



Minutes of the Waterford LAG Meeting
Thursday 13th February 2025, Videoconference at 10.00 a.m.

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

1. Gabriel Foley	PPN / Environment	1. Mayor Jason Murphy (Chair)	Elected representative
2. Liam Quinn	CEO – Waterford Area Partnership	2. Cllr Liam Brazil	Elected representative
3. Csilla Czelvikker	PPN / Community & Voluntary	3. Sean McKeown	CE, WC&CC
4. Christine Rossi	CEO – WLP CLG	4. Margaret Mary Collins	TUSLA
5. Sinead Kilcawley	PPN / Community & Voluntary	5. Cllr Damien Geoghegan (Deputy Chair)	Elected Representative
6. Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber	6. Karina Daly	WWETB
7. Mary Ray	Social Inclusion	7. Kathryn Kiely	SETU
8. Catherine Quinlan	I.C.M.S.A.	Apologies:	
9. Ian O'Brien	PPN / Community & Voluntary	8. Gareth Evans	Head of LEO
Apologies:		9. Kate Cassidy	HSE
10. Ger Hurley	Waterford Chamber of Commerce		

Staff Present: J. Codd S.O., S. Whelan S.O, O. Kelly A.O., E Smyth A.S.O., G. Mulhall S.O., N Osborne S.O., S Breathnach Community S.E.O. & Chief Officer, E Morrissey S.S.O, H Dennehy D.O.S. M McKnight C.O., O Matiut S.S.O.

Apologies:

1.Total current Membership	19
2.Total attendees	16
3. Quorum % required (50% of 1 above)	Achieved – 84%

1. **Confirmation of Quorum:** Having reviewed the attendance record Chief Officer Sinéad Breathnach informed the committee a quorum was achieved.

2. **Apologies.**

As per table above apologies were noted.

3. **Membership**

Mary Ray and Ian O'Brien were introduced to the committee. Both are PPN representatives. They replace Senan Cooke and Heather Kiely.

4. **Conflict of Interest:**

- (i) C.o.I. declarations: None
- (ii) Review of Quorum: Greater than 50% achieved
- (iii) J Codd requested of all members to please complete and return their 2025 Conflict of Interest Forms.

5. **Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on 9th January 2025**

Proposed: D Geoghegan	Seconded by: G Foley
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

6. **Matters arising:**

None.

7. **Rural Development Programme.**

- i) LEADER Programme Update Christine Rossi:
Targeted Call 1:

Of the 15 approved LEADER projects. 2 were declined by the promoter and 13 were approved.

Targeted Call 2:

The deadline for applications is the 4th of February 2025. After submission we'll know how many of the EOIs became actual applications. There were 45 EOIs of which 22 have so far advised that they will not proceed. The reasons vary including planning permission, financial reasons, not being ready to proceed, etc.

Following the receipt of the applications they will be reviewed and processed for the Evaluation Committee meetings on 11 and 25 March 2025. The projects will be brought to the LCDC meeting of 10 April 2025.

Targeted Call 3:

Dates have been determined for the next targeted call. As per the LEADER Operating Rules there need to be one targeted call per annum.

Date	Deadlines & Meetings
W/C Tues 1 st July 2025	Advert to appear in newspapers
Tue 8 th , 9 th & 10 th July	8 - Park Hotel, Dungarvan – Information Workshop 9 – Tramore 10 - Lismore
Fri 11 th July	EOI Closes
Mon 14 th July	Park Hotel, Dungarvan - Application workshop
Application Process Opens for all	Stage II commences
Friday 3rd October	Call Deadline (12- week deadline)
Mon 10 Nov	Evaluation Meeting
Mon 17 Nov	Evaluation Meeting
Thurs 11 Dec	LCDC Meeting

- ii) Second quarterly report for the Munster Vales Marketing Campaign LEADER project IE31WAT100012 was noted by the committee.

- iii) For approval: Amendment to Project IE31WAT100006

Project	Project Type
IE31WAT100006 Equipment Dungarvan Agricultural Show	Change from: Capital Change to: Community Project Involving Economic Activity

Proposed: G Foley	Seconded by: J Beresford
Abstentions:	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

- iv) WLP Q4 2024 Administration Returns Income & Expenditure were noted by the committee.
- v) Eoin Morrissey and Angela Mulcahy made a presentation on behalf of the Comhar Comaraigh Network. A request for funding to hire a coordinator for the Comhar Comaraigh Network project will be made to the Department. The CNN would like formal backing for the LCDL LAG for this request. This proposal will go before the committee at the March meeting.

8. Circulars

None

9. Correspondence

None

10. A.O.B.

11. Date and venue of next LAG meeting: 10.00am Thursday 13th March 2025 Videoconference.

Meeting Closed

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CHAIRPERSON DATE