



Meeting Minutes

Meeting on Friday, 11th July 2014, at 10.30am in the Council Chamber, Co Hall, Navan

Present:

Ms Jackie Maguire	Chief Executive Meath County Council
Clr Noel French	Councillor Meath County Council
Clr Sinead Burke	Councillor Meath County Council
Clr Sharon Keoghan	Councillor Meath County Council
Mr Tom Oxley	Health Service Executive
Ms Aisling Mulroe	Department of Social Protection
Mr Michael Ludlow	CEO Meath Partnership
Mr Garret O'Brien	Meath Community Forum
Mr Eamonn Cassells	Meath Community Forum
Ms Sheila Comiskey	Social Inclusion
Ms Sinead Smith	Social Inclusion
Mr Anton McCabe	Trade Union Sector
Mr Ian Carey	Environmental Sector
Mr Kevin Stewart	Chief Officer LCDC Meath County Council
Ms Áine Bird	Administrative Officer Community Department MCC
Ms Maureen Mckinley	Staff Officer Community Department MCC
Ms Olivia Carpenter	Assistant Staff Officer Community Department MCC

Apologies:

Ms Liz Lavery	Louth Meath Education Training Board (LMETB)
Mr Hugh Reilly	Head of Local Enterprise Office (LEO)
Mr Seamus McGee	Farming Sector
Mr John V Farrelly	Chambers of Commerce

Minutes:

1. Initial Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Kevin Stewart opened the meeting and welcomed the members to the Inaugural meeting of the Meath Local Community Development Committee (LCDC). Kevin explained the background to the nominations of the members of the committee.

Ms Jackie Maguire also welcomed the members and looked forward to working with everyone. She explained that the LCDC replaces to some extent the County Development Board, in that it will bring together all of the agencies, community representation and social inclusion interests with one vision. The LCDC will have a wider remit than the CDB.

There followed introductions and comments on responsibilities and expectations of Meath Local Community Development Committee.



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2. Overview of:

- Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)
- Local Economic Community Plan (LECP)
- Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP)
- Public Participation Network (PPN)
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A Presentation was given by Áine Bird on the above.

Discussion followed the presentation and questions were raised in relation to the delivery of the next LEADER Programme and the responsibilities of the LCDC. The issue of Conflict of interest during the work of the LCDC was also mentioned.

Sinead Smith suggested that in relation to Local Government Reform and the establishment of the LCDC, the PPN, and the preparation of the LECP, it would be important that there would be a concentrated effort on informing the communities of Meath about the process and it's importance. She would submit a proposal in relation to same to the Community Department for consideration.

The selection of a Chair was discussed and Kevin Stewart explained that the Department of Environment had advised that the Chief Executive of the Council should not be Chair.

3. To agree date and agenda for a formal meeting

Next meeting scheduled for Friday, 12th September, 2014 at 10.00am in Council Chamber, County Hall, Navan.

Signed: 
Chairperson

Date: 12th September 2014