Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held 21st October, 2019 in Littleton and Moycarkey-Borris Community and Sports Centre, Littleton

Present:

Public Sector: Cllr John Carroll (Chair), Cllr Joe Hannigan, Maria Bridgeman

(HSE) Donal Mullane (Teagasc), Adrian Cunneen (DEASP)
Anthony Fitzgerald (LEO) Bernadette Cullen (Tipperary ETB)

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Private Sector:

Isabel Cambie (STDC), Michael Murray (NTDC), Charles

Stanley Smith (PPN), , Eoin Wolahan (PPN), John Lupton

(PPN), Cora Horgan (PPN) (6)

Apologies:

Private Sector:

Martin Quinn (PPN), Sean O'Farrell (PPN), Imelda Walsh

(IFA), John O'Shaughnessy (Business Pillar)

Public Sector:

Cllr Declan Burgess, Karl Casheen (TCC)

In Attendance:

Pat Slattery (TCC, Chief Officer), Shane O'Dwyer (TCC),

Margo Hayes (TCC), Eddie Meegan (TCC), Paul Devane (TCC)

1. To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements

John Carroll (Chair) opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

1.1 Quorum

Margo Hayes confirmed that a quorum had been achieved to proceed with the meeting. However, as the public members of the committee were in the majority it would be necessary to ask two public representatives to absent themselves from the meeting when decision making issues arose.

1.2 Conflict of Interest

Cllr John Carroll (Chair) advised members that they may declare a conflict of interest as required as the meeting progressed.

1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER written decision

None arising

2. Approval of Draft Agenda

The Draft Agenda was approved.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on 16th of September, 2019 were agreed on the proposal of Eoin Wolohan and seconded by Cora Horgan.

Matters Arising

Micheal Murray brought the members attention to NDTC LEADER project 30LDRNTP111017 [Cais na Tíre Ltd]. At the meeting of the 16th of September Michael Murray informed the LCDC that this project was being funded from the LEADER Food Initiative (for Artisan, Micro and Small food producers) National funding stream. Michael Murray said that this was an error and having spoken with the Department Of Rural and Community Development the LCDC could choose from one of two ways to proceed with the project. The LCDC could choose to honour or withdraw the original contact. Michael said that this was a case of an approval being issued from the wrong funding pot but that the promoter had already incurred costs. John Carroll (Chair) asked how much. Micheal Murray responded that it was €8,509.50. On the proposal of John Lupton and seconded by Eoin Wolohan it was agreed to honour the original contact.

In relation to project 30LDRNTP110748 [Gortnahoe/Glengoole GAA Walkway] Michael Murray asked that the minutes reflect that this project was being funded from the Rural Tourism Subtheme.

Cllr John Carroll (Chair) took the opportunity to welcome Bernadette Cullen and Anthony Fitzgerald to their first meeting of the LCDC and wished them all the best with their tenure on the committee. He also thanked Maria Bridgeman for her contribution to the LCDC as this was the last meeting she would be attending. Maria Bridgeman thanked Margo Hayes for the help she has given her during her time on the LCDC and said that she had learned a lot from her membership of the committee.

4. SICAP

Michael Murray presented a case study on the First Steps Car Mechanics and Drivers programme provided through NTDC SICAP funding stream. Michael Murray informed the members that the programme was combating early school leaving in the Newport area. The course has Fetac level 4 certification and teaches participants skills in engine maintenance. It also focuses also on car safety for 17 - 25 year olds. Unfortunately in 2016 the course stopped due to health and safety condition in the prefab that was being used. It was a big challenge to get the course up and running again but in 2018 this was achieved through collaboration with the Tipperary Education and Training Board and the Back to Education Initiative. There are 10 participants and the course is delivered over 10 weeks with 2X3 hour sessions per week. The course helps people who have disengaged with the labour market and has a 100% rate of completion. Outputs from the course have been good with some participants progressing on to apprenticeships and others returning to education.

Isabel Cambie presented a case study on the Time for Change

programme which is delivered through the STDC SICAP funding stream. She told the meeting that this course is being provided under Goal 2.1 of the SICAP programme, promoting personal development and wellbeing. The course is targeted at the long term unemployed who may be experiencing low self-esteem, anxiety or social isolation. The course is provided by Nutshell training. Course content is centred on motivation, goal setting, decision making and confidence building. 12 participants were identified through the National Learning Network and the probation services. Isabel Cambie informed members that 1 participant was referred to a counseling service, 2 left because the course didn't suit them and 1 left because of family issues. 8 participants completed the course. In future Isabel Cambie said the course would not be scheduled during the summer months and perhaps changes in the mixture of ages that participate. Bernadette Cullen said that Tipperary ETB is the statutory provider in this area and would be keen to explore and possible linkages with STDC in the future.

