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

**Date: 28th February 2019**

**Time: 3.30pm**

**Location: Council Chamber**

**Present:**

**Statutory**

Mr Tommy Ryan (Chief Executive, CCC), Ms Marcella Rudden (Head of LEO), Ms Mary Rose Smith (HSE), Mr John Kearney, (CMETB), Ms Carmel Denning (Dept of EA&SP), Cllr Paddy McDonald (Elected Member), Cllr Paddy O’Reilly (Elected Member).

**Private Sector Interests**

Mr Fintan McCabe (Environmental Interests), Mr Bob Gilbert (Older People’s Interests), Ms Olive Hannigan (Social Inclusion Interests), Mr Jim Maguire (Breffni Integrated CLG), Ms Ciara McPhillips (Youth Interests), Ms Ada Vance (Women’s Interests),

**Apologies**

**Statutory** Cllr Clifford Kelly (Elected Member),

**Private:** Mr Eugene Greenan (Business Interests). Mr Jim Reilly (C&V Interests).

**In attendance:** Mr John Donohoe (Chief Officer), Ms Theresa Tierney (Cavan County Council), Mr Terry Hyland (Breffni Integrated), Ms Jane Crudden (Peace IV).

**Apologies:** Mr Brendan Jennings (Director of Service), Dr Emer Coveney (Cavan County Council)

The Chair (Mr Fintan McCabe) opened the meeting.

1. **Minutes of previous meeting**

Minutes were proposed by Mr Bob Gilbert and seconded by Ms Ada Vance.

1. **Matters arising**

The Chief Officer advised that the national review of LCDCs and LECPs was largely complete and the report should be available in the coming weeks.

1. **Conflict of Interests**

The chair reminded members of their conflict of interests responsibilities.

1. **LECP end of Year Review 2018**

The Chief Officer presented the review of the community actions for 2018 and noted some of the highlights from 2018. The report as presented was agreed by the members on the proposal of Cllr Paddy McDonald and seconded by Mary Rose Smith

1. **LECP implementation plan 2019.**

The Chief Officer advised the members that this item would be taken at the March LCDC meeting.

1. **Peace IV Update**

Ms Jane Crudden, Peace IV Co-ordinator, gave an update on the programme. All Peace IV monies have been allocated. 11 Partner Delivery Programmes and 18 Small Grants are in operation. In relation to this programme it will end in Dec 2019 with Peace Plus earmarked for beginning in 2021 but no information on themes etc have been advised as of yet.

#### Jane requested that the minutes of the 26th April 2018 be amended to show that Swanlinbar Development Association were awarded a small grant of € 19216.50 not €19217.00 as stated in the minutes.

The committee noted same and approved the amendment on the proposal of Cllr Paddy McDonald and seconded by Ms Olive Hannigan.

1. **SICAP end of year report 2018**

Mr. Terry Hyland, CEO of Breffni Integrated, presented the draft SICAP Annual Review for 2018.

The Key points showed that 1,500 individuals and 12 groups benefited in total from the programme. In 2018 the programme was more tailored towards community development rather than Labour activation as previous programmes. Therefore, more communities could be reached and the outreach programme Breffni Integrated has embarked upon has had the desired effect of reaching more persons in need in the county. The Chair congratulated Mr Hyland and his staff on the excellent work and the LCDC committee for the support shown to the Programme.

The Chief Officer advised the members that the SICAP Sub Committee met on the 22nd February and had recommended adoption of the review. This was agreed by the committee on the proposal of Mary Rose Smith and Seconded by Ms Marcella Rudden.

1. **LCDC Annual Report**

The Chief Officer advised the members that under Section 128B of the Local Government Act, an annual report of the LCDC’s activities must be presented to the elected members, no later than 31st March each year.

The Chief Officer informed the members that a national review of LCDCs was under way. The LCDC will be strengthen as a model and the LECP is seen as a key document with ties into National, Regional and Local Plans such as Regional Spatial Strategy and the County Development Plan.

There were 9 presentations to the LCDC over the year and suggestions for 2019 would be welcome.

Training of the committee and Staff of BI and C & E took place in 2019 under SICAP and Leader training programme.

In conclusion, the Chief Officer stated that Cavan LCDC was working effectively and achieving it’s targets. The Chair asked that the Chief Officer give a presentation on the Town and Village Revitalisation Plans to the committee, as well as highlighting some of the funding leveraged for the county for LECP actions. The Chair stated that Cavan LCDC is a good model with representation from Cavan County Council, state agencies and private interests working together so that any money the department give us we can and will spend.

On the proposal of Cllr Paddy McDonald and seconded by Mary Rose Smith the LCDC annual report was approved.

1. **AOB**

Mr Fintan McCabe congratulated Mr Bob Gilbert for Drama Project winning an award at the Annual LAMA Awards. Bob thanked the committee and informed them that the play would be performed at Carrigallen and Ramor Theatre and Belturbet during May.

Mr Terry Hyland congratulated Chief Officer and staff on the excellent event that was held during Minister Rings recent visit to Cavan and Monaghan and for facilitating LEADER to showcase at the event.

#### The Chief Officer Informed the committee of a New National Community Grant that has been announced. € 10,000 will be allocated to each county to be divided among applicants for events on the Bank Holiday Weekend in May. Following the national launch of logos and more details we will be launching in Cavan.

#### The Draft LECP newsletter was circulated and if the committee had any amendments please get them to us by 8th March. If any committee member had an article for future newsletters they would be more than welcome.

Next meeting is on Thursday 28th March 2019.

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Chairman