

## 4.2 Action Framework

### 4.2.1 Local Objective 1: Rural Economic Development

Table 1 – Local Objective 1

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>The Development of Tourism as a key driver of Rural Economic Development and Job Creation.</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Rural Tourism.
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	For a County endowed with tremendous natural resources, there is a shortage of good quality tourism products that provide for the modern traveller in the area of activity, sports/maritime tourism, Eco Tourism and Cultural Tourism.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objective 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5; Goal: Accelerate the Growth of the Tourism Economy - Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €1,741,500 Matched: €1,318,500 Total: €3,060,000
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	4

**Table 2 – Local Objective 1: Strategic Action 1.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Activity Tourism</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Invest in Start up/Expansion of Existing Activity Tourism/Rural Recreation Businesses focused on Cycling, Bike Rental , Kayaking, Chartering, Angling, Mountaineering, Walking, Mountain Bike Park, and non-core Activity Sports.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 4.4 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers establishing Private Businesses; Community owned Social Enterprises
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call has to be Countywide. The likely locations for such enterprises will be on the 2 Estuaries, The Suir Estuary and the Blackwater Estuary, Dunmore East, Tramore, The Copper Coast, Dungarvan, The Gaeltacht Coast to Ardmore Coastline, the Waterford Greenway and the Comeragh's.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC/Waterford LEO/Fáilte Ireland/IFA
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 8</p> <p>Existing: 4</p> <p>New: 4</p> <p>Projected Jobs 27 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Activity Tourism Businesses/Activity Centres/Charter Businesses/Bike Rental/Pilgrim Route</p> <p>Total Capital: €1,080,000</p> <p>Leader: €607,500</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €472,500</p> <p>Cost per Job; €40,000</p> <p>Visitor numbers; 5,000 increase per annum</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 3 – Local Objective 1: Strategic Action 1.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Culture and Heritage Product Development</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Invest in the development of the rich cultural and heritage base that exists in Co. Waterford to ensure that the natural product is accessible to and usable by the visiting Public.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 4.2 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Historic Sites/Great House-Gardens, Social Economy Groups involved in Cultural Products, Cultural Organisations whose centres are or will be fully open to the public, Organisations involved in Interpreting and Promoting the Gaelic Culture and the Planter/Quaker Culture
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Calls will be countywide. The area's most likely to apply will be in the Blackwater & Suir Estuaries, the Gaeltacht of An Rinn/Sean Phobal, Dungarvan & Tramore & the Comeragh's
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	Waterford LEADER Partnership CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, Údarás na Gaeltachta, Fáilte Ireland
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 10  Existing: 8  New: 2  Projected Jobs: 21 FTE's  Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant  Type of Initiative: Cultural Facilities, Gaeltacht Interpretation, Gaeltacht Visitor Facilities; Visitor Facilities for the Great Houses/Gardens, National Museum of Ireland Standard Interpretation Facilities; Traditional Music, Dance &amp; Literature, Quaker/Planter Cultural Projects  Total Capital: €840,000  Leader: €472,500  Private/Community/State: €367,500  Cost per Job; €40,000  Visitor numbers; 3,000 per annum per project  *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

