

Kildare Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP)

What is Kildare LECP?

- ▶ In 2015 all Local Authorities are required to produce a six year Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) 2016-2021.
- ▶ Kildare LECP 2016-2021 will be the economic and community plan for the county.
- ▶ Kildare LECP will set out the objectives and actions needed to promote and support the economic and local/community development for Kildare.
- ▶ This is linked to Local Government Reform, and is outlined in the Local Government Act 2014.
- ▶ National guidelines were issued in January 2015, setting out how LECP plans should be developed across all Local Authority areas.
- ▶ Planning for Kildare LECP is underway.

PROCESS

- ▶ Kildare LECP needs a lot of input to ensure that it is a high quality, meaningful, prioritised plan.
- ▶ In order for this to happen, data and evidence will inform the consultation stage. This is being gathered by AIRO in Maynooth University.
- ▶ Consultation with a range of stakeholders – local businesses, state agencies, elected representatives, voluntary sector organisations and the general public will take place in the coming months.
- ▶ We will advertise opportunities to get involved. Watch out for information on Kildare LECP through local press, KFM radio, and websites: www.kildarecoco.ie, www.kildareppn.ie and www.kildare.ie



STRUCTURE

- ▶ Kildare LECP will be adopted by Kildare County Council.
- ▶ Economic Development strategies will be developed by the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) of Kildare County Council.
- ▶ Community Development strategies will be developed by Kildare Local Community Development Committee (LCDC).
- ▶ Kildare Advisory Steering Group is in place. They are overseeing the planning process.
- ▶ An integrated approach to developing the plan is agreed.

OUR TIMELINE

The LECP follows a five step process. Kildare LECP will be finished by December 2015

January–April

Preparation

May –September

Consultation

October

Draft Plan

November–December

Finalise the Plan

2016 and onwards

Implementation / Monitor / Review

CONTACT US

- ▶ **If you have a question at this stage or want further information please email lecp@kildarecoco.ie or contact Lorcan Griffin (Economic) on 045-980775 or Susan Bookle (Community) on 045-980634.**