

The Rural Fund Scoring Matrix

Organisation	Project	Amount Requested	Criteria	Evidence	Score awarded.
			Eligibility and objectives	Section 1 & Section 2 question 2.	<p>1 or 2: fund is eligible and some evidence that the project supports the fund objectives but no evidence of project’s impact on natural assets and nature.</p> <p>3 or 4: fund is eligible and evidence that the project supports the fund objectives, evidence of the project’s impact on natural assets and nature.</p> <p>5: fund is eligible and good evidence that the project supports the fund objectives. Good evidence of the projects positive and sustainable impact on natural assets and nature.</p>
			Local need and community benefit	Section 2, question 4	<p>1 or 2: some evidence that project will benefit those in the surrounding area but little evidence that there is a high demand for the project</p> <p>3 or 4: evidence of benefit those in the surrounding area. Evidence that project will meet proven need.</p> <p>5: good evidence that project will benefit a significant number. Good evidence that the project will meet a high and previously unmet need.</p>

			Financial position and viability of project	Section 2, questions 1 and 5.	<p>1 or 2: Project offers reasonable value for money, costs appear reasonable taking into account the number that will benefit.</p> <p>3 or 4: Project offers good value for money, costs are reasonable taking into account the number that will benefit.</p> <p>5: Project offers good value for money and costs are reasonable taking into account the number that will benefit.</p>
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