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## The LIFE on Machair project

LIFE on Machair is an EU LIFE funded project dedicated to protecting and restoring Ireland's network of Machair systems and associated breeding wader and pollinator communities.

## LIFE on Machair Restoration Programme

The LIFE on Machair Restoration Programme is a participatory programme for farmers (landowners, shareholders and eligible land managers) in the LIFE on Machair Project areas to support conservation management and where relevant carry out restoration actions under the support and guidance of the LIFE on Machair project team. The LIFE on Machair Restoration Programme will run annually from 2024 to 2027.

### Level 1 Farmer participation

**All participants in the LIFE on Machair Restoration Programme will commit to Level 1:**

- Supporting the ethos of the project,
- Supporting the over-arching restoration priorities,
- Supporting the implementation of key restoration actions (such as adjusting grazing levels) as outlined in the initial restoration plans drafted by the LOM project team,
- Input to successive updates to the site restoration plans as refined through farmer participation over the course of the programme.

### Level 2 Restoration actions – to be decided by LOM project team and NPWS

A higher, optional level of participation will be available to participants which will involve active participating in on site restoration activities.

### Payments – subject to Terms and Conditions

Participation Level	Activities and Meetings /workshops / <i>meitheals</i>	Annual payment
<b>Level 1 – Governance.</b>	Engagement, knowledge sharing, planning and support. (includes 1 summer & 1 winter workshop, 1 questionnaire*)	€560 - €1,120
<b>Level 2 - Active restoration.</b>	Implementation of restoration activities identified as priorities for the site. Each activity will include a briefing (or workshop to find a solution) and implementation of required action.	€290 per activity completed

\*Applies to year 1 of the programme only.

**The LIFE on Machair Restoration Programme is not currently accepting new applicants.**

For additional information visit [www.lifeonmachair.ie](http://www.lifeonmachair.ie) or email [info@lifeonmachair.ie](mailto:info@lifeonmachair.ie).

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