

**ENVIRONMENTAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND
FINAL REPORT FORM**

This form enables Ministry for the Environment to receive feedback relating to the process and outcome of your case. Evaluation is critical in order to ensure the fund is working well and achieving its purposes. Please complete and return this form to the Ministry for the Environment **with a copy of the court judgement** once a decision has been reached on your case. Thank you.

Name of Group: _____

Proceedings: _____

Name of Person completing form and their contact details:

1. Did the amount of funding granted cover your group's actual legal and expert witness costs?

Yes

No

2. To what extent did the funding make a difference to your case? Please summarise.

3. If the level of funding available from the ELA Fund had been higher what differences would this have made to the way you ran your case?

4. If you had not received ELA funding what changes if any, would you have made to the way you managed your case? Tick more than one box if applicable.

- No legal representative in court
- Used different legal representatives in court
- No expert witnesses
- Fewer expert witnesses
- Used different expert witnesses
- Pursued mediation further
- Would not have proceeded
- Other – Please explain

5. Did you participate in mediation for your case?

- No Please go to question 8
- Yes

6. Was mediation successful in resolving the issues?

- Yes
- No
- Partly successful

7. If mediation was only partly successful, describe the issues that were resolved and which issues were not resolved and why.

8. Did the Judge or Commissioners make any comments about the conduct of your case either in court or in their decision?

Yes

No

9. If yes, what were their comments? (Please make reference to the judgement if appropriate).

10. In broad terms what were the main beneficial outcomes from the case? Please make reference to any environmental gains, the importance of the issues, identify the communities and stakeholders who benefited and the extent of this, identify any case law development, etc.

11. Please fill out the following chart

Were costs sought against you?	Were costs awarded against you?	Did you seek costs?	Were you successful?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
How much: \$	How much: \$	How much: \$	How much: \$

12. Do you have any general comments about the Environmental Legal Assistance Fund? (eg, Suggestions for change)