Margo Hayes thanked the development companies for their presentation and said it provided good qualitative information on the SICAP programme. Margo Hayes invited nominations for the election of Chair of the LCDC Social Inclusion subgroup. Charles Stanley Smith proposed the nomination of Cora Horgan and this was seconded by John Lupton.

5. LCDC Workshop

Pat Slattery (Chief Officer) outlined a number of options to the members. He said that in November the LCDC could have a meeting and workshop on the same date or could opt for separate dates. Charles Stanley Smith asked if there was any critical business that would need to be addressed in November. Michael Murray said that NTDC would have a few extensions. Isabel Cambie said that there was a targeted call relating to broadband that STDC would like to progress. Pat Slattery (Chief Officer) suggested that a short meeting of the LCDC be convened on November 18th to deal with these issues leaving the remainder of the day for the LCDC Workshop. He suggested the Horse and Jockey Hotel as a venue. This was agreed.

6. <u>6.1 LEADER</u>

Both Maria Bridgman and Anthony Fitzgerald absented themselves from the meeting for the duration in which LEADER projects were being considered. This was done ensure the correct balance of public and private representatives was in place for decision making.

6.1.1 - 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 project, the members were taken through this by Michael Murray.

Project Code:	30LDRNTP110984
Promoter Code:	8531
Promoters Name:	St Cronan's Association CLG
Description:	This application is for a feasibility study to determine if the development of a social enterprise on the St Cronan's Grange, Roscrea site around Alpacas as a rural tourism offering is a feasible and sustainable proposition for the future.
Theme:	Rural Economic Development Enterprise Development and Job Creation
Sub-theme:	Rural Tourism
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising
Displacement:	Considered and not arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant awarded €8917.20, 90% of €9,908
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 the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary.
% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant awarded €8917.20, 90% of €9,908
Proposed by:	John Lupton
Seconded by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan
Absenters:	None
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

In relation to project 30LDRNTP110984 [Killaloe Sailing Club] Michael Murray informed the meeting that this project was being deferred as it has not provided all of the information yet to get fully through the Article 48 checking.

6.1.2 - To Decide on STDC Applications

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In relation to the STDC project, the members were taken through this by Isabel Cambie.

Project Code:	30LDRSTP111343				
Promoter Code:	2513				
Promoters Name:	Kilsheelan Tidy Towns Committee				
Description:	Biodiversity Project to create a garden in spare village plot with Orchard, arboretum, wildflower seeding and educational signage. Also Community Trail around 1200M of recently developed GAA plot, creating nature walk and natural biodiversity area of urban forestry and wildflower meadow.				
Theme:	Rural Environment				
Sub-theme:	Local Biodiversity				
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising				
Displacement:	Considered and not arising				
Innovation:	Considered				
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs				
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant awarded €10,711.26, 75% of €14,281.68				
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	Complies with and eligible under				
regard to the business plan/Local	the provisions of the Local				
Development Strategy	Development Strategy for County Tipperary.				
% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant awarded €10,711.26, 75% of €14,281.68				

Proposed by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan	
Seconded by:	John Lupton	
Absenters:	None	
Agreed by Board:	Yes	
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes	

Project Code:	30LDRSTP111303				
Promoter Code:	8753				
Promoters Name:	Wm O Donnell Engineering (Emly) Limited				
Description:	Modernise and streamline equipment at manufacturing plant				
Theme:	Rural Economic Development Enterprise Development and Job Creation				
Sub-theme:	Enterprise Development				
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising				
Displacement:	Considered and not arising				
Innovation:	Considered				
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs				
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant awarded €29,737, 50% 59,474				
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 the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary.				
% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant awarded €29,737, 50% 59,474				
Proposed by:	John Lupton				
Seconded by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan				
Absenters:	None				
Agreed by Board:	Yes				
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes				

In relation to project 30LDRSTP111303 [Wm O Donnell Engineering (Emly) Limited] John Lupton asked if any additional employment will be created. Isabel Cambie said that over a two year period it was hoped one additional staff member will be employed.

Based on the information provided by the promoter, the IP/LAG is satisfied that the ERP software element in this project could not have been provided by the companies who successfully quoted for the tube swaging and CNC plasma cutting machines. Therefore the requirement to publish the tender/RFQ notice in a local or national newspaper would not have applied in this case. The promoter has demonstrated that they have taken additional steps to ensure that the project costs are reasonable and to provide assurances as to the level of costs incurred.

