

Scheme Notice: For Information

Updates for RPID staff – internal use only

20 December 2017 - AECS073 – Notification of decisions for 2017 AECS funding round

AECS CO-ORDINATORS (please cascade, as appropriate) for information and action

A news release to announce the confirmation of the funding awarded under the 2017 AECS round of applications will be issued to the media on the 20 December.

Once the formal announcement has been made the AECS Business Support Team will issue the notification of decision letters, by first class post, for the following categories:

- applications approved for funding
- applications partial approved for funding
- applications rejected (falling below the scoring threshold only)

Please ensure that any outstanding cases rejected for 'ineligibility' are notified locally.

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The notification of the decisions for the 2017 IPA cases will be handled by SNH.

Should you receive any telephone calls from applicants /agents about the announcement, after issue, you can inform them about the decision reached for their own particular case (s).

After the news release the regional offices can also begin the processing of the contracts. However, because the holiday period will be soon upon us, we do not expect this to get fully underway until the beginning of the New Year.

ARE Comms will publish the news release on Rural Payments and Services (RPS) and social media once it is available.

Following the news release, the list of applications made to AECS 2017, noting which applications were successful and which were not, will be published on RPS

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