

Minutes of the Waterford LCDC Meeting held on 6th July 2017 Council Chamber, City Hall, Waterford

Present:

Non Public Sector:

Public Sector

Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber of Commerce	Mayor Adam Wyse	Elected representative (Chair)
Senan Cooke	PPN - Community & Voluntary	Councillor Liam Brazil	Elected representative
Gabriel Foley	PPN - Environment	Councillor Tom Cronin	Elected representative
Gerald Hurley	CEO Waterford City Chamber		
Heather Kiely	PPN - Social Inclusion	Kevin Lewis	Chief Executive Officer WWETB
Joe Stokes	CEO – Waterford Area Partnership	Richie Walsh	Head of LEO WCCC
Jimmy Taaffe	CEO – WLP CLG	Michael Walsh	Chief Executive WCCC
Niall O'Brien	PPN - Community & Voluntary	Derval Howley	Head of Services Health & Wellbeing HSE
Apologies:			
Maggie Flanagan	PPN - Community & Voluntary	Liam Daly	Regional Manager DSP
Wm. O'Donoghue	ICMSA – Farming	Vincent Daly	Inter Regional Mgr. Tusla

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

1. **Apologies** as detailed above were noted by the Committee

2. **Minutes of the LCDC meeting held on 20th April 2017**

Proposed: Cllr T. Cronin

Seconded: G. Foley

3. **Matters arising:** None

4. **LCDC Health & Wellbeing sub-committee update**

D. Tuohy issued the update which had been prepared by Kate Moloney, Healthy Waterford Co-ordinator. Key dates for the sub-committee were identified, the most important of which being September /October 2017 for the draft Terms of Reference to be presented to the LCDC . DT noted that Healthy Ireland funding of approximately €100k per LCDC will be announced shortly and will be available to LCDCs who agree to become part of the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network, to support and implement **Healthy Ireland**. Funding will be available to implement the health and well-being aspects of the LECP. Derval Howley stated that this funding is coming from the Dept. of Health but will be administered by Pobal. It will focus primarily on the Tobacco and Obesity Strategies with a further €30k being made available to CYPSC to focus on Childhood Obesity.

R. Walsh enquired as to who makes the decisions where these funds are spent and this was clarified by D. Howley that this will be an LCDC function

D. Tuohy recommended to the Committee that Waterford LCDC commit to becoming part of the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network and proposed the following:

Waterford Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) agrees to become part of the National Healthy Cities and Counties of Ireland Network to support and implement *Healthy Ireland* – the national framework for improved health and wellbeing – at the local level in Waterford in response to local people's needs.

We understand that the foundation and focus of this work will be implementing the range of actions contained in our Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) that support, promote and improve the health and wellbeing of all.

Proposed by: Jimmy Taaffe

Seconded by: Heather Kiely

Approved

5. LCDC skills enhancement sub-committee update

D. Tuohy issued the update stating that a full report will be before the Committee at the September LCDC meeting. Sub-Committee members will be in attendance. He proceeded to outline the key issues that the sub-committee has been working on including:

- 1) Shortage of skilled Engineers
- Project leadership skills in region
- 2) New models of apprenticeships
- 3) Creation of a one stop shop for Training and Development
- 4) Better links between WIT and WWETB
- 5) Promotion of Waterford as an ICT hub
- 6) Target Leaving Cert students re STEM opportunities

6. L.E.C.P

R. Walsh confirmed that a report will be available for the September LCDC meeting setting out roles and responsibilities in relation to rural development in Waterford with a view to improving co-operation.

7. LCDC Annual Report

D. Tuohy informed the meeting that this report had been approved by WCCC and that he was now presenting same for noting by the LCDC.

8. Approval of SICAP Mid-year Review and Financial and Monitoring Report

(J. Taaffe removed himself from the meeting for this item)

J. Stokes made a presentation relating to the Headline Indicators at mid-year with rationale for each line item.

S. Cooke asked that if for the next meeting there could be an example of an individual/group that has progressed along the respective continuum of development – this was agreed to by J. Stokes.

G. Foley queried if it is possible to have a pre-apprenticeship course set up. K. Lewis clarified that the WWETB provide this support currently.

D. Tuohy clarified that a presentation on qualitative information will be made by J. Stokes at the July 20th meeting.

R. Walsh stated that he would like to see the links between the LEO and WAP strengthened with regard to supporting micro-business within Goal 3.

(J. Stokes removed himself from the meeting for the ensuing discussion)

D. Tuohy clarified that the 2 KPIs which represent contract achievement have been met by WAP at mid-year but that there are concerns regarding the achievement of other HIs over the course of the full year. The LCDC must be satisfied that all HIs will be achieved by year end.

M. Walsh queried whether the LCDC set the mid-year targets and do the LCDC need to test the qualitative aspect more. D. Tuohy clarified that the PI set the mid-year targets and that resources do not allow for more auditing of the PI aside from what the sub-committee request of WAP. for more qualitative information which is being provided at next meeting

Proposed by: Michael Walsh

Seconded by: Heather Kiely

Approved

9. New SICAP programme 2018-2020

Prior to discussion, the Chief Officer noted that all present had completed and returned the Declaration of Impartiality.

(a) Agree emerging needs targets

D. Tuohy briefed the members as follows: The new programme will be 5 years in duration and will focus on more qualitative interventions.

In addition to the current target groups identified in the SICAP 2018 programme, the Committee has the opportunity to identify an “emerging needs” group. A discussion then took place on this issue. D. Tuohy proposed that the Homeless grouping be added to the list of programme target groups for the SICAP 2018 Programme on the basis of previous reviews at LCDC meetings and on the basis that it is one of a number of possible groups suggested by the Department.

Following discussion, it was proposed to leave the list as it currently stands in SICAP 2018 as it does not specifically exclude assisting Homeless people. This situation can be reviewed annually.

Proposed by: Michael Walsh

Seconded by: Cllr. Tom Cronin

Approved

(b) KPI approval

D. Tuohy updated the Committee regarding the new programme Headline Indicators being reduced to two in number. These will also be the KPIs on which achievement will be based. One relates to groups and the other to individuals supported LCDC has the ability to increase or decrease these targets by 15%.

Proposal was made to stay with the recommended level targets.

Proposed by: Cllr. Tom Cronin

Seconded by: Gabriel Foley

Approved

J. Taaffe and J. Stokes rejoined the meeting.

10. Community Facilities Scheme update

D. Tuohy informed the committee that 115 applications had been received and that a recommendations report will be available for the July 20th meeting.

11. Correspondence

The Department’s response regarding the Town and Village Renewal Scheme was noted.

AOB

Michael Walsh stated that he understood that Adam Wyse, Chair was resigning from the LCDC and on behalf of the LCDC he wished to offer his thanks for Adam's work while Chair of the committee.

10. Date and time of next meeting:

Thursday 20th July, 2017, Council Chamber, Dungarvan immediately after the LAG meeting at 11.00a.m.

Please note that Tea and Coffee will be available from 10.45am onwards with the LAG meeting to begin at 11am sharp

Signed:

Cllr. Adam Wyse, Chair

Date