

Waterford Sports Partnership

Community Walks Fund 2024



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One of the aims of Waterford Sports Partnership (WSP) is to support sports club volunteers and the development of opportunities for people to participate in organised sport and physical activity.

Sports Clubs:

Clubs are invited to submit an application for funding to support them to co-ordinate a **6 Week Community Walks Programme** in their clubs for club members and the wider community, the walks are to start during the week of the **15th of January 2024**.

Closing date for receipt of applications is **Wednesday 3rd January 2024 at 5pm**
*Clubs will be notified of the Grant Committee's decision by **Wednesday 10th January 2024**

Who can apply? – Suitable Applicants

- Sports Clubs based in Waterford City or County and affiliated to a Sport Ireland recognised national governing body, proof to be provided if requested.

FUNDING GUIDELINES

- Funding awarded to successful clubs will range up to €300.
- The process for short listing will be on demonstrating your clubs sustainability to co-ordinate a safe and accessible walk for club members and the wider community on a time and date set by the club.
- Funding can **only** be used for relevant promotion, equipment and refreshments that encourage participation for the walks.
- Healthy Ireland Community Walks must take place weekly for 6 weeks
- Healthy Ireland Community Walks must be open to all club members and the wider community.
- Healthy Ireland Community Walks must be **FREE** to participants.
- Healthy Ireland and Waterford Sports Partnership logo must be used on all advertising materials.
- Clubs must indemnify Waterford Sports Partnership in respect of any legal liability, loss, claim or proceedings arising out of or in connection with death and/or bodily injury to any persons and/or loss or damage to any property which arises directly or indirectly out of the clubs co-ordination of an Healthy Ireland Community Walks. Waterford Sports Partnership shall not be liable for any claims arising from the event.
- Clubs with valid public liability insurance, proof to be provided if requested.
- Where applicable, sports clubs that received previous funding from Waterford Sports Partnership must have fully drawn down all funds to be considered for new funding
- Clubs with policies and practices that encourage participation regardless of gender, age, race or ability.
- Be registered or re-register with Waterford PPN (Public Participation Network) at <https://www.waterfordppn.ie/registrationform/> Alternatively, email Alison de Paor, adepaor@waterfordcouncil.ie or call 058 21308.
- Where applicable, clubs must have attended, or commit to attending Child Welfare and Disability Awareness training.

Grant Information

- Full funding will be paid to each successful club following the completion of the first walk. Receipt will be requested.
- Each application will be dealt with on a case by case basis.
- Where possible a WSP staff member will be present to assist with the planning and co-ordination of walks.
- The decision of the funding committee is final.

Additional Information

- GAA Clubs are encouraged to register to participate in "Ireland's Light Up" campaign 2024 <https://www.getirelandwalking.ie/irelandlightsup/>

Successful Applicants

- Successful clubs must comply with any reasonable request regarding publicity from WSP.
- Successful clubs must capture weekly video footage & photos of their Community Walk and submit (via What's App) to WSP staff member (full details to follow). Please ensure consent is received from participants for WSP to share on social media.
- Successful clubs must keep a record of numbers attending the walks weekly
- Successful clubs must complete and return the WSP Event Evaluation Form before Friday 23rd February.

For Further Information please contact: Liz McEnaney 0877396050 or emailmcenaney@waterfordsportspartnership.ie