

**NOTES:**

- This form is an Expression of Interest for funding from the NIRDP and does NOT constitute an application for funding.
- The information provided in this form will be used to advise the applicant if they should:
  - continue with the application process
  - further develop the project idea
  - apply to a more appropriate funding body
- If your project meets the general eligibility criteria for funding under NIRDP you will be requested to complete the official application form, which will be used as the basis upon which your project will be assessed.
- The submission of an Expression of Interest form and/or the application form for NIRDP assistance may not be taken as an indication that the project will be awarded grant aid.

**ALL PROJECT DETAILS AND INFORMATION WILL BE TREATED WITH THE STRICTEST OF CONFIDENCE.**

**1. APPLICANT DETAILS**

Name ..... Organisation Name (if applicable) .....

Address .....

Postcode ..... Tel No ..... Mobile No .....

Fax No ..... Email ..... Website Address .....

Project Location (if different to the above) .....

Council Area: Armagh  Craigavon  Newry & Mourne

**2.** Is this a new or existing business / group: New  Existing

If existing, how many years in existence .....

If existing, how many people are currently employed (including self) ..... Full Time Employees  
 ..... Part Time Employees

**3.** Are you a farmer? Yes  No

If yes, where will the project be located? On farm  Off farm

**4. PROJECT DETAILS**

Briefly describe the activities/items for which you are seeking funding and, where appropriate, please give time-scales and dates for completion:

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Proposed Start Date ..... Proposed Completion Date .....

Which NIRDP measure would you hope to apply under:

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|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Farm Diversification | <input type="checkbox"/> | Business Development | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tourism                        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Basic Services       | <input type="checkbox"/> | Village Renewal      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Conservation of Rural Heritage | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**5. FINANCIAL DETAILS**

(a) Total cost of proposed project ..... (b) Amount requested from NIRDP .....

(Note: A maximum grant rate of 50% applies for the private sector, 75% for social economy/community sector, council and non departmental public bodies)

Please tick the intended sources of finance for your project and list amounts:

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|-------------|--------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| NIRDP       | <input type="checkbox"/> | ..... | Loan from financial institution | <input type="checkbox"/> | ..... |
| Own revenue | <input type="checkbox"/> | ..... | Other Grant Source etc..        | <input type="checkbox"/> | ..... |

Have you applied for, or received any other assistance or funding within the last 3 years? Yes  No

If YES, please state details, amount, and current status of funding application:

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**6. DECLARATION**

I declare that the information given above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed ..... Date .....

Please return to: Southern Organisation for Action in Rural areas (SOAR)  
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Tel: (028) 3831 2588 Fax: (028) 3831 2488 Email: info@soarni.org Website: www.soarni.org

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Date of receipt ..... Ref No. .... Measure .....