

**Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held
Tuesday 19th March, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. via zoom**

Present:

Public Sector: Cllr Declan Burgess (TCC), Katie Frazer (Teagasc), Colin Cummins (TETB), Elaine Cullinane (TCC), Derval Howley (HSE), Stephanie O Callaghan (CYPSC) **(6)**

Private Sector: Eoin Wolahan (Chair), Michael Murray (NTDC), Isabel Cambie (STDC), Mike Edwards (PPN, Vice Chairman), Derry O Donnell (PPN), Pat Carroll (IFA), Michael Geary (TUS), Maedhbh Gordon (PPN) **(8)**

Apologies: Gearoid O'Foighil (PPN), John O' Shaughnessy (Business Sector)

In Attendance: Brian Beck (Chief Officer), Margo Hayes (TCC), Marie Cox (TCC), Fiona Crotty (TCC), Catriona Crowe (TCC), Aine Roche (TCC), Geraldine Manning (TCC), Cliona Tobin (TCC)

Also In Attendance: Karen Fennessey, Regional Healthy Age Friendly Homes Coordinator

1.	<p><u>To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements</u> The meeting was opened, all were welcomed and apologies were noted.</p> <p>1.1 Quorum The quorum was reached.</p> <p>1.2 Conflict of Interest None.</p> <p>1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER Written Decisions None.</p> <p>1.4 Ethics Documents Members are requested to return their completed Ethics Documents forms. Margo indicated that a reminder email will be sent to members who have not returned their completed documents.</p>
2.	<p><u>Approval of Draft Agenda</u> The Draft Agenda was agreed.</p>
3.	<p><u>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC Meeting dated the 19th February, 2024 & Matters Arising (Decision)</u></p>

	<p>Derval Howley asked for an amendment to the 19th February minutes stating it is a cancer prevention (<i>new Senior Health Promotion Officer had been appointed</i>).</p> <p>The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on the 19th February, 2024 LCDC Meeting were agreed on the proposal of Derval Howley seconded by Mike Edwards.</p>
4.	<p><u>SICAP Annual Plan 2024</u></p> <p>Geraldine updated the meeting on the SICAP Annual Plan Review and thanked the subgroup members and also Michael and Isabel for their presentations and plans.</p> <p>She stated there were two new actions for STDC Older People and Climate Action</p> <p>Michael stated there were changes to KPI's as part of tender Goal 2 – beneficiaries – recategorizing new communities Personal Development 135 down to 100 and English Language 100 up to 135.</p> <p>These changes were approved in principle on the proposal of Mike Edwards seconded by Derval Howley.</p> <p>A new Just Transition post to be categorized with Environment was approved on the proposal of Derval Howley seconded by Derry O'Donnell.</p> <p><u>SICAP Quarterly Updates</u></p> <p>Geraldine informed the meeting that a request from the IP's for quarterly updates instead on bi-monthly updates as reporting was repetitive. A reporting template has been drafted so both IP's would give an update on targets with some detail using this template keeping it concise and informative.</p> <p>Margo added that the updates was part of the governance reporting – its qualitative aspect to SICAP – telling the story of how it affects peoples' lives – she agreed quarterly updates would provide good scope</p> <p>Maedhbh asked to keep in mind the emerging needs also photos and testimonials.</p> <p>This was agreed on the proposal of Derval Howley seconded by Mike Edwards.</p>
5.	<p><u>5.1 LEADER</u></p> <p>5.1 NTDC CEO Report (Decision)</p> <p>There were no projects to present to this month's meeting.</p> <p>Michael Murray requested approval for the following changes to projects:-</p> <p>30LDRntp116176 – Gortagarry Cottage Self-Catering – Eamonn Quigley: The project is complete, and all suppliers have been paid and the promoter is preparing the final claim documentation. A specific condition of the LEADER letter of offer/contract was <i>The cottage to achieve a "Welcome Standard - 4 Shamrock" rating from Failte Ireland prior to submission of a final claim.</i> Now trading as Meadow View Farmhouse, the project has been inspected by Failte Ireland and <i>has obtained a Welcome Standard Approved standard with Failte Ireland under the National Quality Assurance Framework.</i> A classification</p>

