

## Kildare Local Community Development Committee

### Minutes

**Held at 10:00 am on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**At Áras Chill Dara, Naas**

**STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**

#### Members in Attendance:

Statutory	Non-Statutory
<p><b>Local Government Elected Members</b> Cllr. Fintan Brett Cllr. Suzanne Doyle Cllr. Mark Wall</p> <p><b>Local Government Officials</b> Peter Carey, LCDC Chairperson &amp; Chief Executive KCC</p> <p><b>State Agencies</b> Brena Dempsey, Head of Health &amp; Wellbeing HSE</p>	<p><b>Partnership Companies</b> Patricia O’Brien, Chairperson CKLP</p> <p><b>Local Community Interests</b> Anthony Egan, PPN – Community Development Mary Waters, IFA Lisa Baggott, Co-ordinator, SWRDATF Emer Conway, PPN – Environment Sarah Shakespeare – PPN – Social Inclusion</p>

**Also in Attendance:** Sonya Kavanagh (Chief Officer LCDC); Susan Bookle (Co-ordinator LCDC); Marie Kane (Administrator LCDC); Alice Corbett (Kildare Age Friendly Programme Co-ordinator); Lorraine Flynn (Youth Officer KWETB)

**Apologies:** Pat Doyle (CEO Peter McVerry Trust); Patricia Finlay (Service Director Tusla); Jacqui McNabb (Head of LEO); Allan Shine (CEO Co. Kildare Chamber); Declan Nolan (PPN – Social Inclusion); Eoghan Ryan (Principal Officer DEASP)

## 1. Minutes & Matters Arising from the Minutes

### A. Minutes

- The minutes from the last meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2018 were approved and adopted on the proposal of Lisa Baggott and seconded by Mary Waters.

## B. Matters Arising from the Minutes 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Item	Update	Action
<b>Healthy Ireland</b>	<p>The joint Round 2 application between Kildare LCDC and CYPSC has been approved in full for €112,100. This will continue to develop health and wellbeing activities building on Round 1. A meeting is scheduled with the five project partners and the library service. This will support collaboration. The funding runs until the end of March 2019.</p> <p>Susan and Brena met to discuss the need to secure Kildare as part of the Healthy City/Counties initiative and they will both work together to fulfil the criteria required.</p>	<p><b><i>Meeting scheduled for the 5 HI project implementers</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Brena and Susan to work on progressing Kildare as part of the Healthy City/Counties Network.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>The LCDC unanimously agreed that Kildare should work towards becoming a Healthy City/County through the official Network.</i></b></p>
<b>Heads Up</b>	<p>Heads Up Mojo is currently running the two youth pilot initiatives in Kildare Town and Athy. A full programme is commencing in Celbridge next week.</p>	
<b>KWETB representative on LCDC</b>	<p>It was confirmed that Dr. Deirdre Keyes will represent the KWETB on the LCDC.</p>	<p><b><i>Sonya will arrange to meet Dr. Keyes in advance of the November meeting to update her on the work of the LCDC.</i></b></p>

## C. Correspondence

Item	Update
<b>Naas Town Hall Library &amp; Cultural Centre</b>	<p>Kildare County Council is submitting an application to convert Naas Town Hall into a library and cultural centre under the Rural Regeneration Fund with the Dept. of Housing, Planning and Local Government. KCC requests the support of LCDC members and outlined that, if successful, the library will have benefits to Naas and also the wider community. <b>LCDC members agreed to support the application.</b></p>

## 2. Kildare Age Friendly Programme

Alice Corbett, Co-ordinator of the Kildare Age Friendly Programme gave an update on progress to date. The main areas highlighted are as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Based on Census 2016, nationally the population aged 65 years and over increased by 19.1%. One of the largest increases was in Kildare at 32.2%.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alice outlined that the key challenges for older people in Kildare are: Physical Fitness, Health and Transport</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The new Kildare Older Persons Council has been established and they hosted their AGM recently. They have a seat on the JPC and are linked into the PPN.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work is ongoing in Celbridge to make it an 'Age Friendly Town'. Older people have worked closely with the area engineer regarding the design aspects that they require.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Age Friendly Roadshows across all municipal districts were very positive. There was a very large turnout and interest in attending.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alice invited LCDC members to attend the consultation for the Age Friendly Strategy 2019-2021 on 18<sup>th</sup> October in Killashee House Hotel, Naas.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A query was raised in relation to GP practices with geriatrician services in Kildare. Brena outlined that there are very few geriatricians and the nearest to Kildare is a community based geriatrician in Tallaght. Brena added that the nurses determine who gets a visit from a geriatrician.</li></ul>

Peter Carey thanked Alice for her presentation and acknowledged the very positive and collaborative programme the programme is engaged in.

