

Roscommon LEADER Partnership **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/92606>)**

Roscommon LEADER Partnership (RLP, also known as RIDC – Roscommon Integrated Development Company Ltd.) is an organisation that brings together key development projects including rural enterprise, development and social inclusion that work for the betterment of the people of Co. Roscommon.

The main objects for which the Company is established are:

To promote, support, assist and engage in

1. social development,
2. enterprise development to facilitate rural and urban regeneration or
3. community development, designed to benefit and promote the welfare of local communities or to deal with the causes and consequences of social and economic disadvantage or poverty.

RLP and its predecessors have supported and assisted enterprise and individuals in Co. Roscommon since 1991. Throughout that time, we have seen many changes to Irish society, not least in Co. Roscommon. There has also been much change to many of the programmes and services we provide.

RLPs current responsibilities include the delivery of the Rural Development Programme (LEADER) and the Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP). Other initiatives, funded by various Government Departments and Agencies/Bodies in Ireland and EU are also delivered by the company, including the Rural Social Scheme, TÚS, and the Traveller Health Programme. Roscommon LEADER Partnership has a very broad remit, having a role in such diverse subjects as tourism, enterprise, environment, recreation, social inclusion and assistance to the unemployed to name but a few.

Within the contexts of a harsher economic climate, Roscommon Leader Partnership seeks to champion needs responsive, local yet outward looking development initiatives which focus on improving the quality of life in Co. Roscommon for all. We provide practical and needed supports including grants, training, work placement and advice to community and voluntary groups, social inclusion target groups, small businesses, farm families and businesses and potential entrepreneurs. We also collaborate with a wide range of local organisations in the delivery of our services.

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