shamrock/star rating is not yet available under this sector, the promoter has provided correspondence from Failte Ireland confirming same. The promoter is unable to acquire the required as per the LEADER letter of offer/contract classification/rating due to circumstances beyond their control as the Failte Ireland classification/ratings structures under his sector have been suspended and are currently under review. To close out the project and claim, the project has been Welcome Standard approved by the national tourism authority Failte Ireland in so far as Failte Ireland can approve it currently and **the promoter is requesting the removal of the LEADER contract condition of 4 Shamrock/star rating as the rating/classification system is not currently available under this sector and thus it is impossible to satisfy the LEADER contract condition.**

The change was approved on the proposal of Stephanie O'Callaghan seconded by Cllr Declan Burgess.

30LDRntp113035 - Phase 2: Development of 2 Indoor & 2 Outdoor Tennis Courts – Killaloe Ballina Tennis Club

(Cooperation Project): The promoter has been advised via email by the successful quote (€7,178 inc VAT) for the CCTV installation that they David O'Mahony Electrical Services are unable to undertake the works due to the high demand on their services. The promoter then went to the next cheapest (2nd) quote received and this company (No Entry) is no longer trading, the promoter then proceeded to the next (3rd) cheapest quote Third Eye Technology (€9,486.55 inc VAT), who has accepted the work. **The promoter is seeking permission to change element supplier from David O'Mahony Electrical Services to Third Eye Technology.** The promoter has been informed and has agreed that the LEADER grant will be based on the original element cost (€7,178 inc VAT) for the works and all element costs above this are ineligible and will be borne by the promoter in full.

The change was approved on the proposal of Elaine Cullinan seconded by Michael Geary.

5.2 STDC CEO Report (Decision)

There were no projects to present to this month's meeting.

5.3 Leader Extensions (Decision)

Isabel Cambie outlined the details for the extension as follows:

**Extension Requests for Projects to be noted up to 6 months
(approved by Chief Officer)**

Extension Requests for Projects to be approved by LCDC(> 6 months)

Project No / Code	Promoter	Project Title	Original Closing Date	Previous Extension to	Extension Requested to	Rationale for Extension
30LDRSTP 117567	Clonmel Town FC	Youth Training Development Area	30/09/2003	31/03/2024	17/05/2024	Delays due to bad weather as the contractor cannot get machinery into the area as it is waterlogged. We have requested the Dept for a special derogation to enable this extension.

The extension request was agreed on the proposal of Michael Geary seconded by Derry O'Donnell pending the agreement of the Department.

5.4 To approve Monthly Income and Expenditure Report (Decision)

Marie Cox presented the LEADER Income and Expenditure report. The LEADER Report was approved on the proposal of Stephanie O'Callaghan seconded by Derval Howley.

5.5 LEADER Annual Report 2023

Marie presented the Annual Report for 2023 referring to the Case Studies on page 11 and to the budget template.