**Table 4 – Local Objective 1: Strategic Action 1.3**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Eco Tourism Product Development</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	To assist a number of products/locations in the County attain the Eco Tourism Ireland Label
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 4.1 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Economic Areas, Small food businesses, Restaurants, and Product providers
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be Countywide. The Copper Coast, Coast, the 2 Estuaries, Blackwater and Suir, Comeragh's, Knockmealdown catchment area, and the route of the Greenway.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WC&CC/WLP CLG/WIT
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Ecotourism Ireland, WC&CC, Failte Ireland
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed By June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4 Training Sessions for up to 60 Businesses and Groups in 1 REDZ</p> <p>Existing: 40</p> <p>New: 20</p> <p>Up to a maximum of four Villages in One Economic Zone.</p> <p>Projected Jobs: Unknown</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: 20</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Eco Tourism Training for up to 60 Businesses, with a focus on one area selected as a RDZ for training of Community Organisations therein.</p> <p>Training: €60,000/€15,000 per Training Programme</p> <p>Leader: €54,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €6,000</p> <p>Cost per Job; €N/a</p> <p>Visitor numbers; 3,000 per annum per project</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 5 – Local Objective 1: Strategic Action 1.4**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Community Hostels, RV Park, Glamping/Camping</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	There is an identified need for 1 – 2 RV Parks in the mid and west of the County, with <i>Sani-Tanks</i> etc. Camping and glamping have also been identified in the Coastal and Mountain areas.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 4.2 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers establishing Private Businesses; Community operated Social Enterprises
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide. The Copper Coast, The 2 Estuaries, Comeragh's, Knockmealdown catchment area, An Rinn/Sean Phobal/Ardmore
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, Fáilte Ireland
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June of 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 5</p> <p>Existing: 2</p> <p>New: 3</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 27 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant</p> <p>Type of Initiative: 1 – 2 Recreational Vehicle Parks, 1 -2 Glamping/Camping Sites, 1 -2 Community Hostels. These facilities could service the Greenway, the Comeragh's /Knockmeldowns, Coppercoast, Dungarvan, Gaeltacht, Ardmore</p> <p>Total Capital: €1,080,000</p> <p>Leader: €607,500</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €472,500</p> <p>Cost per Job; €40,000</p> <p>Visitor numbers; 3,000 per annum per project</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

\*1 FTE = €40,000 investment

**Table 6 – Local Objective 2**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>Strategic and Collaborative Investment in Rural Enterprise Development to foster Rural Job Creation in Local Villages.</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Enterprise Development
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	On the one hand the County has an above average level of unemployment, and a high dependency ratio, while on the other it has the positive beginnings of a small base of ICT, Micro Pharma, high end Light Engineering, Digital Media and Traded Services businesses that can be built on to provide quality employment for Rural Dwellers.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objective 2.4, 2.5 and 4.5 Develop a support framework for innovative SME's and specific sectoral hub's throughout Co. Waterford - Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER; €2,148,000 Matched: €1,910,000 Total: €4,058,000
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	5

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**Table 7 – Local Objective 2: Strategic Action 2.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Capital Investment in existing and start up technology, graduate orientated rural businesses</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Assist and Invest development of ICT, High end Light Engineering, Micro pharma and Traded Services Businesses in Local Villages
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.4 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Private Business Promoters with the skills to operate in the fields listed above.
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide, potential and existing entrepreneurs straddle the County from East to West and from North to South.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Waterford LEO to provide all the soft supports
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	Number of Projects to be Funded: 22 Existing: 14 New: 8 Projected Jobs: 64 FTE's Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant. Type of Initiative: ICT, Light Engineering, Micro Pharma, and Traded Services Total Capital: €2,560,000 Leader: €1,280,000 Private/Community/State: € 1,280 ,000 Cost per Job; €40,000 *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s

