

Community Monuments Funds 2022

About the Community Monuments Fund

The Community Monuments Fund was first established under the Jobs Stimulus Package in July, 2020, when Minister Noonan announced an allocation of €1.4m for expenditure on improvements to archaeological monuments. Funding increased to just over €4m in 2021 and to €6m in 2022.

The main aims of the Community Monuments Fund are the conservation, maintenance, protection and promotion of local monuments and historic sites. It has a number of funding streams aimed at **enabling** conservation works to be carried out on monuments which are deemed to be significant and in need of urgent support, **encouraging** access to monuments and improve their presentation and also to **build resilience** in monuments to enable them to withstand the effects of climate change.

The Community Monuments Fund invests essential capital in our valuable archaeological heritage and helps owners and custodians of archaeological monuments to safeguard them into the future for the benefit of communities and the public.

The fund is administered by the National Monuments Service of the Department through the Local Authorities.

What are Grants Available for?

The **Community Monuments Fund** has 3 Streams:

Stream	Available Funding	Maximum Grant
Stream 1	Grants up to €85,000 that are aimed at essential repairs and capital works for the conservation and repair of archaeological monuments. In exceptional cases, where applications are accompanied by a fully costed specification of works and a Conservation Management Plan already in place, grants of up to €100,000 were considered.	100% of eligible costs
Stream 2	Grants of up to €30,000 for development of Conservation Management Plans/Reports that are aimed at identifying measures for conservation of archaeological monuments and improving public access.	100% of eligible costs
Stream 3	Grants of up to €30,000 for enhancement of access infrastructure and interpretation (including virtual/online) at archaeological monuments (including COVID 19 protection measures).	100% of eligible costs

Who Could Apply?

The **Community Monuments Fund** provides capital funding for projects involving:

- (i) Archaeological monuments that are included in the Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) under the National Monuments Act 1930 (as amended).
- (ii) Archaeological monuments included in the Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) as compiled by the National Monuments Service.

Eligible projects were drawn from the following categories:

- a) projects proposed by a Local Authority in relation to **archaeological monuments in public ownership**, where a clear heritage focus and community or public benefit has been demonstrated;
- b) projects proposed by a Local Authority on foot of applications from **private applicants who are the owners or custodians of relevant archaeological monuments** where there is a tangible public benefit;
- c) projects with a clearly defined heritage focus and community or public benefit proposed directly to the Department by a **State-funded organisation** working in the heritage area.

Awards made under Community Monuments Fund 2022

	No of Applications Awarded	Value € projects awarded
Stream 1	65	€4,806,516
Stream 2	46	€918,812
Stream 3	17	€268,462
	128	€5,993,789

Stream 1		
Local Authority Area	Site / Monument / Project	Award
Cavan	Drumlane Abbey, Milltown	€84,698.50
Cork City	Blarney Estate Lime Kiln, Blarney	€78,237.97
Cork City	Rathcooney Church, Glanmire	€85,000.00
Cork CoCo	Castleview Mills,	€85,000.00
Cork CoCo	Dromtariff Church, Dromagh,	€85,000.00
DLRathdown	Pucks Castle, Ballychorus Road, Shankill, Dublin	€85,000.00

