

Rural Community Development Support Service (RCDSS)



COSTA

delivers the Rural Community Development Support Service (RCDSS) in the Dungannon & South Tyrone area of Mid Ulster
(sub-contracted under CWSAN)

The Rural Community Development Support Service is funded by the Department of Agriculture, Environment & Rural Affairs (DAERA) - Tackling Rural Poverty & Social Isolation Programme (TRPSI).

COSTA assists local community groups through a wide range of support services including: training, facilitation, access, information, brokerage, consultation and assistance tailored to individual group needs.

'Sustaining Local Communities'

COSTA's Aims under the RCDSS are:

- * **Support for Community Planning**
- * **Support for Isolated Rural People – The Tackling Rural Poverty & Social Isolation Programme**
- * **Support for the Sustainability of Rural Villages**

COSTA provides on-going practical community development support - responsive to YOUR group's and community needs.

Rural Community Development Support Service (RCDSS) - What we offer:

- Comprehensive range of support, advice, guidance & information ideal for C. D. groups.
- Charity Registration & Annual Reporting support.
- New Group start-up support & facilitation.
- Governance and Management Committee Skills.
- Policies & Procedures.
- Capacity Building, Training, Workshops, Information Sessions.
- Best Practice Visits, Networking, Events, Meetings.
- Project Development Support - fundraising guidance, Grant Application assistance.
- Access to Grant Tracker & Funding Databases.
- Access to NISRA / NINIS / Statistics.
- Regular Newsletters, Mail-outs, Email-outs, E-Sheets.
- Social Media Updates: Facebook, Website.
- Resource Library, Equipment Loan.
- Office Services - photocopying, scanning, fax and e-mail service.
- Community Audit assistance, Needs Analysis, Action Plans.
- Representation of the rural community and sector at regional and local levels.
- Consultations & access to Policy.
- **Wide range of Governance, Management, Leadership, Strategic, Operational Support Services, information & resources.**

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