



Details of Public Road/Road Network

- (a) Location of Road Network _____
- (b) Include Map or confirm if previously applied _____
- (c) Road Number to which this application refers _____
- (c) Total length of roadside hedge/trees to be cut back _____
- (d) One side or both sides of the road _____
- (e) Number of landowners and residents on Road Network _____

Terms and Conditions

We, the undersigned, hereby apply to Leitrim County Council for participation in the Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme. We hereby understand all of the outlined Terms and Conditions and also appoint full power to below spokesperson to act for us in all correspondence and other business arising out of this application and we agree to be bound by our nominee's correspondence and acts.

Spokesperson's Name _____

Spokesperson's Address _____

Mobile Phone number _____ Email address _____

Please complete the table below in respect to all residents and landowners residing along the proposed road/road network which is the subject of this application. If there is not sufficient space for all names below, please provide additional names on a separate sheet (or on the back of this application):

Signature: Each landowner must personally sign this form (below)

Applicant Name: Enter the resident/landowners name in block capitals

Address: Full address must be provided, including the Eircode

Landowner Name	Address	Eircode	Signature

For all questions and/or completed forms (PAGE 1 ONLY, UNLESS ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES) to be returned to:

Post: Administrative Officer, Leitrim County Council, Roads Department,
Park Lane House, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim.

E-Mail: roads@leitrimcoco.ie

Tel: 071 9620005 Ext. 630

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Leitrim County Council will provide a grant of **€75 per km** of roadside hedge/overhanging trees approved to be attended to along the Public Road Network, subject to available resources
- Limited funding is available for this Scheme and all the terms and conditions should be strictly adhered to
- All offending hedges and overhanging trees along the proposed network must be adequately cut back.
- The minimum length of road network to be incorporated in any application is **1 km**. However each application will be assessed on its own merits and in certain exceptional circumstances an application may be accepted incorporating a road network of less than 1km in length. If hedges are set back from the road edge and safety considerations allow, it may not be necessary to cut these sections of hedges but such sections can count towards the 1km minimum continuous length.
- Grants will be calculated based on the actual estimated length of hedging/trees which need attention rather than on the length of road which is incorporated in the road network submitted in an application. Where hedging/trees on both sides of a particular section of road need attention, the length to be included in the grant calculation will be doubled.
- All hedges to be cut should be inspected for Japanese Knotweed and Ash Die-Back. These plants should not be cut.
- The road network to which an application refers must be continuous – If there's a break in the network to be proposed, a separate application will be required. Termination points must be at junctions rather than at an arbitrary location along the length of a road or roads (this may not apply in some exceptional circumstances).
- All hedge cutting must be carried out between September 1st, this year and the last day of February, next year
- **No grant applications will be accepted after the below deadline**
- The area proposed for Hedge Cutting must be agreed in advance with the District Engineer, Leitrim County Council
- Works for which grant approval is confirmed must be completed in the same season
- **No grant will be paid out until the Council is satisfied that all hedge/tree cutting required along the network proposed in the application is completed to the required standard.**
- Each Applicant/Community/Group will have to nominate a Spokesperson through whom all correspondence will be channelled.
- **The Hedge Cutting Grant will be paid by Leitrim County Council into the Applicant/Spokesperson nominated Bank Account by means of EFT Payment. No Payments will issue by Cheque**
- Applicants/Communities/Groups will undertake works and organise relevant hedge cutting contract and pay for same
- It is a matter for applicants to ensure that the contractor to be engaged is appropriately insured, is compliant with present day Health and Safety regulations, to confirm to the Council that these compliance requirements have been satisfactorily verified and to give the relevant District Engineer's Office at least 7 days' notice of intention to carry out the works. **Leitrim County Council will not consider any works for funding which have been carried out in advance of the grant application being considered**
- Hedges should be cut to the appropriate height, width and shape consistent with both road safety objectives and best practice hedge row management. Where there is direct conflict between the two, road safety requirements will take precedence. Branches overhanging the roadway should be cleared to a minimum height of 5.2 metres. On footpaths there must be a clearance to a height of 2.1 metres
- Any application submitted without the required accompanying map identifying the roads to which the application refers will be returned
- In the event of a large influx of applications, priority will be given to those roads that facilitate school bus and other public and special needs transportation routes

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