Minutes of the Waterford LAG Meeting
Thursday 10th July 2025, Videoconference, 10.00 a.m.

Present: Non-Public Sector: Public Sector

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

Staff Present: S De Faoite D.O.S., O. Kelly A.O. & Deputy Chief Officer, J. Codd S.O., S. Whelan S.O., E Morrissey S.S.O, C Flavin S.O., G Mulhall S.O., E Smyth A.S.O.

Apologies: S Breathnach Community S.E.O. & Chief Officer, N Osborne LAIT Coordinator, O Matiut S.S.O., M McKnight C.O.

1.Total current Membership	19
2.Total attendees	14
3. Quorum % required (50% of 1 above)	Achieved – 74%

1. **Confirmation of Quorum:** Having reviewed the attendance record, Deputy Chief Officer Orla Kelly informed the Committee a quorum was achieved.

2. **Election of Chair:** Mayor Seamus Ryan

Proposed: Cllr Damien Geoghegan	**Seconded by: Liam Brazil**
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	**Approved**

3. **Apologies.**
As per table above, apologies were noted.

4. **Conflict of Interest:**

(i) C.o.I. declarations: C Rossi C.E.O. WLP declared C.o.I. for item 7 (ii) contract extension.
(ii) C Rossi C.E.O. WLP declared C.o.I. for item 7 (iii) LEADER Admin Funds
(iii) Review of Quorum: Greater than 50% achieved

5. **Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on 12th June 2025**

Proposed: G Foley	**Seconded by: Cllr Damien Geoghegan**
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	**Approved**

6. **Matters arising:**
None.

7. **Rural Development Programme.**

i) LEADER Programme Update: C Rossi

Thus far 21 projects have been approved by the Local Action Group under the LEADER 2327 Programme. A total amount of €438,105.66 has been paid with 14 claims processed to date.

A targeted call has been issued for potential promoters and projects. Workshops took place on the 8th July at the Park Hotel Dungarvan and the 9th July at the Majestic Hotel, Tramore and a third Workshop will take place on the 10th July at the Red Hall, Lismore.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted to Waterford LEADER Partnership by 2pm on Friday 11th July. The Targeted Call Total Budget is €2,101,124.12 and all three themes apply.

ii) For approval: Contract extension retrospectively, to an in-house training project IE31WAT100008

Proposed: Cllr. D Geoghegan	**Seconded by: Cllr. L Brazil**
Abstentions: C Rossi	
Quorum achieved: Yes	**Approved**

iii) For Approval: 2025 Q3 RDP Administration Funds to WLP of €86,901.15

Proposed: Cllr. L Brazil	**Seconded by: Cllr. D Geoghegan**
Abstentions: C Rossi	
Quorum achieved: Yes	**Approved**

iv) For Correction July Minutes 2024 Project Number: IE31WAT100015 not 31WAT100015 as stated on minutes. Also note in the project description: *Added Value aspect of project – the machinery being purchased will increase overall efficiency and production and reduce emissions and their carbon footprint.*

Proposed: Cllr. L Brazil	**Seconded by: Cllr. D Geoghegan**
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	**Approved**

8. **Circulars:** One circular was noted by the Committee.
   - Circular 05 - 2025 – Updated Operating Guidelines

9. **Correspondence:** None

10. **A.O.B.**

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

Meeting Closed

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CHAIRPERSON DATE