

Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held 15th April, 2019 at Littleton and Moycarkey Community and Sports Centre

Present:

Public Sector: Cllr. John Carroll (Chair), Cllr. Mary Hanna Hourigan, Adrian Cunneen, Eileen Condon, Donal Mullane, Councillor Joe Hannigan, Maria Bridgeman, Joe MacGrath (8)

Private Sector: Isabel Cambie, Charles Stanley-Smith, Michael Murray, John Lupton, Sean O'Farrell, Imelda Walsh, Martin Quinn, Eoin Wolahan (8)

Apologies:

Private Sector: Clare Cashman (Vice Chair), John O'Shaughnessy

Public Sector: Ita Horan

In Attendance: Pat Slattery, Chief Officer, Michael Moroney, Margo Hayes
Teresa Kiely, Bridget Hayes

<p>1.</p>	<p><u>To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements</u></p> <p>1.1 Quorum Margo Hayes confirmed that a quorum had been achieved to proceed with the meeting.</p> <p>1.2 Conflict of Interest Pat Slattery confirmed that the LCDC had been notified of the requirements to indicate COI. Isabel Cambie and Joe MacGrath declared a conflict of interest in relation to one RDP project relating to their membership of Tipperary Tourism Board.</p> <p>1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER written decision None arising.</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p><u>Approval of Draft Agenda</u> Cllr. John Carroll, Chair declared the meeting open. Apologies were noted. Draft Agenda was approved.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Confirmation of Minutes</u> Re section 6.1.1. , Michael Murray proposed an amendment to minutes from "planning has expired" to "current planning will expire in May 2019". This was agreed by the Members.</p> <p>The minutes of Tipperary LCDC meeting held on 19th March, 2019, subject to the agreed amendment, were agreed on the proposal of Eoin Wolohan and seconded by John Lupton.</p> <p>Matters Arising Regarding item no. 9 on the minutes suggesting there may be potential for the key agencies to work with Cabragh Wetlands, Sean O Farrell sought an expansion on that. Pat Slattery advised that he had met with</p>

met with Mr. Sean Keating (DoS) and Ms Marian O'Neill (SEO) of Tipperary County Council's environmental section. They are going to engage with Cabragh wetlands to look at how a potential project could be progressed. The ideal would be to see a full time presence on the Centre while also continuing with the volunteerism which is the current model. Sean O'Farrell enquired as to who the key agencies might be. At the moment there is not an identified project but these are likely to be the educational institutions and Tipperary County Council as well as interested agencies that are located on Tipperary but this is not decided and will be the basis of initial discussions.

Sean O'Farrell mentioned that within the presentation (by the environmental section at the March meeting), there was a lot of sectors/areas excluded including the circular economy, green procurement and biodiversity loss. He feels there is poverty in relation to education provision. He would like to see that Climate change on the agenda at every meeting. Charles Stanley Smith concurred with what Sean said as he feels there is a possibility for the LCDC to get involved and to help in this space.

Pat Slattery outlined that there is much going on at the moment in this areas including the Lisheen mine development, AgriChemway (all about the circular economy) and LIT has much research being done in that area. They (LIT) utilise Cabragh Wetlands as part of their syllabus.

Cllr Joe Hannigan supported Sean in that education is key. He suggested piloting a farm/shop as a template project. He said that there is a litter issue on the road from Nenagh to Puckane and while they are hoping to get a litter pick done, the fast food outlets themselves need to be playing their part i.e. biodegradable packaging.

Imelda Walsh mentioned the 'smart farming initiative' and it's about being effective as farmers and reducing energy costs. She said that Irish farming is the most carbon efficient in terms of dairy and in the top five globally in term of beef. However the government needs to really support the agriculture sector to tackle climate change as we are facing huge fines for not meeting targets.

Donal Mullane agreed saying it's a global issue and national issue and we should be having something on the agenda regularly as there is no more important role that we have as a committee.

Pat Slattery agreed to convene the sustainable communities' subgroup within the next few weeks. This group to look at suitable agenda items and how we can service those items.

Cllr Mary Hanna Hourrigan, spoke about the Tipp fm report that she had heard saying we need to work with the schools. She said that they are still people not recycling and this was apparent at their recent playground opening.

Sean O'Farrell said that an environmental awareness officer is required.

