

Meeting: Louth Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

Louth Local Action Group (LAG)

Date: 10th April 2017 at 3.00pm

Location: Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk

In attendance:	Cllr. Colm Markey, Chairperson Ms. Joan Martin, CE, LCC Cllr. Liam Reilly Cllr. Pearse McGeough Cllr. Dolores Minogue Ms. Fiona Murphy, HSE Mr. Thomas McEvoy, LEO Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott, LMETB Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN Ms. Breeda Tuite, IFA Mr. Ciaran Reid, CEO, LLP Mr. Breannán Casey, Chamber of Commerce Ms. Eva Beirne, PPN
Officials:	Mr. Joe McGuinness, Director of Service Mr. John Lawrence, Senior Executive Officer Ms. Mary Deery, Administrative Officer Ms. Aine Shevlin, Clerical Officer,
Apologies:	Mr. Breffni Martin, Environmental Pillar Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN Mr. Michael Gaynor, Chamber of Commerce Ms. Anne Keeley, DSP
Guests:	Ms. Antoinette McDonald, HSE Mr. Liam Devine, Clanrye Group Ms. Rachel Duffy, Clanrye Group

LCDC MATTERS:

The members agreed to deal with the LAG agenda in advance of the LCDC agenda in order to accommodate the Clanrye Group presentation.

LAG MATTERS:

LAG Minute No. 22/2017

1. Minutes of LAG meeting held on the 20th March 2017

On the proposal of Ms. Fiona Murphy, seconded by Mr. Geordie McAteer and unanimously agreed by the members the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th March 2017 were adopted.

LAG Minute No. 23/2017

2. Matters arising

There were no LAG matters arising.

LAG Minute No. 24/2017

3. RDP Sub-Group report

Cllr. Liam Reilly presented a report on the RDP Sub—Group meeting held on the 3rd April 2017.

LAG Minute No. 25/2017

4. LEADER Monthly Financial Reports

There were four financial reports as at the 31st March 2017 submitted to the members for approval:

- a) Admin Budget Projections & Spend – Monthly Report as at 31st March 2017
- b) LEADER Programme Action Spend
- c) Louth County Council's Agresso Report of the LEADER RDP 1420
- d) A breakdown of the Named administrative costs

On the proposal of Mr. Thomas McEvoy, seconded by Mr. Larry Magnier and unanimously agreed by the members the LEADER Monthly Financial Reports were approved.

LAG Minute No. 26/2017

8. Expressions of Interest (EOI)

All details of expressions of interest received were circulated to Members and Mr. John Lawrence reminded members that they must declare any conflict of interest prior to a decision being made. It was agreed that the full list would be dealt with in tranches to allow for conflicts of interest and quorum requirements and that the quorum must be present thereafter for any decision made to be valid.

Rolling Calls

Mr. Ciaran Reid advised the members that there were 11 Rolling Call EOI's received one of which is ineligible under the Operating Rule No. 6.4 agricultural project – with particular reference to poultry (turkey).

John Lawrence read out the Expressions of Interest received for the rolling calls to the members.

Tranche 1:

Rolling Call File References – Eligible in principle: 10 number

21LDRLOU103355, 21LDRLOU103356, 21LDRLOU103372, 21LDRLOU103375,
21LDRLOU103394, 21LDRLOU103395, 21LDRLOU103433, 21LDRLOU103954,
21LDRLOU104055, 21LDRLOU104168.

- a) Conflict of Interest: No conflict of Interest was declared for the above expressions of interest.
- b) Members present for decision:

Public: 6 Number

Cllr. Colm Markey, Ms. Joan Martin, LCC, Cllr. Pearse McGeough,
Cllr. Dolores Minogue, Ms. Fiona Murphy, HSE, Ms. Sadie Ward McDermott,
LMETB.

Private: 8 number

Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN, Ms. Breeda Tuite, IFA,
Mr. Ciaran Reid, LLP, Mr. Breannán Casey, Chamber of Commerce,
Ms. Eva Beirne, PPN

2 Written procedure votes

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN
Mr. Breffni Martin, Environmental Pillar

Abstained for quorum reasons: Mr. Thomas McEvoy and Cllr. Liam Reilly

Quorum present – Yes

Public/ Private split – Yes

Decision: On the proposal of Ms. Fiona Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Dolores Minogue and unanimously agreed by the members present and utilising the written procedure votes of Mr. Kevin Moran and Mr. Breffni Martin the above list of rolling call EOI's were approved for progression to application stage.

