

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD
ON 28th July 2021
AT 5.00p.m. via Zoom**

Present: Peter Brennan, Frank Quaid, Amanda Mooney, Pat O'Suilleabhain, Vibeke Delahunt, Stephen Fitzgerald, Jason Mulhall, Tom Byrne, Philip Beck, Cllr. Dermot O'Brien, Cllr. Melanie Corrigan

Apologies: Mary Fitzpatrick, Jim Ruttle, Cllr. Peir Leonard, Cllr. Pat Kennedy, Frank Curran, Eileen Cullen

In Attendance: Michael Nicholson (Chief Officer), Martina Byrne, Patricia Reilly, Maire Halvey and Barbara Mason

Item 1 Welcome & Apologies and minutes of meeting of 24th March 2021

As Pat Kennedy was unable to attend the meeting, the Vice Chair, Frank Quaid chaired the meeting and welcomed everybody to the meeting and gave apologies from those members unable to attend.

The minutes of the meeting of 24th March 2021 were adopted and there were no matters arising.

Proposed by Stephen Fitzgerald

Seconded by Melanie Corrigan

Item 2 SICAP

Stephen Fitzgerald gave the update from SICAP sub-group –

(i) SICAP Mid-Year Review 2021: The SICAP Sub-group met with both Partnerships and went through all aspects of their work to date this year and their plans and priorities for the remainder of 2021, including any budgetary changes. Both Partnerships met all financial, KPIs and non-financial criteria required to allow their mid-year reports to be approved. You will have noted progress to date in the Summary Reports circulated. The SICAP Sub-group therefore recommends that the LCDC formally approves the Mid-Year Reports for both Lots today.

Proposed by Pat O'Suilleabhain

Seconded by Melanie Corrigan.

(ii) SICAP Extension & Mid-Programme Review: The current SICAP programme has been extended to end 2023. The necessary paperwork between the Partnerships and the LCDC has now been completed. In allowing this extension the Department has asked that each LCDC and LDC carry out a mid-programme review. This will involve compiling a statement of priorities for the remainder of the programme in each Lot and to submit this at year end with the 2022 Annual Plans. This piece of work will get underway shortly

Item 3 LECP updates

Michael Nicholson circulated a comprehensive LECP report and explained that due to time constraints he wouldn't go through the report, and should anybody have any queries they could contact him.

Item 4 Approval of the Community Enhancement Programme Grantees

Michael Nicholson gave a background to the programme, explaining that there were 57 applicants. Some were small and some larger but that everybody was granted some funding, totalling €141,343.00. Maire Halvey, who was dealing with the programme explained that the list – which had been circulated just prior to the meeting – was to be approved by the LCDC and that it then goes to the department for approval before she would contact each applicant to inform them of their grant. She stressed that the Department have advised that the grantees aren't told until such time as they have approved the list and issued a notice.

This was approved by all
Proposed by Cllr. Melanie Corrigan
Seconded by Cllr. Dermot O'Brien

Item 5 AOB, correspondence and date for next meeting

The National Rural Network Newsletter – Smart Villages and Rural Towns in Ireland and the Dormant Account Action Plan were both circulated prior to the meeting and Michael Nicholson explained that these were both documents he thought would be of interest to the members.

Frank Quaid thanked everybody for their attendance.

The next meeting will be Wednesday 1st September 2021.

Signed: _____
Cllr. Pat Kennedy.
Cathaoirleach

Date: _____