4.	<p>SICAP Update</p> <p>Margo outlined that the Quarter 2 budgets for SICAP 2019 had been released to the Programme Implementers as had the Vat for H2 (June-December) 2018.</p> <p>SICAP must comply with ESF requirements as it part funded under PEIL the e-cohesion non-financial declarations have to be uploaded to the e-cohesion system and this took places in the last LCDC. The process also included the checking of three Individual Beneficiary files per Local Development Company.</p>																														
5.	<p>5.1 LEADER</p> <p>5.1.1 - To Decide on STDC Applications</p> <p>Documents circulated for consideration by the members were the Project Evaluation Assessment Report and completed IEC Scoring Sheet for each application together with IEC meeting minutes. In addition, an Implementing Partner CEO Report to LCDC Chief Officer with details of the project including deadweight, displacement, rationale for grant aid, consistency with the Local Development Strategy and Operating Rules, IEC score and recommendation, and A48 Checking process undertaken was circulated for the consideration of members.</p> <p>In relation to the STDC project, the members were taken through this by Isabel Cambie.</p> <p><u>STP109587 [Tipperary Tourism-Time to take it all in]</u></p> <p>Joe MacGrath left the meeting as a result of a CoI. Isabel Cambie, having explained the project, left the meeting as a result of a CoI and before any decision was taken by the Members.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="338 1330 1404 2018"> <tr> <td>Project Code:</td> <td>30LDRSTP109587</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Promoter Code:</td> <td>2313</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Promoters Name:</td> <td>Tipperary Tourism CLG</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Description:</td> <td>"Time to take it all in" collaborative tourism marketing campaign</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Theme:</td> <td>Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sub-theme:</td> <td>Rural Tourism The development and promotion of tourism as driver of rural economic development and job creation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deadweight:</td> <td>Considered and not arising</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Displacement:</td> <td>Considered and none arising</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Innovation:</td> <td>Considered</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reasonableness of costs:</td> <td>Satisfied as to reasonableness of costs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:</td> <td>Grant award of €22,560.35 (50% of €45,120.70)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy</td> <td>Complies with and eligible under the provisions of Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>% level of aid & ceiling:</td> <td>Grant of €22,560.35 (50% of €45,120.70)</td> </tr> </table>	Project Code:	30LDRSTP109587	Promoter Code:	2313	Promoters Name:	Tipperary Tourism CLG	Description:	"Time to take it all in" collaborative tourism marketing campaign	Theme:	Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation	Sub-theme:	Rural Tourism The development and promotion of tourism as driver of rural economic development and job creation	Deadweight:	Considered and not arising	Displacement:	Considered and none arising	Innovation:	Considered	Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to reasonableness of costs	Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant award of €22,560.35 (50% of €45,120.70)	Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A	Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A	Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary	% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant of €22,560.35 (50% of €45,120.70)
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Proposed by:	John Lupton
Seconded by:	Cllr. Mary Hanna Hourigan
Absenters:	Joe MacGrath and Isabel Cambie
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

Joe MacGrath and Isabel Cambie returned to the meeting.

5.1.2 - To Decide on NTDC Applications

Documents circulated for consideration by the members were the Project Evaluation Assessment Report and completed IEC Scoring Sheet for each application together with IEC meeting minutes. In addition, an Implementing Partner CEO Report to LCDC Chief Officer with details of the project including deadweight, displacement, rationale for grant aid, consistency with the Local Development Strategy and Operating Rules, IEC score and recommendation, and A48 Checking process undertaken was circulated for the consideration of members.

In relation to the NTDC projects, the members were taken through these by Michael Murray.

30LDRNTP108551 [Kilbarron Hall Renovations]

Cllr. Joe Hannigan left the meeting as a result of a CoI.

Project Code:	30LDRNTP108551
Promoter Code:	2555
Promoters Name:	Kilbarron Hall Committee
Description:	Kilbarron Hall Upgrade
Theme:	Social Inclusion
Sub-theme:	Basic Services Targeted at Hard to Reach Communities
Deadweight:	Considered and not arising
Displacement:	Considered and none arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Final Approval of a Provisional Approval. Grant award of €78,912.56 (75% of €105,216.77)
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
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Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
% level of aid & ceiling:	Final Approval. Grant of €78,912.56 (75% of €105,216.77)
Proposed by:	Eoin Wolahan
Seconded by:	Imelda Walsh
Absenters:	Cllr. Joe Hannigan
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

Cllr. Joe Hannigan returned to the meeting.

30LDRNTP108544 [The Hub, Ballymackey FC, Ballinree, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary]

Further to their discussion at the March meeting, the Members noted that the promoter's planning permission will expire next month during the construction phase. However, Members were advised by Michael Murray that a new planning application had been lodged by the promoter.

