

Minutes of the Waterford LCDC Meeting held on 9th October 2017, Civic Offices, Dungarvan.

Present:

Non Public Sector:

Public Sector

Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber of Commerce	Chair Councillor Pat Nugent	Elected representative
Senan Cooke	PPN / Community & Voluntary	Councillor Eamon Quinlan	Elected representative
Tom Ahearne	ICMSA	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		
Niall O'Brien	PPN / Community & Voluntary		
Heather Kiely	PPN –/Social Inclusion		
Apologies:		Apologies:	
Gabriel Foley	PPN / Environment	Vincent Daly	Interim Manager Tusla
Gerald Hurley	CEO Waterford City Chamber	Liam Daly	Regional Manager DSP
		Derval Howley	Head of Wellbeing HSE
		Kevin Lewis	CEO WWETB

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. Introduction of new member, Mr. Tom Aherne (ICMSA)
3. **Apologies** as detailed above were noted by the Committee
4. **Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC Meeting held on 13th September 2017**

Proposed: M. Flanagan **Seconded:** S. Cooke

Approved

5. Matters arising:

None

6. Update from Skills sub-committee regarding recommendations

LCDC Chief Officer, Don Tuohy, informed the members that the full report from the skills sub-committee will be available for a future meeting. He referred to one recommendation which will be the organization of a jobs fair for the region. The Department of Social Protection has agreed to lead this action. An estimated timeframe for this was given as circa. March 17th 2018, the event to take place in the W.I.T. Arena with a projected attendance of 4-5k attendees. Support of all LCDC members would be appreciated.

7. Presentation from Mr. J. Stokes (WAP) re SICAP Interventions for Individuals

Presentation was given to the Committee containing examples of qualitative information relating to the interventions carried out by Waterford Area Partnership.

Details of the three specific examples given are circulated on separate document (to be circulated).

8. J.P.C. Strategic Plan 2018-2023

Chief Officer, Don Tuohy issued the update. He stated that the process of completing the 6 year plan began in summer 2017. The JPC is currently asking various organizations to input into its plan. The LCDC input document had been circulated in advance of the meeting. D. Tuohy outlined the key areas of the plan and identified the link between the LECP goal of Stronger, Safer and Healthier Communities and the JPC plan itself.

The committee was informed that an opportunity exists to consider the issues contained in the circulated document with a closing date of October 23rd 2017. These to be referred to either D. Tuohy, K. Moynihan or directly to Josephine Kielthy (consultant)

Member comments/queries:

- H. Kiely highlighted an issue where WCCC Neighbourhood Liaison Officer roles are not fully staffed and requested that this be examined immediately. She stated that she has a mandate from the PPN to raise this issue at the LCDC. She highlighted concerns with the lack of visible staff in communities in both the City and County areas. She asked that this be dealt with as a matter of urgency
- I. Grimes gave an update in relation to this issue. He pointed out that it is hoped to add staff to the Estate Management Team shortly. He highlighted the extended workload that the

Housing function have taken on recently e.g. HAP and stated that WAP were engaging with Estate Management and that this was working.

- M. Flanagan stated that she had experience with Community Officers and that they performed valuable work. She felt that this work would be unsuitable for volunteers

11. Correspondence

D. Tuohy, Chief Officer informed the committee of the following:

1) Training

- Capacity Development Training beginning in the next few months. CPD pilot beginning shortly. Expression of interest welcome from members
- Courses on the roles of the LCDC, duties of Chairs/Vice-Chairs, PPN reps upcoming
- National LCDC event and awards ceremony planned
- There will be an LCDC representative network going forward

2) NEETS event as circulated taking place on October 23rd

3) National review of LCDCs beginning shortly. Members can expect to be contacted shortly.

12. AOB

None

(J. Stokes & J. Taaffe stepped out of the meeting)

9. SICAP Audit 2016 update

D. Tuohy updated the Committee re the current situation.

10. SICAP programme 2018-2022 update: Approval of SICAP sub-committee and delegation to

sub-committee of tender selection function

D. Tuohy informed the members that the tender submission date was October 6th 2017. Decision re successful bidder must be made by November 17th which is an extremely short timeframe. He proceeded to outline the structure how the tender(s) were to be evaluated. That being, the Evaluation Team (D. Tuohy, B. Duggan, and K. Moynihan) will make a recommendation to the Evaluation Committee (SICAP sub-committee membership), Evaluation Committee select successful tenderer.

Mr. Tuohy sought formal approval from the LCDC to:

- 1) Make the SICAP sub-committee the Tender Evaluation Committee and to have a senior person from the HSE join the Evaluation Committee also.

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

Approved

- 2) Delegate power from the LCDC to the Evaluation Committee to select the successful tender

Proposed: J. Beresford **Seconded:** N. O'Brien

Approved

13. Next meeting to be held in City Hall, Waterford on Thursday November 9th at 11am immediately after the LAG meeting

Meeting Closed

Signed:

Cllr. Pat Nugent, Chair

Date