In relation to project 30LDRSTP111330 [South Tipperary Development Company CLG] Isabel Cambie declared a conflict of interest. Margo Hayes pointed out that this would reduce the number of members to 10, 1 below the number required for a quorum. It was agreed to defer a decision on this project.

Project Code:	30LDRSTP111389				
Promoter Code:	8807				
Promoters Name:	Grangemockler Community Sports Field				
Description:	The Grangemockler Sports Field Committee propose erecting a monument in memory of Michael Hogan who was murdered by crown forces on the playing field in Croke Park on the 21st of November 1920.				
Theme:	Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation				
Sub-theme:	Rural towns				
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising				
Displacement:	Considered and not arising				
Innovation:	Considered				
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs				
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant provisionally awarded subject to procurement €32,024.02, 75% €42,698.70				
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 the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary.				

% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant provisionally awarded subject to procurement €32,024.02, 75% €42,698.70
Proposed by:	John Lupton
Seconded by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan
Absenters:	None
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

In relation to project 30LDRSTP111389 [Grangemockler Community Sports Field] Cora Horgan said that it seemed a lot of money for a statue. Isabel Cambie responded that it meant a lot the community. John Lupton added that it was part of a broader development encompassing an interpretative centre.

In relation to project 30LDRSTP111331 [Tipperary PPN Website] Charles Stanley Smith declared a conflict of interest. Margo Hayes pointed out that this would reduce the number of members to 10, 1 below the number required for a quorum. It was agreed to defer a decision on this project.

Project Code:	30LDRSTP111368				
Promoter Code:	8797				
Promoters Name:	Barry and Lynch limited				
Description:	Research initiative to investigate the steps involved in the installation of an Anaerobic digestion Plant in South Tipperary. The AD plant will be used to produce renewable energy and as a sustainable method of processing different types of waste example food waste, animal by product.				
Theme:	Rural Environment				
Sub-theme:	Renewable Energy				
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising				
Displacement:	Considered and not arising				
Innovation:	Considered				
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs				
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	Grant awarded €11,250, 75% of €15,000				
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A				
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the	N/A				

revised score	
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary.
% level of aid & ceiling:	Grant awarded €11,250, 75% of €15,000
Proposed by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan
Seconded by:	Eoin Wolohan
Absenters:	None
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

In relation to project 30LDRSTP111368 [Barry and Lynch limited] Cllr Joe Hannigan asked if the anaerobic digestion plant was for private or community use. Isabel Cambie said the application was being made in a private capacity. She said the company would be taking in farm and food waste product and converting it to fertilizer.

6.3 Income and Expenditure Report

The LEADER Income and Expenditure January to September 2019 report was approved on the proposal of John Lupton and seconded by Eoin Wolohan.

6.4 To note and approve LEADER project extension requests granted from January to October 2019 as per Section 8.4 of the Operating Rules

Pat Slattery (Chief Officer) said that he had received a phone call from Pat Henry of the Department of Rural and Community Development. He had expressed a concern at the number of project extension requests being put before the LAG. 5 of these were of particular concern as there were periods of time when these projects were out of contact and any expenditure in this period would be deemed ineligible. Pat Slattery (Chief officer) said that in this circumstance the development company could be liable. He said that the department had agreed to provide derogation in this case for the 5 out of contract projects but he did not want this to occur again. Shane O'Dwyer circulated a document detailing how project extensions should be dealt with. Michael Murray said that a different process was used where by retrospective approval was sought for project extensions in some cases. He acknowledged there are concerns as to how project extensions are being monitored by the department and that project extensions cannot be retrospectively approved. Pat Slattery made the point that the LAG can only approve a project extension from the date it gives that approval.

Cllr Joe Hannigan asked if there were concerns that some extended projects were not going to get finished. Michael Murray said that these were phased payments and these projects were coming to an end. Cllr Cllr Joe Hannigan asked in the event that an initial stage payment has

been made and the project doesn't get completed who was liable. Michael Murray said that in certain situations the department would ask the development company to chase the money and there was a case where this had been done successfully. Cllr Joe Hannigan said that the promoters were blameless in a case where a contracted was not extended correctly. Eoin Wolohan added this ought to given top priority. Michael Murray said that in the previous LEADER programme there were 420 projects and that no costs were deemed ineligible. Cllr John Carroll (Chair) asked if the complexity of this could be gone through and brought back to the LCDC for greater clarification. This was agreed.

