

**Rural Development LEADER Programme 2014 – 2020  
 South Cork LCDC Minutes  
 Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork**

**Date: 5 July 2018**

**Time: 10.00am.**

**LCDC MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Name	Organisation	Public (6)/ Private (6)
Clr. Michael Hegarty (Chair)	Cork County Council	Public
Clr Ger Keohane	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Declan Daly	Cork County Council	Public
Clr. Marcia Dalton	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Donal O’Liathain	Udaras na Gaeltachta,	Public
Clr. Cathal Rasmussen	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Peter Dineen,	PPN	Private
Mr. Sean Hegarty	Avondhu/Blackwater Development Group CLG	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD Partnership CLG	Private
Mr. Jimmy Hosford	Agricultural Pillar	Private
Mr. Brian Williams	Youth Pillar	Private
Mr. Thomas McHugh	Cork Chamber	Private

**LCDC MEMBERS APOLOGIES:**

Name	Organisation	Private (3)/Public (3)
Mr. John Lyne	DSP	Public
Mr. Sean O’Sullivan	Head of LEO South Cork	Public
Mr. John Fitzgibbon	Cork ETB	Public
Ms. Mary O’Leary	Environmental Pillar	Private
Mr. Martin O’Brien	PPN	Private
Ms. Arran O’Driscoll	WCDP	Private
Vacant	Civic Society	Private

**ABSENT: N/A**

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Fergal Gough	LCDC Support Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Team	Cork County Council
Ms. Sharon Corcoran	Director of Service	Cork County Council

<p><b>Quorum=11 (50% of 19 rounded up + 1 = 11)</b>  <b>In attendance = 12 (6 Private: 6 Public)</b>  <b>Apologies = 6</b>  <b>Total membership = 19</b></p>
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## **Welcome and Introduction.**

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. It was noted that a quorum was in place and the meeting commenced.

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous LCDC Meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2018**

The minutes of the South Cork LCDC meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 were proposed by Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen, seconded by Cllr. Ger Keohane and were then formally adopted by the meeting.

### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **2. SICAP Mid-Term Review**

Andrew Lewis reported that the SICAP sub-group had held a meeting in advance of the LCDC meeting to consider the progress achieved by the Implementing Partner as part of the SICAP Mid-Year Review and a summary of progress to date was reported to the meeting.

Mr Lewis confirmed that the programme is being rolled out by the following Implementing Partner for South Cork:

Lot 18-4	South & East Cork	SECAD CLG.
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Value of contract in 2018 for South Cork Lot 18-4 is € 812,902.

The Mid Year Reports had been submitted on time by the IP. It was confirmed that the Implementing Partners had achieved satisfactory progress to date and each of the mid-term Key Performance Indicators KPI's have been achieved. The budgetary position of the IP was also deemed satisfactory at this stage. A small number of issues relating to data in the ICT system were identified. These will be forwarded to the IP for them to address following the meeting.

The Chair thanked the members of the sub-group on their work in carrying out the South Cork SICAP mid-term assessment. The Chief Officer also reiterated her thanks to all involved.

The recommendation of the LCDC to approve the South Cork Lot 18-4 SICAP mid-term review was then proposed by Mr. Declan Daly, seconded by Mr. Donal O'Liathan and adopted by the meeting.

### **3. Healthy Ireland Fund**

Ms. Keegan confirmed that a new Cork County Council Healthy Ireland Coordinator had been appointed, Mr. Niall O'Callaghan.

Mr. OCallaghan will attend and give an update on the Healthy Ireland Strategy for Cork County at the September meeting of the LCDC.

The Chief Officer informed the meeting that CCC have been notified of an upfront payment of €33,750 (15% of €225k), this is to facilitate the co-ordinator role in the interim period.

### **4. LECP Update.**

Ms. Corcoran advised that the Department is currently putting in place guidelines for the mid-term review of the LECP. This revised iteration of the guidelines will set out more specific information on how the LECP can integrate with the forthcoming Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy RSES reviews and as such will advise the future delivery of the plan. Updated reports and data figures have now been sought in order to bring the progress report up to date to end of June 2018.

The work of the Healthy Ireland sub-group, Town and Village renewal, Age Friendly strategy, LEADER, SICAP and the Community Enhancement Programme will all inform the delivery of key community assets in the LECP and it is important that the LCDC be informed and updated on a regular basis on the delivery of the community strand of the plan.

A discussion on the corporate governance and deliver of the strategy to include more strategic input from the key delivery agencies for example Port of Cork, HSE and these discussions will also inform the successful roll-out of the plan.

A complete LECP update to end of June 2018 will be provided at the next LCDC meeting.

### **5.A.O.B**

#### **Community Enhancement Programme CEP 2018**

Ms. Keegan confirmed that Cork County Council, in cooperation with the LCDC's is currently inviting applications from Community & Voluntary organisations across Cork County under the Community Enhancement Programme CEP Scheme 2018.

Details of the scheme had been previously circulated to all LCDC members. It was noted that the CEP replaces the Communities Facilities Scheme and the recast RAPID programme and is intended to provide capital funding to assist community groups and to enhance community facilities. The scheme is currently open for applications until 30 July 2018.

There are two types of grants available under this programme:

- Small scale capital grant up to a maximum of €1000 or less
- Capital grant in excess of €1000

It was confirmed that the total available amount to Cork County is €160,762. There will be 30% of the fund will be allocated to grant applications under €1000 with the remainder allocated for applications in excess of €1000

Applications can also be made online on [www.yourcouncil.ie](http://www.yourcouncil.ie)

Members noted that there was a broad range of schemes and community supports available to communities. S. Corcoran noted that there was broad a range of schemes currently open to the communities and the level of funding involved for the CEP would mean a relatively minimal impact for the administration work involved. The Department had been made aware that there was a need to examine combining schemes to have a more streamlined approach to delivering funding to the community sector.

Declan Daly stated that the notice period and timing of these schemes could be improved and this view had been communicated to the Department.

The Chief Officer advised that an evaluation of the applications received under the scheme will take place in early September and a full report will then be presented to the next LCDC meeting.

#### 8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on the 27 September 2018.

**Meeting Concluded**

The Minutes were approved by the South Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

Date of Meeting:

05/07/18

Signed:

  
CHAIRPERSON

Dated:

27/09/18.