



Northern Ireland Round 4 Awards March 2017		
Applicant Name	Project Description	Award (£)
KDA	<p>This project from Kilkeel Development Association Limited, (KDA), follows on from the establishment of the first NI Lobster and Marine Research Centre (now known as Seascope) funded through CCF Round 2. Seascope has proved to be a very popular visitor attraction and major boost to this seaside town of 6500 inhabitants, with 2500 visitors in just over 1 year. KDA Ltd now want to upgrade and improve the interactive visitor experience to increase visitor numbers by 5000 over the 21 months of the project. The addition of digital experiences and portability touch tanks would help to manage more visitors throughout the year and enable Seascope to promote their offer at outreach events and within schools. It will also allow for new research to be taken into the feeding and breeding of scallops, oysters, sea horses and others in a closed aquaculture environment.</p>	£100,000
Carrickfergus Enterprise	<p>Carrickfergus Enterprise (CE) through their “Coastal Tourism Hub #2” project seeks to provide a comprehensive package of support to tourism providers along the coastal route of Antrim. The project will take place within the coastal areas of The Maidens, Carncastle; Carnlough & Glenarm (Mid & East) and Lurigethan; Torr Head & Rathlin; and Ballycastle (Causeway Coast and Glens). 30 local tourism providers will benefit from a range of business and ICT mentoring to help to grow their business. Carrickfergus Enterprise will work in partnership with Causeway Enterprise Agency and Northern Regional College to deliver training on business growth, ICT, marketing, social media, health & safety, and networking.</p>	£86,000
The NOW Group	<p>NOW Project Limited (k/a NOW) aims to rejuvenate and reopen a pottery in Crawfordsburn in order to support the creation of jobs for local artists, training opportunities for the community and for people with additional support needs. The project will allow people with additional support needs and/or learning barriers to work alongside local people and artists in order to develop skills to increase their employability. Local artists will be able to use the venue</p>	£90,000

	<p>to create small commercial enterprises through delivering courses to the general public and marketing their products. There will also be opportunities for students leaving further/higher education to establish themselves as artists. Sale of handmade pottery and crafts created by local artists and trainees will energise the local economy and a café, through time, will also be opened in the building. NOW will couple creative arts with its existing employment service to facilitate and support people with additional support needs to find jobs.</p>	
<p>Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council</p>	<p>This 17-month project by Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council aims to improve and generate economic activity at Portrush Pier by providing three bespoke art studio pods and one gallery space where up to 15 artists can take up residency creating incubation start-ups. The project will purchase two containers and convert them into craft or retail pods with exhibition space for groups, artists/crafters to showcase their work, creating a new mobile visitor attraction that could be moved around between various harbours within local authority area. At least 15 artists/crafters will be able to start their own businesses in a supported environment and become self-sufficient with their micro enterprises growing further and using the proposed business incubators to establish their industry.</p>	<p>£73,200</p>
<p>Causeway Enterprise Agency Limited</p>	<p>This 2-year project by Causeway Enterprise Agency Ltd (CEA) aims to develop the creative craft and artisan food sectors through business support, skills development and increase specialist retail opportunities for existing businesses. The project is to convert the vacant first floor space at the Designerie into creative business incubation for up to 10 businesses, creating an upmarket art and craft gallery, a monthly artisan craft and food fair, as well as employing a digital marketing officer to run the business development programme and facilitate events.</p>	<p>£93,584</p>
<p>Recycle @ LCDI</p>	<p>Limavady Community Development Initiative (LCDI) request funding to purchase three recycling vehicles in order to support their kerbside waste recycling and paper shredding project. The waste collected from domestic residences will be further processed at HMP Magilligan by prisoners as part of a programme to reintegrate them into society. Prisoners taking part will be close to release and those who show aptitude for the work will be offered employment with LCDI upon release. The recyclates will be processed into appropriate existing waste and recycling streams to ensure the best socio-economic benefits to the local</p>	<p>£100,000</p>

	community and provide efficiency savings to the local authority.	
Stepping Stones Creche	Based in Portstewart in County Londonderry, Stepping Stones Crèche (SSC) Limited's project aims to develop a cross-community nursery providing accessible, affordable childcare to the surrounding coastal community. This project will involve the development and adoption of a new business model and financial structure within 12 months, focused on supporting the local coastal community and enable the organisation to be sustainable within 36 months.	£85,000
Portaferry Sailing Club	Based in Portaferry, County Down in Northern Ireland, this project will create a recreation and activity centre for residents and visitors. The centre will incorporate the existing sailing club, restaurant, bar facilities, community meeting/conference space and changing facilities/toilets. The 2 existing clubhouse buildings will be renovated and merged, and the aim is for the centre to boost tourism and the local economy in a coastal village that has suffered in recent years from job losses and degeneration. The revitalised building will help encourage more visitors and additional spend and a centre manager will be employed to develop services and activities and market the centre locally and farther afield.	£100,000