

**Minutes of  
North Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDCC)  
Via Microsoft Teams**

**20th March 2023 @ 2.00p.m.**

**Present:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Public/Private</b>
Cllr. Gearóid Murphy	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Gerard Murphy	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Bernard Moynihan	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Pat Hayes	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Kevin Curran	LEO North Cork	Public
Ms. Majella Murphy	Dept. of Employment Affairs and Social Protection	Public
Mr. Michael Doyle	Environment Pillar	Private
Mr. Pdraig Casey	Ballyhoura Development CLG	Private
Ms. Maura Walsh	IRD Duhallow CLG	Private
Mr. Sean Hegarty	Avondhu Blackwater Partnership CLG	Private

**Apologies:**

Mr. James Fogarty	Divisional Manager North Cork	Public
Mr. Declan O'Leary	Foróige	Private
Mr. Bob Seward	Cork County PPN	Private
Mr. Denis McNamara	Cork County PPN	Private
Mr. Julian O'Keefe	IFA (ICMSA)	Private
Vacant	Cork Education & Training Board	Public
Vacant	Respond! Housing	Private

**Staff in Attendance:**

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDCC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Jesse Dorrington	Staff Officer	Cork County Council
Ms. Elaine Connolly	Clerical Officer	Cork County Council

**Quorum=10 (50% of 17 rounded up + 1 = 10)**

**In attendance= 10 (6 Public: 4 Private)**

**Apologies= 7**

**Total membership= 17**

## **Welcome and Introduction**

It was noted that a quorum was in place and the meeting commenced.

### **1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous LCDC Meeting of Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

The Minutes were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Gerard Murphy and seconded by Cllr. Pat Hayes.

### **Matters arising**

None.

### **2. SICAP**

- SICAP End of Year Reviews 2022 for lots 18.1, 18.2 and 18.3

Andrew Lewis confirmed that the SICAP Sub Group had held meetings with each of the Local Development Companies to discuss the SICAP EYR 2022 performance and the Annual Plans for 2023. It was confirmed that the 3 Local Development Companies achieved KPI 1 and KPI 2 targets for year 2022. During the individual meetings with the three LDCs concerns were raised such as the prolonged impact of Covid on the programme such as the impact on children's mental health, the age profile of volunteers and the reliance on older population within communities. Another concern was the Ukrainian crisis with the migration of new members to the communities however, it was acknowledged that the coordination approach of forum members including the Local Authority, LCDC and Local Development Companies, the DEASP, and HSE has assisted greatly throughout the past year. It was noted that the anti-migrant sentiment was not as great an issue in the North Cork area compared to other areas of the Country.

Andrew thanked the members of the SICAP Sub Group which included Majella Murphy, Cllr. Gearóid Murphy & Cllr. Gerard Murphy.

Both the Chairman & Vice Chairman stood in for Declan O'Leary & Geraldine Canning (who has retired in past month)

The Chair thanked Andrew and the SICAP Sub Group for their work on the SICAP End of the Year Review for 2022 & Annual Plan for 2023.

Sean Hegarty reiterated the fact that it is not easy to bring in new volunteers and that a new strategy was required to address both the age profile & gender balance of all community groups.

Cllr. Gerard Murphy concurred with Andrew Lewis that the programme carried out went extremely well, that getting people involved is extremely important, and suggested that one area to target is the schools.

Approval of SICAP End of Year Reviews 2022:

Lot 18.1 (IRD Duhallow) was proposed by Cllr. Pat Hayes and seconded by Cllr. Gerard Murphy.

Lot 18.2 (Ballyhoura) was proposed by Michael Doyle and seconded by Kevin Curran.

Lot 18.3 (Avondhu Blackwater Partnership) was proposed by Cllr. Pat Hayes and seconded by Cllr. Gerard Murphy.

Approval of SICAP Annual Plans 2023:

Lot 18.1 was proposed by Majella Murphy and seconded by Kevin Curran.

