

**Minutes of Local Community and Development Committee Meeting held
21st November, 2022 at 10.00 a.m. Via teleconferencing and Zoom**

Present:

Public Sector: Cllr John Carroll (TCC), Karl Cashen (TCC), Cllr Joe Hannigan, Adrian Cunneen (DEASP), Donal Mullane (Teagasc), Derval Howley (HSE)

Private Sector: Eoin Wolahan (Chair), Michael Murray (NTDC), Isabel Cambie (STDC), John O'Shaughnessy (Business Sector), Mike Edwards (PPN), Julie O'Halloran (PPN), Derry O'Donnell (PPN), Gearoid O'Foighil (PPN)

Apologies: Anthony Fitzgerald (TCC), Pat Carroll (IFA)

In Attendance: Fiona Crotty (TCC), Marie Cox (TCC), Stephanie O'Callaghan (TCC), Áine Roche (TCC), Mairead Ryan (TCC), Cliona Tobin (TCC)

1.	<p><u>To Note Adherence to Meeting Procedure Requirements</u> The meeting was opened and all were welcomed. Tipperary County Council had delegated the role of Acting Chief Officer for this meeting to Fiona Crotty in the absence of Anthony Fitzgerald Acting Chief Officer and Margo Hayes.</p> <p><u>Vote of Sympathy</u> Eoin passed a vote of sympathy on behalf of the LCDC to Margo Hayes on the passing of her father Tim Joe Hayes R.I.P.</p> <p>1.1 Quorum Fiona confirmed a quorum had been achieved.</p> <p>1.2 Conflict of Interest None.</p> <p>1.3 Decision-Making Requirements to include LEADER Written Decisions Anthony Fitzgerald provided written decision as he was unable to attend the meeting.</p> <p>1.4 Ethics Documents Members are requested to fill in and return the Ethics Documents forms for 2022.</p> <p>1.5 Screen Shot of meeting to show attendance A Screen Shot was taken of meeting attendance.</p>
2.	<p><u>Approval of Draft Agenda</u> The revised Draft Agenda was agreed.</p>
3.	<p><u>Confirmation of Minutes of Tipperary LCDC Meeting dated the 17th October, 2022 & Matters Arising (Decision)</u> The minutes of the Tipperary LCDC meeting held on the 17th October, 2022 LCDC Meeting were agreed on the proposal of Mike Edwards seconded by Derry O'Donnell.</p>

4.

SICAP Updates

Isabel briefed on the STDC SICAP document circulated with Agenda under Goal 1 Communities – i.e. Ukrainian Refugees, Responsive Communities and Resilient Communities and Collaborate Engagement and Goal 2 Individuals – Self-Employment Support, Employment Support, Soft Skills and Lifelong Learning and Disadvantaged Children and Families.

Michael briefed on the NTDC SICAP Activity for October/November circulated with the Agenda under the headings Empowering Communities – Men’s Shed, Advocacy, Social Enterprise, Volunteering, Ukrainian Integration Supports, Learning for Life, Personal Development, Youth Development and Family Support, Work Readiness & Career Support, Enterprise Supports to Job Seekers, Emerging Needs – Syrian Community, Ukrainian Refugee Individual and Family Supports, Collaborations, Training and Upskilling Staff and Video Case Study.

5.

5.1 LEADER

5.1 NTDC CEO Report (Decision)

Michael Murray briefed the meeting on the budgets for LEADER Projects and then outlined the details of the following NTDC projects to the members: -

Project Code:	30LDRNTP117950
Promoter Code:	
Promoters Name:	Offaly LCDC/(Offaly Local Development Company)
Description:	Moneygall Development Association Clg - Moneygall Community Centre: To build a community facility with changing rooms and showers, along with meeting rooms and storage areas. The development will service the multi-use area, which is accessible to all local organisations and schools. The meeting rooms will be shared by all local community organisations. The adjoining community garden will also have access to the facilities. The development of this facility will ensure safe clean access to dry indoor facilities i.e. toilets, showers, meeting room and kitchen. THIS IS A COOPERATION PROJECT.
Theme:	Social Inclusion
Sub Theme:	Local Objective 5: Basic Services for Hard to Reach Communities Strategic Action 5.1: To support and enable continuing improvement of access to services within the community for all citizens.
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising
Displacement:	Considered and not arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	€325,907.56
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
For projects funded under the Transitional LEADER Programme: Identify the particular aims and priorities of this Programme that are satisfied by this project. (Refer to Section 2 and Section 3 of the Transitional LEADER Programme Guidelines issued on 16th December 2020)	Aims: - Promote projects which support communities in a post Covid 19 environment Priorities: - Community based projects that seek to address the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic.

For projects funded under the European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI): Identify how this project meets the aims of the EURI funding and is in line with the LAG LDS. (Please Refer to Section 4 - Eligibility of projects for EURI funding in the EURI Guidelines Document).	N/A
% level of aid & ceiling:	61.3671% of total project cost (€606,567.83) = €325,907.56
Proposed by:	John O'Shaughnessy
Seconded by:	Cllr Joe Hannigan
Absenters:	No
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

There was discussion in relation to the funding application and costs associated with the application relating to the most recent planning application. In this regard project no. 30LDRNTP117950 Offaly LCDC (which is a Cooperation Project) was approved based on confirmation that costings with the are part of this funding application relate to their current planning application which has a revised footprint from the 2021 application and Final Grant of Approval of planning permission on 1st December. This was agreed on the proposal of John O'Shaughnessy, seconded by Cllr Joe Hannigan

5.2 STCD CEO Report (Decision)

Isabel Cambie briefed the meeting on the budgets for LEADER Projects and then outlined the details of the following STDC projects to the members: -

Project Code:	30LDRSTP117622
Promoter Code:	
Promoters Name:	Michael Byrne, Clonmel
Description:	EURI Lets Animate with Mike offers creative stop motion animation workshops for schools ad youth groups. This project is to purchase 13 tablets to assist the development of the enterprise
Theme:	Economic Development
Sub Theme:	Enterprise Development
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising
Displacement:	Considered and not arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	€7,3535.25
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
For projects funded under the Transitional LEADER Programme: Identify the particular aims and priorities of this programme that are satisfied by this project. (Refer to Section 2 and Section 3 of the Transitional LEADER Programme Guidelines issued on 16th December 2020)	N/A
For projects funded under the European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI): Identify how this project meets the aims of the EURI funding and is in line with the LAG LDS.	This is an innovative business in animation and model making training. The promoter is developing their business Post COVID. The workshops offered enhance creative and digital skills in young people.

(Please Refer to Section 4 - Eligibility of projects for EURI funding in the EURI Guidelines Document).	Priority 1: Supports to rural businesses seeking to reach new markets, expand, innovate or diversify in response to the impact Covid pandemic Priority 4: Maximising the potential of broadband and the digital economy in communities, including through skills development and building awareness.
% level of aid & ceiling:	75% of total project cost (€10,047.00) = €7,535.25
Proposed by:	Derval Howley
Seconded by:	Mike Edwards
Absenters:	No
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

Project Code:	30LDRSTP117635
Promoter Code:	
Promoters Name:	Crowes Farm Poultry Ltd, Dundrum
Description:	EURI Equipment Upgrade. Promoter wishes to purchase a gas flushing vacuum packing machine and a cooling condensing unit for their turkey production unit.
Theme:	Economic Development
Sub Theme:	Enterprise Development
Deadweight:	Considered but none arising
Displacement:	Considered and not arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	€18,702.75
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
For projects funded under the Transitional LEADER Programme: Identify the particular aims and priorities of this programme that are satisfied by this project. (Refer to Section 2 and Section 3 of the Transitional LEADER Programme Guidelines issued on 16th December 2020)	N/A
For projects funded under the European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI): Identify how this project meets the aims of the EURI funding and is in line with the LAG LDS. (Please Refer to Section 4 - Eligibility of projects for EURI funding in the EURI Guidelines Document).	This is an innovative business producing Irish free range and organic turkeys in a rural area. Priority 1: Supports to rural businesses seeking to reach new markets, expand, innovate or diversify in response to the impact Covid pandemic.
% level of aid & ceiling:	75% of total project cost (€24,937.00) = €18,702.75
Proposed by:	John O'Shaughnessy
Seconded by:	Donal Mullane
Absenters:	No
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

Project Code:	30LDRSTP117567
Promoter Code:	
Promoters Name:	Clonmel Town Football Club Clg, Clonmel
Description:	To develop a Youth training area (100m x 26m) for the development of physical recreational facilities.
Theme:	Social Inclusion
Sub Theme:	Rural Youth

Deadweight:	Considered but none arising
Displacement:	Considered and not arising
Innovation:	Considered
Reasonableness of costs:	Satisfied as to the reasonableness of costs
Recommendation of Evaluation Committee:	€113,881.71
Rationale if Evaluation Committee recommendation is rejected:	N/A
Where rejecting an Evaluation Committee recommendation to reject a proposal, insert the revised score	N/A
Rationale for grant aid, having regard to the business plan/Local Development Strategy	Complies with and eligible under the provisions of the Local Development Strategy for County Tipperary
For projects funded under the Transitional LEADER Programme: Identify the particular aims and priorities of this Programme that are satisfied by this project. (Refer to Section 2 and Section 3 of the Transitional LEADER Programme Guidelines issued on 16th December 2020)	This project fits with Aim B and Priority 2 which are to promote projects which support communities in a post COVID environment. This project will add to the local infrastructure and facilitate healthy lifestyles. This project is supporting a community initiative in a RAPID designated area of disadvantage in Clonmel town.
For projects funded under the European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI): Identify how this project meets the aims of the EURI funding and is in line with the LAG LDS. (Please Refer to Section 4 - Eligibility of projects for EURI funding in the EURI Guidelines Document).	N/A
% level of aid & ceiling:	75% of total project cost (€151,842.28) = €113,881.71
Proposed by:	Mike Edwards
Seconded by:	Donal Mullane
Absenters:	No
Agreed by Board:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes
Has Quorum requirements been met:	Yes

