

# Minutes of Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Meeting held Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of July, 2018 in Butler House, Patrick Street, Kilkenny.

**Present:** Fergus Keane, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar- Chairperson

Denis Drennan, County Kilkenny Leader Partnership

Mary Barron, Department of Social Protection

Sheila Donnelly, Family Resource Centres

Declan Gibbons, PPN Community Pillar

John Hurley, Kilkenny Chamber of Commerce Anne Corr, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar (Disability) Cllr. Mary Hilda Cavanagh, Elected Representative

Andrew McGuinness, Elected Representative

John Bambrick, Irish Farmers Association

Derval Howley, Associate Member Michael Delahunty, Chief Officer.

**Apologies:** Colette Byrne, CE, Kilkenny County Council

David Fitzgerald, Elected Representative

Eileen Curtis, ETB

Cllr. Ger Frisby, Elected Representative Niall McManus, PPN Environmental Pillar Eileen Ryan, PPN Social Inclusion Pillar Fiona Deegan, Local Enterprise Office

Loretto O' Driscoll, Teagasc

Elizabeth Dermody, PPN Community Pillar

**In Attendance:** Lindsey Butler and Cora Nolan Community.

#### 1. Administrative

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minute of meeting held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of May, 2018 were agreed.

## **Matters Arising**

Joan Ita Murphy HSE to be added to list – In attendance at meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.

## Any Conflicts of Interest

Denis Drennan informed the meeting that he will leave the meeting for the discussion on SICAP, Anne Corr and Declan Gibbons informed the meeting that they will leave the room for the discussion on the Community Enhancement Programme Grants.

#### Issue of Code of Conduct and Interest Declarations

Michael Delahunty reminded those present to return the Code of Conduct form and Declaration of Interest to him as soon as possible.

- 2. Oversight and implementation of the community element of the Local Economic and Community Plan including Local and Community Development Coordination and oversight.
- SICAP Sub Group- Mid Year Review.

Denis Drennan declared a Conflict of Interest and absented himself on this matter.

The report was circulated and Sheila Donnelly reported on the 2018 Midyear Review process which was undertaken in July. She reported that the group signed off on the Q3 payment as a result of the process where queries raised were dealt with. There are some outstanding issues that require a meeting with the PI on the 28<sup>th</sup> of September some of the targets that were underachieved will be achieved by the end of year.

Fergus Keane thanked the subcommittee for all their hard work.

The Mid Year Review Report was proposed by Declan Gibbons and seconded by Anne Corr and agreed.

Denis Drennan rejoined the meeting.

#### **LECP – Mid Year Review.**

Lindsey Butler distributed a summary and analysis report. Lindsey advised that Survey Monkey was used for the Mid Year Review and overall the feedback was positive.

Lindsey outlined the milestones achieved, overall progress, successful outcomes, the barriers to achieving actions and the next steps. It was noted that 10 agencies did not respond. Lindsey Butler to follow up with these agencies.

## **Community Enhancement Programme – Grant Recommendations.**

Declan Gibbons and Anne Corr declared conflicts of interest and absented themselves for this matter.

Michael Delahunty outlined the subgroups report and the recommendations: - the allocation, non eligible organisations, target groups, assessment criteria etc.

The subcommittee was thanked for all their hard work on this scheme. The recommendation to award 47 Grants totalling €348,963 was proposed by Fergus Keane and seconded by Mary Hilda Cavanagh and agreed.

## **Updates on:-**

# Mapping of Funding.

Michael Delahunty gave an update on this, the aim and purpose etc. He advised that agencies in Kilkenny have been requested to provide information relevant to County Kilkenny for the years 2013-2017 in respect of any grant aid or funding schemes that their organisation provides so as to populate the database for mapping purposes.

## **High Level Strategic Actions**

Michael Delahunty gave an update on his report and recommendations. It was a agreed that a sub-committee of Fergus Keane, Anne Corr, Declan Gibbons and Sheila Donnelly would set a date to meet to agreed 2/3 strategic actions to focus on before the next meeting.

## 3. Citizen Engagement and promotion of Social Inclusion

## **PPN Report**

Anne Corr read out the PPN Report which was noted. Votes of sympathy were offered to Katherine Peacock and Liz Dermody on their recent bereavements.

It was noted that Katherine Peacock will be taking up a new role in Kilkenny County Council shortly. Declan Gibbons and committee members offered their appreciation of Katherine Peacocks' great work and contribution to the PPN and wished her well in her new role.

## 4. Items for Information & Information Sharing:

Michael Delahunty gave an update on funding including the Town and Village Renewal Scheme, CIÁR and the Community & Cultural Facilities Grant Scheme.

# Civic Reception - Sudanese 10 year Celebration of Resettlement

The Sudanese Community are celebrating 10 years of living in Kilkenny. A Civic Reception will be held on 31<sup>st</sup> August.

# **Date for Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 in Butler House.

This concluded the business of the meeting.