

**Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held
Monday 20th May, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. via zoom**

Present:

Public Sector:

Stephanie O Callaghan (CYPSC), Sinead Carr (Director of Services), Cllr. John Carroll (TCC), Colin Cummins (TETB), Derval Howley (HSE), Elaine Cullinane (TCC)
Cllr. Joe Hannigan* (TCC) Cllr Declan Burgess* (TCC), (8)
*arrived late- therefore did not have to step out for
decision-making balance

Private Sector:

Eoin Wolahan (Chair), Michael Murray (NTDC), Isabel Cambie (STDC), Mike Edwards (PPN, Vice Chairman), Pat Carroll (IFA), Maedhbh Gordon (PPN) (6)

Apologies:

Katie Frazer (Teagasc), Derry O Donnell (PPN), John O' Shaughnessy (Business Sector), Geraldine Manning (TCC)

In Attendance:

Brian Beck (Chief Officer), Margo Hayes (TCC), Marie Cox (TCC), Fiona Crotty (TCC), Mairead Ryan (TCC), Elaine O Driscoll (TCC)

1.	<u>To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements</u> The meeting was opened, all were welcomed and apologies were noted. Eoin Wolahan welcomed Sinead Carr, Director of Services, Clonmel Borough District/Housing, who was joining the LCDC in place of Joe MacGrath (Chief Executive). 1.1 Quorum The quorum was reached; however, it was noted that the balance was not in favour of the private which is a requirement for decision-making. Therefore member (s) from the Public Sector had to step out for balance 1.2 Conflict of Interest None. 1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER Written Decisions None.
2.	<u>Approval of Draft Agenda</u> The Draft Agenda was agreed.
3.	<u>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC Meeting dated the 15th April, 2024 & Matters Arising (Decision)</u> The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on the 15th April, 2024 LCDC Meeting were agreed on the proposal of Mike Edwards and seconded by Cllr. John Carroll. Elaine Cullinane stepped out for decision-making balance and Cllrs Hannigan/Burgess were not yet present at this time. Therefore, the public/private lance was 6 Private and 5 Public

4.	4.1 SICAP Margo advised the members that NTDC through SICAP had received an additional €40,000 re the New Arrivals Fund.	
5.	5.1 LEADER 5.1 NTDC CEO Report There were no projects to present to this month's meeting. 5.2 STDC CEO Report There were no projects to present to this month's meeting. 5.3 Leader Extensions There were no Leader Extensions to present to this month's meeting. 5.4 To approve Monthly Income and Expenditure Report (Decision) Marie Cox presented the LEADER Income and Expenditure report. The LEADER Reports were approved on the proposal of Elaine Cullinane and seconded by Mike Edwards. Cllr John Carroll stepped out for balance and Cllrs Hannigan/Burgess were not yet present at this time. Therefore, the public/private lance was 6 Private and 5 Public 5.5 Sustainable Community Subgroup Recommendations (Decision) Marie Cox updated the members on the Sustainable Community Subgroup and informed the members that the Subgroup met before the Leader Launch. She asked that the LCDC accept the following points for ratification 1. Cottages in the yard for Tourism That Vacant/derelict/under refurbished cottages would be deemed not eligible in Tipperary. 2. Funding the mainstream activities of mainstream Sporting Organisations That the mainstream activities of mainstream organisations are deemed not eligible in Tipperary. 3. Tourism accommodation having to be a certain distance from a national linear cycle/walkway – Remove this rule 4. Community Gyms and Displacement That any community gyms are not supported by LEADER 5. Expression of Interest (EOI) & Application • That IP record details directly on to the LEADER IT without the requirement of an applicant to fill an EOI	

6. Playground and outdoor gyms or community gyms

- That "an EOI is completed by each potential applicant" is used only for the annual targeted call and for project queries to DCRD
- That Stage one applications would be listed on a new section of the CEO reports with disclaimer that this is high level information only and projects may not proceed in order of applications received.

Potential playground, outdoor gym or community gym applications must have a case submitted to the Council re the current Playground policy (and new policy due early 2025) and settlement hierarchy before proceeding with an application – responsibility on the applicant to do this.

Approval was agreed on the proposal of Stephanie O Callaghan and seconded by Mike Edwards.
Elaine Cullinane, Cllr Burgess time stepped out for decision-making balance. Therefore, the public/private lance was 6 Private and 5 Public

Quality of Life

6.1 Healthy Ireland Fund (HIF) 2023-2025 update

Fiona Crotty updated the members on Healthy Ireland Fund 2024, the SLA has been signed for funding for 2024 and meetings will take place over the next few weeks with delivering partners around the county to discuss the role out of the programmes.

The report presented also showcased Disability Training delivered in Semple Stadium. This was led by Gold Star Tipperary, in partnership with the Volunteer Centre and Irish Wheelchair Association. This compliments Semple Stadium officials with disability awareness training and funding that Tipperary County Council secured from DCDEI to build a "Changing Places" Facility at the stadium. The stadium is one of only a few sites in the country and one of Tipperary's first ever state of the art "Changing Places" facility which enables those with complex needs to attend matches and other events at the complex. The Gold Star programme was delivered by people with disabilities and this will be the first of many programmes rolled out across the County.

She further informed the members that the Outdoor Staff Learning and Wellbeing event took place over three days for all Tipperary County Council outdoor staff which saw over 150 outdoor staff present at each day.

Fiona also advised that Brent Pope (former New Zealand Rugby Player) would be giving a talk on Mental Health and "Elephant in the Room Campaign" in Littleton on the 27th May in conjunction with Bealtine Festival.