5.3 Leader Extensions (Decision)

November-22					
Contract Extensions for Noting Only					
Project ID	Project Name	Contract Completion Date	Extensions Granted to	Requested Extension	Reason
30LDRNTP116176	Eamonn Quigley	EURI - Gortagarry Cottage Development	31/12/2022	30/06/2023	Project delayed due to labour and supply chain issues
30LDRNTP114621	NTDC	Smart Villages Training Delivery	31/12/2022	30/06/2023	Smart Villages Training will be completed on the 5th December 2022 - extension required to give enough time to process the claim
30LDRNTP116133	Cloughjordan Circus Club	Youth Circus Training & CPD Programme	31/12/2022	30/06/2023	The majority of our project will be complete by 13th December 2023 as agreed, however we will still have a number of Tightwire Trainings to deliver - this is due to needing to be outside in

						favorable weather conditions. We would like to complete this aspect of the project in April - June 2023.
	30LDRNTP114378	Killaloe/Ballina Family Resource Centre	Killaloe/Ballina Community Training & Development Hub	31/12/2023	30/06/2023	We are requesting a 6-month extension for completion of the project. Whilst the project is well underway due to a combination of drawdown delay, supply issues and the time-frame needed for payment of retention we do not expect it will be possible to fulfil all expenditure by 31st December, 2022.

**November-22
Extensions over 6-months - LCDC Approval**

Project ID	Promoter	Project Title	Original Closing Date	Previous Extension to	Extension requested to	Reason
LDRNTP 113035	Killaloe /Ballina Tennis Club	Phase 11 - Development of 2 Indoor and 2 Outdoor Tennis Court	31/12/2021	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	The completion works for Lighting, Landscaping, Tennis Court Surfaces cannot be completed until such time as the Dome is built, so therefore these should follow in June and July 2023. The project timeframe has been set back several months due to the lead time required to both order and building the tennis dome, this is something which the club cannot expedite in any way. To have a realistic time frame for completion of the project to allow for any unforeseen delays, the project should

							ideally be extended to end of 2023.
30LDRN TP1105 18	Birdhill Community & Recreation Association	Birdhill Community Sports Field 2	25/07/2020	31/12/2022	30/06/2023		The Promoters are experiencing significant issue with getting a commitment from the ESB regarding a connection. I am engaging with them since March but I am having no joy with the specifics on cost or how/where the connection will come from. They are trying to link it in with other work currently planned for the village of Birdhill. This is having a significant impact on other parts of our project as an ESB connection is required to finalise these (effluent system, water pump etc.)
30LDRN TP1115 30	NTDC	Lough Derg Discovery Points	08/02/2021	31/12/2022	30/06/2023		Final draft of report has gone out for screening and imputes from other partners. (Payment and final report will be complete early 2023)
30LDRN TP1178 38	Killaloe/ Ballina Tennis Club	Tennis Dome	31/12/2022		31/12/2023 (seeking 1- year extension)		The project timeframe has been set back a number of months due to the lead time required to both order and building the tennis dome, this is something which the club cannot expedite in any way.

The project extension requests were approved on the proposal of Cllr John Carroll seconded by Julie O'Halloran.

November-22						
Extension Requests for Projects to be approved by LCDC (> 6 months)						
Project No / Code	Promoter	Project Title	Original Closing Date	Previous Extension to	Extension Requested to	Rationale for Extension
30 LDR STP114275	Fethard Regional Community Sport and Recreational Campus Clg	Fethard Town Park	31/01/2022	31/01/2023	30/06/2023	Difficulty with planting due to weather conditions

The project extension requests were approved on the proposal of Mike Edwards seconded by Derval Howley.

5.4. To approve Monthly Income and Expenditure Report (Decision)

The LEADER Income and Expenditure report for November 2022 was presented by Fiona Crotty.

The report was noted and approved on the proposal of Cllr John Carroll seconded by Cllr Joe Hannigan.

5.5 A.O.B.

NTDC requested Procurement Change Approval for the following projects:-

30LDRntp116189 - Fuchsia Lane Farm – Games Room

They are seeking to permission to transferring some of the savings (€218) from the beanbags to the extra cost (€40.04) of the trimmer. The €40.04 extra trimmer cost to be shifted between elements from bean bags to trimmer is <5% of the overall total project cost of €74,597.19 allowed.

