



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council

Local Improvements Scheme 2021/2022 - Terms and Conditions

The Local Improvements Scheme applies to work for the joint benefit of groups of two or more farmers on accommodation and bog roads, roads which connect two public roads and small bridges. In addition, works can also be carried out on Amenity Roads. Amenity Roads are non-public roads leading to important community amenities such as graveyards, beaches, piers, mountain access points or other tourist/ heritage sites.

- 1) A local contribution of 10% is required for eligible roads with up to and including 5 residents. A local contribution of 15% is required for eligible roads with 6 or more residents. In addition, the maximum amount that any individual household/landowner will be asked to contribute is being capped at €1,200 under the 2020 LIS.
- 2) The works must be for the joint benefit of two or more adjoining farms, and the benefit to be derived must be reasonably commensurate with the cost.
- 3) The work must be strictly necessary and not merely ordinary maintenance or of a kind which the applicants could reasonably be expected to do for themselves.
- 4) 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 Galway County Council before the work is put in hand.
- 5) The contributors and any other persons whose lands or interests appear to be affected by the proposed works must, when required prior to the commencement of operations, sign the prescribed form giving their full consent to the execution of the works including entry to their lands.
- 6) Contributions in kind e.g. free labour or materials, will not be accepted in lieu of cash.
- 7) The applicants must arrange amongst themselves for the provision without cost to Galway 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) Galway County Council will employ the necessary labour and will arrange to carry out the works.
- 9) Galway County Council, in their discretion, will decide on the specification of the works to be done and on the best manner of carrying them out, and the applicants shall not have any

claim against the Council for any imperfection which may exist in the finished works, nor for any failure to complete the full amount of the works which were envisaged.

- 10) Galway County Council will expend on the works the sum agreed upon (i.e. the estimated cost) and In the event of that sum not being sufficient to complete the entire works specified, the County Council will not have any liability to be bound to expend on the works for their completion any sum in addition to the agreed sum. 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.
- 11) When the works have been carried out, the applicants shall maintain it in good order and repair at their own charge and expense and the County Council will not have any liability for the maintenance of the works.
- 12) Roads where LIS works are completed will not subsequently be taken in charge by Galway County Council.