

**Minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Tipperary Local Community and Development Committee held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 at Littleton Community Centre, Thurles.**

**Present:**

**Public Sector:** Cllr. John Carroll, (Vice-Chair), Adrian Cunneen,  
Cllr. Joe Hannigan, Joe Mac Grath, Donal Mullane,  
Cllr. Mary Hanna Hourigan,

**Private Sector:** Isabel Cambie, Michael Murray, Sara Bourke, Tim Cullinane

**Apologises: -**

**Public Sector:** Rita Guinan, Eileen Condon, Angela Joy

**Private Sector:** Charles Stanley-Smith, Clare Cashman, Brian Cleary,  
Catherine Guest, Cora Horgan,

**In attendance:** Sinéad Carr, Margo Hayes, Breda O'Connor, Attracta Lyons,  
Michael Moroney

1.	<p><b>Approval of draft Agenda</b></p> <p>The Chairperson welcomed the members and declared the meeting open. Apologies were noted and the Members agreed the draft agenda.</p>
2.	<p><b>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2016</b> were adopted on the proposal of: Isabel Cambie and seconded by Joe Mac Grath.</p> <p>It was noted that there was no matters arising.</p>
3.	<p><b><i>Sustainable Communities:-</i></b></p> <p><b><i>(a) Update on Local Development Strategy</i></b></p> <p>In relation to Tipperary Local Development Strategy, Attracta Lyons informed the meeting that the LEADER Independent Selection Committee is satisfied that the LDS submitted meets the requisite standards. The Independent Selection Committee has selected Tipperary Local Development Strategy subject to a number of areas being satisfactory addressed in advance of the contracting process. Pobal who are assisting the Independent Selection Committee to follow up with the Chief Officer to outline areas that need to be addressed. It was also noted that the Department of the Environment Community and Local Government are managing the approval and contracting process. The Members were delighted that the LDS has been approved and now look forward to implementing the Local Development Strategy.</p> <p><b><i>(b) Update on Draft Leader Forms &amp; Promotional Plan</i></b></p> <p>Isabel Cambie confirmed that the Sustainable Communities Sub-group meeting</p>

dated 5th May, 2016 the members reviewed the work undertaken by both Local Development Companies on the RDP expression of interest templates, promoter application forms, together with check list and promotional templates. However, it was noted that the templates cannot be finalised until the Operating Rules are agreed nationally. It was agreed that once the Operating Rules are finalised the Local Development Companies will bring the final proposals to the Sustainable Communities sub group LCDC for review and recommendation to the LCDC for approval. This was noted. Attracta Lyons confirmed that a draft promotional Plan has been developed, however, the draft plan cannot proceed until contact is signed and programme operational.

**(a) Draft Renewable Energy Strategy**

Michael Moroney referred to the submission on the draft Tipperary Renewable Energy Strategy that was previously circulated with the agenda. It was noted that the LCDC Sustainable Communities sub-group approved this submission at their meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. The LCDC members also considered and recommended this submission on the proposal of Sara Bourke and seconded by Isabel Cambie.

**(b) Update on Community Facilities Audit**

Michael Moroney confirmed that Mark O'Brien, Community & Economic Development Section has developed an Audit on Community Facilities through survey monkey. The purpose of the Audit is to establish the current level of Community, Arts and Sports facilities. It is expected that the outcomes and the findings of the audit will inform future capital investment programmes by Tipperary County Council and the Rural Development Programme 2014-2020. This audit questionnaire will be circulated through the Public Participation Network members for completion.

Michael Moroney confirmed that in order to ensure that the survey captures all such facilities in the County he would encourage the members to promote and ensure that the Community & Voluntary Groups complete this survey. Following discussion on this item it was agreed that the questionnaire through survey monkey should be noted as Survey of Community, Sports & Arts Facilities in the County. This was noted. It was also agreed to forward a copy of the survey link to the Members.

**4. LECP 2016 Action Plan Agency Update:-**

Joe Mac Grath, Tipperary County Council circulated and provided a progress report on the Local Economic Community Plan lead actions progressed by the local authority to date. The Chairman thanked Mr. Mc Grath for the update and the members noted the details.

**5. Update on Strategic Planning Inputs:-**

**Tourism Strategy:-** It was noted that the County Tourism Strategy was presented and adopted at the Council meeting dated 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.

	<p><b>Sports Strategy:-</b> The consultation process has been completed by Irish Leisure Consultants and the first draft of the Strategy will be presented to Tipperary Sports Partnership Board on 29<sup>th</sup> July for consideration.</p> <p><b>Heritage Strategy:</b> A draft Heritage Strategy is being prepared. The draft strategy will be finalized by Jun e2016 and consultation will commence in September 2016.</p> <p><b>Arts Strategy:-</b> The consultation process is currently taking place on the draft Arts Strategy.</p> <p><b>Children Young People Services Committee – (CYPSC):-</b> It was noted that the consultation process has been completed on this Plan and work is currently being carried out on the draft Plan.</p>
6.	<p><b>Overview of Programme for Government as relevant to the LCDC</b></p> <p>Sara Bourke gave an overview presentation on the Programme for Government as relevant to the LCDC. The members thanked and noted Ms. Bourke's presentation. (copy of presentation attached).</p>
7.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Margo Hayes referred to a letter and report dated 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 from Paul Skinnader, Executive Director, Pobal confirming that Pobal recently carried out 5 pilot Audit inspections on SICAP. It was noted that this Audit communication report has been issued to all Programme Implementers. Pobal and DECLG are currently engaging with ESF Management Authority in finalising the Audit Management Framework that will be undertaken within SICAP and once agreed the final framework will be issued to all LCDCs.</li> <li>➤ Margo Hayes confirmed that 3 members from the Social Inclusion sub group together with Sinead Carr and Margo Hayes will attend the training on the SICAP Mid Year Review arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.</li> </ul>
8.	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Logo</b> - Margo Hayes confirmed that the localised version of LCDC logo was received from the Department and it has been circulated to the relevant agencies to be used on all documentation and promotional material.</li> <li>➤ <b>Web-site</b> It was noted that the LCDC web site is being progressed.</li> <li>➤ <b>LECP launch</b> - Awaiting details from the Department in relation to the official launch date of the Local Economic Community Plans</li> <li>➤ <b>Draft LCDC guidelines:</b> The Department are currently working on new LCDC guidelines</li> <li>➤ <b>Green Business Network Conference:-</b> Attracta Lyons circulated details on the Sustainable Business Seminar which is taking place on 26<sup>th</sup> May in the Horse &amp; Jockey Hotel.</li> <li>➤ <b>PPN Plenary</b> – arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 in the Moycarkey Borris Sports &amp; Community Centre, Littleon, Thurles</li> <li>➤ It was agreed that the survey monkey link to the draft local suicide prevention Action Plan be circulated to the Members for completion.</li> </ul>

**Date of next meeting**

- It was agreed that the next meeting will take place at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016, in Littleton Community Centre, Thurles.

Signed/



Charles Stanley Smith,  
Chair,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date/ 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016