

Kildare Local Community Development Committee

Minutes

Held at 10:00 am on Wednesday 23rd November 2016

At Áras Chill Dara, Naas

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Members in Attendance:

Statutory	Non-Statutory
Local Government Elected Members Cllr. Suzanne Doyle Cllr. Mark Wall Cllr. Fintan Brett	Partnership Companies Patricia O'Brien, Chairperson, CKLP
Local Government Officials Peter Carey, LCDC Chairperson & Chief Executive KCC	Local Community Interests Pat Doyle, CEO, Peter McVerry Trust Sarah Shakespeare, Manager, Teach Dara Lisa Baggott, Co-ordinator SWRDATF David Walsh, An Taisce Dermot O'Donnell, Vice-Chair, C&VF Anthony Egan, Chair, C&VF Allan Shine, CEO, North Kildare Chamber
State Agencies Sean Ashe, CE, KWETB Trish Finlay, Area Manager, Tusla David Walsh, Chief Officer, HSE	

Also in Attendance: Peter Minnock (Chief Officer LCDC); Susan Bookle (Co-ordinator LCDC); Marie Kane (Administrator LCDC); Pat Leogue (Social Inclusion Manager CKLP); Eoghan McCarthy (Maynooth University); Martin Donnelly (KCC)

Apologies: Trish Finlay, Area Manager, Tusla; Eoghan Ryan, Principal Officer, DSP; Mary Waters IFA

1. Minutes & Matters Arising from the Minutes

A. Minutes

- The minutes of 28th September were approved and adopted. There was a correction noted to the minutes: Section 3, Rural Development Programme Update, remove sentence: *"It is not evident from these submissions that the recast plan will be of sufficient quality, clarity or depth to be approved"* and replace with *"It is not evident from these submissions that the recast plan will be sufficient to gain approval"*

B. Matters Arising from Minutes 28th September 2016

Item	Update	Action
<p>Meeting with Minister Zappone 16th November 2016</p>	<p>The meeting with Minister Zappone took place last Wednesday 16th November in Leinster House. There were 4 representatives from Kildare, Trish Finlay Tusla & LCDC, Emma Berney CYPSC, Tom Dunne KYS and Susan Bookle LCDC.</p> <p>All priorities outlined in the costed proposal submitted in October were discussed. A note following the meeting was circulated to LCDC members (<i>Appendix 1</i>)</p>	<p><i>A review of FRCs is planned by the DCYA for 2017. It was agreed that Kildare will commence preparation of the business case for the 3 FRCs proposed to input into the review</i></p> <p><i>Minister Zappone proposed a follow up meeting at the end of Quarter 1 2017 to review progress.</i></p> <p><i>Minister Zappone suggested other relevant Ministers are met with to discuss the other priorities</i></p> <p><i>DCYA confirmed that a budget line exists for a dedicated youth officer for Kildare. Sean Ashe said this has not yet been sanctioned by DCYA.</i></p> <p><i>David Walsh (HSE) is currently seeking a meeting with Minister Zappone re. disability services across his area</i></p>
<p>Mojo</p>	<p>Sarah circulated an update from Niamh Keaveney (Mojo Manager) in relation to the financial sustainability of Mojo in 2017</p> <p>Sarah said the expansion of the Kildare programme in 2017 to reach approx. 100 men in Athy and other areas is dependent on funding received. Funding commitments will need to be received by 5th December.</p>	<p><i>Peter Minnock confirmed that the allocation of LPT funding in the MDs will be signed off in the next 2 weeks.</i></p> <p><i>Lisa Baggott will know the outcome of SWRDATAF budget on 13th Dec</i></p> <p><i>David Walsh (HSE) said the incoming Head of Mental Health, Kevin Brady will link in with Niamh in the next week or 2 and he expects a positive outcome.</i></p> <p><i>Peter Carey suggested if there is a shortfall that the agencies could meet the gap between them.</i></p>
<p>Additional Resources</p>	<p>Link to LECP – CYPSC have received €25,000 additional funding for children & young people’s support from the Dept</p> <p>Link to LECP - An Garda Siochana are establishing a dedicated Community Policing Unit in the</p>	

	Kildare Division (one Sergeant & three Gardai) – this is positive news but it was agreed that a dedicated Community Garda is required in every town in the county.	
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2. Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

Pat Doyle, Chair of the SICAP Subgroup provided the LCDC with an update on progress to date. The draft SICAP Annual Plan 2017 was submitted by CKLP and needs to be approved in principle by the LCDC by 8th December.

