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Coiste um Fhorbairt Pobail Aitiúil
Chorcaigh Thiar
West Cork Local Community Development
Committee



Minutes of

West Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

Thursday 30th March 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
Mr. Kevin Curran, Head of LEO
Ms. Máire Ní Shé, Udarás na Gaeltachta
Ms. Maria Hurley, Department of Social Protection
Ms. Eileen O' Shea, Civic Society
Mr. Cornelius Buckley, IFA
Mr. John Kennedy, Youth (Foróige)
Mr. John Walsh, Comhar na nOileán Teo
Mr. Ryan Howard, SECAD

APOLOGIES: Ms. Sharon Corcoran, Cork County Council
Mr. Enda McWeeney, Cork ETB
Mr. Colm Leen, Cork Chamber
Cllr. Patrick Gerard Murphy, Cork County Council
Mr. Cathal Wilson, Cork County PPN
Ms. Phoebe Bright, Environment Pillar

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

1. Confirmation of Meeting held on 23rd of February 2017

The minutes of the West Cork LCDC meeting of 23rd of February 2017 was proposed by Mr. Kevin Curran; seconded by Cllr. Declan Hurley and formally adopted by the meeting.

2. SICAP Presentation by West Cork Development Partnership

Mr. Fergal Conlon provided an overview of the operation of the SICAP programme in the West Cork Area. Please see presentation attached.

West Cork Development Partnership delivers the SICAP programme in two Lots as follows;

- Lot 18-5 West Cork District – West Cork Development Partnership
- Lot 18-6 Bandon & Kinsale – West Cork Development Partnership

The SICAP budget for West Cork for 2017 totals;

- Lot 18-5 €297,105
- Lot 18-6 €154,252

Mr. Conlon gave the background and purpose of SICAP and explained how it meets the needs of communities.



Specific projects highlighted across the West Cork division were outlined as follows:

Goal 1

- Community Development Technical Support for Groups.
- Mental Health / Disability
- Migrants / New Communities
- Disadvantaged Housing Estates.

Goal 2

- NEET's = Under 25's Focused Action
- In Schools Work (Under 15's)
- Education & Training Courses for Adults
- Reaching Out
- Parenting Programmes

The Chair of the LCDC, Mr. Harrington thanked Mr. Conlon for his presentation and invited questions or comments from members of the LCDC.

Mr. R. Howard complimented Mr. Conlon's presentation and the innovative work and projects underway. Mr. Howard outlined the partnership between WCDP and SECAD and the potential that exists to see how the programme develops.

There was a query in the involvement of farm families by Mr. C. Buckley with regard to low income farm families, off farm education and or employment and the need for assistance with course and the application process for same.

There was also a query from Cllr. Mc Carthy on the ageing population as they were also excluded from the SICAP programme.

Ms. E. O' Shea complimented the Warmer Home Scheme and the West Cork Rural Transport as supports for the communities.

Cllr. Declan Hurley complimented Mr. Conlon on the work that is underway and stated that the relevant Departments should be made aware of the valuable work that is taking place on the ground.

The Care-Ring Peninsulas project was complimented. This project is designed to counter social isolation in the predominantly rural areas of West Cork.

Mr. Conlon told the LCDC that they are looking at a model of moving away from work skills to life skills as the live register figures have changed with more people under 25 unemployed.

Members of the LCDC stated they would like to further support WCDP in partnership projects and initiatives into the future.

Mr. Conlon was thanked for his presentation by the Chair Mr. Harrington and left the meeting.

3. End of Year Report –West Cork LCDC 2016

The 2016 End of Year Report of the West Cork LCDC was circulated to members for consideration.

On the proposal of Ms. Maria Hurley, seconded by Ms. Clodagh Henehan the End of Year Report –West Cork LCDC 2016 was approved.



4. Any Other Business

None

5. Date of Next Meeting

Date of next meeting is scheduled for **15.30 am on Thursday 27th of April 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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