## 3. Update from Kildare Children and Young Peoples Services Committee

Lisa Baggott, CYPSC member gave the following update:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CYPSC Strategic Plan – Phase 1 of the consultation is almost complete. Emma Berney, CYPSC Co-ordinator will link with LCDC members as part of the consultation process</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New iScoil e-learning hubs for young people under 16 yrs who are out of school have been established in Kildare Town and Leixlip</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kildare County Childcare Committee commissioned research: <i>Needs Analysis of Early Years Childcare in Co. Kildare</i> has been completed and highlights needs and gaps across the county.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sonya is now the National City &amp; County Council Management representative on the National CYPSC Steering Group which is a very positive development for Kildare.</li></ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A national public awareness campaign took place from 17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> of September across the country highlighting the Prevention, Partnership &amp; Family Support work of Tusla.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A number of pre-schools and primary schools in Kildare have been selected to participate in a demonstration project which involves the provision of Occupational Therapy and Speech &amp; Language therapy services onsite.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Hazel Hotel in Monasterevin has ceased to operate as an Emergency Reception and is now operating as a Direct Provision Centre for asylum seekers. Lisa Baggott said their supports have been reduced as a result of the change. Kildare County Council heard the news through the media and KWETB got very short notice.</li> <li>• <b>It was agreed that the LCDC would write to the Department of Justice outlining their disappointment in not being notified and request more information.</b></li> </ul>

#### 4. Community Enhancement Programme and Men’s Shed Funding Programmes 2018

Sonya Kavanagh outlined that since the original announcement of CEP funding of €148,013, it was announced last Friday (September 21<sup>st</sup>) that Kildare will receive an additional CEP fund of €294,571. All LCDCs were also allocated funding in August of €26,089 for Men’s Sheds affiliated to the Irish Men’s Shed Association. Sonya stressed the confidential nature of the information circulated at the meeting as groups have not been informed of the outcome of their application yet.

Susan Bookle outlined that while the funding is welcome, and the process/criteria used to promote the scheme ensured we received a large number of applicants, it is imperative that the resources are allocated based on need and in collaboration with other funding opportunities.

Discussion	Action
<p>Susan outlined the process used to assess the applications for the initial funding of €148,013. This funding is to target the most excluded/disadvantaged communities and groups and can be used on capital projects only. 74 applicants were received to a value of €1.147,580.61.</p> <p>Criteria were developed to assess projects which included an assessment of the Trutz Haase deprivation indicators, LECP/LCDC priorities, complete applications and fit with the criteria agreed. A meeting took place with representation from CKLP LEADER, KWETB, Sports Partnership, KCC, Town &amp; Village Renewal, LCDC to consider project applications. KCC grant administration team will administer the grants on behalf of the LCDC. The Subgroup agreed projects for recommendation to the LCDC.</p>	<p><b><i>The 27 projects were approved by the LCDC members on the proposal of Cllr. Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Cllr. Mark Wall.</i></b></p>

<p>A list of 27 CEP projects recommended following assessment was circulated at the meeting for the LCDCs approval. This was to the value of €254,890.</p> <p>A list of the remaining 47 applications under consideration for Round 2 CEP funding was circulated at the meeting and LCDC members. It was agreed that a further screening of these applications will take place to allocate the remaining funding.</p>	<p><b><i>It was agreed that the 'Round 1' approved groups will be informed and the remaining applicants will be informed that their applications are still being considered.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>It was agreed that the assessment criteria will be circulated to LCDC members after today's meeting.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>It was agreed that further work will take place with relevant agencies to assess the remaining applications. Lisa Baggott, as LCDC representative, will approve the applications on behalf of the LCDC.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>The final list of approved projects will be circulated to the LCDC in approximately 3 weeks.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>It was agreed that the geographical spread of projects by MD will be circulated to the LCDC.</i></b></p>
<p>A list of 18 Men's Sheds Groups affiliated to the Irish Men's Shed for an award of €1,449 each as per the instructions of the Department was circulated at the meeting for the LCDCs approval.</p>	<p><b><i>The Men's Shed funding was approved by LCDC members on the proposal of Cllr. Suzanne Doyle and seconded by Anthony Egan.</i></b></p>