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**Table 8 – Local Objective 2: Strategic Action 2.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Capital Investment in the Development of Rural Food Enterprises</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	This involves the investment into food businesses not covered by Axis 1, and Mariculture Processing development not covered by BIM. Businesses such as confectionary, cheese manufacture, yoghurts and ice cream would be exemplars, as would depuration of oysters and processing of same subject to BIM. This action would relate to a later separate bid to the Dept. of Agriculture, Food, Marine and Artisan Foods Initiative which orientated towards collective marketing initiatives, etc
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.5 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Private Business Promoters with the skills to operate in the fields listed above.
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The call will be countywide. Again potential applicants are based over a wide geographic area.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Waterford LEO, BIM, Teagasc, IFA, EI, WC&CC
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 5</p> <p>Existing: 3</p> <p>New: 2</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 18 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Food &amp; Beverage- Cheese, Ice Cream, Chocolates, processed food Products, Micro Brewery/Distillery</p> <p>Total Capital: €720,000</p> <p>Leader: €405,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €315,000</p> <p>Cost per Job; €40,000</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 9 – Local Objective 2: Strategic Action 2.3**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Investment in Digital and New Media</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Capital Investment in Digital Media Providers operating from the County area creating and supplying content to mainstream, and other media outlets
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.5 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Private Business Promoters with the skills to operate in the fields listed above.
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide. There are potential applicants in the Tramore, Dungarvan, Gaeltacht, and Lismore areas.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Waterford LEO, Údarás na Gaeltachta, EI, WC&CC, Broadband Providers
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	Number of Projects to be Funded: 3 Existing: 2 New: 1 Projected Jobs: 18FTE's Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant. Type of Initiative: Capital Investment in Businesses: either creating, developing, and selling digital content. Total Capital: €720,000 Leader: €405,000 Private/Community/State: €315,000 Cost per Job; €40,000 *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s

**Table 10 – Local Objective 2: Strategic Action 2.4**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Training to Develop a Social Enterprise Network</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	In County Waterford, up to 20 Voluntary Organisations are in effect Social Enterprises. They already provide services mainly to the State Sector for a fee. In order to ensure vibrancy and viability of these groups, training to commence a Social Enterprise Network built on and functioning under an agreed number of limited objectives is important.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.2 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	20 Groups across the County
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be for Groups across
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	The Wheel; WWETB
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2018
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 1</p> <p>Existing: 20</p> <p>New: 5</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training/Facilitation to develop an organised Social Enterprise Network involving up to 25 Social Enterprises.</p> <p>Total Capital: €26,000</p> <p>Leader: €26,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0</p> <p>Cost per Job; This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 11 – Local Objective 2: Strategic Action 2.5**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Fostering a Local Enterprise Culture</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Tender Process - Training support to Village Groups on creating a Local Enterprise Culture
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.2 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Community Organisations in Rural Waterford
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The training will cover at least 12 Villages straddling the County from the Cork Border to Waterford City and the Suir Estuary.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, Waterford LEO, WWETB, Clan Credo, IFA, BIM
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by December 2018 – Proposed Economic Zones will be the initial target areas
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4</p> <p>Existing: 16</p> <p>New: N/A</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's– This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training/Facilitation</p> <p>Total Capital: €32,000</p> <p>Leader: €32,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0 (Voluntary Time)</p> <p>Cost per Job; € N/A - 6 Villages Trained per annum/12 of the Villages with Development Plans/Strategies- Linked to REDZ zones.</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 12 – Local Objective 3**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>The revitalisation of Local Villages through the development of Human Capital, and Capital investment in two infrastructural projects.</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Rural Towns
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	The revitalisation of a key number of rural villages is important in order to maintain basic service provision to rural dwellers, and ensure a critical population mass to drive and sustain employment.
<b>Link to the LECF</b>	Objective 1.2, Economic Plan and Objectives 1.2, 1.3, and 2.2 Community Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €371,500 Matched: €112,500 Total: €484,000
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	4

**Table 13 – Local Objective 3: Strategic Action 3.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Capital investment in the redevelopment of one Industrial Heritage Building into modern Enterprise Space; Through open call process.</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Invite Local Communities involved in Social Enterprise to bid to redevelop a building with industrial into a modern industrial office facility in a rural village for rent to existing or new businesses.
<b>Link to LECF</b>	Objective 1.2 - Economic Plan; Objective 2.2. Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Dynamic Community Organisations
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide. There are a number of Community Organisations County wide interested in pursuing Village Regeneration
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, WC&CC Heritage, Waterford LEO, Clann Credo
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	Number of Projects to be Funded: 1 Existing: New: 1 Projected Jobs: 5 FTE's Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant. Type of Initiative: Capital – Building Refurbishment into Office/Work Space in derelict town section Total Capital: €200,000 Leader: €150,000 Private/Community/State: €50,000 Cost per Job; €40,000 *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s

