

Minutes of the Waterford LCDC Meeting held on 9th November 2017, Committee Room , City Hall Waterford..

Present:

Non Public Sector:

Public Sector

Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber of Commerce	Chair Councillor Pat Nugent	Elected representative
Gabriel Foley	PPN / Environment	Councillor Eamon Quinlan	Elected representative
Heather Kiely	PPN –/Social Inclusion	Councillor Tom Cronin	Elected representative
Margaret Flanagan	PPN / Community & Voluntary	Michael Walsh	CEO WCCC
Joe Stokes	CEO – Waterford Area Partnership	Richie Walsh	Head of LEO
Jimmy Taaffe	CEO – WLP CLG	Derval Howley	Head of Wellbeing HSE
		Liam Daly	Regional Manager DSP
		Vincent Daly	Interim Manager Tusla
Apologies:		Apologies:	
Gerald Hurley	CEO Waterford City Chamber	Kevin Lewis	CEO WWETB
Tom Ahearne	ICMSA		
Senan Cooke	PPN / Community & Voluntary		
Niall O'Brien	PPN / Community & Voluntary		

Staff Present: Don Tuohy Chief Officer to the LCDC, Ivan Grimes, DoS, Kevin Moynihan S.O., Elaine Hickey, S.O.

1. The Chief Officer stated that a quorum was in attendance and the meeting could commence.
2. **Apologies** as detailed above were noted by the Committee.
3. **Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC Meeting held on 9th October 2017**

Proposed: M. Flanagan **Seconded:** J. Beresford

Approved

4. Matters arising:

None

5. Appointment of nominee of WSTCYS to SICAP Sub Committee

LCDC Chief Officer, Don Tuohy, informed the members that (1) the HSE had declined to participate on the Sub-Committee and (2) the Manager of Waterford and South Tipperary Youth Services (WSTYS), Ms. Patricia McBride, has been approached to become a member of the LCDC SICAP sub-committee due to her understanding of social inclusion issues and broader experience that would be of benefit to the Committee.

The Chief Officer recommended that Ms. McBride be appointed to the LCDC SICAP sub-committee.

Proposed: D. Howley **Seconded:** V. Daly

Approved

6. RAPID programme update

LCDC Chief Officer, Don Tuohy, informed the members that the RAPID Programme budget allocation received is €64,500 and must be spend by year end. He suggested that consideration should be given to focus the money on restricted themes/areas to maximize the impact of the funding. He further clarified that this programme doesn't have to be advertised but that a call must be made and that it may be useful to focus on a thematic area such as Older People/Youth where 3-4 projects could be identified and receive perhaps €10-€20k each.

Member Comments:

- R. Walsh enquired if the funding has to be spent in the geographical areas previously identified by RAPID. LCDC Chief Officer, Don Tuohy, clarified that the Department have stated that the geographical areas are not the same as past programmes.
- In relation to the point above, J. Stokes stated that the funding must be focused in disadvantaged areas
- D. Howley stated that the launch of the Waterford Age Friendly Alliance Strategy was taking place in December and it would be good to see some age related projects being targeted by RAPID. Also, given the timelines and amount involved, it would be useful to see one big impact project.
- J. Stokes and V. Daly both stated that Older People were not excluded from the SICAP programme but that these funds should be used holistically so including Older People as a theme would be appropriate
- J. Taaffe stated that in his opinion, a large spread of funding would have minimal impact and best to split over three meaningful projects
- G. Foley enquired whether funds could be channeled through Youth Clubs.

- LCDC Chief Officer, Don Tuohy, clarified that funds could only be used for Capital purposes.
- M. Walsh expressed his concern that the timeframe is extremely tight, funds are very small and that if funds are focused into a small number of projects then risk exists that funds may not be drawn down at all.
- P. Nugent referred to the Men's Sheds organization and their good work
- R. Walsh proposed that a sub-committee be formed to consider and decide on projects which benefit Older People as the target group. Sub-committee identified as J. Taaffe, J. Stokes, D. Howley, V. Daly. It was agreed that this sub-committee would have the authority to decide on applications on behalf of the LCDC, given the extremely tight timescale for decision and allocation of funds. The recommendations would then have to go before the Municipal District Councils for approval.

Proposed: M. Flanagan **Seconded:** D. Howley

Approved

7. SICAP 2016 Audit update

Mr. Joe Stokes and Mr. Jimmy Taaffe left the room for this item. Chief Officer, Don Tuohy informed the members that the SICAP sub-committee had met with Waterford Area Partnership on November 1st where the board members put forward a proposal and a subsequent submission in writing had been received on 8th November. A discussion was held.

Following the discussion, M. Walsh recommended that the WAP settlement proposal be forwarded to the Department noting the LCDC's concerns regarding the need to minimize any negative implications for social inclusion work in Waterford.

Proposed: G. Hurley **Seconded:** V. Daly

Approved

8. SICAP programme 2018-2022 – Update

Ivan Grimes updated the members regarding the structure and scoring of the Evaluation Team/Committee re the tender received.

The Evaluation Team (D. Tuohy, B. Duggan and K. Moynihan) had met on four occasions and subsequently made a presentation to the Evaluation Committee. The tender was gone through in detail and queries clarified.

The Evaluation Committee agreed to accept the recommendation of the Evaluation Team.

Pobal are to be notified on November 17th of the outcome with the successful tender applicant (WAP) to be notified on November 24th 2017 of the contract award.

9. AOB

D. Tuohy stated that there was no update on the Healthy Ireland Fund submission.

10. Next meeting to be held in Civic Offices, Dungarvan on Thursday December 14th at 11am immediately after the LAG meeting

Meeting Closed

Signed:

Cllr. Pat Nugent, Chair

Date