



**Minutes of  
West Cork Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)  
Council Chamber, Kent Street, Clonakilty**

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

**Time: 3.30pm.**

**Present:**

Name	Organisation	Public/Private
Cllr. Declan Hurley	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. John O' Sullivan	Cork County Council	Public
Ms. Clodagh Henehan	Divisional Manager West Cork	Public
Mr. Kevin Curran	North and West LEO	Public
Mr. John Lyne	Dept. Employment	Public
Ms. Máire Ní Shé	Udarás na Gaeltachta	Public
Ms. Máire Uí Mhaoláin	Comhar na nOileán Teo	Private
Ms. Helen O'Sullivan	Cork PPN	Private
Mr. Cornelius Buckley	Farming Pillar/IFA	Private
Ms. Eileen O'Shea	Civic Society	Private
Ms. Phoebe Bright	Environment Pillar	Private
Mr. Ryan Howard	SECAD CLG.	Private

**Apologies:**

Cllr. Patrick Gerard Murphy	Cork County Council	Public
Cllr. Alan Coleman	Cork County Council	Public
Mr. Enda McWeeney	Cork ETB	Public
Ms. Arran O'Driscoll	West Cork Dev. Partnership CLG	Private
Mr. Finbarr Harrington	Cork County PPN	Private
Mr. Colm Leen	Cork Chamber	Private
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**Staff in Attendance**

Ms. Sharon Corcoran	Director of Services	Cork County Council
Ms. Kay Keegan	LCDC Chief Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Andrew Lewis	Finance Officer	Cork County Council
Mr. Jesse Dorrington	Staff Officer	Cork County Council

<p><b>Quorum=11 (50% of 19 rounded up +1 = 11)</b>  <b>In attendance= 12 (6 Private: 6 Public)</b>  <b>Apologies= 7</b>  <b>Total membership= 19</b></p>
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## Welcome & Introduction

The LCDC was conducted through Microsoft Teams.

### 1. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous LCDC Meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

The Minutes were adopted on the proposal of Kevin Curran and seconded by Clodagh Henehan.

### Matters arising

N/A

### 2. Community Activities Fund 2022 – Reallocation of Funds

#### Total of €2,808 to be reallocated

#### **Bandon/Kinsale (Total €1,773)**

<b>Name of Group</b>	<b>Money to be reallocated</b>	<b>Reason for not proceeding with grant funding</b>
Innishannon Parish Hall	€43	Underclaimed
Kilbrittain Tidy Towns	€76	Underclaimed
Kinsale Temperance Hall	€1500	Didn't undertake project despite extension
Ahiohill Tidy Towns	€8	Underclaimed
Knocknahanagh (CLG) T/A Tracton Community Council	€146	Underclaimed

#### **Proposal to reallocate €1,530 as follows:**

<b>Bandon Allotments Limited</b>	<b>€200.00</b>
<b>Bandon Town Hall</b>	<b>€350.00</b>
<b>Butlerstown Community Hall Association</b>	<b>€350.00</b>
<b>Gaggin Community Association Ltd.</b>	<b>€300.00</b>
<b>Kilmaccsimon Swimming &amp; Rowing Club</b>	<b>€250.00</b>
<b>Knockavilla Bridge Club</b>	<b>€80.00</b>

#### **West (Total €1,035)**

<b>Name of Group</b>	<b>Money to be reallocated</b>	<b>Reason for not proceeding with grant funding</b>
Bantry Tidy Towns	€35	Underclaimed

Drinagh Rangers AFC	€1,000	purchase of shed made before LCDC approval date in March

**Proposal to reallocate €1,035 + €243 from Bandon/Kinsale = €1,278 as follows:**

<b>BallinacCarthy Community Hall</b>	<b>€68.00</b>
<b>Baltimore, Rath &amp; the Islands Community Council</b>	<b>€68.00</b>
<b>BEDA - Ballineen &amp; Enniskeane Development Association</b>	<b>€68.00</b>
<b>Caheragh Memorial Park Limited</b>	<b>€358.00</b>
<b>Bantry Development &amp; Tourism</b>	<b>€358.00</b>
<b>South West Coast Yawl Rowing Association</b>	<b>€358.00</b>

Proposed by Máire Uí Mhaoláin seconded by Kevin Curran.

### 3. 2023 Schedule of Meetings

<b>Time;</b> LAG Meetings start at 2:30p.m. LCDC meetings start at 3:30p.m.
<b>Location;</b> Via Microsoft Teams until further notice

No.	Date
1.	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January (if required)
2.	Thursday 23rd Feb
3.	Thursday 23rd March
4.	Thursday 27th April
5.	Thursday 25th May
6.	Thursday 22nd June
7.	Thursday, 20th July
	August – No Meeting
8.	Thursday 28th September
9.	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October
10.	Thursday 23rd November
11.	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December

**Schedule approved unanimously**

### 4. Community Support Funds

The Chief Officer outlined two new support schemes which have just been announced by Minister Humphreys.

The Minister for Rural and Community Development recently announced a scheme, called the Community and Voluntary Energy Support Scheme(CVESS) arising from a budget day commitment of €10m towards higher energy costs in the sector. The scheme which is administered by Pobal on behalf of DRCD, will support incorporated C&V sector organisations (i.e. those incorporated as CLGs or Co-Operatives) and/or registered charities only. Such organisations may apply to Pobal under the CVESS for a contribution toward additional energy costs which are not funded under any

other Government energy schemes such as the Temporary Business Energy Support Scheme (TBESS) for trading organisations, or other sectoral support schemes in the arts, sports, Gaeltacht/language or health sectors. This scheme is currently open for applications and will close at 3pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Organisations that are incorporated as Companies Limited by Guarantee or as Co-operatives and/or are registered charities, that have an electricity (MPRN) and/or gas (GPRN) account in their name, should be directed to apply to the CVESS in respect of their energy costs.

There will be another scheme which will be overseen by the LCDCs for Unincorporated or small voluntary organisations who may apply for support for energy costs as well as other running costs and facility enhancements. Details of this separate scheme will be launched at a later date by the Cork LCDCs.

#### 5. Expression of Interest for LAG Status for LEADER 2023 – 2027 Programme

Sharon Corcoran, Director of Services outlined the process to LCDC members and discussions took place in relation to the LCDC's option of making an application for LAG status re the new LEADER Programme. Deadline for EOI is 16<sup>th</sup> December. Discussions concluded with a vote to which Kevin Curran proposed and Eileen O'Shea seconded to the proposal of making an EOI application for LAG status in partnership with the committed partners. The LCDC Chairman thanked the committee members for their vote of confidence and expressed his delight in the commitment of the Local Development Companies & everyone working together in the future to maximise the LCDC to enhance & expand the LCDC going forward.

#### 6. Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting is 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 3.30pm

#### Meeting Concluded

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

Signed:

  
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CHAIRPERSON

Dated:

23/02/23

