

**Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting
held 19th April, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. Via teleconferencing and Zoom**

Present:

Public Sector: Cllr John Carroll (Chair), Adrian Cunneen (DEASP),
Cllr Declan Burgess, Karl Cashen (TCC), Donal Mullane
(Teagasc), Cllr Joe Hannigan, Derval Howley (HSE),
Anthony Fitzgerald (TCC) **(8)**

Private Sector: Isabel Cambie (STDC), Michael Murray (NTDC),
Martin Quinn (PPN), Charles Stanley Smith (PPN),
Eoin Wolahan (PPN), Sean O'Farrell (PPN), Imelda Walsh
(IFA), John Lupton (PPN), Cora Horgan (PPN),
John O'Shaughnessy (Business Pillar) **(10)**

Apologies: Colin Cummins (TETB)

In Attendance: Pat Slattery (Chief Officer), Margo Hayes (TCC), Shane
O'Dwyer (TCC), Eddie Meegan (TCC), Fiona Crotty (TCC),
Cliona Tobin (TCC)

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To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements

Cllr John Carroll opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

1.1 Quorum

Margo confirmed that a quorum had been achieved noting full Private Sector membership.

1.2 Conflict of Interest

Cllr John Carroll (Chair) advised members that they may declare a conflict of interest as the meeting proceeded.

1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER written decision

Would be dealt with as the meeting progressed.

1.4 Ethics Documents

Margo informed the committee that there are a number of outstanding Code of Ethics Documentation to be returned. If anyone doesn't have a printer Margo can print it and send out to them in a stamped addressed envelope if they haven't printing facilities at home.

A Screen Shot was taken of meeting attendance.

Note:- Due to technical difficulties with Cllr John Carrolls Zoom it was recommended that Martin Quinn Vice Chair would Chair the meeting.

2.	<p><u>Approval of Draft Agenda</u></p> <p>The Draft Agenda was agreed.</p>																								
3.	<p><u>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC Meeting dated the 15th March, 2021 & Matters Arising (Decision)</u></p> <p>The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on the 15th March, 2021 were agreed on the proposal of John Lupton and seconded by Imelda Walsh.</p>																								
4.	<p><u>SICAP –Work Programme Update</u></p> <p>Margo updated the committee stating that the Mid Year Review will commence next month. The groups are working away and STDC have 21 of the 40 completed which is just over half of the community groups – NTDC have worked with 142 individuals. Funds for second quarter were released 3 weeks to a month ago.</p> <p>The mid-year review process will commence in May.</p>																								
5.	<p><u>5.1 LEADER</u></p> <p>5.1 NTDC CEO Report (Decision) – There were no CEO Reports to present as in transitional period.</p> <p>5.2 STCD CEO Report (Decision) - There were no CEO Reports to present as in transitional period.</p> <p><u>5.3 Leader Extensions (Decision)</u></p> <p>LEADER project extension requests granted as per Section 8.4 of the Operating Rules:-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="316 1368 1386 1827"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Apr-21</th> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Extensions over 6-months - LCDC Approval</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Project ID</th> <th>Project Name</th> <th>Contract Completion Date</th> <th>1st Contract Extension Expiry Date</th> <th>Requested Extension</th> <th>Reason</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>30LDRNTP 110748</td> <td>Gortnahoe/ Glengoole GAA Walkway</td> <td>22/09/2020</td> <td>14/05/2021</td> <td>21/09/2021</td> <td>Due to Covid- 19 restrictions progress on the project has been delayed</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Apr-21						Extensions over 6-months - LCDC Approval						Project ID	Project Name	Contract Completion Date	1st Contract Extension Expiry Date	Requested Extension	Reason	30LDRNTP 110748	Gortnahoe/ Glengoole GAA Walkway	22/09/2020	14/05/2021	21/09/2021	Due to Covid- 19 restrictions progress on the project has been delayed
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Approval received from the Department on 13th April 2021.

