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Thank you for expressing your interest in the Waters of LIFE pilot agri-environmental programme. We have reviewed your information and confirmed your eligibility with the Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine (DAFM). We formally invite you to enter into the programme.

In this envelope you will find:

- 1. Contract Booklet:** This booklet contains three forms you need to fill out to complete your entry. It also has directions on how to get us all the bank details we need to issue payments to you.
- 2. Programme Entry Clinic Invite:** Details of your programme entry clinic are on the back page of this booklet. You'll also find details of your local catchment scientist to contact with any questions.
- 3. Farm Plan:** This document includes maps of your farm with habitats we can assess for nature quality. It also assigns general actions we can fund to manage water quality on your farm.
- 4. Waters of LIFE Booklets:** You should review the Information Booklet, General Actions and Terms and Conditions before you sign your contract.
- 5. Stamped Address Envelope:** You can use this envelope to send us your completed contract booklet and bank statement header.

If you wish to proceed and become a programme participant, please complete and return all forms enclosed by Friday May 15th 2026. If you do not wish to proceed as a participant, no further action is necessary.

Please return no later than Friday May 15th 2026.

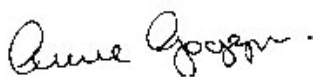
You have three options for return of required documents:

1. Post the contract booklet and printed confirmation of your bank details using the stamped addressed envelope provided.
2. Drop the booklet and the bank details into your local clinic. Details are on the back page.
3. Scan and return the two documents by email to **info@watersoflife.ie**

If you have any queries, please call or email your catchment scientist. Details are on the back page.

We look forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely



Anne Goggin
Project Manager
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Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht
Department of Housing,
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CONTRACT

Waters of LIFE Agri-Environmental Programme Pilot

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Date of Offer: Farmer Reference:

Name: Herd Number:

This contract is between you and the Waters of LIFE project. It runs from the date the project receives all completed documentation until the project is completed or the contract is otherwise terminated.

By signing this contract, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of the Waters of LIFE Agri-Environmental Programme Pilot. The Terms and Conditions have been included in your correspondence.

I agree to:

- Provide completed documentation, including written proof of bank details.
- Attend annual training
- Appoint a Waters of LIFE approved advisor from the given list
- Authorise Waters of LIFE team members to enter my lands for monitoring and verification purposes
- Authorise Waters of LIFE to access Land Parcel data relating to my farm held by the Dept. of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Agree to the Waters of LIFE Privacy Policy
- Comply with the requirements of the pilot agri-environmental programme in the Terms and Conditions.

I wish to avail of this contract and be accepted into the Waters of LIFE Pilot Agri-Environmental Programme pilot.

To the best of my knowledge, all details on the enclosed Waters of LIFE farm plan are correct and I agree to the management objectives and general actions of the farm plan.

Signed:

Dated:

For joint herd numbers or farm partnerships all relevant parties must sign this contract.

Additional signatures for farm partnerships and joint herd number

Signed:

Dated:

Signed:

Dated:

Signed:

Dated:

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the terms and conditions?

The terms and conditions are included in this correspondence. It is a helpful document which may answer some of your questions.

I have questions. Who do I talk to?

Please contact your local catchment scientist. He/she will be happy to answer any of your questions and help you with programme entry. You'll find contact details on a flyer included in this pack.

I would like some help with completing my entry. Where can I go?

Come to your local clinic. You will be able to meet our catchment scientists in person. It will be a one-to-one meeting and all information will be treated as private and confidential.

If I sign the contract, what are the next steps?

- We will arrange a local training event for you to attend
- Your chosen advisor will complete a habitat assessment of your farm. This may entitle you to payments based on the nature quality of your farm.
- Your advisor will complete a runoff risk assessment of your farm with you and submit a plan for proposed supporting actions, which may be financed through the project. You will be paid €250 directly for your time.

Why do I need to work with an advisor approved by the project?

Waters of LIFE train the advisors working with the project on water quality, habitats and runoff risk assessment. The role of the advisor is to ease any burden on your working with the project. Advisors are paid directly by Waters of LIFE so there is no cost to the farmer.

What happens if I sign the contract, but then change my mind about getting involved?

You can exit the programme at any time with one month's notice.

What would be a minimum payment for the first year's involvement?

If you attend three training events and complete a runoff risk assessment in your first year, you can expect to receive €718. This amount could increase significantly based on the habitat scoring of your land and participation in general actions.

When will I be paid?

Payments for general actions and training are issued quarterly. Payments for habitat scores rely on information from DAFM, which comes late in the year. So these payments are made in the spring time of the following year.

ADVISOR NOMINATION FORM

Waters of LIFE Agri-Environmental Programme Pilot

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I wish to nominate the approved farm advisor listed below to represent me for the purposes of the Waters of LIFE Pilot Agri Environment Programme (see list on next page).

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

ADVISOR NAME: * _____

ADVISOR ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

I understand that the farm advisor will have access to Land Parcel data held by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in relation to my farm.

Farmer Name: _____

Herd Number: _____

Please return this completed form to:

Waters of LIFE, Heffernan House, Rossmore Village, Tipperary, E34 DK77

by email to **info@watersoflife.ie** or drop in to one of our clinics.

*Please note the nominated advisor must be a trained and approved Waters of LIFE farm advisor.
A list of approved advisors is enclosed and also available on our website.*

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

****Please ensure that your preferred advisor is made aware of their nomination***

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Received: _____

ID: _____

APPROVED ADVISOR LIST

The following advisors have all undertaken Waters of LIFE training to work with farmers on our Waters of LIFE pilot agri-environmental programme. Waters of LIFE do not recommend any individual advisor.

* Denotes advisor with clients active in the programme

** Denotes nominated advisor for Year 2 Programme Entry

Sub-Catchment:		SHOURNAGH, Co. Cork
Waters of LIFE approved agricultural advisors		
John Broderick	info@bmjconsultants.ie	021 4668222
James Carroll	j86carroll@gmail.com	086 3661316
Eimear Connery*	eimear.connery@teagasc.ie	087 9053198
Tom Dawson	tom@reagroup.ie	086 8238283
Liz Duffy	liz.duffy@teagasc.ie	087 9679115
Danny Fanning*	danny.fanning@teagasc.ie	087 3885101
John Geraghty*	john.geraghty@setu.ie	086 8112060
Lane Giles	lane.giles@teagasc.ie	087 3694388
Sean Hayes	sean@reagroup.ie	085 1432882
Daniel McCarthy	daniel.mccarthy@teagasc.ie	087 4767521
Sheena Murphy*	sheenamurphy@fdc.ie	086 1920750
Catherine O'Donoghue*	cathy@earthwiseireland.ie	089 2243330
Arnold O'Dwyer	amodwyer15@gmail.com	086 3285575
Molly O'Meara	omearamolly1999@gmail.com	087 6376196
Rob Shine *	robshine@fdc.ie	086 1032015
Brendan Smiddy	brendan.smiddy@teagasc.ie	087 2432309

EFT MANDATE FORM

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Complete

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I hereby authorise that all payments due from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage be paid to the bank / credit union account detailed below. (Privacy Statement on reverse)

Pilot Agri-Environmental Programme Participant Details

Name: _____

Address + Eircode: _____

Telephone: _____

Tax Reg number or PPS Number: _____

Bank Account Details

Name(s) of Account																
Bank / Credit Union Name																
Bank/ Credit Union Address																
BIC/SWIFT Code					I	E										
IBAN Number all boxes must be completed - available on your bank statement:																
I	E															

Remittance notification e-mail address – so we can advise when payment is made

Email address: _____

Signed:

Dated:

Please note: failure to complete all sections above may lead to a delay in payments.

For farm partnerships, the account details must be those of the nominated account of the partnership
Please include the top portion of a bank statement as proof of a/c number and name:

EFT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Tick 4 of 4
Complete

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What do I provide along with the EFT Form?

We need a copy of the top of your bank statement. It must contain:

- Your personal details including your name and address
- Your bank details including your account number, IBAN and sort code.

Please do not share any transaction history with us. You can cut off the bottom of the statement or fold it and photocopy it. You can also email us a cropped digital version to info@watersoflife.ie

Why do I need to provide a copy?

It avoids payment delays and mis-payments.

Why do I need to provide a tax registration number or PPSN?

If your farm is a commercial partnership or a corporate entity we'll need your tax registration number to process payment. Otherwise we will need your PPSN.

Privacy Statement

The Department is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy and employs appropriate technical and organisational measures to protect your information from unauthorised access. The Department will not process your personal data for any purpose other than that for which they were collected. Personal data may be exchanged with other Government Departments, local authorities, agencies under the aegis of the Department, or other public bodies, in certain circumstances where this is provided for by law. The Department will only retain your personal data for as long as it is necessary for the purposes for which they were collected and subsequently processed. When the business need to retain this information has expired, it will be examined with a view to destroying the personal data as soon as possible, and in line with Department policy. The Department's Privacy Statement and further information on Data Protection can be found on our website at: <https://www.housing.gov.ie/corporate/compliance/data-protection/privacy-statement>

Accounts Section Use Only for (EFT-supplier bank detail mandate)

Entered by: _____

Checked by: _____

EO/EHO: _____

Date: _____



Personal Bank Account

Statement of Account with Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c.

Branch: Main St., Loughrea, Co. Galway National Sort Code: 93-74-28 Account Name: NO 1 ACCOUNT

Telephone: 091-841777 Account Number: 12345-012

Page Number: 114 Date of Statement: 06 Mar 2020

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Client Name
Street Address
Town
County

The bank account needs to be in your own name

Needs to be dated in last 6 months

This is an eligible deposit under the Deposit Guarantee Scheme. For more information, please see the 'Deposit Guarantee Scheme - Depositor Information Sheet' which is available from your branch or on www.aib.ie

IBAN: AIBK 99 9374 2812 3450 12 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

ensure IBAN is included

Date	Details	Debit €	Credit €	Balance €
6 Dec 2019				
9 Dec 2019				
30 Dec 2019				
2 Jan 2020				
6 Jan 2020				
21 Jan 2020				
27 Jan 2020				
20 Feb 2020				
25 Feb 2020				

Please do not include transaction data

PROGRAMME ENTRY

CLINIC DETAILS

Sub-Catchment: Shournagh, Co. Cork

Venue: Donoughmore Community Centre, Stuake, Co. Cork, P32 FP49

Date: Thursday 23rd April

Time: 10am to 6pm

Please meet us at the clinic. The clinic is the farmer's opportunity to meet with a catchment scientist, ask any questions and submit their documentation in person.

Each appointment will last 15 minutes to ensure all eligible farmers can be accommodated.
No advance booking is required.

Catchment Scientist Contact Details

You can also contact us any time. Your local catchment scientist is:



Diarmuid McSweeney

☎ +353 87 3419907

✉ Diarmuid.McSweeney@watersoflife.ie

✓ Contract Completion Checklist

- ☐ Completed Contract?
- ☐ Nominated Advisor?
- ☐ Completed EFT Mandate?
- ☐ Included Bank Header?