



Minutes of Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Meeting held Friday 18th of May, 2018 in Teach Tom, Ormonde Road, Kilkenny.

Present: Fergus Keane, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar- Chairperson
Colette Byrne, CE, Kilkenny County Council
Denis Drennan, County Kilkenny Leader Partnership
Eileen Ryan, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar
Mary Barron, Department of Social Protection
Fiona Deegan, Local Enterprise Office
Sheila Donnelly, Family Resource Centres
Loretto O' Driscoll, Teagasc
Elizabeth Dermody, PPN Community Pillar
Declan Gibbons, PPN Community Pillar
Cllr. Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Elected Representative
Michael Delahunty, Chief Officer.

Apologies: John Hurley, Kilkenny Chamber of Commerce
Andrew McGuinness, Elected Representative
David Fitzgerald, Elected Representative
Eileen Curtis, ETB
Anne Corr, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar (Disability)
Cllr. Ger Frisby, Elected Representative
John Bambrick, Irish Farmers Association
Derval Howley, Associate Member
Niall McManus, PPN Environmental Pillar

In Attendance: Mary Mulholland Director of Services and Lindsey Butler, Community.

Presentations were made by the following in advance of the scheduled meeting:

Angela Hayes – Teach Tom

Trish Finnegan – Chair- Lifelink Kilkenny

Fergus Keane Chair thanked the two presenters for very informative presentations on two services which are of vital importance to Kilkenny.

1. Administrative

- **Apologies** – Cllr. A. McGuinness, Cllr. D. Fitzgerald, Eileen Curtis, John Bambrick, Ann Corr and Derval Howley. Joan Murphy attended in place of Derval Howley.
- **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
Minute of meeting held on Friday 23rd of March, 2018 were agreed on the Proposal of Fiona Deegan which was Seconded by Sheila Donnelly.
- **Matters Arising**
None.
- **Any Conflicts of Interest**
Fergus Keane indicated that he had a conflict of interest in relation to the Healthy Ireland Funding and that as chair he will leave the meeting when the recommendations are discussed. This was noted and it was agreed that the vice chair would take over.
- **Issue of Code of Conduct and Interest Declarations**
Michael Delahunty advised on the requirements to issue a code of conduct and an annual declaration of interests. He stated that he will issue them in the coming weeks and that both are to be returned to him directly to be retained by him.

2. Oversight and implementation of the community element of the Local Economic and Community Plan including Local and Community Development Coordination and oversight.

Items for decision:-

- **Healthy Ireland Fund Strand 1 round 2 – Invitation to apply for funding 2018**

Fergus Keane, Chairperson of Kilkenny LCDC absented himself for this discussion.
Colette Byrne, Vice chairperson of Kilkenny LCDC chaired this aspect of the meeting.

Lindsey Butler presented an outline of the Healthy Ireland Sub-group report which made a number of recommendations with regards the actions for inclusion in the Healthy Ireland Fund Strand 1 round 2 application to Pobal.

The Healthy Ireland (HI) Subgroup made a call for Expressions of Interest for actions from groups and organisations consulted in the development of the Kilkenny Healthy Ireland Community Plan.

7 EOI's were received and each EOI was presented and discussed. 6 actions are being proposed for inclusion in the application as the Buddy bench application was deemed ineligible.

Following this discussion the LCDC approved the recommendations from the HI Subgroup on the proposal of Loretto O'Driscoll and seconded by Mary Barron.

The 6 Actions approved for inclusion in the application under HIF Strand 1 Round 2 being:

1. Castlecomer Discovery Park - Natural Connections – Building resilience in young people through outdoor education
2. St Patricks Centre-Accessible Transport Study
3. St Patricks Centre- Community Dysphagia training for the Hospitality Sector
4. Kilkenny Recreation and Sports Partnership – Healthy Inclusive Communities
5. Foroige - Be Happy, be Healthy, Kilkenny
6. CHO 5 and Wexford, Kilkenny, Waterford, Carlow, Tipperary LCDC's – Regional Health and Well- being Training and Awareness Programme

As this item had concluded Fergus Keane was asked to rejoin the meeting in his capacity as Chair and he assumed the Chair.

Approval of the Kilkenny Healthy Ireland Community Plan 2018-2020

Lindsey Butler presented the Kilkenny Healthy Ireland Community Plan 2018-2021 which the HI Subgroup recommended for adoption. The HI Actions under HIF strand 1 round 2 will form the implementation plan for 2018 as part of the HI Community Plan.

The Healthy Ireland Community Plan 2018-2021 was adopted on the proposal of Colette Byrne which was Seconded by Mary Barron.

▪ **Updates on Proposed LECP Strategic Actions**

Arising from discussions at the previous meeting the Chief Officer outlined his overview as to suggested strategic actions to be the basis of the LCDC work programme for the remainder of 2018 and 2019. Following a brief discussion it was agreed to circulate the suggested schedule ahead of the next meeting for consideration of members- matter to be listed on the Agenda for the July meeting.

▪ **Mapping of funding:**

The Chief Officer indicated that an LCDC interagency subgroup had been convened to meet on this matter and that it will be fully briefed on the work undertaken to date by Kilkenny County Council. and on the template reporting requirements.

It was agreed that the position with regards to data protection requirements needs to be clarified The Chief Officer highlighted that most funding streams are supported by public finance and as a result are in the public domain already but clarification will be provided to the next meeting.

▪ **PPN Update:**

The PPN update was given by Elizabeth Dermody . She highlighted the following:-

- 237 Members:
- 3 year Strategic Plan agreed for Kilkenny City – report to be published.
- Presentation to Kilkenny Tourism and others.
- GDPR training
- Governance training via Libraries and Community Centres.
- Plenary – Wednesday 23rd May – 6.30 to 9.00 p.m.
- SPC presentation by Anne Maria Walsh on GDPR

Items for Information & Information Sharing:

The Chief Officer informed the meeting of the following:

- (i) **CLÁR** – 11 projects submitted to Department for approval– 10 safety improvements, and 1 Multi Games Use Area (MUGA), The list of projects was circulated to members. Decisions are due in June 2018.
- (ii) **Town and Village Renewal Scheme** – The 2018 Scheme has been circulated. Expressions of Interest to be submitted by May 25th. Up to 12 good applications to be submitted. For 2018 the Council is guaranteed 4 approvals. An Information evening is scheduled for 17/5/2018.
- (iii) **LAWCO** – **information** circulated.
- (iv) **Africa Day** is proposed for June 9th Parade Tower and Castle.

Facilities Audit and Mapping Report and Demonstration – presentation by Lindsey Butler.

The audit included the identification of Arts/Sports/Community Facilities in the county and was an update of the previous audit done in 2009. The project commenced in 2016. While there are 3 separate reports Lindsey gave an update on the synthesis report highlighting the following from the 3 elements:

- With regard the community facilities element there is a heavy reliance on volunteers to run centre , many of these are older volunteers and community groups identified that it is difficult to recruit young volunteers
- Arts facilities tend to be concentrated in the City area of the County and KCC are one of the main funders of these facilities
- Not all sporting facilities are open to wider community usage

The one sheet infographics page provides a useful form of presenting critical information.

It was agreed that each element of the report is to have an infographic.

It was also agreed that the report be publically launched at a future date.

Date for Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday 27th July, 2018 in Butler House.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

These minutes were Adopted by Kilkenny LCDC at its meeting held on 27th July 2018.