Donegal	Malin Well Old Church, Inishowen	€64,193.00
Donegal	St. Catherine's Church, Killybegs	€44,129.50
Donegal	Doon Fort	€85,000.00
Dublin City	St. Audeon's Medieval Church	€85,000.00
Dublin City	St. Canice's Graveyard, Finglas	€85,000.00
Fingal	Rush Tower House, Rush	€85,000.00
Fingal	St. Catherine's Kenure Church, Rush	€85,000.00
Fingal	St. Marnock's Church, Portmarnock	€85,000.00
Fingal	St. Columbas Church & round tower, Swords	€85,000.00
Galway City	Terryland & Merlin Castles, Galway City	€85,000.00
Galway City	Menlough Castle, Galway City	€85,000.00
Galway Co Co	St. Kerrill's (Religious Hse), Clonkeenkerrill, East Galway	€84,999.00
Galway Co Co	Abbeygormacan, East Galway	€50,000.00
Galway Co Co	Kilclooney Castle/Tower House, Milltown	€80,000.00
Kerry	Killagh Priory, Kilcolman, Milltown	€80,690.00
Kerry	Castleisland Castle, Castleisland	€99,746.50
Kildare	St Michael's Church Athy	€83,570.00
Kildare	Kildare Cathedral Round Tower	€85,000.00
Kilkenny	Dunkitt Church, South Kilkenny	€85,000.00
Kilkenny	Clomantagh Church, west of Freshford	€85,000.00
Laois	Ballylynan Church & Graveyard (Rahin)	€85,000.00
Laois	Dysart Enos Church, Portlaoise	€34,555.70
Leitrim	St. Mogue's Abbey, Rossinver	€85,000.00
Limerick	Kilfinnane Church	€85,000.00
Limerick	Ballynoe Castle, Bruree	€85,000.00
Longford	Abbeyshrule Abbey tower house	€84,974.75
Louth	Glaspistol Castle, Clogherhead	€100,000.00
Mayo	Kilteany Church, Bangor	€55,000.00
Mayo	Kilgeever Church, Louisburgh	€48,672.00
Meath	St. John's Church & Graveyard Nobber	€85,000.00
Meath	Dulane Graveyard Kells	€30,000.00
Meath	Navan Town Walls	€81,026.00
Meath	St Ercs Slane Castle	€29,980.00
Meath	Babes Bridge north east of Navan	€85,000.00
Monaghan	Errigal Truagh Church, north Monaghan	€82,032.45
Offaly	Castlearmstrong, Ballycumber	€78,969.63
Offaly	Emmel Castle near Cloughjordan	€85,000.00
Offaly	Kilcomin Church	€85,000.00
Offaly	Seir Kieran Graveyard Wall	€85,000.00

Roscommon	Ballintober Castle	€85,000.00
Sligo	Moygara Castle, Gorteen	€85,000.00
Sligo	Easky Abbey	€85,000.00
Tipperary	Kilnarath Church, Newross	€78,087.17
Tipperary	Coolquill Castle, Killenaule,	€49,432.69
Tipperary	Boolabaun Castle, south east of Roscrea	€68,253.15
Waterford	Kilgobnet Graveyard, north west of Dungarvan	€6,000.00
Waterford	St. Nicholas' Church, Seanchluain, An Rinn	€61,567.50
Waterford	Stradbally Church.	€39,805.00
Waterford	Molana Abbey, Newtown	€66,656.00
Westmeath	St Owen's Church, Ballymore	€85,000.00
Westmeath	Kilbixy Leper Hospital, near Ballynacargy	€85,000.00
Westmeath	Killefree Church, Castlepollard	€85,000.00
Westmeath	Monasset Tower House, south west of Tyrellspass	€85,000.00
Wexford	Ishartmon Church & Graveyard, Ballyboher, South Wexford	€26,664.00
Wexford	Mountgarret Castle, New Ross	€85,000.00
Wexford	Fethard Castle	€85,000.00
Wicklow	Arklow Castle	€44,621.00
Wicklow	Mullinacuffe Church & Graveyard, Stranakelly, west of Tinahely	€14,954.00
COILLTE	Coillte Donadea Castle, Donadea Forest Park, Kildare	€85,000.00
Total Stream 1		€4,806,515

Stream 2		
Local Authority	Site / Monument / Project	Award
Cavan	St. Mogue's Island, south of Bawnboy	€15,473.40
Clare	Kilofin Church, south west of Labasheeda	€9,102.00
Clare	Templemaley Church, Ballyalia, Ballyhee	€9,102.00
Clare	Kilchreest Church, Carrowkilla, half a mile west of Ballynacally	€11,316.00
Cork CoCo	Coolbane Mill, south-east of Tullylease	€17,220.00

