

**Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held
15th January, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. via zoom**

Present:

Public Sector: Joe MacGrath (Chief Executive), Cllr John Carroll (TCC), Cllr Declan Burgess (TCC), Katie Frazer (Teagasc), Colin Cummins (TETB), Elaine Cullinane (TCC)

Private Sector: Eoin Wolahan (Chair), Michael Murray (NTDC), Mike Edwards (PPN, Vice Chairman), Derry O Donnell (PPN), Pat Carroll (IFA), Michael Geary (TUS)

Apologies: Isabel Cambie (STDC), Derval Howley (HSE), Gearoid O'Foighil (PPN), John O Shaughnessy (Business Sector), Stephanie O Callaghan (CYPSC), Cllr. Joe Hannigan (TCC)

In Attendance: Brian Beck (Chief Officer), Fiona Crotty (TCC), Catriona Crowe (TCC), Aine Roche (TCC), Geraldine Manning (TCC), Marie Cox (TCC), Elaine O Driscoll (TCC)

1.	<p>To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements The meeting was opened by Eoin Wolahan (Chair), all were welcomed and apologies were noted.</p> <p>1.1 Quorum The quorum was reached.</p> <p>1.2 Conflict of Interest No Conflict of Interest</p> <p>1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER Written Decisions None.</p> <p>1.4 Ethics Documents Members were requested to return their completed up to date Ethics Documents.</p>
2.	<p>Approval of Draft Agenda</p> <p>The Draft Agenda was agreed</p>
3.	<p>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC Meeting dated the 18th December, 2023 & Matters Arising (Decision)</p> <p>The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on the 18th December, 2023 LCDC Meeting were agreed on the proposal of Cllr. John Carroll and seconded by Mike Geary.</p>

4.	<p>SICAP UPDATE</p> <p>Geraldine Manning informed the members that Pobal issued the LCDC Guidance & Checklist for the 2023 End of Year Review. The Development Companies are required to upload their Financial and Monetary Reports on IRIS by Tuesday 16th January.</p> <p>A meeting is being scheduled with the SICAP Sub Committee for 30th January and feedback to be provided to Pobal by 31st January.</p>
5.	<p>LEADER 2014 -2020</p> <p>5.1 NTDC CEO Report (Decision)</p> <p>Michael Murray informed the members that there were no projects or extensions to present to this month's meeting.</p> <p>5.2 STDC CEO Report (Decision)</p> <p>There were no projects or extensions for decision to present at this month's meeting.</p> <p>5.3 Leader Extensions (Decision)</p> <p>There were no Leader Extensions for decision to present at this month's meeting.</p> <p>5.4 To approve Monthly Income & Expenditure Report (Decision) - Summary Report & Detail</p> <p>Marie Cox gave an update on the Monthly Income & Expenditure Report.</p> <p>She also briefed the group on Circular 01-2024 and the key dates of the wind down of the current programme.</p> <p>Michael Murray suggested that the sub groups meet up in a few weeks time to discuss any new projects. Fiona Crotty outlined that an email would issue to all the LCDC in relation to sub group membership with members asked to respond to express their interest in the sub group structure and that meetings will be convened then on same.</p> <p>Approval was agreed on the proposal of Mike Edwards and seconded by Derry O Donnell.</p>
7.	<p>QUALITY OF LIFE</p> <p>7.1 Healthy Ireland Fund (HIF) 2023 – 2025 update</p> <p>Aine Roche gave an update on the Healthy Ireland Fund and informed the members that Final plans for 2024 are being processed and EOI financial and progress reports being completed. Final plans will be circulated at the next meeting to outline activities for 2024 for Cahir, Clogheen, Nenagh and Littleton.</p>

She also informed the members that Tipperary County Council have received an Expression of Interest for Period Poverty for 2024 we will progress same and work with partners following successful outcomes.

