



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

Date: 25th May 2023

Time: 10.00am.

Present:

Name	Organisation	Public / Private
Cllr. Michael Hegarty	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Seamus McGrath	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Marcia Dalton	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Sean O’Sullivan	Head of LEO South Cork	Public
Mr. Tom Howard	PPN	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD Partnership CLG	Private
Ms. Mary O’Leary	Environmental Pillar	Private
Mr. Liam McCarthy	PPN	Private
Mr. Pat Roche	Avondu Blackwater Partnership CLG	Private
Mr. Jimmy Hosford	IFA	Private
Ms. Arran O’Driscoll	West Cork Development Partnership	Private
Ms. Ashley Amato	Cork Chamber	Private

Apologies:

Name	Organisation	Private / Public
Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen	Cork County Council	Public
Ms. Valerie O’Sullivan	Divisional Manager South Cork	Public
Mr. John Fitzgibbons	Cork ETB	Public
Ms. Leighann Kennedy	DSP	Public
Mr. Donal O’Liathain	Údarás na Gaeltachta	Public
Mr. Brian Williams	Youth Work Ireland	Private
Vacant	Civic Society	Private

Staff in Attendance:

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDC 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

<p>Quorum = 11 (50% of 19 rounded up + 1 = 11) In attendance = 12 (8 Private: 4 Public) Apologies = 7 Total membership = 19</p>
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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 27th April 2023.

The Minutes were adopted on the proposal of Liam McCarthy and seconded by Tom Howard.

Matters arising

None.

2. Community Support Fund 2023 and Women's Shed Fund 2023 – Allocations

The Department of Rural and Community Development (“the Department”) funds the Community Support Fund (CSF) which provides funding to support community groups across Ireland

The **Community Support Fund** will support groups, particularly in disadvantaged areas

- With their non-pay running costs for example energy costs (electricity costs, refuse charges, heating charges) or other non-pay operating costs for example rental/lease costs, insurance bills.
- Groups will also be able to use the funding to carry out necessary repairs and improvements to their facilities, purchase equipment etc.

This funding will help communities, community groups and committees, allowing them to continue to provide valuable services to the people in their area, and in the process strengthen the bonds that tie communities together.

Cork County launched this scheme on Friday, 3rd February with a **closing date of 3pm on Monday, 13th March, 2023**

The €362,678 fund comprises of

- Current funding (Non-Pay) for use towards running/operating costs, eg. Utility costs, insurance, audit/accountancy fees, etc.

(Costs related to the period from 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023 only eligible under this category)

- Capital funding for use towards carrying out necessary repairs and improvements to facilities, purchase of equipment, etc.

(For drawdown, capital costs must cover period from LCDC grant approval date to 31st August 2023)

There are three types of grants available under this Programme:

- Small scale capital grant up to a maximum of €1,000 or less
- Capital grant in excess of €1,000
- Grants associated with running/operating costs

The majority of applications were able to be funded either via the capital or operating costs. Those that were unsuccessful were either too large to be funded, the timeline being unachievable or the project was deemed ineligible under the scheme guidelines. In addition to above allocation, the Department permitted us to add on outstanding balances from other reiterations of the community enhancement schemes over the past few years, this increased the county allocation to €366,166.73 and included the following balances:

Community Enhancement Programme 2018	-	€1,455
Community Enhancement Programme 2019	-	€283.67
Covid 19 Emergency Fund	-	€1,740.06
Community Activities Fund 2022	-	€10.00
Total Additional Monies	=	€3,488.73

County Allocation:	Operational Costs	-	€177,712
	Capital	-	€181,339
	Plus additional Monies (Capital)-		€3,488.73
	Women's Sheds	-	€3,627

An analysis of the 244 countywide applications received can be found hereunder

COUNTYWIDE BREAKDOWN

Total No. of Applications Received:	244 No. Countywide
Total No. of Successful Applications:	186 No.
Total No. of Unsuccessful Applications:	58 No.

BREAKDOWN FOR SOUTH CORK LCDC

SOUTH CORK LCDC:

Carrigaline MD:

No. Applications Received	No. Unsuccessful	No. & Value Successful Op Costs	No. Successful €1k or less	Value	No. Successful more than €1k	Value
19 No.	5 No	8 No. €9,555	0 No.	€0	6 No.	€11,250

Cobh MD:

No. Applications Received	No. Unsuccessful	No. & Value Successful Op Costs	No. Successful €1k or less	Value	No. Successful more than €1k	Value
19 No.	10 No	4 No. €3,600	0 No.	€0	5 No.	€15,000

East Cork MD:

No. Applications Received	No. Unsuccessful	No. & Value Successful Op Costs	No. Successful €1k or less	Value	No. Successful more than €1k	Value
18 No.	5 No	11 No. €18,800	0 No.	€0	2 No.	€6,480

Macroom MD:

No. Applications Received	No. Unsuccessful	No. & Value Successful Op Costs	No. Successful €1k or less	Value	No. Successful more than €1k	Value
41 No.	11 No	19 No. €27,878	4 No.	€3,380	7 No.	€21,000

WOMENS SHED FUND:

Cobh & East Cork MDs (No applications received from Macroom or Carrigaline MD)

No. Applications Received	No. Unsuccessful	No. & Value Successful	Value
4 No.	3 No	1 No. €490	€490

Total Allocations South Cork:

Operation Costs €59,833

€1k or less

€3,380

More than €1k

€53,730

Women's Shed

€490

€117,433

Successful Applicants

Organisation	Project Details	MD	Amount Offered for Operational Costs	Amount Offered for Capital Costs	Amount Applied for Operational Costs	Amount Applied for Capital Costs
109th Cork Ballinora Scout Group	Equipment - Tents	Carrigaline		€1,750.00		€1,789.00
1st Cork Crosshaven Sea Scouts	Equipment - purchase dining shelter/mess tents	Carrigaline		€1,600.00		€1,600.00

1st Cork Crosshaven Sea Scouts	Operational costs - Insurance	Carrigaline	€355.00		€1,650.00	
41st Cork Passage West Scout Group	Replacement of external/internal doors.	Carrigaline		€1,800.00		€1,800.00
55th Cork Carrigaline Scout Group	Operational costs - Insurance	Carrigaline	€1,400.00		€1,475.00	
55th Cork Carrigaline Scout Group	Removal of existing boiler	Carrigaline		€2,000.00		€3,100.00
Ballinora and District Community Association	Operational costs - Insurance	Carrigaline	€800.00		€865.00	
Ballinora GAA Club	Operational costs - Utility bills	Carrigaline	€2,000.00		€2,464.00	
Fountainstown Community Association	Operational costs - Insurance	Carrigaline	€1,300.00		€1,313.00	
Owenabue Arts Collective	Operational costs - Insurance	Carrigaline	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Owenabue Mens Shed	Equipment - Repair and/or replacement of older timber items in the 4 village settings where necessary.	Carrigaline		€2,100.00		€2,103.00
Passage West Creates	Operational costs - Utility bills	Carrigaline	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Ringaskiddy Tidy Towns	Village Sign	Carrigaline		€2,000.00		€2,000.00
St Therasas Guide Unit Passage West (Catholic Guides of Ireland)	Operational costs - Utility bills	Carrigaline	€1,700.00		€1,750.00	
Carraig na bhFear Community Council Ltd.	Operational costs - Utility bills	Cobh	€1,000.00		€3,000.00	
Carraig na bhFear Community Council Ltd.	Improve heating system in our community centre.	Cobh		€3,500.00		€4,500.00
Cobh Summer Swing	Operational costs - Insurance	Cobh	€500.00		€560.00	
Cobh Tidy Towns	Equipment - Sweeper	Cobh		€2,000.00		€9,217.00
Cobh Tidy Towns	Operational costs - Insurance	Cobh	€600.00		€1,589.00	

Glounthaune Community Association	Operational costs - Insurance	Cobh	€1,500.00		€1,883.00	
Glounthaune Community Association	Painting of rooms in community centre	Cobh		€3,000.00		€3,000.00
Rushbrooke Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club Company Limited by Guarantee	Equipment - seating	Cobh		€3,000.00		€3,830.00
Sirius Arts Centre	Equipment - railings/chairs	Cobh		€3,500.00		€11,096.00
Ballycotton Community Hall Management Committee	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	East	€2,500.00		€7,359.00	
Ballycotton Development, Co. Ltd.	Operational costs - Insurance	East	€1,600.00		€1,642.00	
Ballycotton Development, Co. Ltd.	Operational costs - Utility bills	East	€400.00		€1,142.00	
Ballymacoda Hall Committee	Operational costs - insurance	East	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Ballymacoda Hall Committee	Operational costs - Utility bills	East	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Clean Coasts Ballynamona	Operational costs - Insurance	East	€2,000.00		€4,428.00	
Cloyne District Community Council	Operational costs - Insurance	East	€800.00		€800.00	
FON Ballymacoda CLG	Operational costs - Insurance	East	€2,000.00		€3,558.00	
Greywood Arts CLG	Equipment - projector, speakers, mircophones etc.	East		€4,480.00		€8,684.00
Killeagh Community Centre	Operational costs - Utility bills	East	€3,000.00		€6,282.42	
Youghal Camogie Club	Equipment - helmets, sliothers, jerseys etc.	East		€2,000.00		€2,000.00
Youghal Community Health Project (inc Meals on Wheels service to Youghal & surrounding areas)	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	East	€2,000.00		€2,866.00	