5.6 Sustainable Community Subgroup Update

- IEC Committees

	<p>Marie updated on the new IEC Committees, 2 more to be nominated for the project Evaluation from North and South Tipperary Development Companies to make up the 12.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEADER decisions required <p>Request for LCDC to delegate authority to Sustainable Community Subgroup to make decisions on grants (e.g. eliminating upgrade to derelict buildings as other grants available)</p> <p>Agreed on the proposal by Derval Howley, seconded by Cllr Declan Burgess.</p>
6.	<p>Healthy Age Friendly Homes Programme</p> <p>Karen Fennessy Regional Healthy Age Friendly Homes Coordinator gave a presentation on the Healthy Age Friendly Homes Programme a copy of which has been sent to the Committee.</p>
7.	<p><u>Quality of Life</u></p> <p>7.1 Healthy Ireland Fund (HIF) 2023-2025 update</p> <p>Aine updated the members on Pobal Returns, the HSE and Healthy Ireland Sun Smart Programme.</p> <p>7.2 Healthy Communities Clonmel Update</p> <p>Catriona updated the members on the Substance Use Community Conversations in Clonmel, Planet Youth Project and the recruitment of Grainne Ní Eidhin Community Food Nutrition Worker based in Knockanrawley Resource Centre Tipperary Town. Catriona suggested we invite Grainne to a future LCDC Meeting.</p> <p>7.3 Tipperary Older Peoples Council & Age Friendly</p> <p>Fiona updated the members on Regional Positive Ageing event held on 4th March by HSE, the Draft Tipperary Age Friendly Implementation Plan 2024-2025, the upcoming Bealtaine Cultural Festival, engagement with some Day Care Centres & TUS College Project, Tidy Town Advocacy planting guide and Repair and Reuse Directory.</p> <p>Tipperary Older Peoples Council will hold a Road Safety and Local Transport workshop takes place on 21st March speakers for RSA, Local Link, Tipperary County Council Roads Section, Results Driving Assessments and Garda from Divisional Road Policing Unit.</p> <p>She also reminded everyone to save the date for the Age Friendly EXPO on 20th June.</p> <p>Derval gave an update stating feedback from the Regional Healthy Ageing conference held in Waterford City Hall with the 5 Age Friendly and 5 Older Persons Council HSE was very positive. Next steps will be to plan local county based Healthy Ageing events. In relation to Tipperary the HSE in the</p>

	<p>South East will be working with the HSE Mid-West and Tipperary Age Friendly Alliance and Tipperary Older Persons Council to plan this. It is likely to form part of Age Friendly week in October</p> <p>The new HSE funded Sláintecare Community and Nutrient worker has taken up post in South Tipperary.</p> <p>The first National planning group for the development of a new HSE Healthy Ireland Regional Plans commenced last week. She will keep the LCDCs updated as this work progresses.</p>
8.	<p>Funding Updates</p> <p>8.1 Local Enhancement Scheme Approval of List – Confidential-no allocations for circulation prior to DRCD announcement</p> <p>Marie gave an update on the Enhancement Programme 2024 – funding allocated in line with 2022 HP Deprivation Index per area due to the volume of applications. Marie re-iterated that grants are not for circulation and groups will not be notified until approval by Department.</p> <p>Approval agreed on the proposal of Michael Geary seconded by Maedhbh Gordon.</p>
9.	<p>LCDC Annual Report 2023</p> <p>Margo gave an update on the Annual Report for 2023 which was approved on the proposal of Isabel Cambie seconded by Elaine Cullinane.</p>
10.	<p>Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Circular 03/2024 updated arrangements regarding closure of the 2014-2022 LEADER Programme <p>Marie updated on correspondence re Circular 03/2024. Margo updated on The Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 and Coillte Forest Management Consultation document.</p>
11.	<p>Update on the Children and Young Persons Services Committee</p> <p>Stephanie gave an update on CYPSC and the IPSS Fund</p> <p>IPSS Fund – International Protection Applicants – the Tipperary proposals for this funding have EAC's will receive €15,000 to provide supports through agencies working in the centre's. Jigsaw will receive €5,000 to provide mental health workshops in the relevant centre's areas also. A total of €50,000 has been allocated to Tipperary.</p> <p>CYPSC – National Evaluation Process taking place currently. Centre for Effective Services are undertaking the evaluation process on behalf of DCEDIY. Previous plans to legislate for CYPSC has been postponed until this evaluation and a report from the OECD are taken into consideration to best inform the process of how CYPSC should be developed into the future.</p> <p>CYPSC Networking & Development Day 22nd May @ TUS Thurles</p> <p>Tipperary Parenting Hub Website– being developed. This will be a county website for parenting information and signposting to services and supports across the county – TUS Digital Media students have designed the logo for the website. It has been approved and each of the three areas with IPAC's and</p>

12.	A.O.B. Margo informed the meeting of an Information Session on the Innovation Fund Digital Literacy with the TETB which was commencing at 12 noon today 19 th March via zoom.
13.	Date of next meeting Monday 15 th April, 2024 via Zoom.

Signed: Eoin Wolahan **Date:** 24.04.2024
 Eoin Wolahan
 Chair,
 Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Signed: Brian Beck **Date:** 29.4.2024
 Brian Beck
 Chief Officer,
 Tipperary Local Community Development Committee