7.2 Healthy Communities Clonmel Update

Catriona Crowe gave an update to the group on Healthy Communities Clonmel and informed the members of the following:

- Planet Youth school surveys are being finalised with partners in Tipperary and Wicklow.
- Meetings progress with secondary school sector in Q1 2024 in relation to the rollout for 2024
- Ethical permission in line with Planet Youth surveys in Galway and Roscommon being agreed
- Final agreement with Icelandic Partners contract signing to be completed by the end of January 2024
- Community Conversations follow up meetings took place with Hospitality and Retail on 10th January and will take place with Clubs and Societies on 16th January
- On 30th January hosting a Substance Use Policy Training Workshop in Talbot Hotel 7pm to 9pm
- January will also see the final Community Conversation will take place with the schools and parents

7.3 Tipperary Older Peoples Council and Age Friendly update

Fiona Crotty gave an update on Tipperary Older Peoples Council and Age Friendly as follows:

Tipperary Age Friendly Alliance will meet on 22nd January to agree the Action Plan for 2024 & 2025

Tipperary Age Friendly will engage with all tidy town's groups in the County in February 2024 with 3 aims,

1. to provide them information of sensory planting supporting people with cognitive impairment,
2. to establish what green activity each tidy town group is engaging and developing in partnership with Tipperary PPN so that this information can be mapped
3. to promote and establish interest in developing a repair directory for their area, similar to that developed by Birdhill tidy towns showcasing repairs across the following areas,
 - a) Recycling & Donation Centres b) Home Appliances c) Electronics d) Lawnmower & Garden Equipment e) Clothes Alterations f) Bag Repairs g) Leather & Shoes h) jewellery i) Musical Instruments j) Sport & Fitness Equipment k) Furniture & Upholstery

	<p>4. A Regional Positive Ageing Seminar will take place on 4th March in Waterford with HSE South East and Derval Howley as the lead on same. This event will be attended by the Older Peoples Council Executive from each of the 5 participating counties in the South East.</p>
8.	<p>FUNDING UPDATES</p> <p>8.1 Community Support fund Update Marie Cox updated the members</p> <p>8.2 Local Enhancement Scheme Update Marie Cox informed the members of the following</p> <p>Tipperary LCDC have received €178,045.98 and a further €35,609.20 specifically for Women's Groups. The scheme is for capital grants only and the Women's group criteria for eligibility is not strict – affiliations to LGFA and Girl Guides are mentioned so Camogie and Mothers & Others style groups should apply. Depending on uptake, this €35,000 could mean larger grants for these groups.</p> <p>Application portal will open next week, Marie will circulate via PPN, elected officials, website and social media. The scheme will stay open for around one month as the Dept need the list for approval in March, they will release the list via press release and then the grants can be administered. The application must be signed by a Chairperson, Treasurer or Secretary – if a person other than these are applying on behalf of a group, they will need to provide contact details of one of these people to accept the grant agreement and progress if from there.</p> <p>8.3 Clar</p> <p>Fiona Crotty informed the members that there were 13 projects approved between €50,000 and €300,000 in Tipperary. The projects approved are all in Carrick-on-suir MD and Thurles MD and she would circulate the details to all.</p>
9.	<p>Update on LECP Progress</p> <p>Elaine Cullinane updated the members on LECP progress and informed them that a meeting will take place next week to discuss feedback.</p>
10.	<p>Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations</p> <p>Marie Cox informed the members that she would circulate a link of the details of the Just Transition Scheme.</p>
11.	<p>Update on the Children and Young Persons Services Committee</p> <p>Stephanie O Callaghan was delayed and unable to address the meeting. Fiona Crotty informed the members that a CYPSC meeting was held last week and financial planning for the year ahead was agreed.</p>

12. Any Other Business

- Cllr. John Carroll requested an overview of the Leader Programme, themes and budgets in a month or two and this was agreed.
- Men's Shed Workshop feedback (Eoin Wolohan and Marie Cox)

Date of next meeting

13.

Monday 19th February, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. via Zoom

Signed: Eoin Wolohan **Date:** 20.02.2024
Eoin Wolohan
Chairman
Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Signed: Brian Beck **Date:** 23.2.2024
Brian Beck
Chief Officer