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**Table 14 – Local Objective 3: Strategic Action 3.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Capital investment in the development of one new Industrial/Office Facility in a Rural Village; Through open call process.</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Invite Local Communities involved in Social Enterprise to bid to develop modern industrial office facility in a rural village for rent to existing or new businesses.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 1.2 – Economic Plan; Objective 2.2. - Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Dynamic Community Organisations
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide. A number of voluntary community organisations in a number of villages have expressed an interest in pursuing such a development.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, Waterford LEO, EI, Clann Credo
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	Number of Projects to be Funded: 1 Existing: New: 1 Projected Jobs: 5 FTE's Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant. Type of Initiative: Capital, New Office Build in Rural Village Total Capital: €250,000 Leader: €187,500 Private/Community/State: €62,500 Cost per Job; €40,000 *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s 1 Capital Investment/1 Restoration of the built Environment/6 FTE Jobs

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**Table 15 – Local Objective 3: Strategic Action 3.3**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Facilitation and Training of four Geographic clusters to form economic development zones</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Through facilitation and training with clustered local development groups in the 2 Estuaries, the Geo Park, and the Comeragh's, assist in capacity building 4 economic zones
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objectives 1.2, 1.3. and 2.2 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Area and Interest Based Groups in Rural Villages cognisant of the need for the village to have a single focus on the Economic, Social and Cultural Development of the Village, and that villages intrinsic self interest to work with like minded villages in their own catchment area to create a sustainable critical mass.
<b>Geographic Area</b>	4 Zones listed above. The Facilitation/Training will be tendered on E-Tenders.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, WWETB, Waterford LEO, The Wheel, Clan Credo, IFA, BIM
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by March 2017
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4 Area Based Facilitation Initiatives, focused on a maximum of 16 villages to assist in the development of REDZ Type Initiatives</p> <p>Existing: 16 Villages X 7 Participants</p> <p>New: N/A</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's – This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training</p> <p>Total Capital: €28,000</p> <p>Leader: €28,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0 (Voluntary Time)</p> <p>Cost per Job; € N/A - 2 REDZ/1 Successful REDZ Application/2 operational economic zones</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 16 – Local Objective 3: Strategic Action 3.5**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Fostering Local Strategy Development at Village Level</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Training Support to Village Groups in Strategy Development and implementing Village Plans – Focus on rejuvenation of existing groups.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 1.3 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Local Villages
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Training will cover 8 Area based Community Organisations from across the Rural County
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, WWETB, BIM, the Wheel
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completed by December 2018
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4</p> <p>Existing: 4</p> <p>New:</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training - Train 4 Villages to develop an SLA with a number of Service Providers</p> <p>Total Capital: €6,000</p> <p>Leader: €6,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0</p> <p>Cost per Job: N/A</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

**Table 17 – Local Objective 4**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>Improved Access to Broadband Services in West and North Waterford</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Broadband
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	Broadband Service in West and North Waterford is not of merchantable quality. It is a block on development. The RDP/LEADER Programme will <b><i>not</i></b> be making a capital investment in Broadband Delivery. It will invest a limited amount of Staff/Animation time into promoting local competition between providers to provide a good service in the a
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objective 2.2 – Economic Plan – Enhanced provision of Broadband
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	Through Administration
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	Pobal Telecom, Connected Communities & B4RN

**Table 18 – Local Objective 4: Strategic Action 4.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Encouraging Competition in the Rural Marketplace</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Facilitate through Community Animation the introduction of new players to Rural Communities. Assist in Connected Communities Initiative
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.2 – Enhanced provision of Broadband
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Businesses and Communities West & North Waterford
<b>Geographic Area</b>	West & North Waterford
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC, Private Providers, EU, DCENR
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	Completion by December 2018
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	Minimum of Two pilots, with key businesses receiving 500Mbps by December 2018



