

**Rural Development LEADER Programme 2014 – 2020
 South Cork Local Action Group LCDDC Minutes
 Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork**

Date: 8 February 2018

Time: 10.00am.

LCDDC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Public (7)/ Private (8)
Cllr. Michael Hegarty (Chair)	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr Ger Keohane	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. John Lyne	DSP	Public
Cllr. Marcia Dalton	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. John Fitzgibbon	Cork ETB	Public
Mr. Donal O’Liathain	Udaras na Gaeltachta,	Public
Ms. Mary O’Leary	Environmental Pillar	Private
Mr. Jimmy Hosford	Agricultural Pillar	Private
Mr. Sean Hegarty	Avondhu/Blackwater Development Group CLG	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD Partnership CLG	Private
Mr. Thomas McHugh	Cork Chamber	Private
Mr. Brian Williams	Youth Pillar	Private
Ms. Arran O’Driscoll	WCDP	Private
Mr. Martin O’Brien	PPN	Private

LCDDC MEMBERS APOLOGIES:

Name	Organisation	Private (1)/Public (2)
Mr. Declan Daly	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Sean O’Sullivan	Head of LEO South Cork	Public
Mr. Peter Dineen,	PPN	Private
Vacant	Civic Society	Private

ABSENT: N/A

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDDC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Fergal Gough	LCDDC Support Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Team	Cork County Council

STAFF APOLOGIES:

Ms. Sharon Corcoran	Director of Service	Cork County Council
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Welcome and Introduction.

It was noted that a quorum was in place.

The chair welcomed all to the meeting. He introduced Ms. Arran O’Driscoll representing West Cork Development Partnership and welcomed Ms. O’Driscoll on to the South Cork LCDC and wished her well in her new role.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 14th December 2017

Minutes of previous meetings of 14th December 2017 were proposed by Cllr. Marcia D’Alton, seconded by Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen and approved by the meeting.

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Social Inclusion and Community Activation SICAP End of Year Review 2017 and Overview of SICAP Programme 2018-2022- Presentation by Ms. Toni McCaul, SECAD

Ms. Toni McCaul, SECAD provided a synopsis review of the achievements of the SICAP programme from 2015-2017 in the South Cork Lot 18-4. and an overview on the operation of SICAP for the period 2018-2022.

Copy of Presentation as circulated.

Some of the main achievements for the SICAP programme from 2015-17 were identified as follows:

- Multi-level interventions to 3,004 individuals;
- 309 people into jobs ;
- 76 New Business Starts ;
- 209 Local Community Groups to govern, plan & represent social inclusion and equality issues;
- 3,009 children in positive mental health ;
- 16 Social Enterprises to grow and expand ; 463 Young people 18-24 years towards training and/or employment options.
- Employment Pathways Service (EPS) continued to embed in Youghal; Midleton; Cobh; Carrigaline; Ballincollig; Macroom;
- Specific case studies example were highlighted including Macroom Food Festival event which took place in September 2017; Ongoing Engagement with Young people through the Arts and Film-making; SICAP Social Enterprise Grants 2017 awarded to outdoor activity Social Enterprise Active Connections, Killeagh; Well Being in the Community initiatives and Play To Grow play therapy service supported in Youghal.

- The Caseload Profile 2017 were also identified and key insights & trends were highlighted to the LCDC members;

The proposed thematic areas of operation and strategic objectives for the Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP) in 2018-2022 were set out as follows:

- Thematic Area 1.1 – Building Resilient & Sustainable Communities
- Thematic Area 1.2 – Innovating Social & Community Enterprise
- Thematic Area 2.1 - Targeted Activation, Employment & Enterprise Services
- Thematic Area 2.2 – ‘Expanding your Horizons through Learning’
- Thematic Area 2.3 – Positive Mental Health & Wellbeing for All

Members thanked Ms. McCaul for her comprehensive presentation and raised the following specific queries:

- It was queried as to where the referrals to the Active Connections Outdoor Therapy Social Enterprise originated from. Ms McCaul confirmed that the majority of referrals were either from the HSE or local GP’s and health services;
- The use of the deprivation index was queried and it was confirmed that this is a key tool in targeting services in to the most disadvantaged areas;
- The lack of access to rural transport services was identified as an ongoing issue for those living in more isolated rural areas.
- The future input of the issues identified in the SICAP programme to the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy RSES spatial planning strategies was confirmed.

The chair thanked SECAD for their ongoing commitments and high standards in the delivery of the SICAP programme and looked forward to continuing regular progress updates during the course of 2018. Chief Officer proposed that SECAD would present twice a year going forward, i.e. at mid- year review & end of year review stages.

