

## **BOYLE MD FUND 2022 –PROJECT REVISION**

### **STROKESTOWN TIDY TOWN GROUP**

Strokestown Tidy Town Group was, in 2022, awarded a Municipal District Fund grant of €1,800 (ref: MD427200374).

This funding was requested to enable us to complete a feasibility study on the former Strokestown fire station, situated on Church Street, with a view to this building being renovated and repurposed as a shared space to meet the needs of a number of community groups.

Unfortunately, subsequent to this grant being awarded, the planning department of Roscommon County Council has stated that this site, and adjoining land, now forms part of wider housing plans for Strokestown.

Given this external change of site plans Strokestown Tidy Towns Group is requesting that we be permitted to use the allocated grant to benefit the Strokestown community via an alternative project.

Currently Strokestown Tidy Towns Group is struggling to maintain a watering programme for flowers and shrubs planted across our community. We are having to manually extract water from the Bumlin River using buckets. This is physically difficult and risks the health of those completing this.

We have researched ways of making this task easier and have concluded that the most appropriate way would be to purchase a solar extraction pump, which would be securely positioned in Strokestown Grotto, immediately adjacent to the Bumlin River.

Use of the proposed Solar Pump will be accessible to all community groups, and will enhance ongoing Tidy Towns work to increase the level of integrative coordination of all community groups.

I have attached details of the solar pump recommended to us as appropriate for our requirements and a related quote for supply of this.

We have spoken with Tom Crosby, current Cathaoirleach of Roscommon County Council, who is supportive of our plans and has advised that we contact you in writing.

We hope that you will consider our request positively and would welcome receiving your confirmation that project revision is approved.

I would appreciate receiving your confirmation that you have successfully received this email.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards,

Mark Chilvers  
Treasurer: Strokestown Tidy Towns Group