Rathmore Social Action Group: Expression of Interest -Development of a 50th Anniversary Book (https://www.activelink.ie/node/116449)



Expression of interest for the Development of a 50th anniversary book on the Rathmore Social Action Group CLG

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1. Introduction

Rathmore Social Action Group (SAG), a community organisation established in 1975 committed to supporting community development in East Kerry and North Cork, is inviting Expressions of Interest (EOI) from experienced individuals or teams to research, write, and produce a high-quality commemorative book celebrating the history, legacy and future potential of the organisation.

This publication will mark our 50th anniversary, capturing the people, stories, and impact that have shaped Rathmore SAG's journey to date.

2. Project Overview

The commemorative book will serve as both a historical record and a narrative of community spirit, social progress, and volunteerism. It will reflect the voice and values of Rathmore SAG while engaging a broad audience, including current and former members, volunteers, funders, and the wider community.

3. Scope of Work

The selected party will be expected to:

- · Conduct research using archival material, oral histories, and interviews
- · Develop an engaging written narrative chronicling key events, themes, and personal stories
- · Work to capture the spirit, values, and enduring impact of the SAG
- Curate and incorporate historical photographs and documents using storytelling through pictures as a key feature of the book.
- · Oversee design, layout, and editorial processes
- · Deliver the final book in both print-ready and digital formats

4. Submission Requirements

Interested parties are invited to submit a detailed EOI that includes:

1. A statement outlining relevant experience in writing, publishing, and/or community-based storytelling, historical writing skills would be welcome

- 2. Examples of past work (e.g. Publications, commemorative publications, similar community projects)
- 3. Overview of the proposed methodology and milestone timelines
- 4. References to the possible final design and size of the final document would be useful
- 5. Background of the proposed team or individual, if a team is involved then the role of each team member must be clearly set out. A CV of the lead applicant must be included.
- 6. Two referees who will be contacted prior to contract offering.
- 7. Timeline with key delivery points of first draft, second and final draft must be clearly set out in the EOI.
- 8. All tendered costs must be clearly set out in the EOI along with the full and final tendered price for the work.

Please note for consideration the EOI must be clearly set out covering all points numbered 1-8 above.

Be advised the successful tender will be required to provide a current Tax Clearance Certificate before contract signing.

5. Timeline

The final Book must be launch ready by the 20th of March 2026

6. Budget

A maximum budget of €20,000 is available for this work (inclusive of VAT)

7. Assessment Criteria

EOIs will be assessed based on:

- · Demonstrated experience with similar projects, especially in community or nonprofit contexts
- Quality of past publications
- · Cultural and historical sensitivity
- Creative approach and alignment with Rathmore SAG's values
- · Capacity to deliver the project within agreed timeframes

8. Submission Process

EOIs should be submitted in PDF format via email only to: **Contact:** Noreen Fleming **Email:** <u>Noreen.fleming@sag.ie</u> (mailto:Noreen.fleming@sag.ie) **Subject line:** EOI – Commemorative History Book – Rathmore SAG

9. Closing Date for Submissions:

COB 21st July 2025

Shortlisted candidates may be invited to attend an interview or to provide additional information.

10. Enquiries

For confidential enquiries, additional information, or to discuss the EOI, please contact: Noreen Fleming **Position:** CEO **Email:** <u>Noreen.fleming@sag.ie (mailto:Noreen.fleming@sag.ie)</u> TEL <u>0870324826 (tel:0870324826)</u>

Appendix 1 – Note on the SAG

Those who founded, moulded and shaped the Social Action Group were strongly influenced by the Christian ethos of service to others by the Meitheal tradition, where neighbours gathered to help neighbours and by ideals of social justice and equality. Young people in the group are encouraged to make a genuine effort, as a group to brighten up the lives of other people and assist in the creation of a community of shared values, responsibilities, opportunities and benefits.

Founded in 1975 the SAG, a registered Charity, has 4 main objectives

- 1. Youth Work To promote the development and involvement of young people in their community and society.
- 2. Social Care In particular the assistance of older members of the community to live their lives with dignity and respect.
- 3. Community Development Through the securing and resourcing of facilities and activities to improve the overall quality of life for local people, in particular those experiencing hardship.
- 4. To provide aid for the Developing World.

For further information please visit https://sag.ie/ (https://sag.ie/)

Region

East Kerry / North Cork

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