



Minutes of the Waterford LAG Meeting
Thursday 9th October 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. Gareth Evans	Head of LEO
4. Christine Rossi	CEO – WLP CLG	4. Kate Cassidy	HSE
5. Csilla Czelvikker	PPN / Community & Voluntary	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:	
Apologies:		7. Karina Daly	WWETB
8. Catherine Quinlan	I.C.M.S.A.	8. Kathryn Kiely	SETU
9. Jenny Beresford	CEO Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber	9. Margaret Mary Collins	TUSLA
10. Mary Ray	Social Inclusion		

Staff Present: Chief Officer S Breathnach Community S.E.O., J. Codd S.O., E Morrissey S.S.O, G Mulhall S.O., N Osborne LAIT Coordinator., S Whelan S.O. Community, C Flavin S.O. Community, Y Dam A.S.O. Community.

Apologies: O Matiut S.S.O., S. Whelan S.O., C Flavin S.O. O. Kelly A.O. Seamus DeFaoite D.O.S.

1.Total current Membership	19
2.Total attendees	13
3. Quorum % required (50% of 1 above)	Achieved – 68%

1. Confirmation of Quorum: Having reviewed the attendance record, Chief Officer Sinéad Breathnach informed the Committee a quorum was achieved. Chair Seamus Ryan opened the meeting.

2. Apologies.

As per table above, apologies were noted.

3. Conflict of Interest:

- (i) C.o.I. declarations: Christine Rossi Item 6 ii)
- (ii) Review of Quorum: Quorum achieved.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on 18th September 2025

Proposed: Cllr. L Brazil	Seconded by: S. Kilcawley
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

5. Matters arising:

None.

6. Rural Development Programme.

- i) LEADER Programme Update: C Rossi

The third LEADER targeted call closed for applications on the 3rd of October 2025. Out of 27 eligible EOIs, six applications were received. These applications are being reviewed before progressing to the Evaluation Committee for recommendation, after which it will be submitted to the LAG for approval. Potential applications were deemed ineligible for reasons including challenges with planning permission, leases, probate, match funding and procurement.

The next LEADER targeted call will be launched in January 2026.

- ii) For approval: WLP 2025 Q4 Administration Funds €78,502.50

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

- iii) For Noting: 3rd report for project IE31WAT100012, Munster Vales Marketing Campaign.

This report has been circulated and is available on extranet.

- iv) For Approval: Request for 12-month Extension IE31WAT100183 Glamping Pods for Bank of Ireland Lismore.

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

7. Correspondence:

- Media Release: Minister Dara Calleary opens 2025 Rural Youth Assembly / Eisiúint Meáin: Osclaíonn an tAire Dara Calleary Tionól Óige Tuaithe 2025

8. A.O.B. None

9. Date and venue of next LAG meeting: 10.00am Thursday 13th November Videoconference.

Meeting Closed

Signed _____
CHAIRPERSON

DATE