KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL – ATHY RURAL LIGHTING ASSISTANCE SCHEME

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1: Where can application forms be obtained from?
   Roads, Transportation & Public Safety Department, Level 4, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, County Kildare or Athy Municipal District Office, Rathstewart, Athy, Co. Kildare or Kildare County Council’s website – www.kildare.ie/countycouncil

Q2: Who can apply?
   Residents in rural locations in Athy Municipal District who are 66 years of age (or over) and living on their own or with a spouse or with another person 66 years of age (or over) – proof of age may be required.

Q3: How much Rural Lighting Assistance can I get?
   A maximum once off payment of €200 is to be applied to each property.

Q4: Who pays the Contractor?
   It is the responsibility of the property owner to arrange payment to the contractor.

Q5: What is the purpose of the assistance?
   The scheme proposes to assist residents in rural locations to erect external lighting on their property with a view to enhancing the security & safety of the property and not to illuminate the public highway or adversely compromise the rural setting.

Q6: Who carries out the work?
   Works are to be carried out by RECI approved contractors only.

Q7: Where is the electrical supply for the lighting obtained from?
   Electrical supply for the lighting is to be via the property domestic connection.

Q8: Who is responsible for future maintenance?
   The houseowner is responsible for the cost of future maintenance and cost of providing energy for the operation of the new lighting installation.
Q9: What is the extend of the funding for this Scheme?

The extend of funding for this scheme will be determined on an annual basis by the elected members in Athy Municipal District.

Q10: Who awards the Assistance?

The awarding of the assistance is at the discretion of the members of Athy Municipal District.