

# Lough Erne Landscape Partnership



## *Protecting Promoting and Enhancing Your Heritage*

The Lough Erne Landscape Partnership (LELP) has been earmarked for a significant grant award by Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) to help protect, enhance and connect Fermanagh people with their Lough Erne landscape. The Lough Erne Landscape Project is one of 90 in the UK and is one of **several in Northern Ireland**.

The LELP Partnership steering group is made up of 7 organisations namely; Waterways Ireland, National Trust, Upper Lough Erne Region, RSPB, Ulster Architectural Society, Fermanagh Rural Community Network and Fermanagh Omagh District Council.

The Partnership is an opportunity for local communities and organisations to take part in projects that will protect, conserve, restore, raise awareness of and celebrate the built, natural and cultural heritage of Upper and Lower Lough Erne and the surrounding lands.

A wide variety of groups with an interest and strong link to the built and natural heritage and culture of Lough Erne are being encouraged to participate in The Partnership. Though the delivery of community led projects LELP aims to help achieve the vision of **a vibrant and sustainable rural economy, a healthy population and a functioning ecosystem.**

Just over £2 million has been set aside by Heritage Lottery Fund to support **the Lough Erne Landscape Partnership (LELP)** deliver a range of strategic and community based activities and projects from Spring 2018 – 2023; These heritage projects shall enhance Lough Erne and will demonstrate a direct link to the Lough Erne Landscape.

## **Time line for projects that may need funding.**

- The Heritage Lottery Fund has provided funding to LELP in two phases. The first and current stage is the **development phase; where LELP will assist communities and organisations develop a suite of projects that will enhance, protect and promote the heritage of Lough Erne and its surrounding landscape.** This development phase ends in early autumn 2017 when a Landscape Conservation Plan (LCAP) will be submitted for consideration to HLF.
- **Project outline proposals** with team guidance (if needed) will be submitted by October 31<sup>th</sup> 2016 to LELP. This early outline will enable the team to assess the spread of projects across the landscape area, with a view to networking with groups, and targeting missing elements to maximize the impact of the project.
- Project proposals will need to be well developed and **submitted to the LELP team by the end of January 2017** for potential inclusion in the draft LCAP.
- **Between January and early summer 2017 the LELP team will refine, adjust, combine and maximize the project submissions.** These will then be incorporated into the draft plan by June 2017. These projects are fundamental to the formation of a Landscape Conservation Action Plan (LCAP).
- The final plan including the detailed project bids will be completed and submitted, along with the Stage II application in Autumn 2017. The delivery phase will commence the following Spring 2018 and proceed for 5 years.
- **In Spring 2018 the delivery stage begins.** Over the next 5 year period until 2023 the LELP will be use the Landscape Conservation Plan (LCAP) to roll out the suite of projects identified during the earlier development stage.

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## Project Proposals – Things to Consider when formulating your project submission

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### Does your project help deliver on one or more of the HLF outcomes?

- Heritage will be better managed
- Heritage will be in better condition
- Heritage will be identified / recorded
- Environmental impacts will be reduced
- More people and a wider range of people will have engaged with heritage
- Your local area / community will be a better place to live, work or visit
- People will have developed skills
- People will have learnt about heritage
- People will have volunteered time

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### Does your project fit within one or more of these LELP themes?

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- Co-Ordinated Management of the Landscape
- Built Heritage at Risk (Built and archeology )
- Natural Heritage; protecting habitats and species
- People and Their Culture

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### Is there an application process and how much funding is available?

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There is no formal application form but it is **expected that groups will have considered their project in detail, before submitting a project proposal. An outline submission template is available from LELP**

**The list below is a first guide to your approach when making a submission.**

- ✓ Does the project have an overall aim or objective for the project
- ✓ Does your project relate to LELP Themes? Heritage (Built or Natural), people and culture and co-ordinated management.
- ✓ Please provide a comprehensive breakdown of money required
- ✓ Provide evidence of how the costs were produced (estimates, quotations)
- ✓ A breakdown of the time frame and details of any phases of delivery for your project (such as research planning, design, delivery)
- ✓ Provide details on how your project might engage people with the Lough Erne Landscape and its rich heritage
- ✓ Details of any previous project work your group has completed.
- ✓ Description of how your project will be beneficial to the heritage and people of Lough Erne Landscape area.
- ✓ Description of any lasting legacy once the project and LELP has reached the end of the delivery phase 2023
- ✓ Does your project have potential to provide match funding, either in cash contributions or in kind contributions?

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## Next steps

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- If you wish to express an interest please contact [info@lelp.org.uk](mailto:info@lelp.org.uk) or by phone 028 66327109. The team will arrange a convenient time to discuss your ideas/proposals

**Use the list above to begin to formulate your project submission. Also consider;**

- Who and or what organisations you might need to help plan, develop and deliver your project
- Does your group already have all the skills needed to succeed?
- Are there specific skills needed for the various and different stages of the project.
- Will your project need volunteer input
- Is there any need for training to help deliver the project
- Do you need any statutory approval(s)
- Formulate reliable costs and keep records of estimates and quotations.
- Will your project involve under 18's or vulnerable adults? If so participants may need Access NI clearance

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## Help is on hand

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**The LELP team** is on hand to assist you. Please visit our web site for other useful information and the LELP Partners may also be able to provide assistance to make your submission. ( Waterways Ireland, National Trust, Upper Lough Erne Region, RSPB, Ulster Architectural Society, Fermanagh Rural Community Network and Fermanagh Omagh District Council).

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## Why not take a look at other Landscape projects for ideas and examples of best practice

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The Lough Erne Landscape Partnership web site from mid September will host information and links to other landscape projects for your inspiration and guidance notes for how to participate in LELP.

[www.lelp.org.uk](http://www.lelp.org.uk)

For some examples of other NI Landscape Partnership Projects click below on the live links

**[Heritage Lottery web site search here for ALL NI landscape Partnerships](#)**

www. www.hlf.org.uk

The Mourne Landscape Partnership is well through its delivery of project stage this is one of the restoration project [www. <http://www.mournelive.com/landscape-partnership>](http://www.mournelive.com/landscape-partnership)

**[Mourne Mountains corn mill restoration](#)**

Ring of Gullion (Armagh) With a strong tradition for music this is one of the community events and training developed especially for young people. Web site <https://www.ringofgullion.org>

**[Music projects goes beyond Armagh](#)**

Belfast hills conducted public archeology events [www.belfasthills.org](http://www.belfasthills.org)

**[Results from digs](#)**

Lagan Valley Landscape Partnership establishment of heritage audio trails for visitors and local alike

**[Details of Heritage audio link](#)** web site [www.laganvalley.co.uk](http://www.laganvalley.co.uk)

Glens of Antrim Landscape Partnership web site [www.heartoftheglens.org](http://www.heartoftheglens.org)

**[Heart of glens community training and events](#)**