

## **Minutes of Meeting**

### **Laois Local Community Development Committee**

**Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (*immediately before Local Action Group Meeting*)**  
**in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise**

**Present:**

- Mr. Paddy Buggy, Laois PPN (In the Chair)
- Mr. John Mulholland, Chief Executive, Laois County Council
- Cllr. Jerry Lodge, Laois County Council
- Cllr. Paschal McEvoy, Laois County Council
- Cllr. John King, Laois County Council
- Ms. Evelyn Reddin, Laois Local Enterprise Office
- Mr. Dave Hackett, Dept of Social Protection
- Mr. Tony Dalton, Laois/Offaly ETB
- Ms. Mary Delaney, Health Services Executive
- Ms. Anne Goodwin, Laois Partnership
- Mr. Michael Bergin, Farming Sector
- Mr. PJ Campbell, Laois PPN
- Mr. Robbie Quinn, Laois PPN
- Mr. Dave Fingleton, Laois PPN
- Mr. Joe Thompson, Youth Sector
- Mr. Kieran Finane, Business Sector

**Apologies:** Ms. Mary White, Laois PPN

**In Attendance:** Mr. Michael Rainey, Chief Officer, Ms. Georgina Ireland, Administrative Officer and Ms. Claire Buckley, A/Senior Staff Officer and Brian O'Sullivan, A/Assistant Staff Officer.

Mr. Paddy Buggy opened the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance. He welcomed Ms. Claire Buckley, A/Senior Staff Officer in Laois County Council to the meeting and officially welcomed Ms. Mary Delaney as the newly appointed HSE nominee.

#### ***Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017***

Upon the proposal of Cllr. John King and seconded by Mr. Tony Dalton, the minutes of LCDC meeting held on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 were confirmed.

### ***Matters Arising***

Mr. Michael Rainey advised the meeting in relation to Measure 3 CLÁR applications previously discussed; 2 of the 3 applications made were successful; Trumera and Vicarstown.

### ***Correspondence***

The members noted correspondence as follows:

- Information note from Library Development Unit
- Healthy Cities & Counties; Mr. Michael Rainey advised that this is another channel of funding through LCDC's of €3 million nationally in 2017, and that in order to avail of such funding opportunities, Laois was invited to sign up to the Network of Healthy Cities and Counties. Upon the proposal of Ms. Mary Delaney and seconded by Cllr. Paschal McEvoy, it was agreed to sign up to the Healthy Cities and Counties Charter.

### ***SICAP***

*(Cllr King took the chair as Paddy Buggy, Anne Goodwin and Mary Delaney left the room due to a possible conflict of interest)*

Discussions took place in relation to:

(a) Mid Year Review 2017

Mr. Michael Rainey advised that this is the last year of the current SICAP Programme. He circulated a report on Headline Targets and advised that the SICAP subcommittee had met and recommended approval of the review.

It was proposed by John Mulholland and seconded by John King to agree the midyear review and make payment in respect of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter to the Programme Implementer.

(b) 2018-2020 Programme – Prior Information Notice

Mr. Michael Rainey gave a presentation on the new SICAP Programme. Laois LCDC is the contracting Authority and members each signed a letter of impartiality, as appropriate.

Requisition For Tender to be published on e-Tenders on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017.

(c) Departmental Audit of SICAP Programme, letter from Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government was outlined in respect of an audit to be undertaken on SICAP expenditure from April 2015 – December 2016.

### ***Draft LCDC Quality and Capacity Development Plan (Document attached)***

Mr. Michael Rainey advised the Committee that formal training sessions would commence in the autumn. It was agreed to make a request that if possible the training could be broken down into Modules online in order to suit availability of members.

***Any Other Business***

Cllr Jerry Lodge proposed that the LCDC Committee have a think-in session, to engage and discuss the Committee's progress informally and possible meet with other LCDC's.

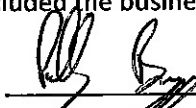
This was seconded by Cllr Paschal McEvoy. It was agreed to explore this proposal and revert with options.

***Time & Date of next Meeting***

The next meeting of Laois LCDC is was proposed and agreed to be changed to Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 11.30am in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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CHAIRPERSON – LAOIS LCDC

DATE: 28-7-17,