

**Rural Development LEADER Programme 2014 – 2020
 South Cork LCDC Minutes
 Council Chamber, County Hall, Cork**

Date: 14th March, 2019

Time: 10.00am.

LCDC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Public / Private
Cllr. Michael Hegarty (Chair)	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr Ger Keohane	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. John Lyne	DSP	Public
Cllr. Cathal Rasmussen	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Donal O’Liathain	Udaras na Gaeltachta,	Public
Ms. Arran O’Driscoll	WCDP	Private
Mr. Jimmy Hosford	Agricultural Pillar	Private
Mr. Thomas McHugh	Cork Chamber	Private
Mr. Sean Hegarty	Avondhu/Blackwater Development Group CLG	Private
Mr. Sean O’Sullivan	Head of LEO South Cork	Public
Mr. Martin O’Brien	PPN	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD Partnership CLG	Private
Ms. Mary O’Leary	Environmental Pillar	Private
Cllr. Marcia Dalton	Cork County Council	Public

LCDC MEMBERS APOLOGIES:

Name	Organisation	Private /Public
Mr. Peter Dineen,	PPN	Private
Mr. Brian Williams	Youth Pillar	Private
Mr. John Fitzgibbons	Cork ETB	Public
Mr. Declan Daly	Cork County Council	Public
Vacant	Civic Society	Private

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Niall O’Callaghan	Healthy Ireland Coordinator	Cork County Council
Ms. Valerie Hayes	Administrative Officer	Cork County Council
Apologies: Ms. Sharon Corcoran	Director of Services	Cork County Council

<p>Quorum=11 (50% of 19 rounded up + 1 = 11) In attendance = 14 (7 Private: 7 Public) Apologies = 5 Total membership = 19</p>

Welcome and Introduction.

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. It was noted that a quorum was in place and the meeting commenced.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous LCDC Meeting of 7th February, 2019

The minutes of the South Cork LCDC meeting of 7th February, 2019 were proposed by Cllr. C. Rasmussen, seconded by Cllr. G. Keohane and formally adopted by the meeting.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. LCDC Annual Report

The LCDC is statutorily required to prepare, adopt and submit to the local authority a report in relation to the performance of its functions for the previous year. The report, as attached, was adopted by the meeting on the proposal of Cllr. C. Rasmussen, seconded by Cllr. G. Keohane.

3. SICAP

Ms. K. Keegan confirmed that the Cork City boundary extension due to take effect at the end of May will have no impact on the administration of the SICAP programme and SICAP will remain as is until the end of the contract in 2022. An agreement on reporting on SICAP is to be drawn up between South Cork LCDC and Cork City LCDC, it is proposed that a sub-committee will be formed to provide updates to Cork City Council. SECAD will continue to be the point of contact for SICAP for those transferred from the county to the city area.

4. National Community Weekend 'The Big Hello'

National Community Day is an initiative of the Department of Rural and Community development and will be held on the May Bank Holiday weekend 4th to 6th May. €10,000 is available to Cork County Council to be distributed through the LCDCs for "The Big Hello" which supports communities to host events in their local area in order to strengthen community ties and help tackle the problem of social isolation. Mr. N. O'Callaghan advised that the funds are to be distributed through the GAA Healthy Clubs initiative and that applications are being invited from the Healthy Clubs around the county who will be required to work with one or more local community groups. The proposals will be presented to the LCDCs for approval.

The Chair commented that the timeframe was short and that Cork County Council with 3 LCDCs was only given €10K for the county while those counties with 1 LCDC also got €10K.

5. Allocation of the Community Development Initiative Fund

The Chair presented the report outlining the recommended allocation of funds under the Community Development Initiative. Ms. K. Keegan advised the meeting that there were 420 applications on a countywide basis and the value of the applications was €5.5m – there were 118 applications for South to the value of €1.7m. The total fund of €1.5m was divided €0.5m to each LCDC. €125K was recommended to be allocated to each of the 4 MDs in the South LCDC area.

There was a discussion about the allocation and the following points were made:

- All applications went before an Evaluation Committee
- The Evaluation Committee attempted a geographical spread and a mix of large and small projects
- Before the next round of funding there will be an opportunity to make recommendations regarding the fund
- Works must be finished by the end of September and receipts and photographic evidence must be submitted to the LDCs by then

The Meeting agreed the allocation of the funds as presented on the day on the proposal of Cllr. C. Rasmussen, seconded by Mr. T. McHugh.

6. Any Other Business

None

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on the 11th April, 2019.

Meeting Concluded

The Minutes were approved by the South Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

Signed:

Mr. Michael Hegarty
CHAIRPERSON

Dated:

11-04-19

