



Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
Cork City Council



Minutes of the LCDC meeting on Thursday, 14th November 2019 Multimedia Room, New Civic Offices, Cork

In attendance:

Fergal Dennehy	Chairperson
Aaron O'Connell	Vice Chairperson
Bernie Connolly	PPN
Catherine Kennedy	PPN
Garret Kelleher	Councillor
Ger Keohane	Councillor
Joe Curtin	PPN
Laurence Owens	CBA
Nora O'Donovan	PPN
Priscilla Lynch	HSE
Adrienne Rodgers	Chief Officer

Also in attendance: Tony Power, Ruth Lynch, Cork City Council, P Geraghty, B Reape DRCD, Karen Fitzgerald, Catherine Kelly, Corporate Plan Presentation
Cathy Buchanan, Elaine Winters, Meithal Mara Presentation

Apologies: Ann Doherty, Chief Supt. Barry McPolin, David Ronayne, Eddie Mullins, Fiona Finn, Ger Canning, Mick O'Connell, Siobhan Goulding

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the committee members, P. Geraghty and B. Reape from the DRCD. Round table introductions were made and apologies were noted.

D. Ronayne has resigned from the LCDC, he has taken a new role on Cork City Councils Audit Committee. L. Owens expressed for the record the appreciation of the LCDC for his contribution to the committee since its inception.

Presentation on Corporate Plan

Catherine Kelly, Senior Executive Officer gave a presentation to the Committee on the Corporate Plan 2020-2024. Submissions are currently being accepted. Requested the committee to submit a co-ordinated submission at the next meeting.

2. Minutes

On the proposal of P Lynch, seconded by G Keohane, the minutes of 17th October 2019 were approved.

3. Correspondence

1. AMIF – Integration strategy to be developed on foot of funding granted to Nasc.
2. Placed based Leadership workshop 25th , 26th November – This is a piloted workshop presented by Dr. Rob Worrall of the IPA on behalf of DRCD. T Power to circulate documentation on workshop to committee. T Power outlined the theme and stressed that attendance is recommended.

4. Funding Streams Update

- a. **Healthy Ireland Fund round 3:** T Power circulated report to committee for consideration. Query arose as to when funding becoming available, the Department still considering the action plan following submission of clarifications sought by the Department of Health. Funding expected by the end of November.
- b. **CEP 2019 & CEP Men's Shed Allocation update:** T Power circulated report to the committee for consideration. One payment not issued yet due to outstanding paperwork.

P Geraghty commented on the excellence of the City Council HIF submission to the department. Thanked the council for their work on the CEP and Mens Sheds.

B Connolly commented on the difficulty in retaining good staff while waiting on funding to come through.

F Dennehy commented on the fact that the city had expanded but we did not receive any extra funding through the CEP. P Geraghty responded by saying the 2019 allocations had been decided before the expansion but this would be taken into consideration for the 2020 allocation.

5. SICAP

a) **Sicap Annual Plan 2020 update**

The Department of Rural and Community Development have given a 3% increase for Cork in the sum of €37k. Cork City Partnership has been informed and the deadline for submissions has been extended to facilitate the increase in funding. The total available is now €1.27m.

P Geraghty acknowledged that it is a chronically underfunded program and they achieved the 3% increase by squeezing funds from other budgets. He understands that it is still not enough but the department have not adjusted the KPI's with the awarding of the 3% increase as they understand the difficulties.

b) **Timelines for SICAP End of Year review**

The National SICAP Annual Report 2018 has been published. T Power to circulate link to LCDC.

SICAP End of year deadline is 14th January for submission of end year reports and final approval by LCDC by 28th February 2020.

In relation to meeting South County Cork LCDC in relation to monitoring group re SICAP in the Boundary areas, they currently have a vacancy to fill prior to setting a meeting.

7. Public Participation Network Report

J Curtin/C Kennedy outlined the monthly PPN report. F Dennehy thanked and congratulated them for a comprehensive report. T Power confirmed that funding has been received again for a PPN support worker. Cork City Council will match this funding in the sum of €5k. Clann Credo attended the PPN Plenary and have expressed interest in presenting to the LCDC, this was agreed and will be arranged in the new year.

8. LECP, Meithal Mara Presentation

Cathy Buchanan and Elaine Winters gave a presentation on Meithal Mara.

P Lynch paid a visit to Meithal Mara and was very impressed after the visit. It was suggested that at a future LCDC meeting time would be given to discuss supporting Meithal Mara in developing a Maritime centre. It was also agreed that LCDC would visit Meithal Mara in the New Year.

L Owens commended all the work being done.

P Geraghty congratulated Meithal Mara on all their hard work.

9. LCDC Updates

- a. Unicorn Project. An EU initiative where students get credits for Community work. This is a good opportunity for community groups to jointly develop a training module with UCC to aid the community.

P Lynch congratulated Cork City Council on securing funding.

- b. Update from LCDC National Meeting Tullamore, 9th November – B Connolly suggested the committee will get this at the Placed Based Leadership Workshop. P Gerraghty commented that he would have preferred if there was more attendance at the national meeting.

10. A.O.B.

- a) L Owens confirmed the launch of the Sensory Hour is the 8th of December 2019. This is one hour on a Sunday where persons with sensory difficulties are accommodated in all stores that are participating in the initiative.
- b) C Kennedy confirmed that World Aids day park run is coming up. Details to be forwarded to T Power for circulation.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Cllr. Fergal Dennehy
Chairperson