



**Minutes of
West Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)
Thursday 28th September 2017 @ 15.30
Fernhill House Hotel, Clonakilty, Co. Cork.**

PRESENT:

Public:

1. Cllr. Rachel McCarthy, Cork County Council
2. Cllr. Declan Hurley, Cork County Council
3. Cllr. Patrick Murphy, Cork County Council
4. Cllr. John O'Sullivan, Cork County Council
5. Mr. Kevin Curran, Head of LEO

Private:

6. Mr. Finbarr Harrington (Chairman)
7. Mr. Cornelius Buckley, IFA
8. Ms. Eileen O' Shea, Civic Society
9. Mr. John Walsh, Comhar na nOileán Teo
10. Mr. John Kennedy, Youth (Foróige)
11. Ms. Phoebe Bright, Environment Pillar

APOLOGIES:

12. Ms. Clodagh Henehan, Divisional Manager, Cork County Council
- Ms. Sharon Corcoran, Cork County Council
13. Ms. Máire Ní Shé, Udarás na Gaeltachta
14. Mr. Colm Leen, Cork Chamber
15. Mr. Enda McWeeney, Cork ETB
16. Mr. Ryan Howard, SECAD CLG.
17. Vacancy, Department of Social Protection
18. Vacancy, Cork County PPN
19. Vacancy, West Cork Development Partnership

IN ATTENDANCE: LCDC Support Team

- Ms. Kay Keegan, LCDC Chief Officer, Cork County Council
- Ms. Fiona Hayes, Cork County Council
- Mr. Fergal Gough, Cork County Council
- Mr. Andrew Lewis, Cork County Council

1. Confirmation of Meeting held on 13th of July 2017

The minutes of the West Cork LCDC meeting of 13th of July 2017 were proposed by Cllr. Patrick Murphy and seconded by Ms. Eileen O' Shea and formally adopted by the meeting.

2. Cork County Community Facilities Scheme 2017-Approval of projects

Ms. Kay Keegan presented the approved list of the Cork County Community Facilities Scheme Projects to the LCDC. Ms. Kegan advised the LCDC members that the list of approved projects were to be treated as confidential until they are approved in full by the West Cork Municipal District Committee.



A summary of the scheme was given which stated that Cork County Council had a total allocation of € 64,500 under the scheme. The scheme offers one-off grants up to a maximum of €1,000 per project. Monies will need to be expended by end of 2017. Examples of projects deemed eligible under the scheme included:

- Community Centre Equipment;
- Office Equipment / Meeting Furniture;
- Sports / Recreation Facilities;
- Relevant Tools, Machinery and Appliances.

The Scheme is administered by the Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs) along with the Municipal Districts under the remit of the Local Authorities (LAs) on behalf of the Department. Cork County Council advertised the scheme in May 2017 through public newspaper advertisements, through the PPN network, through all Cork County Council formal communication channels and on the Council website and social media. Applications were invited for funding under this Scheme by 30 June 2017.

A total of 183 applications were received to the scheme broken down per Municipal District.

Evaluation committee meetings for West, South and North Division were held on the 21st; 22nd and 28th August respectively to consider applications to the scheme. A separate evaluation committee for each division was necessary to deal with the large volume of applications. The 3. No. evaluation committees comprised the LCDC Chair (North; South and West); relevant Municipal District Officers and Community Staff.

The Total amount allocated under CFS 2017 to the West Cork Division was €16,094. This list of grants will go to the next meeting of the West Cork MD Committee for their consideration and approval.

3. Presentation on Life Long Learning- Ms. Rachael Burke, Cork County Council Library Service

Ms. Rachael Burke from the Cork County Library Service made a presentation to the LCDC members on the Right to Read Literacy programme, please see attached.

Ms. Burke highlighted some case studies of the programme to date in the County. Following the presentation there was a discussion which included the following issues;

- Role of the library in modern times
- Link with Youth Services and young people in the County and possible connections with Foróige
- Literacy issues for people that do not visit the library and accessing these people to assist them
- Examples of libraries in West Cork and their success to date

Ms. Burke was thanked by the Chair.

4. SICAP

Mr. Andrew Lewis updated the LCDC on the timelines for the current tendering programme of which Cork County Council had only just been informed that an extension of a week has now been approved by the Department for submission of tenders, new date being Friday, 6th October at 3pm.



The new SICAP Programme which is currently at tender stage will be a five year programme and will run from 2018-2022. The timeline for this process is as follows:

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| RFT Documentation Issued | - | 31 st July 2017 |
| Closing Date for Receipt of Queries | - | 21 st Sept. 2017 |
| Closing Date for Receipt of Tenders | - | 6 th October, 2017 |
| Tender Evaluation Completed & Notification Letters Issued | - | By 17 th Nov. 2017 |
| Standstill Period Ends | - | 5 th Dec. 2017 |
| Conclusion of Contracts | - | By 18 th Dec. 2017 |
| Commencement of SICAP 2018-2022 | - | 1 st January, 2018 |

5. Healthy Ireland Fund

Mr. Fergal Gough provided a summary report on a submission to the Healthy Ireland Fund please see attached.

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

Pobal is the designated authority to manage the distribution of the fund on behalf of the Department of Health. In August of 2017, LCDC's were invited by Pobal to apply to the initial Strand 1 closed call for funding: *Local Communities for a Healthy Ireland Initiative*.

Cork County Council on behalf of Cork County LCDCs applied for €300,000 under Strand 1 of the scheme. This application was submitted to Pobal on 15 September 2017.

The scheme will be managed locally by Cork County Council and implemented across Cork County in co-operation with the LCDCs; HSE, Local Sports Partnership and the Cork Council Physical Activity and Wellness office and other key stakeholders. It will be necessary to establish a Healthy County LCDC sub-group to oversee the roll-out and implementation of the scheme. Strand 1 of the scheme will run until end of March 2018.

The following actions have been applied for.

- Action 1 – Recruit a Healthy County Co-ordinator
- Action 2 - Let's Move With Cork SportsAbility
- Action 3 - Rebel Swim
- Action 4 - Staying Fit For the Future
- Action 5 - Your Council Cares Well-being Conference & Workshops
- Action 6 - NGB School engagement programme

The application was noted and approved by the meeting.

6. A.O.B

There was no other business.

7. Date of Next Meeting

Date of next meeting is scheduled for **15.30 on Thursday 26th October 2017.**

Meeting Concluded



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

Date of meeting: _____

Signed: _____
CHAIRPERSON

Dated: _____

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