Youghal Tidy Town Group	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	East	€2,500.00		€12,000.00	
Aghabullogue Coachford Rylane Community Council	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€800.00		€831.00	
Aubane Social Club	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,800.00		€1,816.00	
Ballydaly Community Hall	Operational costs - Utility bills	Macrooom	€1,600.00		€1,688.00	
Ballyvourney Tidy Towns	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€2,050.00		€2,050.00	
Coachford AFC	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€900.00		€941.00	
Coachford Community House	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,857.00		€3,103.00	
Coiste Bailte Slachtmhara Cúil Aodha	Equipment - benches	Macrooom		€1,000.00		€1,000.00
Coiste Forbartha Reidh na nDoiri	Equipment - leaf blower	Macrooom		€380.00		€380.00
Coiste Forbartha Reidh na nDoiri	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	Macrooom	€1,100.00		€1,163.00	
Coiste Phobail Chill na Martra	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€300.00		€301.00	
Courtbrack Community Association CLG	Purchase/Install steel shed	Macrooom		€3,500.00		€4,200.00
Croi Na Laoi Development Society, Inchigeela	Operational costs. - Utility bills	Macrooom	€2,257.00		€3,388.00	
Donoughmore Community Centre Clg	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	Macrooom	€2,257.00		€9,097.00	
Donoughmore GAA Club	Re-tiling shower areas	Macrooom		€3,600.00		€12,500.00
Inniscarra Community Centre	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€2,257.00		€2,700.00	
Inniscarra St Senan's Seniors on the Move.	Sports Equipment	Macrooom		€1,000.00		€1,000.00
Kilmichael GAA Club	Operational costs - Pitch sanding	Macrooom	€2,000.00		€9,772.00	
Kilmurry Active Retirement Association	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,000.00		€1,461.00	
Kilmurry GAA	Sports Equipment	Macrooom		€1,300.00		€1,300.00

Kilmurry Historical & Archaeological Association Limited	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,300.00		€1,384.00	
Kilmurry Parish Hall	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	Macrooom	€2,000.00		€4,854.00	
Kilmurry Village Renewal Committee	Painting	Macrooom		€1,000.00		€1,000.00
Laochra Óg Hurling and Camogie Club	Fencing	Macrooom		€3,000.00		€5,000.00
Macrooom Community Leisure Centre	To supply and fit fencing brackets & posts around astroturf	Macrooom		€3,000.00		€3,347.00
Macrooom Men's Shed	Operational costs - Insurance/Utility bills	Macrooom	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Masseytown Community Group	Placing a mural relevant to the area in the gable wall of a building known as the "Boathouse"	Macrooom		€3,600.00		€4,000.00
Naomh Aban GAA Club	Operational costs - Utility bills	Macrooom	€1,000.00		€1,000.00	
Rylane Community Park Association	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,300.00		€1,300.00	
St John's GAA club	Operational costs - Insurance	Macrooom	€1,100.00		€1,692.00	
St John's GAA club	Purchase new goal posts & nets.	Macrooom		€3,000.00		€4,859.00
			€59,833.00	€57,110.00	€110,167.42	€93,305.00

The Chief Officer clarified that this information cannot be made public through an announcement or social media until Minister Humphreys makes an official announcement.

The Chair Michael Hegarty asked if unsuccessful applicants can query the decision. The Chief Officer said that her team would be happy to take any queries.

Ryan Howard said that the Midleton Hub is not a charity. Liam McCarthy noted that they are a social inclusion group. The Chief Officer suggested that SICAP funding would be a more appropriate funding source for this group however, she agreed to relook at this application pending further investigation if additional funding became available, at present all monies have been fully committed.



Cllr. Marcia Dalton commented that the Passage West Youth Choir is an independent group not associated with a school. The Chief Officer confirmed that the team worked with the information they had available to them and that LCDC grant schemes usually do not cover the purchase of uniforms. Ryan Howard asked that the Passage West Youth Choir be considered if monies become available. The Chief Officer confirmed that this will be looked at should the opportunity of additional monies arise.

Proposed by Tom Howard and seconded by Liam McCarthy


3. Any Other Business

The Chief Officer noted that as both the SICAP and the LEADER Programme are ending this year, the LCDC boundaries will change to align with the Council's divisional boundaries from January 2024.

4. Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting is 22nd June 2023.

Meeting Concluded

Signed:	 CHAIRPERSON
Dated:	<u>22nd June 2023</u>