## 5. Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme Update

Susan Bookle outlined that the SICAP Subgroup met with CKLP on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 to discuss progress to date and the Annual Plan 2019. The main updates from the meeting are as follows:

Discussion	Action
<p><b>2018 Progress Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KPI targets for Goal 1 and 2 are on track to be met by the end of 2018</li> <li>• Work is ongoing by CKLP to meet the target for individuals from disadvantaged areas</li> <li>• Overall the actions appear to be progressing well, work is continuing to focus on actions that require more intensive focus</li> <li>• CKLP are on track to spend the full budget in 2018 and costs are currently within the agreed ratios</li> <li>• CKLP outlined that there maybe an overspend in 2018 allocation. The Subgroup recommended that they highlight this to the LCDC as some agencies might be in a position to co- fund initiatives.</li> </ul>	<p><i><b>LCDC Members are invited to attend the Social Inclusion Week gala event in the council chamber on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of September.</b></i></p>
<p><b>Annual Plan 2019</b></p> <p>A number of meetings have been scheduled with the SICAP Subgroup and CKLP to review and finalise the SICAP Annual Plan for 2019. LCDC members are invited to consider the SICAP work in 2019 and any synergies there might be with their own work.</p> <p>In addition CKLP are consulting directly with a range of agencies/groups. LCDC members will be contacted directly in relation to this consultation.</p>	<p><i><b>Susan will circulate a template to the LCDC to fill in and return with their feedback.</b></i></p> <p><i><b>CKLP will contact agencies in relation to consultation meetings.</b></i></p>
<p><b>Pobal Annual Review</b></p> <p>The SICAP Chairperson and LCDC support staff met with Aileen Gilchrist Pobal Liaison Officer for the annual SICAP review meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September. Overall the meeting was very positive and the focus of the new programme was discussed.</p> <p>It was highlighted in the discussion that 50% of SICAP funding nationally is now coming from the ESF. This is a significant increase from 10% in the previous programme.</p> <p>Concerns were raised to Pobal regarding a new measurement tool being introduced to track progress of SICAP clients. This ‘distance travelled tool’ was presented at a recent training event and the type of questions</p>	<p><b>It was agreed that the LCDC would write to the Department seeking an increase in the SICAP budget for 2019.</b></p> <p><b>It was agreed that a joint letter from the LCDC and CKLP will be sent to the Department outlined the concerns with the model as proposed.</b></p>

required are concerning.	
<p><b>Athy</b></p> <p>Susan circulated a preliminary update on the work to complete the report on Athy by Rita Burtenshaw of Burtenshaw and Associates. Susan listed all of the stakeholders interviewed and a number of further interviews have been scheduled.</p>	<p><i>Susan outlined that any reports or data in relation to Athy that can be sourced have been reviewed and asked if any LCDC members have further information to forward them to her / Marie to pass onto the consultant.</i></p> <p><i>The LCDC Athy Interagency group will meet in October/early November to review the draft report.</i></p>
<p><b>Subgroup Membership</b></p> <p>Declan Nolan and Sarah Griffin Senior Co-ordinator from Tusla (replacing Patricia Finlay) have both joined the SICAP Subgroup.</p>	

## 6. Presentation from Lorraine Flynn, Youth Officer, KWETB

Peter Carey welcomed Lorraine Flynn to the meeting and highlighted the significance of her post in the KWETB. This post was identified by the LCDC as critical to secure for the county.

