Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held 19th March, 2019 at Littleton and Moycarkey Community and Sports Centre

Present:

Public Sector:

Cllr. John Carroll (Chair), Cllr. Mary Hanna Hourigan, Adrian

Cunneen, Eileen Condon, Donal Mullane, Councillor Joe

Hannigan, (6)

Private Sector:

Clare Cashman (Vice Chair), Isabel Cambie, Charles Stanley-Smith, Michael Murray, John Lupton, Sean O'Farrell, Imelda Walsh, Martin Quinn, Eoin Wolahan, John O'Shaughnessy

(10)

Apologies:

Public Sector:

Maria Bridgeman, Joe MacGrath, Ita Horan (3)

In Attendance:

Pat Slattery, Chief Officer, Michael Moroney, Margo Hayes

Teresa Kiely, Breda O'Connor

1. To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements

1.1 Quorum

Pat Slattery confirmed that a quorum had been achieved to proceed with the meeting.

1.2 Conflict of Interest

Pat Slattery confirmed that the LCDC had been notified of the requirements to indicate COI. There was no COI declared relating to projects to be considered at the meeting.

1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER written decision

No comment necessary.

2. Approval of Draft Agenda

Cllr. John Carroll, Chair declared the meeting open. Apologies were noted. Draft Agenda was approved.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of Tipperary LCDC meeting held on 18th February, 2019 were agreed on the proposal of Clare Cashman and seconded by John Lupton.

Matters Arising:

M. Moroney advised the Members that the Department of Agriculture have requested that the LEADER minutes be noted in the prescribed format going forward.

Rosegreen New Community Car Park - (STP108020) Isabel Cambie

advised in relation to this project that the cost profile included voluntary labour contribution of €2,002 together with the donation of land valued at €5,000 and that this should have been outlined when project was being considered. Members noted same and agreed that the minutes be amended accordingly.

4. LCDC Annual Report

Margo Hayes referred to the LCDC Draft Annual Report 2018 which was circulated to the Members by email. M. Hayes confirmed that the Members are required by the Section 128 (b) (1) (i) of the Local Government Act 2001 to produce an Annual Report she outlined the key areas of work undertaken in 2018 and referred to the key priorities for the LCDC in 2019. On the proposal of Cllr. Joe Hannigan and seconded by Eileen Condon the Members agreed to the content of the draft Annual Report subject to the item relating to the Christmas lights policy be removed and a photo of a South Tipperary Leader Project be included. A copy of the final LCDC Annual Report to be issued to the Members.

5. SICAP Update

5.1 Annual Report

Margo Hayes advised the Members that the Social Inclusion Sub Group contributed to the draft Annual Report which was presented to the Members for consideration. Minor changes are to be made to the report. The draft SICAP annual report was agreed on the proposal of Clare Cashman and seconded by Eileen Condon.

5.2 Case Studies 2018

- M. Hayes also presented two SICAP case studies to the Members:
 - Elm Park Area
 - SCÉAL Lorrha

These case studies were noted by the Members.

6. LEADER

6.1 Project Applications

6.1.1 To Decide on NTDC Rolling Call Applications

Documents circulated for consideration by the members were the Project Evaluation Assessment Report and completed IEC Scoring Sheet for each application together with IEC meeting minutes. In addition, an Implementing Partner CEO Report to LCDC Chief Officer with details of the project including deadweight, displacement, rationale for grant aid, consistency with the Local Development Strategy and Operating Rules, IEC score and recommendation, and A48 Checking process undertaken was circulated for the consideration of members.

In relation to the NTDC projects, the members were taken through these by Michael Murray

Project Code:	30LDRNTP108544
Promoter Code:	2666
Promoters Name:	Ballymackey FC, Ballinree, Nenagh
Description:	
Theme:	Social Inclusion
Sub-theme:	Basic Services Targeted at Hard To Reach Communities
Deadweight:	Considered and not arising
Displacement:	Considered and none arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Recommended provisional approval subject To Planning permission for a grant award of €150,000 (74% of €203,000)
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant of €150,000 (60.6232% of €247,430)
Proposed by:	N/A
Seconded by:	N/A
Absenters:	-
Agreed by Board:	No
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

Michael Murray informed the Members that this project was previously approved by the LCDC/LAG on the basis of estimated costs.

Procurement is now complete, however M. Murray advised the Members that the actual cost post procurement is now €247,430 and he also advised the Members that the planning permission has expired.

Following discussion the Members agreed to request the Implementing Partner to consult with the promoter's Professional Advisor to obtain clarification on a planning permission query raised in relation to the application considered. Therefore, no decision was taken on this project until clarification is provided.

6.1.2 To Decide on STDC Rolling Call Application

No decisions could be taken on the following STDC rolling call applications as:-

Fitzgerald Open Farm reverted to LAG Manager Stage Tipperary Tourism was still at the Article 48 checking stage.

6.2 Income and Expenditure Report

Michael Moroney outlined the LDS Administration/Animation & Project Grants together with the Article 48 (staffing costs) and the financial expenditure and income Report to February 2019 inclusive which was circulated at the meeting. On the proposal of Eileen Condon and seconded by Clir. Mary Hanna Hourigan the report was approved by the members.

