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Local Community Development Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting held on Friday, 11th September, at 10.00am in The Board Room,
Buvinda House, Navan.

Presiding:

Ms Sinead Smith Social Inclusion Sector

Present:

Ms Jackie Maguire	Chief Executive Meath County Council
Cllr Noel French	Councillor Meath County Council
Cllr Sinead Burke	Councillor Meath County Council
Cllr Sharon Keogan	Councillor Meath County Council
Ms Liz Lavery	Louth Meath Education Training Board
Mr Tom Oxley	Health Service Executive
Mr Michael Ludlow	Meath Partnership
Mr Garret O'Brien	Meath Community Forum
Ms Sheila Comiskey	Social Inclusion Sector
Mr John V Farrelly	Chamber of Commerce
Mr Ian Carey	Environmental Sector
Mr Seamus McGee	Farming Sector

Officials:

Mr Kevin Stewart	Chief Officer LCDC, Meath County Council
Mr David Jones	Senior Executive Officer, Community & Housing MCC
Ms Áine Bird	Administrative Officer Community Department MCC
Ms Olivia Carpenter	Assistant Staff Officer, Community Department MCC

Ms Jennifer Land Meath Partnership

Apologies:

Mr Tadhg Ó Conghaile	Údarás na Gaeltachta
Ms Geraldine Hogarty	Youth Work Ireland Meath
Des Henry	Department of Social Protection
Eamon Cassells	Community rep
Anton McCabe	Trade Union rep

S. Smith extended her sympathies on behalf of the LCDC to Cllr Sharon Keogan on the recent death of her Father.

1. To agree the minutes of the special meeting held on 11th March, 2015

The minutes of the special meeting dated 11th March, 2015 were proposed by Ms Sheila Comiskey and seconded by Ms Jackie Maguire.



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2. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 13th May, 2015

The minutes of the meeting dated 13th May, 2015 were proposed by Jackie Maguire and seconded by Cllr Sinead Burke.

3. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July, 2015

The minutes of the meeting dated 3rd July, 2015 were proposed by Ms Sheila Comiskey and seconded by Mr Seamus McGee.

4. To receive a presentation on the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) from the Programme Implementer (PI)

J. Land, Meath Partnership gave a presentation on the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) as Meath Partnership is the Programme Implementer with the LCDC overseeing the programme. The budget for Meath is €235,799 for 2015. The Operational period for the Programme is from 14th May, 2015 to 31st December, 2017. SICAP has three programme goals which contain objectives, outcomes and indicators.

The Programme of Activities for 2015 namely:

- Youth Engagement Initiative
- Community in Action Training
- Meath Laterlife Network
- Meath Intercultural Network
- Men's Shed
- Tiny Talk
- Access to Success
- Young Futures
- Business Options
- Guide Me
- Meath Social Enterprise Network
- Traveller and Roma Employment Group

A discussion took place with the members following the presentation. D Jones suggested that a Sub Group be set up to review actions and to sign off on payments. G O'Brien requested that financial and monitoring reports be circulated in advance of meetings. Cllr Sinead Burke and John V Farrelly agreed to sit on the Sub Group along with Áine Bird, David Jones, Michael Ludlow and Jennifer Land.

5. To receive a presentation on the Leader Programme

J. Land, Meath Partnership also gave a presentation on the Leader Programme. The Leader Programme has 7 key aspects and 3 Themes. It is a capital investment programme with a budget of €6,903,123.57. Consultation process will commence in



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September with the aim of presenting a draft to the LCDC in November and the Programme commencing in Spring 2016.

D Jones stated that the LCDC is the Local Action Group for Leader and suggested that a Sub Group be set up to feed into the Strategy. It was agreed to have further discussions at the next meeting.

6. Update on the Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP)

A copy of the public consultations timetable for the LECP was circulated to all present.

7. Update on Public Participation Network (PPN)

D Jones updated the Members as follows:

Most pillars / Municipal District PPN's did not meet during the summer months. The Secretariat continued to meet monthly throughout the summer. They have set up a referral register to record all issues raised at PPN meetings in order to identify common themes and issues raised so they can decide which ones to progress. They intend to work on this once the LCDC nomination process is completed. The next Secretariat meeting will be held on 28th September, 2015.

The Secretariat has written to the Chair of the LCDC, the Chief Executive, Meath Co. Council seeking a number of measures which they feel will improve communication between the PPN, LCDC and Council Departments.

Following a resignation from the Secretariat, another rep from the Social Inclusion College for the Secretariat will now be sought.

S Smith stated that the PPN needs to be independent of the Local Authority and feels that it is struggling in particular the Social Inclusion college.

G O'Brien also brought up the matter of travel and subsistence for the Secretariat.

S Smith suggested that D Jones meet with the Secretariat.

Next meeting Friday 2nd October, 2015.

Meeting Concluded.

Signed: _____
Chairperson

Date: _____