Project Code:	30LDRNTP108544
Promoter Code:	2666
Promoters Name:	Ballymackey F.C. Limited
Description:	The Hub development
Theme:	Social Inclusion
Sub-theme:	Basic Services Targeted at Hard to Reach Communities
Deadweight:	Considered and not arising
Displacement:	Considered and none arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Final Approval of a Provisional Approval. Grant award of €150,000.00 (70.4846% of €212,812.50)
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
% level of aid & ceiling:	Final Approval. Grant of €150,000.00 (70.4846% of €212,812.50)
Proposed by:	Cllr. Joe Hannigan
Seconded by:	John Lupton
Absenters:	None
Agreed by Board:	Yes Local Condition inserted that no grant contract is to be issued until such time as their new planning permission application is approved
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

5.2 Income and Expenditure Report

Michael Moroney presented the Leader Income and Expenditure report. On the proposal of Cllr. Joe Hannigan, seconded by Martin Quinn, the report was adopted by the Members.

5.3 Any Other Matters/Updates

Charles Stanley Smith noted that there had been only a small number projects approved in the last few meetings and asked if the application rate had slowed. Isabel Cambie replied that there will be an evaluation meeting at the end of the month for STDC and they expect five or six projects to come through that. She agreed that there has been somewhat of a lull but they are on target. The only areas that are under-subscribed, she said, are the sub-themes of youth and water. Michael Murray advised that NTDC were satisfied that they are on target for the year.

6. Healthy Ireland

The national plan was circulated to everyone since the last meeting. The HSE have launched the Healthy Ireland programme and activities are recommended per age group. This is linked from the www.gov.ie website. Locally, all actions are progressing and will be on targets for

	<p>the end of June. Maria Bridgeman said it's likely that Pobal will issue the new funding in June and will be for either 18 months or 2 years. There will be a requirement to link projects to national Healthy Ireland priorities. They have set up the healthy Ireland subgroup and the first meeting of that is set for May 17th. The new Healthy Ireland projects will have to come back to the LCDC for approval.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><u>Community Enhancement Programme 2019</u></p> <p>Teresa Kiely has circulated the information note. She has inserted our 19 high level priorities (LECP) in the guidelines. 30% has been ring fenced of projects of €1,000 or less. We have included a tick box to denote the Municipal District. We have included a link to the Pobal maps website so that groups are aware of their deprivation scores. Teresa also included a checklist. The closing date is set nationally for end of May. The intention is to get it on the TCC website and out the PPN as soon as possible.</p> <p>Sean O'Farrell ensured is we had input into the themes. Teresa said that the suggestions included came from the Department but all projects have to be capital. It was suggested that a theme 'Community Health' to be included.</p> <p>Cllr Joe Hannigan asked about the sources of funding for community allotments. Michael Murray said that they had been funded under the RDP in the past. Maria Bridgeman asked if there was minimum and maximum amount. Teresa outlined that most of the grants will be between €1,000 and €5,000 and there is no there is no maximum set by the Department. Joe MacGrath said that it would be sensible to cap it. It was agreed unanimously that a line would be added to say that it would be expected that a grant would not exceed €5000.</p> <p>Regarding the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, Cllr Joe Hannigan referred to a requirement to have planning permission in place. While he see's the rationale for this, he feels it is also an impediment as there is the expense of going for planning permission on the chance that you'll get approved for funding. Michael Moroney explained that the Department wants to get applications for "shovel-ready" projects so that the grant can be drawn down as quickly as possible.</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email re Healthy Ireland –Build environment Regional Seminar , May 14th at WIT (already circulated) • Correspondence from Chris Purnell- South Eastern Regional Drug and Alcohol Task force dated March 20th regarding the SICAP Emerging need 2019 and possible inclusion of substance misuse.
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>Charles Stanley Smith reminded the meeting that we had previously spoken of having a 'strategy day'. It was noted that the Department had advised LCDCs to hold off on a mid-term review of the LECP until after the adoption of the RSES which is likely to be Q4 2019. Pat Slattery noted that it is now substantially known what is in the RSES, that the LCDC could look at having the strategy day after the Local Elections in May. There was some discussion on the format of the day,</p>

	<p>e.g. would it be a half/full day, would there be speakers and if so in what context and would a facilitator for the day be required. It was agreed that the Sustainable Communities sub-group would meet and that a proposal would be put to the Members at their next meeting on May 20th.</p> <p>It was agreed that a review and evaluation of current operations and achievements must be build into any planning process.</p>
10.	<p><u>Next Meeting</u> To be held at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 20th May in the Littleton and Moycarkey Community and Sports Centre.</p>

Signed: 
 Cllr. John Carroll,
 Chair,
 Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date: 20/5/2019

Signed: 
 Pat Slattery,
 Chief Officer,
 Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

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