#### 4.2.2 Local Objective 5: Social Inclusion

**Table 19 – Local Objective 5**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>Underpinning Social Inclusion Initiatives in Rural Areas through investment in Physical and Human Capital</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Basic Services targeted at hard to reach Communities
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	During the previous LEADER Programme, many communities brought their community facilities up to standard, and many now sublet to State Service Providers. Reinforcing this notion of service delivery hubs within communities of place – community facilities will be developed in areas where multi-agency social inclusion/community service delivery is planned. Locations from a Waterford LCDC/LDS review of community service hubs will initiate a tender process for communities to bid for financial investment.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Community Plan 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 - Coherent Services to Communities
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €839,000 Matched: €260,000 Total: €1,099,000
<b>No. Of Strategic Actions</b>	3 Investments in strategic areas identified for Community Service Hubs

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**Table 20 – Local Objective 5: Strategic Action 5.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Through open call process, invite identified locations to submit bids for investment support into community service delivery hubs, with 4 potential benefactors.</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Target 4 out of 8 Villages for investment in communal facilities that provide for integrated community service delivery. Sports Halls will not be supported, as they are funded under the Sports Capital Fund.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective - 2.3 – Social Enterprise
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	4 of the 8 villages identified as key hubs and central to service planning for wider community of place. These villages did not receive upgraded facilities during the previous programme
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide, with the added criterion that villages/towns lacking Communal Facilities, and not in receipt of previous funding receiving an added weighting. The eight villages are listed in Section 3
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Local Communities, WC&CC, Clann Credo, TUSLA
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4</p> <p>Existing: N/A</p> <p>New: 4</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's. Most Community Facilities are staffed through DSP Programmes.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Capital Community Project- Hall/Local Community Facility</p> <p>Total Capital: €1,040,000</p> <p>Leader: €780,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €260,000</p> <p>Cost per Job; €N/A 4 Locations with improved community services for wider community of place</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

**Table 21 – Local Objective 5: Strategic Action 5.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Community Leadership Training for Established Voluntary Groups</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	The project involves the provision of training targeted at Voluntary not for profit groups on Community Leadership to assist communities in their community of place plans. The courses would be offered Autumn/Winter and Early Spring. <b>Succession/sustainability</b>
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 1.1, 2.2, 2.3 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Active not for profit voluntary organisations
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be countywide. The Training will be open to Groups from right across the County.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG /PPN
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	The Wheel, WWETB, Clann Credo, Charities Regulator
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 6 x Training Sessions in Planning/Scenario Planning</p> <p>Existing: 60 / 120 Volunteers</p> <p>New: N/A</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training</p> <p>Total Capital: €34,000</p> <p>Leader: €34,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0</p> <p>Cost per Job; N/A</p> <p><b>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</b></p>

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**Table 22 – Local Objective 5: Strategic Action 5.3**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Training for Communities to Support service delivery hubs</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	There are many active groups in Co. Waterford that will require skill sets in collaborative working if they are to take on a participative role in the operation of service delivery hubs in communities
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 2.2 – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Not for profit voluntary organisations
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be for Groups across County Waterford
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG/SICAP
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	The Wheel, WWETB
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: Existing: 12 Refresher – 70 Volunteers New: None Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant. Type of Initiative: Training Total Capital: €25,000 Leader: €25,000 Private/Community/State: € 0 Cost per Job; N/A This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline. *N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 23 – Local Objective 6**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>Rural Youth</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Rural Youth
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	Unemployment among rural youth is particularly high, at more than double the national average for the population at large (24%). While SICAP has specific targets for youth provision in terms of labour market activation, and self-employment, there is a gap in rural areas where the sense of local is a major influence, and where migration in search of work or opportunity is a major cost.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objective 6.3 – Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER; €100,000 Matched: €36,666 Total: €136,666
<b>No. Of Strategic Actions</b>	3

