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***Local Community Development Committee
 Meeting – 27th April, 2018***

Presiding:

Mr John Higgins (JH)

Community Sector

Present:

Cllr Sharon Tolan (ST)

Councillor Meath County Council

Cllr Sinead Burke (SB)

Councillor Meath County Council

Cllr Sharon Keogan (SK)

Councillor Meath County Council

Ms Margaret Cranney (MC)

Dept of Employment Affairs & Social Protection

Ms Dorothy Kerrigan (DK)

Health Service Executive

Mr Michael Ludlow (ML)

Meath Partnership

Mr Eamonn Cassells (EC)

Community Sector

Ms Sheila Comiskey (SC)

Social Inclusion

Ms Jacinta O'Sullivan (JOS)

Social Inclusion

Ms Suzanne Brady (SBr)

Environmental Sector

Mr Seamus McGee (SMcG)

Farming Sector

Mr Robert Bradley (RB)

Trade Union Sector

Ms Geraldine Hogarty (GH)

Youth Work Ireland Meath

Officials:

Mr Barry Lynch (BL)

Chief Officer, Director of Services, Community Department MCC

Ms Áine Bird (AB)

Administrative Officer, Community Department MCC

Ms Joan Carroll (JC)

Senior Staff Officer, Community Department MCC

Ms Karen Dalton (KD)

Staff Officer, Community Department MCC

Apologies/Absent

Ms Jackie Maguire (JK)

Chief Executive Meath County Council

Mr Joe English (JE)

Local Enterprise Office

Mr Tadhg Ó'Conghaile (TOC)

Údarás Na Gaeltachta

Ms Sadie Ward McDermott (SWMcD)

Louth Meath Education Training Board

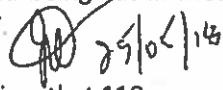
Mr John V Farrelly (JVF)

Business Sector

Ms Fiona Fallon (FF)

Senior Executive Officer, Community Department

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Item	Discussion / Action
1.	<p>To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd March, 2018</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting of the 23rd March, 2018 were proposed by Cllr Sinead Burke and seconded by Cllr Sharon Keogan.</p>
2.	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>ML advised the Committee that the TUS programme has avoided being cut in Meath and will remain with a budget of €8,500: <i>quota 260 participants</i> </p> <p>BL informed the Committee, following a query at the March meeting, that 110 groups attended Governance Data Protection training provided by the Public Participation Network across the 6 Municipal Districts.</p>
3.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>BL advised the Committee of three pieces of correspondence received; two of which had already been circulated and the third will be circulated following the meeting;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mobilising Communities towards a Tobacco Free Ireland' - Thursday, 31st May 2018 ii. Mental Health Update – Exploring Supports For Those In Distress" event on Friday 18th May, 2018 iii. Welcome to the World Community Development Conference 2018, June 2018 (to be circulated following the meeting)
4.	<p>To receive a quarterly report on the LECP</p> <p>BL noted the progress with the LECP and the number of actions that were marked as green (complete).</p> <p>SC enquired if the Q1 Report could be placed on the website so that groups can see the progress being made. AB confirmed that the report can be published after the meeting.</p> <p>BL informed the Committee that the Department has advised that the review of the LECP shouldn't take place until after the Regional Spatial Strategy is completed, this is expected to be in the first quarter of 2019. Department will issue guidance on this shortly.</p> <p>MC noted that there is an action listed for the DSP that cannot be actioned and should be removed from the LECP, AB advised that no changes can be made to the existing LECP until the time of review.</p>

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	<p>SB advised that with regard to item 1.4.6 – “A housing NGO (To build greater priority for housing issues and more effective responses through advocacy for homeless people)” a Motion will be put forward to the Full Council and that a similar action is to be discussed at the Housing SPC next Friday 4th May.</p> <p>The Quarter 1 2018 LECP Report was noted by the Committee.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>To approve the extension to the Healthy Ireland projects</p> <p>BL gave a brief update on the status of the 2017 Healthy Ireland Projects. BL noted that an extension to the completion dates for Lobinstown Playground and Harvest Walk in Kells were requested due to the delays caused by Storm Emma. He advised the Committee that Pobal have asked that a formal approval by the LCDC be minuted for these two projects.</p> <p>SC enquired if there was any feedback on the success of Phase 1 and if any detail had been provided for 2018. BL confirmed that there is a briefing session being held on Tuesday 1st May regarding 2018 programme which will be attended by Meath County Council staff. He also advised that as some 2017 projects are not yet complete a formal evaluation has not taken place. BL noted that the funding for 2018 has been reduced to €75,000 and it is expected that major capital works will not be eligible.</p> <p>Following discussion on some proposals for 2018 projects it was agreed that information will be circulated to the LCDC after the briefing session on the 1st May with the details of the 2018 programme and Members will be asked to put forward suggestions on suitable projects.</p> <p>All members of the LCDC voted in favour to approve the extension to the Lobinstown Playground and the Harvest Walk in Kells by a show of hands.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>To receive an update on the PPN.</p> <p>The following update was circulated to the committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PPN has currently over 570 members. New members can now join though the PPN website. • The Memorandum of Understanding was agreed and signed by the secretariat and Meath County Council. • The next plenary will take place on 16th of May in Buvinda House and is being hosted by the Social Inclusion College. There will be information stands on services working to address poverty and social issues in Meath, and presentations from Meath County Council Community Department, Meath Partnership, Meath County Council Housing Department and the Children and Young Peoples Services Committee.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training schedule on governance and data protection has been completed. To date 192 members have participated in training organised by the Public Participation Network. • A total of 7 applications were received for the defibrillators, these will be reviewed by the secretariat. • The secretariat is currently developing a draft GDPR policy document for the Public Participation Network.
7.	<p>Agree a date for the next meeting</p> <p>The next meeting of the LCDC is scheduled for the 25th May, 2018 at 10.30am.</p>
8.	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>BL advised the Committee of staff changes in the Community Department. He welcomed Joan Carroll, Senior Staff Officer to the Community Department and noted that Olivia Carpenter will be transferring to Housing on promotion shortly. He acknowledged and thanked Olivia for all her work on the various projects she worked on in the Community Department over the years and wished her well in her new appointment.</p> <p>Meeting concluded at 11am.</p>

Signed: 
 Chairperson

Date: 25/05/18.