It was proposed by Donal Mullane and seconded by Cllr Joe Hannigan that the LAG Approves continuity of the terms and conditions associated with the initial contract in the intervening period in the absence of approval of an extension.

On the proposal of Donal Mullane and seconded by Cllr Joe Hannigan all projects extensions of 6 months durations were noted and projects extensions of greater than 6 months were approved.

Project ID	P	roject Name	Promoter Name	Contract Effective Date	Contract Completio n Date	1st Contract Extension	Ri	ason	
30LDRNTP1061 64		Shannon-Erne m Way Baselir Study			04/10/201	03/04/2020	full a claim	Completed and final currently prepared	
30LDRNTP1071 85		onal Communi nop Network	North Tipperary Development Company		12/09/201	11/03/2020	claim fina currei	completed of full and of claim ontly being	
30LDRNTP1072 87		h <mark>Derg</mark> Roadm 2018-2021	North		27/09/201 9	26/03/2020	Final str con under amend	prepared Final draft of strategy completed undergoing fina amendments and graphic design	
		NTDC	Project Exter	ision to be a	pproved by th	e LCDC:	17/15		
Project ID		Project Name	Contract Completion Date	Current Contract Date	PROPOSED NEW EXPIRY DATE	Rationale for Retrospective Approval	June 2019 LCDC Meetin	15th July 2819 LCDC Meeting	
30LDRNTP102	907	Biodiversity Sensory Garden TMB	18th December 2018	31st October 2019	This project is currently held at article 48 check - (full and final claim) subject to LCDC	2019 to 21st October (next LCDC misting) as only noted at	Noted	Approved	

approval of

retrospective

epartment email

					Department - this project is currently at article 48 check for the full and final claim		
30LDRNTP102972	Replacing Fish Counter	18th December 2018	17th December 2019 - 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract 18th June 2019 to 16th September 2019 see department emai 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	Noted	Approve
30LDRNTP102975	Blackcastle Theatre Company	18th December 2018	17th December 2019 - 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract 18th June 2019 to 16th September 2019 see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	Noted	Арргоч
30LDRNTP102978	Equine Theraphy Littleton	18th December 2018	29th November 2019 - 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract 18th June 2019 to 21st October 2019 (next LCDC meeting) - only noted at LCDC - see department email 17th October 2019 -	noted	Approv
					Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP102979	Activ8	18th December 2018	29th November 2019 - 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract 18th June 2019 to 21st October 2019 (next LCDC meeting) - only npted at LCDC- see department email 17th October 2019 Fergal Shannon, LEADER Depaitment	noted	Approv
30LDRNTP102981	CRE8	18th December 2018	29th November 2019 - 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract 18th June 2019 to 21st October 2019 (next LCDC meeting) - only noted at LCDC see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon - LEADER	noted	Approv
30LDRNTP103194	Nenagh Olympic AC	8th February 2019	7th February 2020 2nd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract from 8th August 2019 to 16th September 2019 - see department email 17th		

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					Fergal Shannon. LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP103196	IT Workstation Littleton	8th February 2019	7th February 2020 2nd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract from 8th August 2019 to 16th September 2019 - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP103020	Dysypraxia Arts Programme	8th February 2019	7th February 2020 - 2nd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract from 8th August 2019 to 16th September 2019 - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Sharinon, LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP105295	Biomass Training	8th February 2019	7th February 2020 - 2nd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract from 8th August 2019 to 16th September 2019 - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon,		
					LEADER Department		Ĭ.
30LDRNTP103023	Thurles as a Gold Star Town	31st March 2019	31st December 2019	approval for retrospective extension sought	Out of Contract 30th Sept 2019 to 21st October 2019. 3-month extension-6 month approved by pat slattery and further months 3-months by LCDC - see department emill 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP103197	Hidden Tipperary	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	31st January 2020 2nd Extension Request - approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on 30th September 2019 - to the 21st October 2019 - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		
30LDRNTP103218	Mobile IT Training	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	29th March 2020 2nd Extension Request - approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on 30th September 2019 - to the 21st October 2019 - See department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		
Project ID	Project Name	Contract Completion Date	Current Contract Date	PROPOSED NEW EXPIRY DATE	Rationale for Retrosepctive Approval	17th June 2019 LCDC Meetin	15th July 2019 LCDC Meeting
30LDRNTP103259	Online Presentatio n/Job Search Training for Unemploye d - Equipment	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	29th March 2020 2nd Extension Request - approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on 30th September 2019 - to the 21st October 2019 - see department small 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department		

