offer is conditional on the State allocation to the Council for the year in question not being already taken up when the contribution is paid.

NOTE: THIS APPLICATION SHOULD HAVE A SITE LOCATION MAP ATTACHED – OTHERWISE IT WILL NOT BE DEEMED A VALID APPLICATION. PLEASE INDICATE BOTH THE ROAD AND EACH RESIDENCE/PARCEL OF LAND ON THE MAP TO WHICH THIS APPLICATION REFERS.