

# Minutes of West Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 @ 15.30 Cork County Council Offices, Kent St., Clonakilty, Co. Cork.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Finbarr Harrington (Chairman)

Cllr. Rachel McCarthy, Cork County Council Cllr. Declan Hurley, Cork County Council

Ms. Clodagh Henehan, Divisional Manager, Cork County Council

Ms. Máire Ní Shé, Udarás na Gaeltachta Mr. Enda McWeeney, Cork ETB Ms. Eileen O' Shea, Civic Society Mr. John Walsh, Comhar na nOileán Teo Ms. Phoebe Bright, Environment Pillar

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Patrick Gerard Murphy, Cork County Council

Ms. Sharon Corcoran, Cork County Council

Mr. Colm Leen, Cork Chamber Mr. Cathal Wilson, Cork County PPN

Ms. Maria Hurley, Department of Social Protection

Mr. Kevin Curran, Head of LEO Mr. Cornelius Buckley, IFA Mr. John Kennedy, Youth (Foróige)

IN ATTENDANCE: LCDC Support Team

Ms. Kay Keegan, LCDC Chief Officer, Cork County Council

Ms. Fiona Hayes, Cork County Council Mr. Andrew Lewis, Cork County Council Mr. Terence Sheehan, Cork County Council

# 1. Confirmation of Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2017

The minutes of the West Cork LCDC meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2017 were proposed by Ms. Máire Ní Shé and seconded by Ms. Eileen O' Shea and formally adopted by the meeting.

## 2. Cork Education and Training Board (West)-Mr. Enda McWeeney

Mr. Mc Weeney gave a presentation on the Cork ETB origins and role in nationally and locally and highlighted some key issues and challenges facing the County. The presentation included the following points;

- Cork ETB is an amalgamation of FÁS and the former VEC
- There are 16 ETB's nationally of which Cork is the biggest
- The ETB has approx. 3.5k employees
- The vision of the ETB is to provide a path to learning
- Mr. Mc Weeney works on the training for employment element of the ETB



- The referral process from the Dept. Social Protection does not exist and any individual can apply for any programme
- Previously apprenticeships were linked very closely with the construction industry and could be seen as a barometer of the economy
- Nationally we are now trying to embark from this concept of apprenticeships traditionally based on Carpentry, electrical and plumbing
- The ETB have introduced a wide range of apprenticeships ranging from the Accountancy/financial services to the pharma-chem sector
- There is a pressure at the moment to re-skill people from the construction or retail sector
- Accessibility is one of the challenges in working with people e.g. time constraints of people, adjusting courses from full time to part time or less
- The West Cork Development Partnership were cited as having a successful 'Try a Trade' programme

Mr. Harrington thanked Mr. Weeney for his presentation.

### 3. SICAP Report

Mr. Andrew Lewis advised the LCDC that the timetable for the SICAP Mid Term Review would be as follows:

31st May: Mid Year period closes on the IRIS system

14<sup>th</sup> June : Deadline for Programme Implementers to submit Mid Year reports

15<sup>th</sup> June onwards: LCDC Support and Pobal to review reports ready for Sub Group

22<sup>nd</sup> June onwards: LCDC Sub Group meet with Programme Implementer to discuss reports

13<sup>th</sup> July: LCDC Sub Group report to LCDC and make recommendations.

### 4. CLÁR Measure 3

Ms. Kay Keegan presented the CLÁR Measure 3 project for West Cork as follows for the West Cork Municipal District, please see table below. The Chief Officer outlined that due to extremely tight time constraints it was not possible to bring this project to LCDC for approval prior to submission being made to the Department.

The project was discussed and was proposed by Ms. Eileen O'Shea and seconded by Mr. John Walsh.

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Name of Community & Address	Project Description	Rationale for Works	Total Cost (all)	Local Authority Contribution	Community resources	CLÁR funding requested	Notes
Eyeries Community Development Ltd. Eyeries Tidy Towns Committee, St. Brendan's Trust.  Eyeries, Beara, Co. Cork	Drainage, footpaths, ducting, surfacing, etc for community carpark	Current carpark is unsurfaced, no footpaths and is unsafe for pedestrians and unsuitable for use for events or during festivals	€58,824	€5,882	€2,942	€50,000	Eyeries Village is a multiple winner of Tidy Towns medals.

# **5. Funding Schemes Cork County Council 2017**

Ms. Kay Keegan circulated a document on the Funding Schemes operated by Cork County Council which was compiled by the Local community Development Unit. She outlined that this document is available on the PPN Website and that there is also a link under the Community Section of the Cork Co Co Website. Assurances were given that this document would be updated on a regular basis as new schemes are announced.

# 6. A.O.B.

Ms. Phoebe Bright requested that further discussions take place regarding Brexit and it's impact on local businesses, The Chairperson stated that this item would be placed on next agenda.

# 7. Date of Next Meeting

Date of next meeting is scheduled for 15.30 on Thursday 13th July 2017.

# Meeting Concluded

The Minutes were approved by (LCDC)	the West Cork Local Community	Development Committee
Date of meeting:		-
Signed:	CHAIRPERSON	
Dated:		-