Pobal have carried out an independent review of the Annual Plan and raised two very minor issues which are likely to be addressed by CKLP at this point. The SICAP subgroup have not been in a position to meet in advance of the LCDC meeting but plan to meet on 8th December and work on the LCDC's behalf to finalise the process. This approach needs to be agreed by the LCDC. The subgroup invited Pat Leogue to give a presentation of the plan at the meeting.

Main points and feedback on the Annual Plan 2017:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The targets and budget remain the same as 2017. Peter Minnock said he wrote to the Department requesting additional SICAP funding for 2017 for Kildare and is waiting for a response.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat Leogue highlighted the main focus areas in plan for 2017: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Athy, Ballymakealy, Castlefen ○ Travellers ○ Young Unemployed ○ Lone Parents ○ Roma Community
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main lessons learned moving into 2017: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Major need for interagency employer engagement strategy ○ Key resource issues in addiction and family support services ○ Interagency working well despite issues with referrals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sean Ashe highlighted the need for interventions in non-Deis schools in North Kildare (breakfast, homework clubs etc). Pat Leogue said CKLP are proposing a piece of research in 2017 to explore a resource allocation framework for non-DEIS schools for future SICAP funding.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat Leogue thanked the LCDC for convening an LCDC Interagency meeting in relation to Athy. He said the attendance of so many agencies at the meeting is every encouraging. Pat Doyle said it was agreed at the meeting that Athy needs a more co-ordinated approach. A follow up meeting will be held on 12th December and the agenda will focus on agreeing priority next steps for 2017 and how the work will be supported and implemented.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth unemployment and training was discussed. It was agreed that CKLP, ETB and DSP need to work

closely together in 2017 to identify the people, needs and types of training.

- Cllr. Brett suggested having an LCDC member from An Garda Siochana/Judicial system on the LCDC as some areas in Kildare are experiencing ongoing anti-social behaviour from youths. Peter Carey said this could be fed into the JPC and a higher judicial forum.

Peter Carey thanked Pat Leogue for a very comprehensive presentation and said the continued focus on interagency work within SICAP is working well.

Peter Carey asked LCDC members if they agreed with the Subgroup working on the LCDC's behalf to finalise the approval process for the 2017 Plan. This approach was agreed by the LCDC. It was proposed by Sean Ashe and seconded by Anthony Egan.

3. Rural Development Leader Programme (RDP) Update

David Walsh, Chair of the LCDC RDP Subgroup gave an update on the status of the Kildare Rural Development Programme. Details are as follows:

- The LDS has been approved apart from some minor requests for further details which need to be responded to. This is very positive news for Kildare.
- Both parties (RDP Subgroup and CKLP) have found the process hard going and unsatisfactory. Despite that, there is now a signed off programme for Kildare. The Subgroup had a positive meeting with CKLP this morning and the following was agreed:
 - Once clarification goes back to Pobal on queries raised, formal approval will be received
 - Contracts will then be signed by the LAG, KCC as Financial Partner & CKLP
 - Next step is to start to implement the LDS – establish immediate target areas
 - This will be underpinned by a very firm service arrangement to deliver the programme
 - Technical assistance will be required in relation to the LCDCs role as LAG
- Patricia O'Brien agreed that things were ironed out at the earlier meeting that morning and CKLP are also keen to move forward. Patricia said the Service Level Agreement is due from the Department but in the meantime the programme needs to move ahead before the SLA is in place.

