

Appendix 1 – Supporting Local Communities Scheme evaluation criteria

1. Has the form been counter-signed by the local County Council member?

If no, send the form back to the applicant and advise that it must be signed by the County Council member or it cannot be considered

So that each focus (deprivation, economic benefits, community benefits and funding) receives equal weighting, each of the elements 2, 3, 4 and 5 will each only be able to score a maximum of 5 points. Therefore elements 4A, 4B and 4C will be added together and divided by two; and elements 5A and 5B will be added together and divided by two.

2. Deprivation indices in the ward where the scheme is to be delivered

- 5 points – deprivation indices score is over 45
- 4 points – deprivation indices score is between 34 and 44.9
- 3 points – deprivation indices score is between 26 and 33.9
- 2 points – deprivation indices score is between 21 and 25.9
- 1 point – deprivation indices score is between 0 and 20.9

3. Economic benefits – Job and training opportunities (where the scheme will deliver several of the benefits it will receive the highest of the scores it will deliver)

- 5 points – Scheme will create sustained job opportunities
- 4 points – Scheme will deliver regeneration
- 3 points – Scheme will deliver tourism benefits
- 2 points – Scheme will provide opportunities for delivery by local businesses/workers
- 1 point – Scheme will deliver training opportunities for the local community

4A. Community benefits – Support for the scheme

- 2 points – Evidence of significant support and should benefit more than half of the community
- 1 point – Evidence of significant support but will benefit less than half the community

4B. Community benefits – Community cohesion

- 3 points – Scheme delivers 4 or 5 of the bullets below
- 2 points – Scheme delivers 3 of the bullets below
- 1 point – Scheme delivers 1 or 2 of the bullets below
- Scheme is a key neighbourhood priority or supports neighbourhood priorities
- Scheme facilitates a place where people from different backgrounds can get on well together
- Scheme promotes a vision and sense of belonging – local area, neighbourhood, county, national
- The diversity of people's background and circumstances are appreciated and positively valued
- Scheme helps raise community confidence, aspiration and improves security

4C. Community benefits – Other quality of life

- 5 points – Scheme delivers 5 of the bullets below
- 4 points – Scheme delivers 4 of the bullets below
- 3 points – Scheme delivers 3 of the bullets below
- 2 points – Scheme delivers 2 of the bullets below
- 1 point – Scheme delivers 1 of the bullets below
- Crime reduction
- Health
- Heritage and/or archaeological conservation
- Bio-diversity conservation
- Working with schools and/or local organisations

5A. Funding – Amount of funding requested

- 5 points – Less than £10,000
- 4 points – £10,000 to £14,999
- 3 points – £15,000 to £19,999
- 2 points – £20,000 to £29,999
- 1 point – £30,000 to £50,000

5B. Funding – What percentage of the scheme cost is being met externally and has this funding been secured?

- 5 points – More than 60% of the total scheme cost secured
- 4 points – Between 40-59.9% of the total scheme cost secured
- 3 points – Between 30-39.9% of the total scheme cost secured; or
a bid submitted for funding (other than this bid) which would total more than 60% of the total scheme cost
- 2 points – Less than 30% of the total scheme cost secured; or
a bid submitted for funding (other than this bid) which would total between 30-55.9% of the total scheme cost
- 1 point – Less than 30% of the total scheme cost applied for; or voluntary hours offered in delivery of the scheme

6. Delivery – Maintenance of the scheme

- Scheme rejected if there are no firm plans and/or funds in place to maintain the scheme – 1 point

7. Delivery – Other delivery issues

- Scheme rejected if the land has not been secured by the scheme promoter or there are significant risks to the delivery of the scheme – defer to a later year once the land ownership/risks have been overcome (note that if the scheme is deferred to a later year it will be reassessed alongside all the scheme bids in the following year and may not be selected for delivery) – 1 point