**Table 24 – Local Objective 6: Strategic Action 6.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Training for Young Rural Dwellers to Support Employment Placement</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	In cooperation with the WWETB, Teagasc and the Waterford LEO, LEADER/RDP will pursue temporary placement and work opportunities for youths in rural areas with local employers in key opportunity areas, and will develop a training programme for rural youths to assist them maximise the temporary placements prior to taking up the placement
<b>Link to LECF</b>	Objective – 6.3 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Youth 16 – 24 yrs not catered for by SICAP, WWETB, Diversion Programmes
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The training will focus on the West and North of the County
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Intreo, Macra na Feirme, WWETB, Teagasc, Waterford LEO, SICAP, Employers
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 3</p> <p>Existing: None</p> <p>New: 1</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 20 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training Youths for Employment.</p> <p>Total Capital: €30,000</p> <p>Leader: €30,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0</p> <p>Cost per Job; Training Initiative. Target of 20 Fulltime Placements from 60 People engaged.</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 25 – Local Objective 6: Strategic Action 6.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Rural Youth Service Delivery Model</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Development of outreach models of youth services/other services for youth on outreach basis in areas of little provision/high demand - capital assistance funding to help develop flexible approaches to youth service delivery in areas where there has been little provision
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective – 2.1, 2.2, – Community Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Youth 16 – 24 yrs where little youth service provision
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be County wide, with a weighting towards locations with little youth provision.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Intreo, Macra na Feirme, WWETB, Teagasc, Waterford LEO, SICAP, TUSLA, Comhairle na nOg
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By May 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 4</p> <p>Existing: 2</p> <p>New: 2</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's. Most Community Facilities are staffed through DSP Programmes.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Capital Investment in Youth Facilities in Isolated Communities</p> <p>Total Capital: €66,666</p> <p>Leader: €50,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: € 16,666</p> <p>Cost per Job; N/A</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

**Table 26 – Local Objective 6: Strategic Action 6.3**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Training to Establish a Pilot Care Farming Programme</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Training for Farmers to participate in a trial pilot care farming initiative targeted at Rural Youth with Special Needs
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objective 6.3 – Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	10 Farmers/ 30 Rural Youth with Special Needs
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be Countywide. However, only Farmers with a predisposition to provide a caring service will be chosen.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	HSE, DSP, WWETB, WC&CC, IFA, ICMSA
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2018
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 1</p> <p>Existing: 0</p> <p>New: 1</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs:10 FTE's.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training &amp; Capital to commence a Care Farming Facility on 10 Farms in Rural Waterford to facilitate 30 Young Adults by 2018. Training is being covered from another source.</p> <p>Total Capital: €40,000</p> <p>Leader: €20,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €20,000</p> <p>* Please note that the Training costs for the training of the Farmers is been funded by a private benefactor. €8,000</p> <p>Cost per Job(Sustained); €4000</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>



#### 4.2.3 Local Objective 3: Rural Environment

**Table 27 – Local Objective 7**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>The promotion of greater environmental awareness through training and exemplar projects</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Rural Environment
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	Rural Development is premised on balanced development, i.e., the maintenance of a living Countryside that respects bio-diversity and careful energy use alongside a productive and sustainable population.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €12,000 Matched: €0.00 Total: €12,000
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	1

**Table 28 – Local Objective 7: Strategic Action 7.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Training Initiative for Local Communities on the need for and benefits of Bio-diversity</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	The provision of training to local community organisations on Bio diversity and the need to erase invasive species
<b>Link to LECF</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Training will be provided County wide
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Teagasc, EPA, WC&CC, UCC, WIT
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	End of December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 12 Courses engaging 120 Participants</p> <p>Existing: 90 Participants</p> <p>New:30 Participants</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's. This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training on Bio Diversity</p> <p>Total Capital: €12,000</p> <p>Leader: €12,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €0</p> <p>Cost per Job; N/A</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 29 – Local Objective 8.0**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>The promotion of greater awareness around water and water usage through training and exemplar projects</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Protection & Sustainable Use of Water Resources
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	Rural Development is premised on balanced development, i.e., the maintenance of a living Countryside that respects water usage alongside a productive and sustainable population.
<b>Link to the LECF</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €52,000 Matched: €13,333 Total: €65,333
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	2

