



### Strand 1: Building Low Carbon Communities, Evaluation Criteria

Selection Criterion	Weighting	Basis for Assessment
Relevance and impact	30%	The project meets the objective of Strand 1 to shape and build a low carbon community, and can clearly demonstrate the impact of the project in contributing to Ireland's climate and energy targets.
Innovation and scalability	20%	The project contains practical innovation/(s) and/or approaches. It has the potential to be scaled up or replicated in other communities' post funding. The project has a lasting impact.
Value for money	20%	The costs applied for are reasonable, represent an efficient use of resources and are commensurate with the quality and nature of the activities proposed.  Realistic, specific, and relevant outputs and outcomes are identified, which are commensurate with the level of investment.
Achievability	10%	The organisation/partnership has the appropriate expertise to deliver the proposed project. The proposal is clear and coherent and is deliverable within the timeframe. Key milestones are specified with an explanation of how these will be monitored.
Partnership approach	10%	Any Partner/Consortium roles and responsibilities are clearly outlined with partnership agreements in place (where applicable).  The proposal demonstrates how all key stakeholders will be involved in the planning and implementation of the proposal.
Governance arrangements	10%	Any necessary governance and financial management systems, controls and processes are in place to meet the requirements of the programme.  Where applicable, evidence of tax compliance and registration with relevant bodies is supplied. Details of track record in managing other state funding is supplied.
	100%	





### Strand 1a: Shared Island Community Climate Action, Evaluation Criteria

Selection Criterion	Weighting	Basis for Assessment
<b>Shared Island relevance and impact</b>	30%	The project meets the objective of Strand 1a to shape and build a low carbon community, and can clearly demonstrate the impact of the project in contributing to climate and energy targets on a cross-border basis on the island of Ireland and the sustainability objectives in the Shared Island chapter of the revised National Development Plan.
<b>Innovation and scalability</b>	20%	The project contains practical innovation/(s) and/or approaches. It has the potential to be scaled up or replicated in other communities' post funding. The project has a lasting impact.
<b>Value for money</b>	20%	The costs applied for are reasonable, represent an efficient use of resources and are commensurate with the quality and nature of the activities proposed.  Realistic, specific, and relevant outputs and outcomes are identified which are commensurate with the level of investment.
<b>Achievability</b>	10%	The organisation/partnership has the appropriate expertise to deliver the proposed project. The proposal is clear and coherent and is deliverable within the timeframe. Key milestones are specified with an explanation of how these will be monitored.
<b>Cross-border partnership approach</b>	10%	Any Partner/Consortium roles and responsibilities are clearly outlined with partnership agreements in place (where applicable). The proposal demonstrates how all key stakeholders will be involved in the planning and implementation of the proposal.  The proposal demonstrates how all key stakeholders will be involved in the planning and implementation of the proposal.  The proposal includes at least one partner in Northern Ireland, and at least 50% of awarded funding will be for project delivery in Northern Ireland.
<b>Governance arrangements</b>	10%	Any necessary governance and financial management systems, controls and processes are in place to meet the requirements of the programme.  Where applicable, evidence of tax compliance and registration with relevant bodies is supplied. Details of track record in managing other state funding is supplied.
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