6.2 Healthy Communities Clonmel Update

Fiona Crotty updated the members on the Substance Misuse Sub group with further community conversations with the schools now completed and report

being prepared by TUS on the overall contents and feedback from these public meetings.

Fiona outlined that Plant Youth Partnership Agreement with Tipperary County Council and Icelandic Partners has been signed. Local SLA signed with local agencies TETB, CYPSC, SHCP, HSE, YWIT. The team from Planet Youth Ireland presented to wider stakeholders and schools providing overview on the 15th May 2024. 16 schools signed up to Planet Youth to commence this year and it is anticipated that the numbers will increase before rollout in Q3 2024. It is also planned to have Planet Youth host a joint Wicklow/Tipperary CYPSC & LCDC briefing session September 2024. She also advised that LDO is working with Barnardos on a pilot for youth social prescribers for 6- to 10-year-olds. Fiona also advised that the Social Inclusive Network held a meeting on the 7th May, where it was agreed to look at a targeted campaign/programme which will address the barriers to clubs and organisations in Clonmel including young people with additional needs in their clubs, such as fear, insurance and building accessibility.

6.3 Tipperary Older Peoples Council & Age Friendly update

Fiona Crotty informed the members that the National Older People's Council Convention took place on the 9th and the 10th of May in Kilkenny. This year's theme is 'Ageing with Independence'. Fiona also advised that she presented to the International Dementia Conference on the 8th May. The theme of the session was a collaborative approach and she felt it was a great opportunity to showcase the network of supports in the county.

Save the Date notice has issued to all previous exhibitors for this year's Tipperary Age Friendly EXPO 2024 showcase which will take place in the TUS College Campus, Thurles on Thursday 20th June. A number of speakers have been confirmed and the final exhibitors and speakers will be finalised by the end of May 2024.

Fiona also advised that Tipperary County Council hosted a Local Cohesion Networking Session on Tuesday 14th May. It was attended by Barry Vaughan, Department of An Taoiseach and Greg Straton, Department of Health. Tipperary were the pilot for the Local Cohesion Networking sessions nationally.

Funding Updates

7.1 Local Enhancement Scheme

Marie advised the meeting that there were a lot of queries incoming about this scheme, however Minister Heather Humphreys has not yet announced the allocation for the county so applications cannot be processed. The announcement has been expected since April.

7.2 Community Recognition Fund 2024

Marie Cox advised the members that the Community Recognition Fund Evaluation Committee met on the 15th May where she presented an overview of the figures at May 8th. All applications were gone through in detail, discussed and evaluated, and final scores sorted in descending order.

7.3 Town and Village Renewal Scheme 2023 Mairead Ryan updated the members on the above and advised that funding of €921,099 had been allocated to Tipperary which would be divided between three projects in Cashel, Tipperary Town and Carrig Village. The details are as follows: • Cashel Town Park - provide a high quality Town Park and public amenity in the centre of the town to include bound gravel walkways, a boardwalk, reinforced grass paths, landscaping, natural play elements, fencing, seating and signage - €495,000 • Tipperary Town Centre next phase of improvement scheme - refurbish and provide universal access smart touchless toilets including mother and baby facilities at the public toilets in Market Yard, Tipperary Town. This will also include facilities for walkers and cyclists using the new and proposed walkways in the town - €250,000 • Carrig Village Green Community Park and Wildlife haven - development of Carrig Village Community Recreation Park and Wildlife Haven together with a pedestrian access bridge over the local river - €176,099 8. Presentation by Mr. Donal Kelly re Update on Services provided by Youth Work Ireland Tipperary Due to unforeseen circumstances the above presentation could not go ahead and was postponed to a later date. 9. LECP Implementation Plan Update Margo Hayes informed the group that Implementation plan 2024/2025 was near completion and thanked the LECP for all their help. 10. Update on the Children and Young Persons Services Committee Stephanie O Callaghan gave an update on CYPSC 11. Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations Margo Hayes updated the members on the Town Teams Support Fund which was announced by Minister Heather Humphreys on the 17th May. A total of 68 towns will be supported with €10,000 in funding per town and in County Tipperary, Nenagh, Thurles and Cashel received the funding. Margo also advised that there were two successful applicants in Tipperary for the Just Transition Fund. 12. Child Poverty CYPSC & LCDC Action Plan Pilot Fiona Crotty informed the members that applications for the above have to be submitted by the 7th June next. Stephanie O'Callaghan CYPSC Coordinator, Margo Hayes AO and Fiona Crotty AO LCDC support staff are working on a project proposal for this funding stream and are recommending submission of this project under the Child Poverty Action Plan Pilot scheme.	
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Approval was agreed on the proposal of Mike Edwards and seconded by Derval Howley.

Elaine Cullinane, Cllrs Hannigan Cllr Burgess stepped out of the meeting. Therefore, the public/private lance was 6 Private and 5 Public

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Any Other Business

Eoin Wolahan thanked all for attending the meeting. He paid tribute to Cllr. John Carroll, Cllr. Declan Burgess and Cllr. Joe Hannigan for all their work on the committee and wished them well as it was the last meeting before the Local Elections.

Margo Hayes advised that the Needs Assessment of the Situation of Roma Living in County Tipperary- Analysis of Findings' would be launched tomorrow 21st May by Cllr. Ger Darcy and also acknowledged the involvement of all involved. She also reminded all that Africa Day would take place next weekend.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 24th June, 2024 via Zoom.

Signed:

Eoin Wolahan

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Chair,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date:

27.06.2024

Signed:

Brian Beck

Chief Officer,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date: