

**Laois Local Community Development Committee
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 30th May, 2018
at 4.30 p.m. in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise**

Members in attendance:

Public Sector representatives:

1. Cllr. Paschal McEvoy, Laois County Council
2. Cllr. John King, Laois County Council
3. John Mulholland, Chief Executive, Laois County Council
4. Evelyn Reddin, Laois Local Enterprise Office
5. Joe Thompson, Youth Sector

Private Sector representatives:

1. Paddy Buggy, Laois Public Participation Network (Chairperson LCDC)
2. Mary White, Laois Public Participation Network
3. Dave Fingleton, Laois Public Participation Network
4. Anne Goodwin, Laois Partnership Company
5. Michael Bergin, Farming Sector

Apologies:

Colm Purcell (Department of Social Protection), Tony Dalton (Laois/Offaly ETB), Robbie Quinn (Laois Public Participation Network), PJ Campbell (Laois Public Participation Network), Kieran Finane (Business Sector)

In Attendance:

Ms. Georgina Ireland, A/Chief Officer, Ms. Louise McEvoy, A/Senior Staff Officer, Mr. Brian O'Sullivan, Assistant Staff Officer.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC meeting held on 27th April, 2018

The minutes were adopted following a proposal from Mr. John Mulholland which was seconded by Cllr. John King. Ms. Georgina Ireland informed the Members that she had consulted with the DRCD in relation to quorum arrangements in light of two vacant positions on the Committee, and she advised the LCDC has the power to amend standing orders to reduce the quorum from 17 members to 15 pending the nomination of replacements for Cllr. Jerry Lodge RIP and Mary Delaney HSE.

Approval to amend standing orders was proposed by Cllr. Paschal McEvoy and Seconded by John Mulholland.

2. Matters Arising

None

3. Correspondence

- Notice was received of SICAP mid-year review 2018. The Programme Implementer to enter data onto IRIS system before 15th June. Each LCDC has until 31st July to approve. A parallel examination of data will be carried out by Pobal also.

4. Healthy Ireland Update

The Members of the LCDC were given details of the 8 projects submitted to Pobal for funding under Healthy Ireland 2018. The proposed projects totalling €75,000 were approved by the Members on the proposal of Cllr. John King and seconded by Evelyn Reddin.

No.	Action co-ordinator	Title	Description	Budget
1	Youth Work Ireland Laois	Positive Pathways	Delivery of an 18 week programme to young people who have experienced a loss through suicide of a family member or close friend	20,000.00
2	Laois Partnership	Healthy Communities	Delivery of a holistic programme in 3 towns with focus on mental /physical health and wellbeing , first aid/emergency response training, self defence training	13,000.00
3	Laois Sports Partnership	Assessment of defibrillators and Community Based Phase 4 CR Programme	Locate and assess all defibrillators in the County, provide training to communities and improve accessibility. Develop a community based Phase 4 Cardiac Rehab programme	13,000.00
4	Laois Sports Partnership	Activator poles/Nordic poles	Purchase of Nordic poles and delivery of training course for up to 20 participants of different abilities	9,000.00
5	Laois Partnership (integration)	Structured play for children of asylum seekers	Provide weekly play session for children of Asylum Seekers living in the Direct Provision Centre , Montague	5,000.00
6	Laois County Council Sports & Recreation	Active Parks Programme	Delivery of a programme of weekly instructor led physical activities in Portarlinton & Portlaoise parks targeted at inactive adults (lunch time programmes) & families (adults & children)	5,000.00
7	Laois Sports Partnership	Rathdowney Errill Activity Hub	Development of community sports activity hub in Rathdowney/Errill area	5,000.00
8	Youth Work Ireland Laois	Laois Integration Choir	Using the medium of singing to support the integration of young people	5,000.00
			Total	€75,000.00


5. Any Other Business

- Ms. Georgina Ireland advised the Members in relation to the Town & Village Renewal Scheme: Applications to be submitted to DRCD by Laois County Council by 30th June.
- Approval granted for payment in the sum of €146,656.75 to Laois Partnership Company in respect of the SICAP programme on the Proposal of John Mulholland and Seconded by Councillor John King.

Time & Date of next Meeting

Next meeting takes place on Friday 29th June, 2018 at 11.30am in County Hall.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED: 

CHAIRPERSON – LAOIS LCDC

DATE: 29-6-18