Peter Carey said this is a very significant resource for Kildare and the focus has to be about getting on with the work and looking at priorities. Sean Ashe proposed that the LCDC adopt the steps outlined by David Walsh and Pat Doyle seconded the proposal.

4. Kildare Data Hub Overview – Maynooth University & Kildare County Council

Eoghan McCarthy, Maynooth University and Martin Donnelly KCC both gave a presentation on the Kildare Data Hub. Eoghan said the Data Hub, which will be hosted by KCC is about to go live. He thanked those LCDC members that took part in data testing recently and said dedicated training sessions can be organised for agencies teams next year.

Eoghan and Martin gave an overview of the various sections within the Data Hub, i.e. Dashboards of data from the LCEP themes and maps and asked LCDC members to contact them with any feedback they have.

There are four proposed research projects for 2017 as follows:

- 2016 Census phased reports and data hub updates
- MD reports – case study 1 Athy
- Facilities Database development
- Social Inclusion data update (live register & rent supplement mapping)

Peter Carey thanked Eoghan and Martin for their presentation and also Bernard Higgins and Dawn McGlynn in KCC for the excellent work. He said the data hub will act as a very powerful tool for concrete evidence and decision making.

5. Any Other Business

- Pat Doyle gave an update on progress the Peter McVerry Trust have made in Kildare recently:
 - Michael Garry House in Newbridge – 9 additional beds on top of 14
 - Out of hours free phone going well with 183 calls up to Oct 2016
 - First After Care house in Celbridge (3 bed apt) working with Tusla
 - HSE facility in Naas leased to PMcVerry – will be refurbished as an After Care home
 - Work has begun in Athy – commencement notice 28th Nov
- Dermot O'Donnell raised concerns on behalf of the community in relation to the need for all stakeholders to learn from past building development mistakes.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

6. Date of Meetings 2017 (all at 10.00am – 12.00pm):

- Wed 25 Jan
- Wed 1 Mar
- Wed 24 May
- Wed 5 July
- Wed 27 Sept
- Wed 22 Nov

LCDC Attendance 2014/2015/2016

Name	Organisation	2014	2015	Jan	Mar	May	July	Sept	Nov
Local Govt. Members									
Cllr. Mark Wall	Public Rep.	6/7	4/6	X	X	✓	AP	✓	✓
Cllr. Suzanne Doyle	Public Rep.	6/7	3/6	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr. Fintan Brett	Public Rep.	4/6	6/6	✓	X	✓	AP	✓	✓
Local Government Officials									
Eamon O'Sullivan	KCC	3/3	n/a	n/a					
Peter Carey	KCC	3/4	4/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mary Fitzpatrick/Mary Foley	LEO	3/7	2/6	✓	X	✓	AP	X	X
State Agencies									
David Walsh	HSE	4/7	5/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓	✓
Patricia Finlay	Tusla	7/7	4/6	AP	✓	✓	AP	✓	AP
Sean Ashe	KWETB	5/7	6/6	✓	X	AP	X	✓	✓
Eoghan Ryan (Jul 2016)	DSP	n/a	1/1	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓	AP
Partnership Company									
Chris Byrne	CKLP	4/7	2/4	n/a					
Patricia O'Brien (Sept 2015)	CKLP	n/a	1/2	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Local Community Interests									
Allan Shine	NthK Chamber	7/7	5/6	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anthony Egan	C&VF	6/7	4/6	AP	X	AP	✓	AP	✓
Christy Lynch (Resigned)	KARE	5/7	1/6	n/a					
David Walsh	An Taisce	6/7	6/6	X	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Dermot O'Donnell	C&VF	4/7	2/6	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mary Waters	IFA	6/7	6/6	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓	AP
Pat Doyle	McVerry Trust	5/7	4/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sarah Shakespeare	Teach Dara	5/7	5/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lisa Baggott	SWRDTF	3/4	4/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chief Officer									
Peter Minnock	KCC	7/7	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LCDC Staff									
Susan Bookle	LCDC	7/7	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marie Kane	LCDC	7/7	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