

Minutes of Meeting Laois Local Community Development Committee

**Wednesday 25th October 2017 at 4.30pm
in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise**

Present: Mr. Paddy Buggy, Laois PPN (In the Chair)
Cllr. Paschal McEvoy, Laois County Council
Cllr. Jerry Lodge, Laois County Council
Ms. Evelyn Reddin, Laois Local Enterprise Office
Mr. Joe Thompson, Youth Sector
Ms. Anne Goodwin, Laois Partnership
Mr. Michael Bergin, Farming Sector
Mr. Tony Dalton, Laois/Offaly ETB
Mr. PJ Campbell, Laois PPN
Mr. Robbie Quinn, Laois PPN
Ms. Mary White, Laois PPN

Apologies: Mr. John Mulholland, Laois County Council, Cllr. John King, Laois County Council, Mr. Dave Hackett, Dept of Social Protection, Mr. Dave Fingleton, Laois PPN
Ms. Mary Delaney, Health Services Executive, Mr. Kieran Finane, Business Sector

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

Mr. Paddy Buggy opened the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC meeting held on 29th September 2017

After circulating a small change made to the minutes that were sent with the agenda, the minutes were adopted follow a proposal from Cllr. Paschal McEvoy which was seconded by Mr. PJ Campbell.

Matters Arising

None

Correspondence

(a) Review of Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs)

Mr. Michael Rainey informed the Members that the Department of Rural and Community Development will, in the coming months conduct a review of the LCDCs. It is proposed to review progress across four themes. These are: -

- Governance and Structure
- Strategic Effectiveness
- Participation and Engagement
- Administrative Support and Development

He advised the members that should they have any comments or observations, they could contact him so feedback could be given to the Department.

(b) CPD Cert. Local Economic & Community Planning

Mr. Rainey informed the members of an upcoming course primarily aimed at those employed in the development and implementation of Local Economic and Community Plans, but is also open to others in the broader local government and civil society sectors. He advised that the Department would provide funding and interested members should contact him on or before Thursday 26th October 2017.

SICAP Programme 2018-2022 Tender Evaluation Update

Due to a conflict of interest, Ms. Anne Goodwin left the meeting for this item. Mr. Michael Rainey outlined that 1 tender from Laois Partnership Development Company had been received. This tender had recently evaluated by the SICAP Tender Evaluation Committee and was found to be of an acceptable standard scoring 689 out of 1000. He also advised that it was the recommendation of the Committee that the tender be accepted subject to a final compliance check by Pobal. This recommendation was accepted on the proposal of Cllr. Jerry Lodge and seconded by Cllr Paschal McEvoy.

He also advised that Pobal are coming down to meet the SICAP Sub Committee, the LCDC Chairman and the LCDC Chief Officer early in November 2017. The suggested agenda will include Pobal feedback on 2017 Mid-Year Review, Mid-Year targets and engagement with PI and The oversight role of LCDC.

Any other business


Mr. Rainey circulated an update of all the Community based LECP Actions from the various Lead Action Groups. He suggested that the LCDC start inviting in these Lead Action Groups to give updates. He proposed that this commence with a report from the LEOTB at the November meeting. Mr. Tony Dalton from the LOETB agreed with this proposal.

Ms. Anne Goodwin also enquired if the membership of the Laois LCDC would be reviewed any time soon. Mr. Rainey explained that he was waiting on a reply from one group with regard to their nomination.

Time & Date of next Meeting

The next meeting of Laois LCDC was scheduled for Friday, 24th November, 2017 at 11.30am in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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CHAIRPERSON – LAOIS LCDC

DATE: 24-11-17

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