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Local Enhancement Programme 2025 (LEP 2025)

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Local Enhancement Programme 2025

Open for Applications
6th Jan - 2nd February 2025



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Aim of the LEP 2025

- ▶ Support Community Groups, particularly in disadvantaged areas, allowing them to continue to provide valuable services to the people in their area, and in the process strengthen the bonds that tie communities together.
- ▶ This years programme is designed to provide both capital and operational funding support.
- ▶ Any “not for profit”, community or voluntary group can apply.
- ▶ *Commercial organisations and individuals are not eligible.*

LEP 2025 Allocations

Total LEP 2025 Allocation - (€153,830)

- ▶ €38k ring-fenced for small grants (€1,000)
- ▶ Remainder allocated on grants between €1001 - €5,000.
- ▶ Current Funding (Total €21,976) - Operational or Current in nature
- ▶ Groups can apply for both Capital and Operational support

Capital Funding

- ▶ The types of eligible expenditure (min €1,000/max €5,000)
 - ▶ carrying out necessary repairs and improvements to facilities,
 - ▶ energy efficiency type projects,
 - ▶ purchase of equipment such as tables and chairs,
 - ▶ tools and signage,
 - ▶ laptops and printers,
 - ▶ lawnmowers,
 - ▶ canopies and training equipment etc.

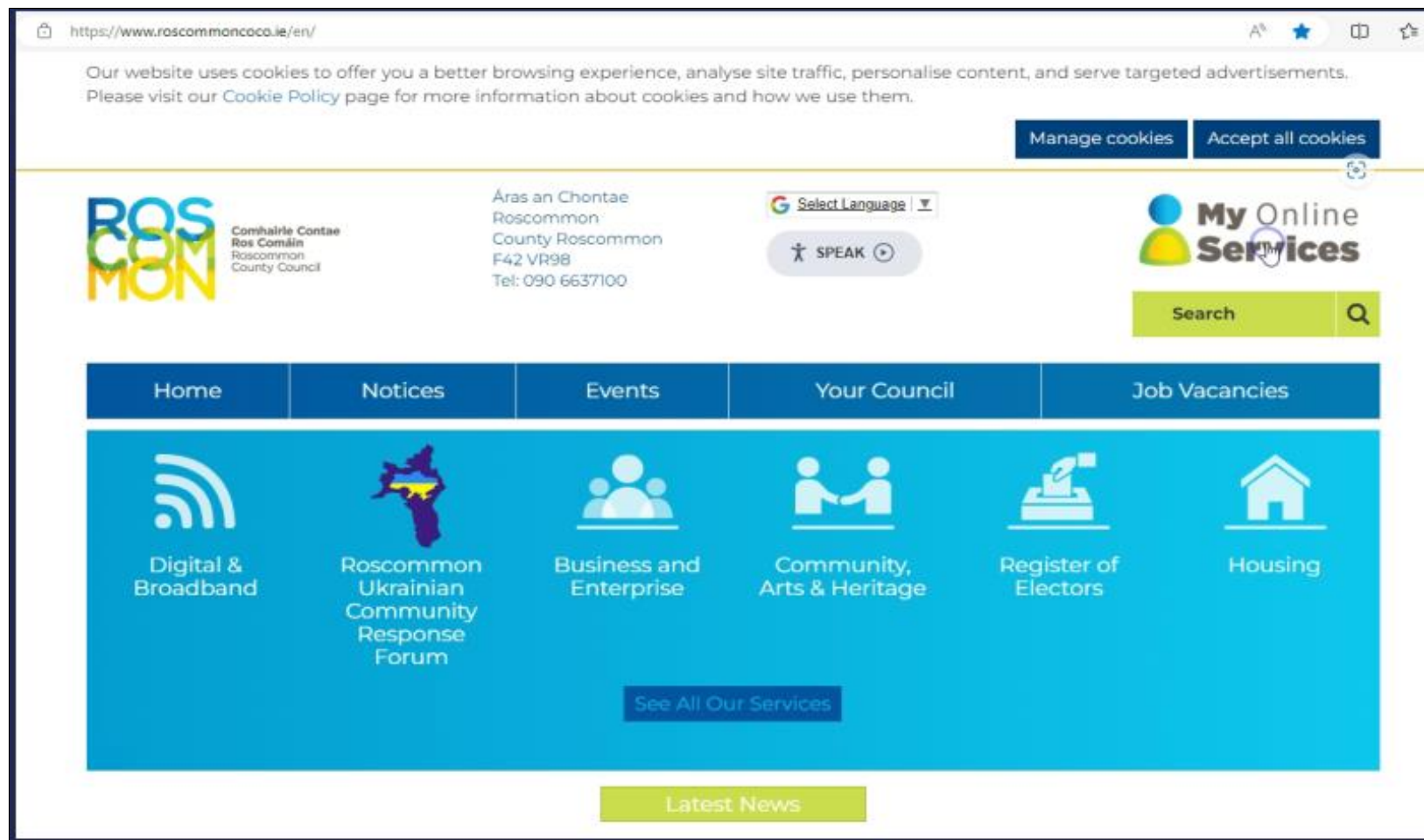
Capital Funding

- ▶ Groups may apply for an amount less than the total cost of the project.
- ▶ Quote(s) provided must be for the total cost of project.
- ▶ All applications will be evaluated by an independent evaluation committee.
- ▶ This is a competitive process and not all eligible applications will be funded.

Current/Operating/ Running Costs Funding

- ▶ **Eligible expenses include;**
 - ▶ Allowed expenditure includes rent/lease costs, energy bills, insurance, etc.
 - ▶ Based on running/operating costs 1st June 24 - 30th May 25
 - ▶ For the purposes of the application provide bills from Jun 1st '24 to Dec '24
 - ▶ For the purposes of the claim all the relevant bills from 1st June 24 to 30th May 25 will be required.
 - ▶ Max allocation is €500.
- ▶ **Ineligible expenses**
 - ▶ Wages/Salaries are not an allowed expense for the purposes of the scheme.
Please read the guidelines document in the application form for the complete list of eligible/ineligible expenditure.
- ▶ Support all eligible applications in some way.

Online Application Demo



Top Tips For Your Applications

- ▶ You must be registered in “My Online Services ”before you begin the application process
- ▶ All groups must be PPN members
- ▶ All groups must have a valid Tax Registration Number/Charity No.
- ▶ Create one application ONLY. You can save your application and complete at a later date. Do not start a new application.
- ▶ Upload all required documentation e.g quotes, current bank/credit union header statement with group/organisations name.
- ▶ Incomplete applications will be invalid and returned for further information. This will delay the progress of your application.
- ▶ Please provide email contact details that are actively monitored. All notifications, offers will be issued by email.
- ▶ Make sure to Submit your application - Saving the application does not submit it. You will only receive a reference number once submitted.
- ▶ Any queries relating to this grant should be sent to lep2025@roscommoncoco.ie

What's Next - Timelines

- ▶ Complete Applications by 2nd Feb 2025
- ▶ Further Information maybe requested. Please ensure you monitor your email account.
- ▶ Successful applications receive Letters of Offer in May 2025.
- ▶ Accept offer in “My Online Service” - 5 days from date of offer
 - ▶ **If for any reason your project cannot proceed please notify us immediately.**
- ▶ Change of Projects Deadline 1st July 2025
 - ▶ Any change to project deliverables must be pre approved before spending monies!
- ▶ Deadline for submitting documentation for drawdown of grants 30th September 2025
 - ▶ This task will be carried out in “My Online Services”. Notification will issue regarding same.