Tranche 2:

Rolling Call File References – Ineligible in principle 1 Number

21LDRLOU103335

a) Conflict of Interest: No conflict of Interest was declared for the above expression of interest.

a) Members present to vote:

Public: 6 Number

Cllr. Colm Markey (Chairman), Ms. Joan Martin, LCC, Cllr. Pearse McGeough, Cllr. Dolores Minogue, Ms. Fiona Murphy, HSE, Ms. Sadie Ward McDermott, LMETB

Private: 8 number

Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN, Ms. Breeda Tuite, IFA, Mr. Ciaran Reid, CEO, LLP, Mr. Breannán Casey, Chamber of Commerce, Ms. Eva Beirne, PPN

2 Written procedure votes

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN

Mr. Breffni Martin, Environmental Pillar

Abstained for quorum decision: Mr. Thomas McEvoy and Cllr. Liam Reilly

Quorum present – Yes

Public/Private split - Yes

Decision: On the proposal of Ms. Fiona Murphy, seconded by Cllr. Dolores Minogue and unanimously agreed by the members present and utilising the written procedure votes of Mr. Kevin Moran and Mr. Breffni Martin the above list of rolling call EOI's were not approved for progression to application stage at this time.

Targeted Calls

There were 8 targeted calls received under Strategic Action No. 4 and Strategic Action No. 11. The EOI's received are in the amount of €296,419.00.

John Lawrence read out the Expressions of Interest received for the targeted calls to the members. It was agreed that the full list would be dealt with in tranches to allow for conflicts of interest and quorum requirements.

Tranche 1:

Targeted Call File References – Eligible in principle: 6 number

21LDRLOU102504, 21LDRLOU102556, 21LDRLOU102582,
21LDRLOU104033, 21LDRLOU104241, 21LDRLOU104277

a) Conflict of Interest: A conflict of Interest was declared by Thomas McEvoy, file ref. No.'s 21LDRLOU102556, 21LDRLOU104241 and Mr. Breannán Casey, file ref. 21LDRLOU104241.

b) Members present for decision:

Public: 5 Number

Cllr. Colm Markey (Chairman), Ms. Joan Martin, LCC, Cllr. Liam Reilly,
Cllr. Pearse McGeough, Ms. Fiona Murphy, HSE

Private: 7 number

Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN, Ms. Breeda Tuite, IFA,
Mr. Ciaran Reid, CEO, LLP, Ms. Eva Beirne, PPN

2 Written procedure votes

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN

Mr. Breffni Martin, Environmental Pillar

Abstained for quorum reasons: Cllr. Dolores Minogue and Ms. Sadie Ward McDermott

Quorum present – Yes

Public/ Private split – Yes

Decision: On the proposal of Mr. Geordie McAteer, seconded by Ms. Eva Beirne and unanimously agreed by the members present and utilising the written procedure votes of Mr. Kevin Moran and Mr. Breffni Martin the above list of targeted call EOI's were approved for progression to application stage.

Tranche 2:

Targeted Call File Reference – Eligible in principle: 2 number

21LDRLOU103955, 21LDRLOU104206

- a) Conflict of Interest: No conflict of Interest was declared for the above expression of interest.

a) Members present for decision:

Public: 6 Number

Cllr. Colm Markey (Chairman), Ms. Joan Martin, LCC, Cllr. Liam Reilly,
Cllr. Pearse McGeough, Cllr. Dolores Minogue,
Mr. Thomas McEvoy, LEO,

Private: 8 number

Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN, Ms. Breeda Tuite, IFA,
Mr. Ciaran Reid, CEO, LLP, Mr. Breannán Casey, Chamber of Commerce,
Ms. Eva Beirne, PPN

2 Written procedure votes

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN

Mr. Breffni Martin, Environmental Pillar

Abstained for quorum reasons: Ms. Fiona Murphy and Ms. Sadie Ward McDermott

Quorum present – Yes

Public/ Private split – Yes

Decision: On the proposal of Mr. Geordie McAteer, seconded by Mr. Thomas McEvoy, and unanimously agreed by the members present and utilising the written procedure votes of Mr. Kevin Moran and Mr. Breffni Martin the above targeted call EOI was approved for progression to application stage.

LAG Minute No. 27/2017

5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for noting.

The business of the LAG meeting concluded.

