

Local Community Development Committee Meeting – 22nd July 2016

Presiding:

Ms Sinead Smith Social Inclusion Sector

Present:

Ms Fiona Lawless
Chief Executive Meath County Council
Cllr Noel French
Councillor Meath County Council
Cllr Sinead Burke
Councillor Meath County Council
Mr Joe English
Head of Local Enterprise Office
Mr Des Henry
Department of Social Protection

Mr Tom Oxley Health Service Executive
Mr Tadhg Ó Conghaile Údarás na Gaeltachta
Mr Michael Ludlow Meath Partnership
Mr Eamonn Cassells Community Sector
Mr Robert Bradley Trade Union Sector
Mr John V Farrelly Business Sector

Officials:

Ms Fiona Fallon Senior Executive Officer, MCC

Ms Áine Bird Administrative Officer Community Department MCC

Ms Mary McCarthy Staff Officer, Community Department MCC

Apologies:

Mr Barry Lynch Chief Officer LCDC, MCC

Cllr Sharon Keogan Councillor Meath County Council

Ms Liz Lavery Louth Meath Education Training Board

Mr John Higgins Community Sector
Ms Sheila Comiskey Social Inclusion Sector

Mr Seamus McGee Farming Sector

Ms Geraldine Hogarty Youth Work Ireland Meath Vacant Environmental Sector



Item	Discussion / Action
1.	To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 10 th June 2016
	Chair requested that under item 5 of the minutes in relation to update on the PPN, bullet point 3 under "following points were raised", should state "that the secretariat felt they should have participated in the advertisement for a PPN support worker", it was agreed to amend the minutes accordingly.
	The minutes of the meeting of the 10 th June 2016 were proposed by Cllr Sinead Burke and seconded by Mr Tadhg Ó Conghaile
2.	Correspondence
	a. Correspondence received from the Social Inclusion Pillar of Meath PPN. Discussion took place in which the Social Inclusion Pillar requested that they would be involved and consulted under the Leader Programme, and requested a meeting regarding this with the P.I. – the P.I. responded that they would have no issue in meeting with the Social Inclusion Pillar
	b. Email received from Mr Ian Carey, environmental representative tendering his resignation. It was noted that the Environmental Pillar will nominate a new representative going forward. It was agreed that the LCDC would send a letter to Mr Ian Carey thanking him for his work to date on the LCDC and congratulations on the birth of their new baby.



3. To approve quarter 3 SICAP payment to the Programme Implementer (PI).

A discussion was held around the Mid Year Targets and Reports for SICAP for 2016. Members raised a number of comments and concerns regarding the overspend of the budget, SICAP now needs to feed into the LECP and Leader plans from 2017 onwards, some programmes such as the men-sheds, later-life and tiny talk should eventually move over to other agencies.

As there was over expenditure by the PI, they had been requested to submit a financial plan for the last 6 months of the year. This was submitted and it was agreed that the P.I. had met their targets as set down.

Subsequent to the discussion, it was agreed by the LCDC that Q3 payment would be released. The payment for Q3 was proposed by **Clir Sinead Burke** and **seconded by Mr John V Farrelly.**

It was also agreed that the SICAP and LECP sub-committee's should meet prior to the next LCDC meeting to discuss actions for inclusion in the 2017 SICAP action plan.

4. To receive an update on Leader

Contracts have been signed by the Department/LAG/LA and PI on the 8th July 2016. The Service Level Agreement (SLA) has been circulated to all Local Authorities for local amendments. This will be brought to a meeting of the Leader sub-committee for agreement on 10th August prior to LEADER commencing. A discussion was held around animation funding release from 1st August 2016. It was stated that the SLA requires to be in place before funds can be advanced. The LAG will decide on target calls for projects and the evaluation committee once finalised will be brought to the sub-committee.

The P.I. advised that a potential date for launch of LEADER in the County has been earmarked for the 22nd September 2016.



5.	To receive an update on the LECP
	It was noted that to date there was a poor response from the agencies, seeking contact details for a liaison persons. It was identified that SIPTU will be the lead on the 'precarious work' action. The DSP stated that they have no lead role in Language support except refer to the ETB and to remove them from this action.
	Quarterly progress report template was circulated and agreed.
6.	To receive an update on the Public Participation Network (PPN)
	It was advised that the Secretariat is working away on the actions raised at the public plenary meeting. Interviews for the PPN worker are scheduled for the 27 th July 2016. The LCDC will be advised of the successful candidate at the September meeting.
7.	A.O.B
	Ms Sinead Smith, Chairperson advised that there is a network meeting of the LCDC's Chairpersons on the 16 th August 2016 which she will be attending. She will bring feedback from this to the September meeting. The Chairperson noted that an LCDC progress report was circulated to all members for completion. It was hoped that a collective response be submitted by the LCDC but didn't get the opportunity, the chair submitted her own progress report to the department and has asked for an update on other areas.
Signe	ed: Date:
	Chairperson