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Extensions over 12-months - Department Approval

Project ID	Project Name	Contract Completion Date	1st Year Contract Extension Expired	Derogation Extension Request	Reason	Department approval
30LDRNT P107817	Development of Two Indoor and Two Outdoor Tennis Courts in the Planned Park	07/05/2020	05/05/2021	04/05/2022	Due to Covid- 19 restrictions progress on the project has been delayed	13/04/2021
30LDRNT P107816	Rugby and Athletic Training Facilities	07/05/2020	05/05/2021	04/05/2022	Due to Covid- 19 restrictions progress on the project has been delayed	13/04/2021

Change of Supplier Request:

Project Number:	30LDRntp108294
Project Name:	Killaloe Sailing Club
Project Title:	Development of Sailing Club Facilities (Cooperation with Clare LDC)
New Total Project Cost:	€725,052.47
New Grant Rate %:	27.58421%
Approved amount:	€200,000
Original Supplier:	Kenny Civils and Plant Ltd.
New Supplier:	Syl O'Connor Building Contractor
Rationale for Change:	RDP Contract signed in Sept 2020 after which the preferred supplier withdrew their offer (unable to do

	<p>the work due to increase costs/Covid-19 and long time since tendering took place) & the promoter was not interested in going with the second provider due to quality issues. The project was subsequently retendered by the promoter's QS/Consulting Engineer in October 2020.</p> <p>Please note that although the overall project cost has increased, there can be no increase in the existing maximum grant approved in the current RDP contract signed between the promoter by Tipperary LCDC of €200,000.</p>
<p>DRCD Approval of Change</p>	<p>This project is a cooperation project with a total LEADER grant input of €400,000, i.e. €200,000 each through Tipperary LCDC and Clare LDC from the LEADER National Cooperation Budget.</p> <p>The DRCD are satisfied that the proposal complies the operating rules, the project has been updated on the CRM and has successfully completed an additional Art48 check to ensure full procurement and project compliance.</p>

The three project extension requests and change of supplier request was approved on the proposal of John Lupton and seconded by Imelda Walsh.

5.4 To approve Monthly Income and Expenditure Report (Decision)

Nothing to present as transitional period.

5.5 Decision around Transitional Funding White Paper (Decisions)

Shane O'Dwyer updated the meeting on the motions to be considered in respect of the Transitional RDP\LEADER programme.

Motion no. 1 - After much discussion it was agreed that this LCDC would accept the Department of Rural and Community Development proposal that a maximum of 75% funding for Enterprise projects be applied. This approval will be reviewed in October and at that time the LCDC may consider reducing the level of support to 50% if the Budget appears to be oversubscribed arising from this amendment.

This motion was agreed on the proposal of Cllr Joe Hannigan and seconded by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Motion no. 2 -

Background: The level of Budget Distribution discussed at the February LAG meeting was at 50% Rural Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation, 20% Rural Environment and 30% Social

Inclusion. It was agreed at that stage to postpone a decision until the Project Budget was finalised, the final funds have now been confirmed to be €2,238,831.

That the LCDC agree to fund the themes for the transitional programme as set out in table below:-

April 2021 to 31st December 2022 Overall Project Budget €2,238,831

Theme	% allocation	Financial Budget
Rural Economic Development, Enterprise Development and Job Creation	50%	€1,119,415.50
Rural Environment	20%	€447,766.20
Social Inclusion	30%	€671,649.30
Total		€2,238,831.00

Motion no. 2 was agreed on the proposal of Cllr Joe Hannigan and seconded by John Lupton.

Motion no. 3 - That no additional caps would be applied to max grant funding levels for the transitional programme, the only caps applicable will be the ones set out in the national programme.

This motion was agreed on the proposal of John O'Shaughnessy and seconded by Imelda Walsh.

Motion no. 4 – To accept the transitional RDP programme as discussed at the February LCDC Meeting be adopted to guide the transitional programme subject to the above 3 motions.

This was agreed on the proposal of Cllr Joe Hannigan and seconded by John Lupton.

5.6 LEADER Press Release for Information

Shane O'Dwyer informed the LCDC that a press release marking the end of the 2014-2020 LEADER programme had been prepared and issued. A copy of the same had issued to all members for their information.

5.7. AOB

None.

6. Healthy Ireland Update

Fiona gave a brief outline of the Healthy Ireland Update.