DL Rathdown	Carrickbrennan Graveyard, Monkstown	€30,000.00
Donegal	Assaroe Abbey, Ballyshannon	€20,756.00
Donegal	McSwyne's Castle, Dunkineely	€18,692.00
Donegal	Bishop's Palace, Raphoe	€29,623.50
Donegal	Northburgh Castle, Greencastle	€30,000.00
Dublin City	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin	€30,000.00
Dublin City	Drimnagh Castle, Drimnagh	€30,000.00
Fingal	Moat Wood, south-west of Naul	30,000.00
Fingal	Balrothery Tower House	€21,648.00
Galway CoCo	St Mary's, Athenry Graveyard	€15,000.00
Galway CoCo	Killeroran Church and Graveyard, Ballygar	€16,000.00
Galway CoCo	Issertkelly Church and Graveyard, between Ardahan and Kilchreest	€29,109.50
Kerry	Cill Buaine Early Ecclesiastical Site, Iveragh Peninsula	€29,520.00
Kerry	Six Kerry Graveyards: Abbey Island, Derrynane; Ventry; Kenmare Old, south-east of Kenmare; Kilmore, circa 2.5 miles south-west of Ballybunnion; Kilshannig, circa 3.7 miles north of Castlegregory and Greenane, circa 3.5 miles south-west of Kenmare	€28,966.50
Kildare	Moone Tower Dovecote	€27,856.65
Kilkenny	Grangefertagh Church & Graveyard, north-east of Johnstown	€26,200.00
Laois	Baunaghra Church, south-west of Rathdowney	€12,093.00
Laois	Ballyadams Castle, north-west of Ballylinan	€29,784.16
Laois	Clonreher Castle, north-west of Portaloise	€29,107.66
Longford	Clondra (Cloondara) Church ruin, Cloondara	€25,947.50
Louth	Cill Mhuire, near Templetown on the Cooley Peninsula	€11,070.00
Louth	Drogheda town wall	€20,000.00
Mayo	Ballyheane Church & Graveyard	€12,035.00
Meath	Monknewtown Graveyard, north-east of Slane	€13,161.00
Meath	St. Michael's Grange, Duleek	€24,895.00
Meath	Ardmulchan Church, Navan	€6,441.08
Roscommon	Ardkieran Cemetery, Oran	€17,416.80
Sligo	Green Fort, Sligo	€30,000.00
Sligo	St. Fechin's Church, Ballisodare,	€30,000.00
Tipperary	Loughloher Castle/Tower House, south-east of Caher	€14,528.00

Waterford	Woodstown Viking Site, west of Waterford City	€18,000.00
Westmeath	Killare Church, west of Loughanavally	€26,947.00
Westmeath	Griffinstown Church and Graveyard, north-west of Kinnegad	€23,985.00
Westmeath	Templecross Church, north-east of Ballynacarrigy	€24,270.00
Westmeath	St Feichin's Well & Mill, Fore	€19,797.00
Wexford	Templetown Church, south-west of Fethard	€6,461.00
Wexford	Barrystown Mine, south-west of Wellingtonbridge	€7,014.50
Wexford	St Senan's Church and Graveyard, Enniscorthy	€4,983.00
Wexford	Toome Church & Graveyard, south-west of Gorey	€4,983.00
Wicklow	Castlekevin Castle, south-east of Annamoe	€18,682.00
TOTAL STREAM 2		€918,8912

Stream 3		
Local Authority	Site/Monument/Project	Award
Carlow	Ballymoon Castle, Carlow, east of Muine Bheag (Bagenalstown).	€6,609.42
Cavan	Moybologue Graveyard, south of Bailieborough.	€13,139.50
Cavan	Moneygashel Cashel, south-west of Blacklion	€14,491.86
Cork City	Waterloo Belfry,north-west of Blarney	€5,796.75
Cork CoCo	Templebreedy Graveyard, Crosshaven	€25,000.00
Donegal	St. Mura's Cross & Graveyard, Fahan	€8,165.00
Dublin City	St. James's Church & Graveyard James's Street, Dublin	€10,762.50
Galway CoCo	Tuam Market High Cross, Tuam	€3,000.00
Limerick	Kilmallock Church & Graveyard, just north-west of the town of Kilmallock	€9,840.00
Monaghan	Killeevan Church and Graveyard, Killeevan	€28,137.00
Roscommon	Elphin Windmill, Elphin	€29,341.30
Waterford	St. Carthage's, Lismore	€30,000.00

Wexford	Vinegar Hill, Enniscorthy	€9,995.00
Wicklow	Abbey Lane, Abbeylands, Arklow	€7,072.50
Wicklow	Castlekevin Podcast, south-east of Annamoe	€7,748.70
Wicklow	West Wicklow Historic Graveyards: Ballymaghroe, Moyne; Mullinacuffe and Whitefield, near Tinahely	€30,000.00
Wicklow	Baltinglass Hills	€29,362.00
TOTAL Stream 3		€268,461