30LDRntp114484 – Ballinderry Development Association – Ballinderry/ Ballyfinboy River Project

The promoter is seeking a change of supplier for the Open-Air Classroom as the original supplier has notified the promoter that they are no longer able to supply the Open-Air Classroom at the quoted price at application stage of €4,750. The promoter has re-sought current quotes from the 3 original quotes suppliers and some new ones to secure current best value of money. He wishes to change the supplier from Luxury Hot Tubs to TRM Fencing. There is no change in cost at €4,750.

The Procurement Changes were approved on the proposal of Cllr Joe Hannigan seconded by Cllr John Carroll.

Leader 2023-2027

Fiona informed the Committee of the Launch of the Leader Programme for 2023-2027 stating €7.8 million funding for Tipperary. The details from the launch of the programme had been circulated to the members. There is an

open Tender process for each LAG - Expressions of Interest closing date 16th December, 2022. LAG to be in place by August 2023.

Both Local Development Companies advised they will be holding board meetings to discuss this matter.

6. Quality of Life

Aine updated on the Healthy Ireland Fund Planning 2023-2025
Closing date for submissions to The Healthy Ireland Strategy has been extended to 23rd January, 2023 and also provided an update in relation to the actions for HIF Round 4 2022. In preparation for the Strategy Aine has circulated a survey through Tipperary PPN, LCDC and various stakeholders. In addition, a stakeholder workshop will take place in Thurles on 12th December. It is the intention to have our strategy and annual implementation plan progressed before the Christmas break for early submission in January 2023. At the October LCDC the 2 High level Outcome areas were agreed, and these will be the areas of focus in the strategy development. Other areas of focus for Healthy Ireland will be imbedded in the LECP.

Aine then provided an update in relation to Period Poverty. Tipperary County Council had originally received a budget of €10,000 from the Department of Health to support period poverty actions in the county. This has now extended to include hygiene security and we are working with the Family and Community Resource Centers in the County with the aim to provide 750 packs throughout the county. Tipperary County Council received an additional €13,000 from the Department of Health, and this is also being directly supported by Tipperary County Council. This will be a significant campaign in early 2023.

Aine also updated on the progress of the Changing Places initiatives with discussions continuing with 2 locations for delivery of these necessary facilities in the county.

Stephanie gave an update on Healthy Communities Clonmel – Official Launch of Sláintecare Healthy Communities takes place at Hillview Sports Club on Tuesday 29th November by Minister Frank Feighan.

€20,000 funding for Inclusive cafes initiative for supports for parents – to go towards promotion, administration, training and other services.

€32,000 has been allocated to regenerate derelict site for playground or other community initiatives Working with a group of residents from the Old Bridge Residents Committee and Youth Council.

€5425 Home Energy Assessment project – 5 households piloted for with assessment and small grant provision to support outcomes of the survey.

Derval updated on the HSE side of Healthy Communities stating the Parenting Programme commenced. Social Prescribing Clonmel - Community Resource Centre Open Day on 10th November

We can Quit and smoking cessation – Free Nicotine Replacement Therapy is now available to anyone who engages with stop smoking advisors

SouthEastStopSmokingSupport@hse.ie for a referral form or for more information.

Fiona updated on Tipperary Older People Council and informed the Committee Tipperary Age Friendly received a National Age Friendly Achievement Award An Energy Workshop will take place in January in conjunction with the Tipperary Age Friendly AGM.

	Marie updated on the Ukrainian Health and Wellbeing Fund stating €19,000 has been made available to the County for interventions and support such as the Arts and Music Workshops – have up until March to spend monies.
7.	<u>Correspondence, Submissions & Consultations</u> Fiona informed the Committee of the following Local Area Plans that are open for consultation – Clonmel, Nenagh, Thurles and Roscrea. The LECP review is being compiled by Margo Hayes and Elaine Cullinan with the support of the sub Group. Marie updated stating €10 million for Community and Voluntary Energy Support Scheme. Under a separate Community Support Fund, Tipperary is to receive €338,885 - €100,000 has been ringfenced to schemes under Community Activity Fund to be administered by the LCDC. Once details are received they will be circulated to members. This was approved on the proposal of Derval Howley seconded by Mike Edwards.
8.	<u>A.O.B.</u> None.
9.	<u>Date and form of next meetings</u> Monday 19 th December via Zoom.

Signed: Eoin Wolahan **Date:** 19th Dec '2022
Eoin Wolahan
Chair,
Tipperary Local Community Development Committee

Signed: Fiona Crotty **Date:** 19 Dec 2022
Fiona Crotty,
Acting Chief Officer,
Tipperary Local Community Development Committee