- * Strand 3 Actions Healthy Ireland Fund Steering Group meeting 21st April, will forward report on actions following this meeting combined LCDC & CYPSC actions
- * As previously advised extension to December 2021 on Strand 3 Actions, still awaiting confirmation of salary costs for coordinator from June to December 2021
- * Regional Action – Positive Ageing regional meeting on 22nd April to agree actions for 2021
- * LCDC Action Dementia Awareness, Learn Listen Link training with Clonmel BD on 27th April and 4th of May, online with Alzheimer Society of Ireland. We have taken a more aggressive approach with targeting sectors for engagement which will hopefully yield greater participation in the training.
- * Preparations also to conduct walkability audit in Roscrea encompassing Dementia Awareness, and universal design; this will encompass train the trainer for TCC staff so that they can conduct walkability's in future, aim is for May to conduct audit if safe to do so. Roscrea was chosen as this is Tipperary's First Age Friendly Town, currently preparing an Age Friendly Strategy for Roscrea, Roscrea cares have produced their own organisation strategy and Tipperary County Council are using Roscrea and Gantly Street as flagship for creating Age Friendly Neighbourhood. All of these actions will have synergy and will help inform developments in other towns across the county.


Keep Well Campaign

- * Digital Connections continue with partnership with new locations and content with Bealtaine
- * training has concluded with PPN with PR awareness, Video Creation and Wellbeing,
- * Cultural projects completed
- * Nursing Home and Preschool Project – 5 locations across the county with matched nursing home and preschool all provided with technology and library books in the last week to commence on project
- * Grow it Forward with Tipperary Library service provision of packs across the county and combined with Bealtaine and details on Age Friendly Calendar issued to 80 older adult community groups last Friday
- * Promotion on What's on in Tipp site to continue
- * Keep Well Metric Data Collection Guidelines returned on weekly basis.

	<p>She informed the meeting Social Enterprise Training will commence in May/June to assist how a community group can progress to being a social enterprise. She will revert with schedule of training once she receives it.</p> <p>Fiona also welcomed Derval Howley back to LCDC. Derval gave an update from a Covid-19 perspective to the LCDC.</p>
7.	<p><u>Covid-19 Emergency Fund Round 2</u></p> <p>Eddie Meegan updated the committee on the Community Enhancement Programme and Covid-19 Emergency Fund Round 2 - a copy of update was emailed prior to the meeting.</p>
8.	<p><u>Migrant Integration Strategy Update</u></p> <p>Margo informed the meeting that the LCDC will be implementing the Migrant Integration Strategy. A Steering Group met last Thursday for the first time. There will be a facilitator appointed to work full time. A link with questionnaire is on the Council website with option to fill in name and email address with hope to having a migrant forum or mailing list with a good cross sector of different nationalities living in Tipperary. The link will be advertised via PPN, Volunteer Centre, through social media, polish facebook pages and postcard. A postcard has been sent for print and it will be printed in different languages – English and polish for now and will be circulated to promote awareness and interest in this Strategy. Google translate on Council website where survey can be filled out in language of origin.</p>
9.	<p><u>Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations</u></p> <p>Margo informed the meeting that the Climate Action Plan Consultation stage is still opened for submissions until 18th May – she will send the link around again.</p>
10.	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>Shane informed the meeting of the Greener Communities workshops that are taking place, these were initially being limited to the top 6 performing Tidy towns groups and also offered to the staff of the local Development Companies.</p> <p>The aim will be to have these groups work in a greener fashion, consider the sustainable development goals and prepare plans of how they will progress in the next number of years.</p> <p>Fiona stated they'd be the champions to work with and encourage other groups. This intake will then become green community ambassadors to aid and assist the other groups.</p> <p>If there is demand it can be considered to extend this training to other groups also.</p> <p>The groups will as part of the course prepare a plan and there is a prize of €500 for best initiative.</p>

11.	<u>Date and form of next meetings</u> Monday 17 th May, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. via zoom

Signed:


Clr. John Carroll,
Chair,
Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date: _____

Signed:


Pat Slattery,
Chief Officer,
Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Date: 14/6/2021