



Minutes of the Waterford LAG Meeting
Thursday 8th September 2022, teleconference via Zoom at 10.00 a.m.

Present:

Non Public Sector:

Public Sector

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

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

1.Total current Membership	19
2.Total attendees	17
3. Quorum % required (50% of 1 above)	Achieved – 89%
4. non-public/public ratio attendees % ratio non-public/public attendees	9 non-public : 8 public 53% non-public: 47% 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 9: Public 8.

Chair John O’Leary opened the meeting.

- 2. Apologies.**
As per table above apologies were noted.

3. Review of Membership.

It was proposed that Alec Kirby would replace Brendan Lawton as the DEASP rep

Proposed: H. Kiely	Seconded by S. Cooke
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

4. Conflict of Interest:

- (i) No declarations submitted for this meeting
- (ii) Review of Quorum: Quorum achieved 9:8 in favour of non-public sector.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on 14th July 2022

Proposed: G. Foley	Seconded by J. Somers
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

- 6. Matters arising:**
None.

7. Rural Development Programme.

WLP S.E.O. Mr. J Taaffe informed the committee members that there are no projects for this meeting. The next LAG contract will commence in September 2023 with a budget of €180m. The interim transitional LEADER programme accounts for the €70m reduction.

8. Circulars.

One circular was noted by the committee.

Circular 01/2022 – LEADER Operating Rules Version 3 Miscellaneous Amendments

9. Correspondence

Six items of correspondence were noted by the committee.

- Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys and Minister O’Gorman welcome second sitting of Ireland’s Rural Youth Assembly
- Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys announces almost €1 million in funding to support and improve 446 walking trails
- Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys announces increased allocations to support Agricultural Shows this summer
- Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys doubles funding for Local Improvement Scheme to €22 million
- Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys welcomes the approval of Ireland’s CAP Strategic Plan by European Commission
- Rural Ideas Fora - Public Transport and the Opportunities for Rural Ireland (23 August - Online)

10. A.O.B. None

11. Date and venue of next LCDC meeting: 10.00am Thursday 13th October 2022, via videoconference.

Meeting Closed

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CHAIRPERSON DATE