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How to make your Application

Applicants should proceed with their application by 22nd March. Should you have any queries relating to this, please contact the Community Development Team for advice on completing the Grant Application. Ensure you have provided relevant information (Insurance Details, List of Volunteers, Programme of Events/ calendar of Activities) and submit a Summer Project Funding Application.

In order to have your application evaluated, it must be completed fully with all supporting documentation

Closing Date: Complete Your Application

22nd March 2026, 5pm

What is the grant assessment and payment process?

Completed applications will be assessed by the Fingal County Council Community Development Team, who will recommend for approval or rejection. Recommended applications will then go to the full Council Meeting in May for decision, with applicants notified shortly afterwards. Payments will be front-loaded and made by electronic fund transfer, so groups must have a bank account. Receipts and an evaluation report must be submitted on project completion.

For further information

Please contact community@fingal.ie

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2026 Fingal County Council Summer Project Funding Information Leaflet for Groups that have submitted an Expression of Interest

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What is the purpose of the Summer Project Funding Scheme?

To provide financial support to community groups to provide a programme of recreational and educational activities for young people during the summer period.

Where does the money come from?

The grant allocation is provided by Fingal County Council. It is administered by the Community Development Office .

Who can apply?

Applications are open to Community and Voluntary groups that provide opportunities for young people. Groups must be register on the *Fingal Community County Register* online http://fingalppn.ie/registration/ .

Type of Project Funded?

This scheme can support a wide variety of child-focused recreational activities across a 20hr programme. Within that, projects must deliver 4 hrs of information/ education programme on any two of the following themes

- Community Safety,
- Health & Wellbeing,
- Climate Action and or
- Integration.

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How much can a group apply for?

The maximum funding available to Summer Project groups is

Summer Project must cater for a minimum of 20 young people

•From 20 – 40 young people – eligible to apply for up to €1,380

•From 41 – 70 Young people – eligible to apply for up to €2,070

•From 70 plus young people – eligible to apply for up to €2,760

Funding will be capped at €2,760

What can be applied for?

Bus Hire, Activity Centre Entrance Fees, Insurance, Venue Hire, Trainers/ Facilitator/Specialist/Speakers, project material, bouncing castle & entertainment hire, shrubs/ planting materials, arts & crafts materials, equipment hire (audio/ video, costume, photographer, face painters, DJ *(this list is not definitive)*

What will not be funded?

Ongoing administration costs, prizes awards, food beverages, for profit activities, personal apparel or expenses, funding raising events, participating in competition fees *(this list is not definitive)*

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What information should be provided?

Your group must complete an Application Form detailing the proposed summer project activity and cost of the projects. Quotations are required to support the project cost and application for funding. Group Insurance and Child Protection compliance information is required.

Groups must retain receipts of funds expended and submit to Fingal County Council at the end of the project (September).

If successful, you may be required to facilitate a visit from the Community Officer, who will check attendance records and confirm the funding was used as stated in your application

Note: Groups who do not retain receipts for audit will be required to return funding and may not receive funding in the subsequent year

What are applications judged on?

- Merit of the activity, event, or project and alignment with the criteria
- Provision of all required information
- Group is a Fingal-based Community & Voluntary organisation with capacity to deliver
- Contribution to youth engagement in environmental awareness/Climate Action, civic awareness, intercultural or integration activities, or sports/recreation
- Good value for money, inclusiveness, and accessibility for participants