Lot 18.2 was proposed by Majella Murphy and seconded by Cllr. Pat Hayes.

Lot 18.3 was proposed by Majella Murphy and seconded by Sean Hegarty.

- Audit Review of 2021

The Chief Officer confirmed that the Internal Audit section of Cork County Council are responsible for the audit of the SICAP programme and that the 2021 Audit was completed at the end of 2022 on all Lot areas. She confirmed that there were no major issues with the exception of some minor housekeeping items in the three Lots in North Cork.

- Pre-approval granted by LCDC Chief Officer

As previously agreed by LCDC members at the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 meeting, going forward in order to expediate the approval process for Local Development Companies, approval of subcontract services for SICAP can be approved by the Chief Officer and presented at the next LCDC meeting for noting. The following approval was granted since the last meeting.

IRD Duhallow CLG Sub-Contracting of Services Approval for Lot 18.1

Action to be Sub-contracted (include description from the Tender/Contract Action Plan)	Estimated Value €
<b>Goal 1:</b> Community Newsletter - Kanturk Printers: Publicity Post for Newsletter - An Post	€916.56 €576.00
<b>Goal 2:</b>  Self Employment – Via Lutea - Start Your Own Business Training  Self Employment – Via Lutea - Mentoring  Self Employment – Maebh Ring – Mentoring  Ukrainian Support – Infinity Arts – Yoga Ukrainian Support – Nutshell Training and Education- Personal Development Ukrainian Support – Ger Stack – Transport provider Ukrainian Support – Kevin O’Connor – Transport provider  Disadvantaged Children and Families Literacy and TTRS tutors: Sinead Guiney Eimear Guiney Katie Boyce Eimear Ring Pat Forde- Stop the Bully  Labour Market Activation- Safe Pass- Ayrton Group Community Education Jess Lucas- Sewing course Job centre- Emotional Support for Job seekers- Aoife Douglas	€2736.00  €1000.00  €350.00  €1200.00 €2400.00 €750.00 €500.00  €729.60 €364.80 €364.80 €364.80 €190.00  €2006.40 €2052.00 €1824.00
<b>Total Estimated Value to be sub-contracted Q1</b>	<b>€18,324.96</b>

Avondhu Blackwater Partnership CLG Sub-Contracting of Services Approval for Lot 18.3

Action to be Sub-contracted (include description from the Tender/Contract Action Plan)	Estimated Value €
<b>Goal 1:</b> <b>1.1 Promote Community Engagement and stronger communities</b> Embroidery Classes Fermoy Active Retirement and Ukrainian ladies (Mary Allen)	€589.50
<b>1.2 Capacity build local community groups</b> Setting up a Community Group and Funding for Community Groups (Platinum Solutions)	€600.30
<b>Goal 2:</b> <b>2.1 Promote personal development and well being</b> Mindfulness Workshop (The Mind Mechanic)	€250
<b>2.2 Provide lifelong learning opportunities</b> Customer Service training (Ready to Start)	€500
Office Skills Training (Ready to Start)	€500
English as a second language for Ukrainian adults ready for work (Fermoy Education Centre)	€1600
<b>2.3 Preventative supports for young people</b> Transition to Secondary School Training (Student Enrichment Services)	€355
English as a second language for Ukrainian Students (Fermoy Education Centre)	€3800
<b>2.4 Preparing people for employment and to remain in work</b> Manual Handling Training x6 (TMConsultancy)	€2400
Patient Handling Training (Servisource Healthcare Ltd)	€550
<b>Total Estimated Value to be sub-contracted</b>	<b>€11,144.80</b>

**3. LCDC Annual Report 2022**

The LCDC Annual Report was proposed by Cllr. Gerard Murphy and seconded by Sean Hegarty.

**4. Any Other Business**

N/A

**5. Date of Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting is 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

**Meeting Concluded**

Signed:	<u>Gearóid Murphy</u> CHAIRPERSON
Dated:	<u>17th April 2023</u>