4. SICAP End of Year Review

Mr. Ryan Howard had a conflict of interest in relation to this item and left the meeting. The time was noted as 10.48 am.

Mr. Andrew Lewis provided an update on the end-of-year review:

- The SICAP sub-group consisted of Mr. John Fitzgibbon, Mr. Brian Williams and Mr. John Lyne.
- The SICAP sub-group held an End of Year Review meeting with the Programme implementer on 8th February.

- The SICAP sub-group are very satisfied with the performance of SECAD in the delivery of the programme and confirmed that they are exceeding each of the identified Key Performance Indicators.

The chair of the SICAP sub-group Mr. John Fitzgibbon confirmed that the sub-group is satisfied with the delivery of the programme

The SICAP end of year review was then proposed by Cllr. Marcia D’Alton, seconded by Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen and adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Ryan Howard then returned to the meeting and was informed of the decision. The time was noted as 10.55 am

5. Healthy Ireland Fund

The LCDC Chief Officer, Ms. Kay Keegan provided an update on the roll-out of the Healthy Ireland Fund as follows:

In 2016 the government approved the creation of a national **Healthy Ireland Fund** with an initial national allocation of €5 million.

Strand 1 of the Programme commenced on 1 January 2018 and will run until the end of March 2018. Cork County LCDC’s have a combined budget of €200,000 to deliver the programme. The scheme is being managed locally by Cork County Council and implemented across Cork County in co-operation with the LCDC’s; HSE, Local Sports Partnership and the Cork Council Physical Activity and Wellness office.

It was noted that progress has taken place under each of the actions as follows:

Action 1 – Recruit a Healthy County Co-ordinator

Due to the time constraints, Cork County Council have decided to employ a consultant to compile the Healthy Ireland Strategy for the County. CCC will still pursue the appointment of a Healthy Cork Co-ordinator but will require Departmental approval before this can be advertised.

Action 2 - *Let’s Move With Cork SportsAbility*

A comprehensive county-wide programme has been put in place and was outlined at the meeting.

Action 3 - *Rebel Swim*

Rebel Swim & Inclusive Rebel Swim – 8 week support programme took place before Christmas in Dunmanway Pool, 28 people took part

Rebel Swim Took place across three areas, Fermoy/Baltimore & Mallow
 120 people took part over 3 venues.

Swim Ireland Swim for a Mile 8 week support programme in 6 County Cork Venues:
 Fermoy/Dunmanway/Youghal/Cobh/Mallow/Baltimore

(Due to begin in next 2 Weeks – Recruitment of participants on-going)

Schools Rebel Swim Programme – 8 week support programme in 5 County Cork Venues for Secondary schools:Fermoy/Dunmanway/Mallow/Youghal/Cobh
(Due to begin in next 2 weeks – Recruitment of participants on-going)

Action 4 - *Staying Fit For the Future*

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Action 5 - *Your Council Cares Well-being Conference & Workshops*

Health & Wellbeing Conference for Transition Year Students planned for 1st May, Venue: Radisson Hotel, Little Island. Capacity of Venue is 500 so we will be limiting numbers per school . Currently finalizing speakers and more details will be confirmed shortly.

Action 6 - *NGB School engagement programme*

The programme will provide school children with the sustainable opportunity to access and enjoy new sports which will promote physical activity in a fun and supportive environment.

Update Basketball: March Madness Club – school cluster blitz running 12th – 18th March - 6 Clubs identified to host blitz with four plus schools in their catchment area.

Rowing : Schools currently partaking in rowing training programme with Rowing Ireland Community Coach in National Rowing Centre – Blitz on 2nd March, 25 No. schools registered.

Tug of War:West Cork engagement programme – 9 schools to be delivered to In February.

Athletics: 30 schools registered, 10 chosen and booked in for start of February Blitz on 15th March – 216 primary school pupils involved.

Cricket:Targeting 4 primary schools in Cork County CC catchment area, 4 primary schools in the Cork Harlequins CC catchment area, 3 primary schools in the Middleton CC catchment area.

Chief Officer stated that she would circulate a full update to all members following the meeting.

6. Amended Schedule of Meetings 2018

Ms. Keegan advised the amended 2018 LCDDC Schedule of meetings as circulated. This was noted and adopted by the meeting.

7. A.O.B

The Chief Officer advised that LCDC Induction training provided by the Department will take place in Limerick on the 15 February and recommended that members attend where possible.

Cllr Marcia D’Alton confirmed that she attended the recent LCDC event held in Dublin and highly recommended the training as a positive and instructive experience for LCDC members.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on the 22nd March 2018.

Meeting Concluded

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

Date of Meeting: _____

Signed:

Richard Hegarty
CHAIRPERSON

Dated:

22nd March 2018