LCDC MATTERS

LCDC Minute No. 17/2017

1. Minutes of LCDC meeting held on the 20th March 2017

On the proposal of Ms. Fiona Murphy, seconded by Mr. Geordie McAteer and unanimously agreed by the members the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th March 2017 were adopted.

LCDC Minute No. 18/2017

2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

LCDC Minute No. 19/2017

3. LECP

Chief Officer Joe McGuinness advised members that the Advisory Steering Group (ASG) have agreed consistency in reporting and are scheduled to meet in early May. The ASG have agreed the format for reporting, the timeframe and that the report will focus on actions for completion in 2016 and ongoing.

The Chief Officer explained that the full visual demonstration will be available for the next meeting with an update on the Community elements of the plan. He further advised that there are 189 actions to be reported on. It is recognised that there may be Lead Partners identified that may not be correct and the method of correcting these has commenced.

Ms. Joan Martin explained that nationally there has been the formation of an action group but that the reporting template on progress had to start otherwise the amount of work to be completed by all Lead partners would be immense.

4. SICAP

There were no updates for SICAP since the last LCDC meeting.

LCDC Minute No. 21/2017

5. Community Facilities Scheme

Mr. John Lawrence gave a presentation on the scheme and how the funding could be split across the Municipal Districts. The prioritisation of the projects will be based on assisting the delivery of the actions within the LECP. The amount of funding granted will rest with the Municipal District members. The opening date for the scheme is the 10th April, 2017 and the closing date is the 30th June, 2017. The method of publicity would be through the PPN website, PPN Groups, Friday Communiqué, LLC website including twitter and facebook and would also be advertised on LLP's website. Those who apply and who are not members of the PPN will be encouraged to become members.

Applicants will be required to show how their project will be complementary to the LECP. The LCDC will review all applications and Members were assured that applicants would be notified as soon as possible on their applications.

The members queried when the funding may actually be issued as the timeframe for LCDC meetings and MD meetings may mean that funding is not released until late in the year. The members agreed that the timeframe may necessitate a short one item LCDC meeting in July. Mr. John Lawrence advised members that the level of interest will be monitored closely and a decision can be made in June if an extra meeting is required.

LCDC Minute No. 22/2017

6. Peace IV

Ms. Joan Martin advised that there was no update to report, however, for the benefit of members that may not have been present at the previous LCCD meeting an overview of the current position was presented.

LCDC Minute No. 23/2017

7. Correspondence

- a) Public Sector Duty Section 42 of the IHREC Act 2014 and SICAP

Chief Officer Joe McGuinness reminded the LCDC of the implications of Section 42 which has statutory provision and the duties it applies regarding discrimination and explained that it is most relevant to SICAP.

The members had a brief discussion around these duties. Mr. Ciaran Reid advised that members that SICAP works within a framework and that an annual statement has to be compiled in this regard. SICAP has a reporting template and it is proofed against these duties.

Mr. Larry Magnier asked if groups that have not yet registered with the PPN could be encouraged to do so acknowledging that some groups may need help and assistance. The Chairperson, Cllr. Colm Markey advised that capacity building by the Louth Leader Partnership could help these groups.

LCDC Minute No. 24/2017

8. Clanrye Group – Presentation

Mr. Liam Devine and Ms. Rachel Duffy from the Clanrye Group gave a presentation to the members on an application for Regional Peace Funding under Peace IV called 'Diversity'. This presentation provided members with an insight into the application and the work that would be carried out in Dundalk if successful.

Following the presentation by the Clanrye Group the members asked that they have an opportunity to discuss the presentation and information enclosed. Both Mr. Liam Devine and Ms. Rachel Duffy left the room.

Ms. Sadie Ward McDermott provided a background to the proposal which had already been presented to the SICAP Sub Group on 28th March 2017 Friday and further discussed at a meeting held on the 7th April 2017. Although Clanrye Group had met with Youth Groups in Dundalk it was felt that more groups should be consulted prior to deciding to support the application.

The LCDC expressed their support in principle with the application, Mr. Geordie McAteer agreed to work with LCC and organise a meeting with youth facilitators in the Dundalk area to discuss this proposal and seek their views.

On the proposal of Ms. Eva Beirne and seconded by Mr. Thomas McEvoy the members agreed in principle to support the application subject to the positive views and support from the Dundalk Youth groups to the project.

The business of the LCDC meeting concluded at 5.00pm.

Minutes confirmed at meeting held on

15 May 2017

Chairperson