**Table 30 – Local Objective 8: Strategic Action 8.1.**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Protection and Sustainable Use of Water Resources</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	Provide Training to Local Communities on Water Conservation, and Water Recycling
<b>Link to LECF</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The training will be provided County wide to encourage a broader practical knowledge and interest in the environment
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Irish Water, Teagasc, EPA, WC&CC, IFA
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By December 2019
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 12 Courses – 120 Participants</p> <p>Existing: 80 Participants from Existing Groups</p> <p>New: 40 Participants from Newer Organisations</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's. This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify soft support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Training on Environmental Needs</p> <p>Total Capital: €12,000</p> <p>Leader: €12,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: € 0</p> <p>Cost per Job; N/A</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 31 – Local Objective 7: Strategic Action 7.2**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Exemplar Small Scale Community Project on Water Conservation</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	1 Small Scale Conservation Project operated by a local community that will assist in conserving water quality/water resources in a local area.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be County Wide in order to encourage general interest in conservation.
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	Irish Water, WC&CC, EPA, Teagasc
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 1</p> <p>Existing: None</p> <p>New: 1</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 0 FTE's. This cannot be estimated at time of application. It is difficult to quantify technical support success. Statistics will be kept to create a future baseline.</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Capital/Technical to facilitate small exemplar Environmental/Conservation Action to conserve water by a Local Community.</p> <p>Total Capital: €53,333</p> <p>Leader: €40,000</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €13,333</p> <p>Cost per Job; N/A</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

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**Table 32 – Local Objective 9**

<b>Title of Local Objective</b>	<b>The promotion of water based renewable energy</b>
<b>LEADER Theme/Sub Theme</b>	Renewable Energy
<b>Rationale for the Objective</b>	Rural Development is premised on balanced development, i.e., the maintenance of a living Countryside that creates renewable energy alongside a productive and sustainable population.
<b>Link to the LECP</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Financial Allocation</b>	LEADER: €261,436 Matched: €261,436 Total: €522,872
<b>No. of Strategic Actions</b>	1

**Table 33 – Local Objective 9: Strategic Action 9.1**

<b>Title of Strategic Action</b>	<b>Development of Renewable Energy</b>
<b>Brief Description of Strategic Action</b>	This initiative will focus on the promotion of small hydro schemes. The LDS area has a number of large rivers and tributaries, and there has been a history of Hydro Power in the now defunct milling industries in places like Portlaw and Kilmacthomas. This initiative will harness the lessons of the areas rich industrial heritage for its future benefit.
<b>Link to LECP</b>	Objectives – 5.3 and 5.4 - Economic Plan
<b>Primary Target Group(s)</b>	Rural Dwellers
<b>Geographic Area</b>	The Call will be County Wide. However likely applicants will be near major water courses
<b>Organisation who will deliver the action</b>	WLP CLG
<b>Collaborating Organisations</b>	WC&CC; IFA; Coillte and Waterford Energy Bureau
<b>Timeframe of Delivery of the Action</b>	By June 2020
<b>Anticipated Outputs/ Indicators and Targets</b>	<p>Number of Projects to be Funded: 2</p> <p>Existing: 0</p> <p>New: 2</p> <p>Projected Jobs: 8 FTE's</p> <p>Sustained Jobs: Dependent on applicant.</p> <p>Type of Initiative: Capital Investment into 2 Micro Hydro Power Facilities</p> <p>Total Capital: €522,872</p> <p>Leader: €261,436</p> <p>Private/Community/State: €261,436</p> <p>Cost per Job; €80,000</p> <p>*N.B. The above estimates are based on E.O.I.'s</p>