30LDRNTP103262	Personal & Career Developme nt Training	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	29th March 2020 2nd Extension Request approval for retrospective extension sought	2019 see department email	
30LDRNTP106420	Online Presentatio n/Job Search Training for Unemploye d - Training	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	29th March 2020 2nd Extension Request - approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on 30th September 2019 - to the 21st October 2019 - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	
30LDRNTP106464	Mobile IT Training for Rural Communitie s - Equipment	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	29th March 2020 2nd Extension Request - approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on 30th September 2019: to the 21st October 2019: see department amail 17th October 2019: Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	
30LDRNTP102878]	Borrisoleigh Track	31st December 2018	30th September 2019	31st December 2019 3rd Extension request approval for retrospective extension sought	Out of Contract 30th Sentmeber and next LCDC meeting - 21st October 2019 see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shännon, LEADER Department	
30LDRNTP102833	Caravan & Camping	31st March 2019	30th September 2019	30th December 2019 2nd Extension Request	out of contract on 30th September 2019 - to 21st October 2019 (next LCDC meeting) see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon LEADER Department	
30LDRNTP101852	Paws By the Lake	30th September 2018	31st May 2019 2nd Extension Request	Project paid out	out of contact on 3 Lst March 2019 until the 20th May 2019- due to 18th March LCDC Meeting being cancelled see department email 17th October	Approved

					2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	
30LDRNTP103441	All Security Shredding	30th September 2018	31st January 2020 3rd Extension Request	approval for retrospective extension sought	out of contract on from 31st Märch 2019 to 20th May 2019 due to 18th March LCDC Meeting being cancelled - see department email 17th October 2019 - Fergal Shannon, LEADER Department	Approved

STDC Project Extension to be noted by the LCDC:

Project Name	Project Ref No	Original Contract Expiry Date	Request effective from	Extension Timescale	Rationale for Extension	New Contract Expiry Date
Killenuale Community Enhancement Group	STP 106945	1 Oct 2019	14.10.19	6 months	In order to make the payment of Retention due to the contractor	14.04.2020

6.5 Any Other Matters/Updates

Michael Murray brought the meetings attention to project 30LDRNTP103441 [All Security Shredding]. A query had been received from the Department of Rural and Community Development advising that the correct public procurement procedures had not been followed in this case and such costs were ineligible for LEADER Funding. Shane O'Dwyer said that he supported this view and that the LAG was not in a position to approve.

Michael Murray brought the members attention to a pre-payment inspection by the Department of Rural and Community Development of project 30LDRNTP102884 [Blackcastle Farm & Food Processing] In this inspection the department requested a more detailed schedule of voluntary labour undertaken on the project. Michael Murray advised the members that the LAG was required to consider this schedule. This was approved on the proposal of Cllr Joe Hannigan and seconded by Cora Horgan. It was also noted that a typo error in the contract, where the voluntary labour amount of $\[\in \]$ 13,000 included in the table setting out the breakdown of the public and private funds in this project in the letter of offer and contract, (as the voluntary labour element had already been included in the max LEADER approval grant of $\[\in \]$ 147,905.05) has been amended and signed/dated by the project officer and all original signatories ie the promoters, the LAG Chairperson and IP CEO. The grant amount award does not change.

7. Healthy Ireland

Margo Hayes advised that the Health Tipperary round 3 funding actions are currently under consideration by Pobal. The next meeting of the Health Tipperary steering group is scheduled for the November 13th. Cllr John Carroll (Chair) extended the sympathies of the LCDC to Dan Downey on the passing of his father.

8. Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations Margo Hayes informed the meeting that a letter on behalf of the LCDC on mental health services and supports in County Tipperary had been sent to the Minister for Health Simon Harris TD. An acknowledgment of this letter had been received. Margo Hayes told the members that Safe Talk training would be available in Cahir on the 23rd of October. HSE Mid West have organized a traveller youth event which will be held in Littleton on the 24^{th} of October. Margo Hayes said that the council is presently preparing a draft Development Contribution Scheme. Cllr Joe Hannigan said that planning regulations now require new homes to be extremely energy efficient. He said the cost of this should be mitigated for homeowners in the form of reduced development contributions. 9. **AOB** Charles Stanley Smith brought the meeting attention to the National literacy Agency Plain English initiative. Pat Slattery said that Tipperary County Council had recently adopted a new communications strategy and that the use of Plain English was included. 10. **Next Meeting**

Signed:

Cllr. John Carroll,

Chair,

and Jockey Hotel.

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

To be held at 9:30am on Monday the 18th of November in the Horse

Date: 18/1//9

Signed:

Pat Slattery, Chief Officer,

Tipperary Local Community Development Committee