

FORM 2 - GUIDANCE NOTES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS' PROJECTS

i.e. Business Groups, Tourism Associations, Chambers of Trade, Community Councils, Agricultural Groups or Speciality Food Groups.

LEADER+

LEADER+ is an EU funded scheme for the development of rural areas. Cadwyn Clwyd operates in the rural areas of Flintshire and Denbighshire and is responsible for implementing the LEADER+ programme in these areas. Please see map attached.

The LEADER+ programme is based on the principles of

- Working in partnership
- Grass root participation
- Innovation

The LEADER+ strategy within Denbighshire and Flintshire focuses on the theme of 'making best use of natural and cultural resources'.

SUSTAINABILITY

The emphasis of LEADER is on sustainability of the pilot projects undertaken within the programme as well as strategies for 'life after LEADER' for successful initiatives. Applicants must demonstrate how the project is sustainable post LEADER involvement.

PARTNERSHIP

The project applicant must demonstrate a partnership approach to the development and implementation of the project. The applicant must also demonstrate the involvement of, and the consultation of local community groups in the project e.g. Business Groups, Tourism Associations, Chambers of Trade, Community Councils, Agricultural Groups, Speciality Food Groups etc.

FUNDING

LEADER+ primarily support revenue projects. However, small-scale capital projects may also be assessed if there is a clear indication of innovation and the project may be too risky to be backed by other mainstream funding sources. For information on capital projects, please contact Cadwyn Clwyd on the number below.

RATE OF LEADER+ Contribution

There is no fixed rate of contribution. However projects which can demonstrate financial support from the applicant and other sponsors are more likely to receive assistance.

TARGET GROUPS

Projects should focus on one or more of the following target groups:

Micro and small businesses (which includes farms)

Farming Families

The Under-employed

Welsh Speaking Communities

Women

Young People

For further guidance or assistance in completing the application form, please do not hesitate to contact Cadwyn Clwyd on 01824 705802.