6.3 Any Other Matters

6.3.1 Co-operation Projects

It was agreed by the Members at the October 2018 LCDC meeting that a social inclusion strategy review of all Co-operation Projects be carried out, Margo Hayes confirmed that the Social Inclusion Sub Group recently carried out this review for the Killaloe/Ballina Tennis Club and Clarisford Park projects. M. Hayes confirmed that the Sub Group was satisfied that the projects met the social inclusion review criteria.

Following discussion by the Members, it was agreed that the Social Inclusion Sub Group would develop a social inclusion checklist template and a case study would be carried out with 2-3 LEADER funded projects to ensure that the social inclusion remit was being adhered to. The outcomes of these case studies will then be presented to the Members.

6.3.2 LEADER Project - Munster Vales (STP108456)

Isabel Cambie advised the Members that this project was approved by the LCDC/LAG in November 2018 and a contract subsequently issued. Isabel informed the Members that the promoter is now seeking approval to change the preferred contractor for the PR element of the project (there being 5 elements in the project) from Crotty Communication to Plunkett PR. The Board of Munster Vales are not satisfied with the performance of Crotty Communication on an existing contract; as a result will not be offering further contracts at this stage to this company. Plunkett PR were the next lowest tenderer for this aspect of the project. The cost will increase from €7,970.40 to €8,000 with the increase being met by the promoter; the approved grant and % rate are unaffected. This was agreed by the Members on the approval of Cllr. Mary Hanna Hourigan and seconded by Martin Quinn.

6.3.3 LEADER Project - Tipperary Boutique Distillery (STP101376)

Isabel Cambie advised the Members that this project was seeking an extension to 30th June, 20198 to enable completion of this project. This was agreed by the Members.

6.3.4 LEADER Project - Nore Vision Cooperation (STP108510 & NTP108512)

Isabel Cambie confirmed that this project was approved by the LCDC/LAG in December 2018. However the minutes of that meeting omitted to state that the project was 100% funded. This was noted by the Members.

6.3.5 LEADER Project - Robert Barton, Fethard (STP104351)

Isabel Cambie advised the Members that this project was approved by the LCDC/LAG in July 2017. However, in the minutes for that meeting the % grant rate for the project was stated as 70%. This was incorrectly stated in the minutes, Isabel advised, as the actual % grant rate for which the project was approved was 75%. This was noted by the Members and the Members agreed that the minutes of the July 2017 meeting should be amended to reflect this fact.

7. Healthy Ireland

Teresa Kiely confirmed that the timeline for the Healthy Ireland Fund Round 1 – Strand 2 has been extended to June, 2019.

It was noted that Maria Bridgeman, HSE will be seeking nominees this week for the Health & Wellbeing Sub Group.

It was agreed that a copy of the HSE Sláintecare Action Plan 2019 will be issued to Members.

8. Presentation by SICAP Managers on progress from 2018 and key areas of Focus 2019 - (Deirdre Cahir NTDC & Phil Shanahan STDC)

Cllr. John Carroll welcomed Phil Shanahan, STDC and Deirdre Cahir to the meeting. Both SICAP Managers provided a comprehensive presentation to the Members and outlined the significant work having been rolled out under current SICAP work programme and also set out the key areas of focus for 2019. The Members thanked both Managers for their informative presentation. Copies of the both presentations will be circulated to the Members.

9. Presentation on Sustainable Tipp – Energy & Climate Change – (Marion O'Neill, SEO., Environment and Climate Action Section, TCC)

Clir. John Carroll welcomed Marion O'Neill, SEO, Environment & Climate Change to the meeting. Marion O'Neill gave a detailed presentation on the Sustainable Tipp Model, noting that Tipperary Energy Agency assist Tipperary County Council in developing and delivering this programme area. Ms. O'Neill outlined the progress to date and set out the various measures, timelines and challenges to be undertaken by managing the impact and reducing risks of climate change. Ms. O'Neill confirmed that Tipperary Co. Co. is currently preparing a draft Climate Change Adaptation Strategy. Following an extensive discussion on this matter it was agreed that M. O'Neill would arrange to consult with the LCDC

	members on the draft Climate Change Adaptation Strategy through the Sustainable Communities Sub Group.
	Pat Slattery, Chief Officer suggested there may be potential for the key agencies to work with Cabragh Wetlands so that it can be developed an a centre of excellence for climate change.
10.	Correspondence
	M. Hayes confirmed that David Kelly, Director, Southern & Eastern Regional Assembly acknowledged receipt of the LCDC - RSES submission.
	M. Moroney advised the Members that the closing date for Expressions of Interest under the CLÁR 2019 (M2) & (M3) funding call is Wednesday 27 th March. This was noted.
11.	AOB
	There was no further business to note.
12.	Next Meeting
	To be held at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 15 th April in the Littleton and Moycarkey Community and Sports Centre.

Signed:

Cllr. John Carroll, Chair,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date: 🚣

Signed:

Pat Slattery,

Chief Officer,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee