**Minutes of Meeting of Cavan Local Community Development Committee**

**Date: 26th July 2018**

**Time: 3.30pm**

**Location: Council Chamber**

**Present:**

**Statutory**

Cllr Clifford Kelly, Ms Carmel Denning (DSP), Ms Mary Rose Smith (HSE), Mr John Kearney, CMETB

**Private Sector Interests**

Mr Fintan McCabe (Environmental Interests), Mr Bob Gilbert (Older People’s Interests), Mr Gerry McDonagh (Cavan Chambers), Ada Vance (Women’s Interests). Mr. Jim Reilly (C&V Interests), Mr Thomas Duffy (Agricultural and Farming Interests). Ms Olive Hannigan (Social Inclusion Interests),

**Apologies**

**Statutory:**

Cllr Paddy McDonald (Elected Member), Cllr Paddy O’Reilly (Elected Member), Mr Tommy Ryan (Chief Executive, CCC), Ms Marcella Rudden (Head of LEO).

**Private:** Mr Jim Maguire (Breffni Integrated Ltd.), Ms Ashling Tobin (Youth Interests).

**In attendance:** Mr John Donohoe (Chief Officer), Ms Theresa Tierney (Cavan County Council), Ms Jane Crudden (Cavan County Council), Mr Terry Hyland (Breffni Integrated), Mr Brendan Jennings (Director of Service), Mr Denis Meegan (Cavan County Council), Mr Kieran Woodcock (Comhairle na nÓg), Ms Lorraine McTeigue (Breffni Integrated).

The Chair (Mr Fintan McCabe) opened the meeting and noted apologies. He welcomed Mr Bob Gilbert to the Committee and wished Mr Gerry McDonagh well as this was his last meeting.

1. **Minutes of previous meeting**

Minutes of previous meeting were adopted on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith, seconded by Ms Olive Hannigan.

1. **Matters Arising**

No Matters Arising.

1. **Conflicts of Interest**

The Chair reminded people of their responsibilities under conflict of interests.

1. **Peace IV Update**

Ms. Jane Crudden gave an update on Peace IV.

A total of 23 applications were received for small grants.

11 have been approved by SEUPB. The 11 projects that have been approved have been informed of the decision.

There will be a training day on the 10th Sept for Partners and Small Grant Applicants. Cavan Military Tattoo are holding their event on the 18th and 19th August in Cavan Town. The launch of Peace IV is on the 25th September and she will be in contact with the members before this.

1. **Presentation on Comhairle na nÓg**

A presentation was delivered on Cavan’s Comhairle na nÓg by Mr Denis Meegan and Mr Kieran Woodcock. Mr Meegan explained that Comhairle na nÓg was a child and youth council for the youth of the county funded by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs. The funding is administered by Pobal and supported by Foroige with a budget of € 20,000. It is the voice for the young people in the county that have no voting mechanisms for services and policies. 44 Members attended the AGM in Oct 2017 in Castlesanderson. Of the 11 schools in the county, 10 were represented. The 11th school, Dún An Rí in Kingscourt, was not in a position to send any one last year as they were only open but they are now involved. Arising out of this AGM, the members selected three main areas to focus on for 2017-2018: improving Irish language skills, life skills and healthy eating. This year the group have organised and hosted their second Pop Up Gaeltacht. The first Gaeltacht in 2017 won the overall prize for Best Irish Language Initiative in the All Ireland Community and Council Awards 2018. The group has also been selected as the outright winner of the Promotion of the Irish Language and Culture award 2018 by the Public Sector Awards.

Mr Kiernan Woodcock informed the meeting that since he joined Comhairle na nÓg he has grown in confidence, gained many friends and added to his life experiences that would not have been possible without the support he has received from the committee.

**SICAP Programme**

Lorraine McTeigue then gave a report on the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme and the work being undertaken in Cavan.

**SICAP MID Year Report**

Mr John Donohoe informed the meeting that the SICAP Sub Committee had met on the 18th July and approved the SICAP Mid Year Review Report. He also gave a breakdown on the Pobal Technical Report and recommendations

Mr Terry Hyland informed the meeting that the Key Performance Targets were being met and exceeded. Pobal had noted that they should continue to support disadvantaged areas. One area to concentrate on is uploading data onto the IRIS system on an ongoing basis, and maintaining a focus on publicity for the programme, eg the need to have links to the SICAP site on all websites both County Council and Breffni Integrated sites. The SICAP strap line was not included and this was going to be rectified.

Mr Hyland said that 7-8 grants have been approved. The maximum of which is in the region of €1,500. The SICAP budget for 2018 allows for a total of €10,000 to be spent on grants to local community groups.

He explained that the new SICAP programme had a greater degree of flexibility to respond to emerging needs and this was very welcome. People need to access services early with early intervention being the valuable in community.

He presented the midterm review for adoption and on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith and seconded by Mr Bob Gilbert this review was approved.

**A.O.B.**

Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 27th September June 2018 at 3.30pm in the Council Chamber, The Courthouse, Farnham Street, Cavan.

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Chairman