



# Minutes of the LCDC meeting of Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2022 Held on Microsoft Teams

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Cllr Fergal Dennehy

Chairperson

Cllr Kelleher

Cllr Keohane

Ann Doherty

Joe Curtin

Niall O'Keeffe

Adrienne Rodgers

Nora O'Donovan

Catherine Kennedy

Adrian Kane

Gabriel O'Keeffe

Also in attendance: Richard McCarthy, Rebecca Loughry, Kieran O'Connell, Ruth Lynch, Sandy Mcgroarty, Stephen Murphy, Karen Duke, Tanya O'Sullivan

**Apologies** 

Eoin Gunn, Helen Murphy, Denis Leamy

#### 1. Welcome

The Chairperson, Cllr Fergal Dennehy welcomed the committee members. Fergal thanked Nora on behalf of the Committee for her contribution to the work of the LCDC over the two terms Nora has served as a Cork City PPN representative. Nora thanked all the LCDC members, Cork City Council staff, past and present, for their support during her membership.

#### 2. Minutes

The minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 were proposed as read by Clir Kelleher and seconded by Joe Curtin. There were no matters arising.

### 3. Membership of LCDC - PPN Representatives, TOR/Standing Orders and Replacements

All new PPN representatives who will be elected members to the LCDC from the PPN plenary will receive the relevant TOR/Standing Orders in advance of their first meeting of the LCDC.

# 4. Ukraine Community Response Forum Update: 'Glance Back - Look Forward' 6<sup>th</sup> December Event Invite

Cork City Council's Ukrainian Response Coordinator gave an update on the Ukraine Community Response Forum outlining that there are 60,000 Ukrainians in Ireland currently. There are 600 Ukrainians spread across 6 different facilities in Cork. There will be a call towards pledged accommodation by the end of November. Funding from Healthy Ireland will be used towards the health and wellbeing of Ukrainians.

'Glance Back – Look Forward' Event Invite: The Lord Mayor Cllr Deirdre Forde will host this event in the Concert Hall on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. This event, in cooperation with the Cork Volunteer Centre, funded by the DRCD, will be a chance for networking, renewing connections, and reflecting on the work of the Community Response Forum during the pandemic. It will be an opportunity to recognise the work of the community and voluntary sector, the public services, and volunteers.

#### 5. For Information:

- (a) Cork City Council/LGBTI + Inter-Agency was elected as a Board member of the Rainbow Cities Network. This is a huge achievement and recognition of the work and collaboration with and between the Council, the Interagency and the Network.
- (b) Community Enhancement Programme Funding has been announced.
- (c) Launch of the Trauma Strategy for the City and the E- training module (16th November 2022)

# 6. PPN Report: LCDC PPN Representatives and Annual Conference Report

PPN Representative Joe Curtin reported that Linkage groups are being developed with the PPN representatives grouped under the three pillars. The Winter plenary of Cork City PPN is being held on 21<sup>st</sup> November in City Hall for election of Representatives from the three pillars.

#### 7. SICAP –

a) Annual Plan 2023 – and End of Year Report

DRCD announced an overall increase of 3% (€1.4 million in total)

b) SICAP Transition Group

SICAP will change due to boundary extension once the current contracts are completed in 2023.

## c) Cork City Partnership Request on Ukraine Response Funding

The Chairperson reported on the request from Cork City Partnership on refocusing funding to the recruitment of a Ukraine migrant resource worker. Cork City Partnership reported that no response to their tender process on the section to support families. The options now being proposed are to utilise the fund to recruit a resource worker or re-tender. The money must be allocated to an agreed project by end of year. The Chairperson proposed that the SICAP Sub-Group would be given autonomy to decide on this request once they had received additional information. They would report back to the LCDC at the next meeting. This was approved unanimously.

# d) DRCD approved carryover of 8% of the SICAP budget into 2023

Pobal and the DRCD have agreed that 8% carryover of the SICAP budget could be carried over into 2023. Normally a 5% carryover is only allowed but as the Ukraine funding came late in the year flexibility has allowed the increase.

e) (Non-SICAP) - Empowering Communities Programme The new ECP coordinator has been appointed and will commence work on the programme in the Killala gardens area of Knocknaheeny over the next 12 months.

#### 8. LCDC: Audit (CEP and SICAP 2021) and Annual Report 2021

The meeting was informed that the DRCD has selected Cork City LCDC for an Audit on its work on the CEP and SICAP for 2021. This Audit will commence on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Cllr Dennehy proposed the Draft Annual Report for 2021 would be commended to the meeting as presented and this was seconded by Cllr Keohane.

#### 9. Strategic Items:

#### a. Slaintecare Healthy Communities/Healthy Ireland Fund -

The Slainecare coordinator gave a presentation on "Slaintecare Healthy Communities" and the RAPID Coordinator gave a presentation on the €75,000 SEED funding.

# b. Cork City LECP Update-

The Social Inclusion Development Officer gave an updated presentation to the meeting on the "local economic & community plan 2023-2029"

Adrienne Rodgers outlined to the meeting how this new draft LECP is now achieving a more balanced input from both the community & economic elements of the plan.

The next meeting will receive a presentation from the students of St. Vincent's Secondary School on their engagement in the Yellow Flag Programme for the next meeting. Action Ref No 7.18 (Pure Cork)

PPN Representative, Catherine Kennedy highlighted the upcoming "world aids day" walk or run parks event on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November.

The next meeting will be an in-person meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 from 3.30 p.m.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Fergal Dennehy

Chairperson.

17th November 2022