



**Minutes of
South Cork Local Community Development Committee(LCDC)
Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork**

Date: 12th December, 2019

Time: 10.15am.

LCDC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Public / Private
Mr. Peter Dineen	PPN	Private
Cllr. Marcia Dalton	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Seamus McGrath	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Thomas McHugh	Cork Chamber	Private
Ms. Mary O'Leary	Environmental Pillar	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD Partnership CLG	Private
Mr. Martin O'Brien	PPN	Private
Mr. Donal O'Liathain	Udaras na Gaeltachta,	Public
Cllr. Michael Hegarty	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. John Lyne	DSP	Public

LCDC MEMBERS APOLOGIES:

Name	Organisation	Private / Public
Mr. Brian Williams	Youth Work Ireland	Private
Mr. John Fitzgibbons	Cork ETB	Public
Mr. Sean O'Sullivan	Head of LEO South Cork	Public
Mr. Jimmy Hosford	Agricultural Pillar	Private
Vacant	Civic Society	Private
Mr. Sean Hegarty	Avondhu/Blackwater Development Group CLG	Private
Declan Daly	Cork County Council	Public
Ms. Arran O'Driscoll	WCDP	Private

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Officer	Cork County Council
Ms. Sharon Corcoran	Director of Services	Cork County Council
Mr. Niall O'Callaghan	Healthy Ireland Coordinator	Cork County Council
Ms. Jamie Cuthbert D.	Staff Officer	Cork County Council

Quorum=11 (50% of 19 rounded up + 1 = 11)
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<p>In attendance = 11 (5 Private: 6 Public) Apologies = 8 Total membership = 19</p>
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Welcome and Introduction.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous LCDC Meeting of 24th October, 2019 and Meeting of 21st November, 2019.

The minutes of the South Cork LCDC meeting of 24th October, 2019 were adopted. They were proposed by Cllr. Seamas McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Michael Hegarty. The minutes of the South Cork LCDC meeting of 21st of November, 2019 were adopted. They were proposed by Mr. John Lyne and seconded by Mr. Thomas McHugh.

Matters arising

Chairperson of the meeting, Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen, noted the start time of the meeting is 10.15am and requested that all members of the South Cork LCDC make more of an effort to attend the meetings on time in 2020 as otherwise it prevents the meetings being conducted according to the agenda.

2. Presentation from Sandy McGroarty, Transport Mobility Forum, Healthy Ireland Initiative.

Mr. Niall O'Callaghan introduced Ms. Sandy McGroarty of The Transport Mobility Forum. Ms. McGroarty presented the meeting with information relating to the activities carried out under Healthy Ireland Round 2 funding. Ms. McGroarty presented a number of initiatives which were focussed on getting people moving and using public transport. Some of the initiatives included Mix Your Mode Week, Carpooling initiatives, Cork Cycle Map and Bike Share Stations.

Mr. Thomas McHugh commented on the exemplary work carried out by the Transport and Mobility Forum. Mr. McHugh stated that one of the greatest issues and concerns of the members of Cork Chamber of Commerce was that people found it difficult to coordinate with others in order to car-pool etc. Mr. McHugh stated that the Cork Chamber of Commerce would continue to advocate for sustainable transport and acknowledged the very impressive work of the Transport and Mobility Forum in Cork.

Cllr. Michael Hegarty thanked Ms. McGroarty for the presentation. Cllr. Hegarty welcomed carpooling initiatives and the upgrades to the Dunkettle roundabout area. Cllr. Hegarty noted the very pleasing upgrades on Douglas Street in the City Centre, but did raise concerns regarding the lack of car parking available as a result of the upgrades. Ms. McGroarty responded noting that all initiatives are trialled first before implementation which allows for the assessment of any impacts on the area. Ms. McGroarty noted that the footfall had increased in the Douglas Street area, and acknowledged that there had been

pressure on the car parking in the area, but after the trial was carried out, it was deemed a success.

In a similar project that took place in Fermoy, there was an added social aspect to the now pedestrianised street in that area. Ms. McGroarty noted that the goal was to move away from cars and to reduce speeds in order to create spaces for people to enjoy. Ms. McGroarty also acknowledged that the Transport and Mobility Forum is available to provide advice and to any area or organisations interested in making sustainable changes in their area.

Cllr. Marcia Dalton commented that the work is very positive but was concerned that the work was not appropriately distributed between Cork City and Cork County. Cllr. Dalton requested that a greater effort be made to communicate with the LCDC and to promote their initiatives and activities.

Ms. McGroarty thanked the South Cork LCDC for their feedback and acknowledged the importance of the feedback. Ms. McGroarty noted that an improvement in communication is an issue that they can work on immediately and that over the next two years the forum will focus more on engaging more with the public and the county representatives. Ms. McGroarty commented that it would be possible for her and the team at the Transport and Mobility Forum to provide a monthly update to the LCDC.

Cllr. McGrath thanked Ms. McGroarty for her presentation and acknowledged that the work being carried out is necessary and that their needs to be a constant focus on sustainable travel. Cllr. McGrath acknowledged that there was very positive work carried out in Little Island to alleviate traffic, and that the Ringaskiddy area needs to refocus and not rely only on the development of the N28. There needs to be an exploration of more sustainable alternatives in the area such as shuttle buses and Cllr. McGrath commented that he would like to see the Transport and Mobility forum getting involved.

Cllr. Rasmussen commented that in the industrial plants in the lower harbour area, there is not sufficient space for vehicles to park. Ms. McGroarty commented that it was an opportunity to take action and that the companies in question should incentivise the carpooling option and other sustainable travel options.

3. SICAP

Appointment of sub group member to SICAP Cork County/City liaison group.

The appointment of Mr. John Fitzgibbons to SICAP Cork County/City liaison group was proposed by Cllr. Seamus McGrath and seconded by Cllr. Michael Hegarty.

4. Healthy Ireland Round 3 Fund

Mr. Niall O'Callaghan, Healthy Ireland Coordinator, gave an update on the Round 3 funding allocated from Pobal to Healthy Ireland. Mr. O'Callaghan noted that all projects applied for were approved and that all the relevant stakeholders have been informed. It was also noted

that the criteria is currently being established for a small grants system under the fund and that Round 3 will be run over a two year period. This decision was taken due to feedback given to Pobal by the local authority Healthy Ireland Co-ordinators from around the country.

5. AOB

None.

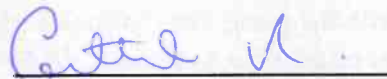
6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on the 06th February, 2020.

Meeting Concluded

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

Signed:



CHAIRPERSON

Dated:

06/02/2020