Lorraine made a presentation to the LCDC outlining KWETB's statutory responsibility for youth work, describing youth work and she provided an overview of the relevant policy frameworks and plans. The main highlights and areas of discussion were as follows:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The youth population of Kildare 10-24 yrs is 45,079 whereas Wicklow is 26,572</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The DEIS rate in Kildare is the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest in the State at 0.34 per 1,000 population</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Dublin Youth Services administers the funding for Kildare. KWETB administer funding for Wicklow.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorraine is working on the development of a youth work plan for Kildare for the next 3 years</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A query was raised in relation to opportunities for additional funding into Kildare. Lorraine outlined that there is a challenge to secure new resources for Kildare for areas that are not currently serviced and there is no indication of increased funding. Lorraine said Kildare falls down in the Trutz Haase deprivation index and evidence needs to be based on information from community workers, local stakeholder to highlight areas of need.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorraine outlined a new exciting funding scheme called Targeted Youth Funding Scheme which is due to commence in 2020. The scheme is outside the formal education system and 80% of funding will be for young people who are marginalised, disadvantaged or vulnerable. A query was raised about training for young Travellers and Lorraine confirmed that there is no ETB Traveller specific programme in Kildare or nationally.</li> </ul>

**It was agreed that redistribution and increases to youth work funding in Kildare needs to continue to be an LCDC priority.**

Peter Carey thanked Lorraine for the very informative presentation.

## **7. LECP Update**

Susan outlined that nationally there is no update on the LECP review but that it is likely to be announced later in the year. Susan proposed that similar to the last meeting whereby the two environmental themes were reviewed, that she prepares a similar review under health for the next meeting. She will liaise with Brena to prepare this review.

The meeting was closed.

## **8. Date of next LCDC meeting (10.00am – 12.00pm):**

- **Wed 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018.**



### LCDC Attendance 2014/2015/2016/2017/2018

Name	Organisation	2014	2015	2016	2017	Jan	Mar	May	Jul	Sep
<b>Local Govt. Members</b>										
Cllr. Mark Wall	Public Rep.	6/7	4/6	3/6	4/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Cllr. Suzanne Doyle	Public Rep.	6/7	3/6	4/6	4/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Cllr. Fintan Brett	Public Rep.	4/6	6/6	4/6	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Local Government Officials</b>										
Eamon O'Sullivan	KCC	3/3	n/a	n/a						
Peter Carey	KCC	¾	4/6	6/6	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jacqui McNabb (Jan 2017)	LEO	3/7	2/6	2/4	3/6	AP	✓	✓	✓	AP
<b>State Agencies</b>										
Brena Dempsey (Nov 2017)	HSE	4/7	5/6	5/6	4/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Patricia Finlay	Tusla	7/7	4/6	3/6	2/6	AP	✓	X	AP	AP
Sean Ashe	KWETB	5/7	6/6	3/6	3/6					
Eoghan Ryan (Jul 2016)	DEASP	n/a	1/1	2/3	4/6	AP	✓	✓	✓	AP
<b>Partnership Company</b>										
Chris Byrne	CKLP	4/7	2/4	n/a						
Patricia O'Brien (Sept 2015)	CKLP	n/a	1/2	5/6	3/6	✓	AP	AP	✓	✓
<b>Local Community Interests</b>										
Allan Shine	Chamber	7/7	5/6	5/6	5/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	AP
Anthony Egan	PPN	6/7	4/6	2/6	6/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Declan Nolan	PPN	5/7	1/6	n/a				✓	✓	AP
Emer Conway	PPN							AP	✓	✓
Dermot O'Donnell	PPN	4/7	2/6	5/6	4/6	X	X	AP	✓	X
Mary Waters	IFA	6/7	6/6	4/6	4/6	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓
Pat Doyle	McVerry Trust	5/7	4/6	6/6	4/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	AP
Sarah Shakespeare	Teach Dara	5/7	5/6	6/6	3/6	✓	✓	✓	AP	✓
Lisa Baggott	SWRDATF	¾	4/6	6/6	5/6	✓	AP	✓	✓	✓
<b>Chief Officer</b>										
Peter Minnock	KCC	7/7	6/6	6/6						
Sonya Kavanagh	KCC				5/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>LCDC Staff</b>										
Susan Bookle	LCDC	7/7	6/6	6/6	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marie Kane	LCDC	7/7	6/6	6/6	6/6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Peter Carey

LCDC Chairperson