

Miontuairiscí ó Chruinniú an Choiste um Fhorbairt Pobail Áitiúil na Gaillimhe a tionóladh ar Dé Máirt 10ú Iúil 2018 (6.30 p.m. – 8.30p.m.)

Minutes of Galway County Local Community Development Committee held on
 Tuesday 10th July 2018 (6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.)

LCDC Members in Attendance:

Dan Dowling (<i>Vice-Chairperson</i>)	Galway County PPN	Community & Voluntary
Kathleen Aspel Mortimer	Galway County PPN	Social Inclusion
Martin Ward	Galway County PPN	Social Inclusion
Margaret Sheehan	Galway County PPN	Environment
Cllr. Noel Thomas	Galway County Council	Elected Member
Cllr. Dermot Connolly	Galway County Council	Elected Member
Cllr. Jimmy McClearn	Galway County Council	Elected Member
Kevin Kelly	Galway County Council	Local Authority Official
Breda Fox	Galway County Council	Local Authority Official
Donal Walsh	Education & Training Board	State Agency
Enda Conneely	Comhar na nOileán CTR	Local & Community Development
Delia Colahan	Galway Rural Development Ltd	Local & Community Development

Apologies:

Eoin Brown	Department of Social Protection	State Agency
Tom Turley (<i>Chairperson</i>)	Irish Farmers Association	Agriculture & Farming
Seán Ó Coistealbha	Galway County PPN	Community & Voluntary
Mícheál O hÉanaigh	Údarás na Gaeltachta	State Agency
Terry Keenan	FORUM Connemara Ltd	Local & Community Development
Conor O'Dowd	Galway Chamber	Employers & Business
Michael Keady	Health Service Executive	State Agency

Staff in Attendance

Ann Mallaghan (Acting Chief Officer), Mary McGann, John Moore.

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Minutes of Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) held on 20th June 2018.

In the absence of T. Turley, Chairperson, the meeting was chaired by D. Dowling, Vice-Chairperson.

D. Dowling welcomed all members to the meeting and noted the apologies received. He asked if there were any issues arising from the minutes of the LCDC meeting held on 20th June and no issues were raised by the Members.

A Mallaghan, A/Chief Officer, advised that the Grant Agreement for the Healthy Ireland initiative had been received, signed by Tom Turley, Chairperson of the LCDC, and returned to Pobal. An advance payment of 15% of the grant aid would be allocated to County Galway at this stage.

A Mallaghan referred to Item No. 4 from the previous meeting and invited Donal Walsh to present the update of GRET and GRD Courses in Connemara. D. Walsh circulated the list of courses to the Members and advised that this was the current agreed list of training courses for 2018, which was

subject to update based on ongoing requirements. The training courses being provided were noted by the Members.

On the **PROPOSAL** of Cllr. J. McClearn, **SECONDED** by K. Kelly, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) held on 20th June were **AGREED**.

2 Coimhlint Leasa a Fhógairt

Declarations regarding Conflict of Interest.

D. Dowling asked the LCDC members present if there were any conflicts of interest arising out of the mid-term review that was about to be undertaken. None were declared or identified.

3 Athbhreithniú Lártearma SICAP

- **Tuairisc Fhochoiste SICAP**
- **Seisiún C&F le Feidhmitheoir an Chláir**

Mid-Year Review of SICAP

- Report of SICAP Sub-Committee
- Q&A with Programme Implementer

Cllr. N. Thomas, Chairperson of the SICAP Sub-Committee, stated that the Sub-Committee had met to discuss all aspects of the Mid-Year Review and the Programme Implementer, Galway Rural Development (GRD), had attended to make a presentation and partake in a Q&A Session. He stated that in general, the Sub-Committee Members were very satisfied with the Progress Report and had completed and approved the SICAP Mid-Year Performance Checklist for submission to Pobal, which indicated that:

- KPI's were on target
- The programme was operating within budget parameters
- Lot Level Performance was in line with local needs

In relation to Lot Level performance, N. Thomas stated that some of the individual target groups such as lone parents and people with disabilities were below the national average, however, other target groups were well above the national average, in particular - Socially Isolated Rural Dwellers - which was the lot targeted at the request of the LCDC, and he welcomed the work of the Programme Implementer in this regard. In relation to people with disabilities, he noted that GRD had prepared a booklet entitled "A Guide to Entitlements for People with Disabilities" which was circulated to the Members, and the Sub-Committee was satisfied GRD was engaging with anyone in this target group who was seeking out their services. He also referenced that the discussions of the Sub-Committee with GRD had identified that 136 individual interventions across all target groups were not yet registered on the IRIS system as this was not done until a second intervention took place, therefore, the overall figures were under-stated.

He noted the Case Studies which were circulated to Members which gave examples of grants and events under various Actions of the Programme.

In response, D. Colohan, Galway Rural Development, stated that the work under SICAP was a collaborative effort that could only be completed with input from various agencies. In relation to the targets for disabilities, she advised that GRD were very conscious of working with people with disabilities and GRD were continuously looking at ways to improve and meet targets in that area, and work well with the people who were presenting from this target group.

B. Fox commended D. Colohan and GRD on their work to date, based on the large county and diverse communities which they were trying to engage.

On the **PROPOSAL** of K. Kelly, **SECONDED** by B. Fox, the Mid-Year Performance Review was **AGREED**.

A. Mallaghan advised the Members that Pobal had notified all Chief Officers that a national Working Group had directed that each LCDC should select a theme for the Programme Implementer to submit a Case Study in September each year. She outlined that the Programme Implementer had submitted 4 Case Studies as part of the Mid-Year Review and was therefore already fulfilling this requirement, however, the LCDC was being asked to take more control of the process by selecting a Case Study theme from the following:

1. Engagement Strategies with SICAP Target Groups / Communities
2. Collaboration
3. Goal 1 or Goal 2 Projects

A. Mallaghan advised that the theme recommended by the Sub-Committee was 'collaboration' based on working with other agencies to meet the needs of People with Disabilities, and to implement actions to prevent suicide. On the **PROPOSAL** of N. Thomas, **SECONDED** by K. Kelly, the theme of collaboration was **AGREED**.

4 Dáta don chéad chruinniú eile

Date for next meeting

The date and for the next meeting of the LCDC was scheduled for Wednesday, 12th September at 10:30 a.m.

5 Aon ghnó eile

Any other business

A. Mallaghan stated that SICAP training was being provided by POBAL for the west region on 18th July and was being hosted by Galway County Council in Aras an Chontae. She advised that Cllr. N. Thomas and Cllr. D. Connolly had been selected by the Sub-Committee to attend the meeting and asked if there was any further interest from Members of the LCDC - M. Sheehan and D. Dowling indicated their interest in attending the training.



T. Turley, Chairperson

Date: 12-20-19



A. Farrell, Chief Officer

Date: 12-9-18