

Minutes of Meeting of Cavan Local Community Development Committee

Date: 30th July 2025

Time: 3pm

Location: Online via Microsoft Teams & Council Chamber, Cavan County Council Offices

Present:

Statutory

Cllr T.P. O'Reilly (Elected Member), Cllr Val Smith (Elected Member), Mr Brendan Jennings (Cavan County Council), Mr Conor Craven (Local Enterprise Office), Ms Ruth Woods (HSE), Dr Fiona McGrath (CMETB), Cllr Clifford Kelly (Elected Member), Ms Carmel Denning (Department of Social Protection)

Private Sector Interests

Mr Jim Maguire (Cavan County Local Development Company- Chairperson), Ms Beth McEntee (Community and Voluntary Interests), Ms Connie Whelan (Cootehill Chamber), Mr Paddy Denning (Agricultural and Farming Interests), Ms Gayathri Soman (Social Inclusion Interests).

Apologies:

Mr Barry Kavanagh, Ms Aisling Traynor and Ms Frances O'Neill.

In attendance:

Ms Angela Fitzpatrick (Chief Officer), Mr Terry Hyland (Cavan County Local Development), Ms Siobhan Morgan (Cavan County Council),

The Chair (Mr Jim Maguire) opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly Ms Angela Fitzpatrick who is the new Chief Officer.

Apologies were noted.

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes were proposed by Cllr TP O'Reilly and seconded by Mr Brendan Jennings

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

of the county. Cllr Kelly asked about the Kingscourt area and how participants travel, and Ms Montero said that they travel to her or she to them, whichever is required. She also said that venues/affordability can be an issue. Cllr Kelly said that there was lots of availability in Kingscourt between the old community centre and community offices. Mr Jim Maguire thanked the ladies for their presentation.

5. SICAP

(i) SICAP Mid-Year Review

Reports relating to the review were circulated to the LCDC members prior to the meeting. The SICAP Monitoring Committee met on 22nd July 2025 to review these reports in detail. The recommendation of the SICAP Monitoring Committee is that the SICAP Mid-Year review be approved by the LCDC.

Approval of the SICAP Mid-Year Review was Proposed by Cllr Clifford Kelly and seconded by Cllr TP O'Reilly.

Mr Hyland informed the committee that Additional funding of €14,900 was allocated to SICAP by the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht towards the provision of supports for New Arrivals. The Annual Plan for 2025 has been updated to take into account this new funding. Mr Hyland stated that the money will be divided between Goal 1, which is community events and Goal 2 which is working with individuals.

Approval of the additional funding was approved by Dr Fiona McGrath and seconded by Ms Connie Whelan.

(ii) Approval of SICAP Service Providers and Subcontractors

The list of Service Providers and Subcontractors engaged by Cavan County Local Development Company for SICAP was circulated prior to the meeting by email. Approval of the LCDC is required.

Approval of the SICAP list of Service Providers and Subcontractors was Proposed by Cllr TP O'Reilly and seconded by Mr Brendan Jennings.

7. Bailieborough Men's and Hen's Shed

- Programme to confirm location.

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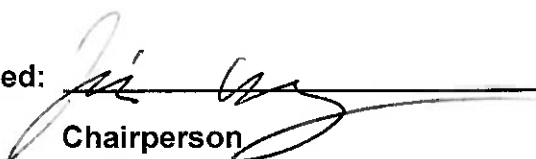
- This was Frances O'Neill's last meeting in the rotating seat representing Disability Interests. The seat will revert to Older Persons Interests from the September meeting. Ms Angela Fitzpatrick, Chief Officer read out a message from Ms O'Neill. The LCDC thanked Ms O'Neil for her work and commitment during her time on the LCDC.
- Chief Officer, Ms Angela Fitzpatrick outlined she has been notified of two stakeholder consultations requiring responses from the LCDC:
 1. Local Democracy Taskforce Targeted Stakeholder Consultation. This consultation is open until the **22nd August 2025**.
 2. Stakeholder Consultation on the new Strategy to support the Community and Voluntary Sector in Ireland. The consultation is open until **15th August 2025**

It was agreed that documentation would be sent out to members and Ms Fitzpatrick would collate a collective response on behalf of the full LCDC.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the LCDC will take place on 24th September 2025 at 3pm in Council Chamber.

Signed:


Chairperson

Date:

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