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Local Community Development Committee Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at 10.14am

**Presiding:** 

Mr John Higgins (JH)

**Community Sector** 

**Present:** 

Ms Jackie Maguire (JM)

Chief Executive Meath County Council

Cllr Mike Bray (MB)

Councillor Meath County Council

Cllr Annie Hoey (AH)

Councillor Meath County Council

Mr Joe English (JE) Local Enterprise Office

Mr Paul Carroll (PC) Dept of Employment Affairs & Social Protection

Ms Dorothy Kerrigan (DK) Health Service Executive
Mr Michael Ludlow (ML) Meath Partnership
Ms Anna Melnick (AM) Social Inclusion

Ms Donna Farrell (DF)

Ms Suzanne Brady (SBr)

Chambers of Commerce
Environmental Sector

Mr Seamus McGee (SMcG) Farming Sector
Mr Noel Maguire (NM) Trade Union Sector

Ms Geraldine Hogarty (GH) Youth Work Ireland Meath

Officials:

Ms Fiona Fallon (FF) Chief Officer, Senior Executive Officer, Community
Ms Áine Bird (AB) Administrative Officer, Community Department MCC

Ms Karen Dalton (KD) Staff Officer, Community Department MCC
Ms Raphaelle Ennis (RE) Clerical Officer, Community Department MCC

Apologies/Absent

Cllr Yemi Adenuga (YA) Councillor Meath County Council

Ms Ita McGuigan (IMcG) Údarás na Gaeltachta

Ms Sadie Ward McDermott (SWMcD) Louth Meath Education Training Board

Mr Garett O'Brien (GoB) Community Sector
Ms Susuana Komolafe (SK) Social Inclusion



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item	Discussion / Action
	JH welcomed new members Ms Anna Melnick and Ms Donna Farrell to the committees.
1.	To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 25 <sup>th</sup> October, 2019
	The minutes of the meeting of the 25 <sup>th</sup> October, 2019 were <b>proposed by Seamus McGee and seconded by Noel Maguire</b> .
2.	Matters arising
	No matters arising.
3.	Correspondence
	FF advised the Committee on two items of correspondence and provided a brief outline of their contents.
	I. Uversity – Higher Education Scholarships for adult learners
	II. ESF Consultations
4.	To receive the proposed SICAP 2020 annual plan
	ML joined the meeting at 10.16am
	FF briefed the committee on the contents of the draft 2020 SICAP annual plan. She noted that there was a 3% budget increase which brings the budget for 2020 to €405,136. She also advised that the targets for 2020 are the same as 2019 and that the emerging need target group will continue to be homeless and those at risk of homelessness. FF advised the committee that the plan is building on the work of the previous years and that the sub group have met to review it and support it. She noted that the Teach Mna action has moved to KPI1 and that the there is a new action under KPI2 called Youth Employment Initiative. FF outlined the approval process for the plan and noted that it can't be formally approved until after the end of year review has been completed for 2019. It is expected that both of these reports will be brought to the LCDC for formal approval at the January 2020 meeting.
	JH noted that the proposed plan is very welcome and that the targets are well set.



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FF also informed the committee that Meath Partnership and Meath County Council met with the Department to discuss the low level of SICAP funding in Meath. The Department has indicated that they would support a SICAP related project. FF advised that Meath Partnership have submitted a proposal for a 3 year project to the Department and once approved it will be brought to the LCDC.

ML thanked the LCDC and the Local Authority for their concerted effort in getting the additional SICAP funding.

#### 5. To receive an update on the PPN

The following update was circulated to the committee and FF gave a brief outline on its contents;

- The re-registration process has improved the quality of the register along with the
  effectiveness of PPN communication. Improved directory content for member groups builds
  on the objective of the website acting as a hub for member networking.
- The Community Well-Being Project is being promoted on a county wide basis. Workshops are scheduled for Trim MD on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Workshops to follow in Navan and Ashbourne in early February 2020.
- Danielle Monahan-Resource Officer will attend January LCDC meeting and as many as
  possible throughout the year to provide an update on PPN activities as part of a wider plan to
  improve communication processes with reps and strengthen the PPN representative
  structure.

### 6. To agree dates for 2020 meetings

The list of proposed meeting dates for 2020, as circulated, were agreed by the members.

- January Friday 31<sup>st</sup>
- February Friday 28<sup>th</sup>
- March Friday 27<sup>th</sup>
- April Friday 24<sup>th</sup>
- May Friday 29<sup>th</sup>
- June Friday 26<sup>th</sup>
- July Friday 31<sup>st</sup>
- August Friday 28<sup>th</sup>
- September Friday 25<sup>th</sup>
- October Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>
- November Friday 27<sup>th</sup>
- December Friday 18<sup>th</sup>



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#### 7. A.O.B.

FF briefed the committee on the current status of the Community Enhancement Programme funding. She noted that the expenditure for a number of groups was less than anticipated and that there is a possibility that one project will not proceed. She advised that Meath Springboard Family Support Services CLG were the highest scoring group under allocated during assessments and if the committee were in agreement the balance of the funding could be allocated to them.

**NM proposed** and **JM seconded** the proposal to award the balance of the Community Enhancement Programme 2019 funding to Meath Springboard Family Support Services CLG

JH thanked those present for attending.

Meeting concluded at 10.27am

Signed:

Date