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Response to Evaluation Recommendations

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| Recommendation                                                                                                       | Response                                                                                                                                        | Timeline      |
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| The Difficulties of Project Promoters, particularly from the Private Promoters                                       | The Dept. has been given the Consultant's Report highlighting the issue                                                                         | Complete      |
| Next Round of EOIs should Clarify Timelines, Eligibility and that Rates of Funding do not guarantee the maximum rate | The Next Call will have these clarifications.                                                                                                   | May 2019      |
| Particular Attempts to Promote the Programme in the Comeragh's and Metropolitan District                             | This was done in the February Call, and will be continued in the May Call.                                                                      | Continuous    |
| Specific Workshops on Procurement                                                                                    | Agreed                                                                                                                                          | May/June 2019 |
| Geographic Weighting                                                                                                 | Very difficult to do in a competitive Call Process. WLP will promote the Initiative more actively in the Comeragh and Metropolitan Area.        | Continuous    |
| Consideration on how the application process can be simplified                                                       | This has been raised with the Dept. on a number of occasions. The Dept. ran a workshop in Dublin Castle where they made changes in the process. | Ongoing       |

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| Consideration on Additional Supports to organisations applying for funding.                                                                    | Training will be supplied. At the outset of every Call, 6 Workshops are held and each potential applicant must attend three one to one meetings with the project officer at a minimum to go through the procurement and application process. The applicant will receive up to the minute advice on what they require to complete a full eligible application                                                                                                         | Ongoing          |
| Independent Architect appointment should be highlighted at the start                                                                           | This is done in the Training Workshops at the start of the process and the cost is also detailed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Continuous       |
| Applicants under Section 5.1 should be asked how their project relates to social inclusion and actions they take to ensure same                | LEADER does not fund sports facilities, as they are eligible for Sports Capital. The Projects have to be operated by a Community Organisation whose activities are open to all and their facilities are open to all. This is a condition of LEADER, i.e., Amsterdam Treaty – None discriminatory and inclusive of all.<br>All the applicants have to submit a continuity plan which outlines how the older people, young people, etc. can benefit from the facility. | Continuous       |
| Re-allocations if the Tourism Funds are not allocated                                                                                          | Agreed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | December 2019    |
| Proposed Reallocations                                                                                                                         | Approved by LCDC and Ready to go to the Dept.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | May 2019         |
| Project Files Checked                                                                                                                          | There is a three stage check in place                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Continuous       |
| Independent Research into the barriers, real or perceived preventing organisations and companies been assisted by the LEADER/ Other Programmes | Agreed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Tender July 2019 |

Signed

  
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