MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 22nd JANUARY 2020 IN THE GLENVIEW HOTEL AT 5.00 p.m.

Present: Peter Brennan, Richard Webb, Chris Hill, Tom Byrne, Pat O'Suilleabhán, Brian Carty,

Martina Cronin, Stephen Fitzgerald. Siobhan Fitzpatrick, Cllr. Pat Kennedy, Cllr. Dermot O'Brien, Cllr. Peir Leonard, Cllr. Melanie Corrigan and Clare Power.

Apologies: Niamh Wogan, Lorraine Hennessy, Mai Quaid, Frank Curran, Vibeke Delahunt.

In Attendance: Michael Nicholson (CO), Deirdre Whitfield (WCC), Patricia Reilly (WCC) Martina Byrne (WCC), Gerry Walsh (Chair of Economic SPC-observing), Kay O'Connor (County Wicklow Partnership, (SICAP Programme Co-ordinator) and Barbara Mason (WCC).

Part 1 Welcome & Apologies

Pat Kennedy welcomed everybody to the meeting and gave apologies for those unable to attend.

Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting of 10th December 2019

The minutes of the meeting of 10th December 2019 were noted, with no matters arising. Proposed by Peir Leonard Seconded by Richard Webb

Item 2 SICAP updates

Pat Kennedy then introduced Kay O'Connor, who is the SICAP Programme Co-ordinator for County Wicklow Partnership. Kay gave a presentation on the 2020 SICAP annual Plan and highlighted to the group the various actions and supports offered by the SICAP programme. She showed photographs of many of the courses taking place.

Pat invited the members to discuss the presentation and the general feeling was that they were very impressed with work being done by CWP.

Stephen Fitzgerald explained that the SICAP sub-group undertake 6 and 12 month evaluations also. The group we pleased to hear about early intervention for children in need of assistance.

It was noted that there was a lot of work to be undertaken on quite a small budget and in answer to a query about the possibility for staff to up-skill and develop, Kay explained that this, too, has to come from the budget allotted.

Pat Kennedy thanked Kay for her presentation and praised the work she does.

Clare Power left the meeting at 5.30

Richard Webb left the meeting at 5.45

Stephen Fitzgerald then gave his report -

<u>Annual Plans 2020</u>: These are currently being reviewed by the SICAP Sub-group, with both Partnerships currently addressing some outstanding issues. The Plans contain clear, detailed actions and their KPIs are in line with agreed targets. Deadline for final approval is February 28th.

<u>Annual Performance Review 2019</u>: Both PIs met the January 15th deadline for the submission of their End of Year 2019 Reports onto IRIS. These will be reviewed by the SICAP Sub-group who will pass on feedback to the PIs on the information submitted and on their progress reports. These reports will also be circulated to LCDC members. Deadline for final approval of the End of Year Reports is also February 28th.

<u>Distance Travelled Tool</u>: Representatives of the LCDC will be attending an information event on the upcoming roll-out of the new SICAP Distance Travelled Tool in Dublin on January 30th. Pobal have said that the Department intends to hold training for frontline SICAP staff later in the year.

Pat Kennedy thanked Stephen Fitzgerald and Patricia Reilly for their work.

Item 3 LECP updates

Deirdre Whitfield gave her report on the progress of the actions of the LECP (copy attached), explaining that there had not been much change since her report at the December 10th meeting.

Martina Cronin enquired about the Migrant Integration Strategy and when it is due for completion. Deirdre said that as yet there is not date finalised but that it is envisaged that it would be approximately 4 months, perhaps May.

Pat Kennedy thanks Deirdre for her report and made the point that while it was really good for us to apply and receive funding but that the match funding always needs to be found and this in itself brings problems.

Item 4 Any Other Business

There were no items under AOB.

Item 6 Correspondence

There were no items under correspondence for discussion.

Item 7 Date of next meeting.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 19th February in Clermont Campus, Rathnew.

Signed:

Pat Kennedy.

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