



Minutes of the Waterford LAG Meeting
Thursday 14th April 2022, teleconference via Zoom at 10.00 a.m.

Present: **Non Public Sector:** **Public Sector**

1. Gabriel Foley	PPN / Environment	1. Mayor Joe Kelly (Chair)	Elected representative
2. Senan Cooke	PPN / Community & Voluntary	2. Cllr. Pat Nugent	Elected representative
3. Breda Fell	PPN / Community & Voluntary	3. Richie Walsh	Head of LEO
4. Heather Kiely	PPN/ Community & Voluntary	4. Brendan Lawton	Reg. Mgr. Dept. Social Protection
5. Jimmy Taaffe	CEO – WLP CLG	5. Derval Howley	Head of Wellbeing HSE
6. Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber	6. Julie Somers	CYPSC Coordinator
7. Maggie Flanagan	PPN / Community & Voluntary		
8. Gerald Hurley	CEO Waterford City Chamber		
Apologies:		Apologies:	
9. Liam Quinn	CEO – Waterford Area Partnership	7. Michael O'Brien	WWETB
10. Catherine Quinlan	I.C.M.S.A.	8. Cllr Eamon Quinlan	Elected representative (Deputy Chair)
		9. Michael Walsh	CE, WC&CC

Staff Present: I. Grimes D.O.S. S Breathnach A/Chief Officer, J. Codd S.O., S. Whelan S.O., E. Smyth A.S.O. K Moynihan S.O.

1. Total current Membership	19
2. Total attendees	14
3. Quorum % required (50% of 1 above)	Achieved – 74%
4. non-public/public ratio attendees % ratio non-public/public attendees	8 non-public : 6 public 57% non-public: 43% public

1. **Confirmation of Quorum:** Having reviewed the attendance record Acting Chief Officer Sinéad Breathnach informed the attendees that a quorum was achieved. Non-public 8: Public 6.

Chair Joe Kelly opened the meeting.

2. **Apologies.**

As per table above apologies were noted.

3. **Conflict of Interest:**

- (i) No declarations submitted for this meeting
- (ii) Review of Quorum: Quorum achieved 8:6 in favour of non-public sector.

4. **Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on 10th March 2022.**

Proposed: S. Cooke	Seconded by G. Foley
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

5. **Matters arising:**

None.

6. **Rural Development Programme.**

a) **For noting: Ardmore Open Farm & Glamping Pods 31LDRWAT112556 (Claim 31WAT00135).** WLP S.E.O. Mr. Jimmy Taaffe outlined that the LAG approved a sum of money that was €200 less than the sum of money in the contract item. This means a loss of €40 on a payment of €140K. To be in line with LAG approval, the €40 has been deducted from the payment.

- b) **Amendment to minutes of 10th Sept 2020**

With reference to the approval of the four projects listed hereunder, the minutes of the meeting of 10th September are hereby amended to reflect that Richie Walsh is a representative of the Local Enterprise Office and **not** the Local Employment Service

- Blackwater House Development 31LDRWAT113546
- Construction of two storey office block Lismore Business Pk 31LDRWAT113649
- Tallow Community Enterprise Hub 31LDRWAT113549
- Villierstown Enterprise Centre – Part Development 31LDRWAT113677

Proposed: D. Howley	Seconded by M. Flannagan
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

c) Independent Review of LEADER Delivery Models for the 2014-2020 LEADER Programme.

WLP S.E.O. Mr. Jimmy Taaffe gave a brief overview of the Venture Final Report which was circulated to the committee and is available on Extranet.

d) For noting: RDP Administration Returns, Income, Expenditure & Bank Reconciliations for the period January to March 2022 have been circulated to the committee and are available for review on extranet.

e) Amendment to minutes of 11th November 2021: WLP S.E.O. Mr. Jimmy explained that he approved amount of grant aid awarded for Comeragh Pods 31LDRWAT115766 is €176,701.62 (The figure of €176,701.63 was incorrectly noted due to mathematical rounding on the LEADER I.T. system).

Proposed: H. Kiely	Seconded by J Somers
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

7. Correspondence. One press release was circulated to the committee.

- Minister Humphreys launches 'Pubs as Community Hubs' Pilot Programme.

8. A.O.B. None

9. Date and venue of next LCDC meeting: 10.00am Thursday 12th May 2022, via videoconference.

Meeting Closed

Signed _____
CHAIRPERSON

DATE