

## REDACTED VERSION FOR PUBLICATION

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**Meeting: Louth Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)**

**Louth Local Action Group (LAG)**

**Date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 3.00pm**

**Location: Cooley Room, County Hall, Dundalk**

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- In attendance:**
- Cllr. Liam Reilly, Chairperson
  - Cllr. Colm Markey
  - Cllr. Pearse McGeough
  - Ms. Joan Martin, CE, LCC
  - Mr. Thomas McEvoy, LEO
  - Ms. Anne Keeley, DSP
  - Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott, LMETB
  - Ms. Annette McDonnell, HSE
  
  - Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN
  - Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN
  - Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN
  - Ms. Grainne Berrill, Louth Volunteer Centre
  - Mr. Pat McCormick, Environment
  - Mr. Matthew McGreehan, IFA
  - Mr. Ciaran Reid, CEO, LLP
- Officials:**
- Mr. John Lawrence
  - Ms. Riona McCoy
  - Ms. Mary Deery
- Apologies:**
- Cllr. Dolores Minogue
  - Ms. Joanne Finnegan, PPN
  - Mr. Brefni Martin, PPN
  - Mr. Breannán Casey, Chamber of Commerce
  - Mr. Joe McGuinness
- Guests:**
- Ms. Mary O'Neill (LLP)
  - Ms. Caoimhe McCormick, Cnn
  - Ms. Eileen Markey, Cnn
  - Mr. Jordan McKenna, Cnn
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### LCDC MATTERS:

The Chairman Cllr. Liam Reilly welcomed new committee member Mr. Pat McCormick advising that Mr. McCormick has been a member of the IEC and his input and expertise on the LCDC will be very much welcomed. Cllr. Liam Reilly on

**LCDC Minute No. 39/2018**

**5. SICAP**

Ms. Riona McCoy advised members that SICAP Qtr 3 payment was now due for payment however the midyear review process had only just begun and therefore the recommendation would be to issue payment for 2 months (July and August) in the amount of €218,934.00. The final month (September) would issue following approval of the midyear reports by the LCDC.

**Decision:** On the proposal of Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott, seconded by Mr. Geordie McAteer payment of two months (July and August) funding for SICAP Qtr 3 in the amount of €218,934.00 was approved.

**LCDC Minute No. 40/2018**

**6. Comhairle na nÓg**

Chairperson Cllr. Liam Reilly welcomed three members of Louth Comhairle na nÓg (Cnn), Jordan McKenna, Eileen Markey and Caóimhe McCormick. The attendees gave a presentation to the LCDC which outlined the structure of Cnn and particularly highlighted the current projects that have been carried out. The Chairman thanked all for their presentation.

**LCDC Minute No. 41/2018**

**7. Peace IV**

Ms. Joan Martin advised members that five Peace projects had been posted on eTenders to date. The closing date has expired for four of these projects. One tender titled "Civic Leadership & Peace Building Project" has been returned, however the other three projects have yielded a nil return. There is obviously concern regarding the timeline for project implementation and the Council are in discussions with SEUPB around whether to retender for the projects or for the Council to step in and deliver the projects.

**LCDC Minute No. 42/2018**

**8. Community enhancement Programme (CEP)**

Mr. John Lawrence referred members to the application form and guidelines circulated with the meeting documentation advising that this scheme is an amalgamation of both the RAPID Recast 2017 and the Community Facilities Scheme 2017. The difference in the CEP was that the awarding of funding would be determined by the LCDC, Municipal District approval would not be required. He further explained that funding awarded would be to address disadvantage and must be congruent with the LECF therefore ensuring that funding is targeted towards areas most in need.

There is a fund of €142,542 available with 30% of approx €43,000 ring-fenced for projects of €1,000 or under. The scheme has been advertised in all local newspapers, LCC twitter page, PPN twitter page, LCC website and circulated to the

#### **4. LEADER Monthly Project Update Reports**

Ms. Mary O'Neill informed members present that Financial Reports no.'s 4 and 5 are generated by Louth Leader Partnership

- a) Report 4 provides a summary listing all of the projects that have been issued letters of offer. It also provides a breakdown of the value of contracts issued, budget remaining, all projects paid and amount de-committed as at the 12th June 2018.
- b) Report 5 provides a breakdown of progress under each of the three themes of the LDS with a further breakdown per sub theme and local objective.

Both reports number 4 and 5 are for information purposes only

#### **LAG Minute No. 51/2018**

Ms. Mary O'Neill circulated a report at the meeting which provided members with a breakdown of the promoters, projects and estimated commitment up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018. This report allows the LAG to see the projects that are currently engaging in the grant process but which have not yet been presented for approval.

#### **LAG Minute No. 52/2018**

#### **5. Conflicts of Interest and Confidentiality**

Members were reminded by Mr. John Lawrence to declare any conflict of interest based on the agenda and meeting documents. Members were also reminded on the need to ensure confidentiality around matters discussed generally at the LCDC/LAG meetings and in particular for LEADER projects.

#### **LAG Minute No. 53/2018**

#### **6. EOI's**

Members were referred to the EOI's received during the month of May of which there were 11 projects, with a potential grant aid totalling €906,535.00. Ms. Mary O'Neill advised members that the list of EOI's were for noting only however ineligible EOI's must be deemed ineligible by the LAG.

#### **a) Ineligible Projects**

Project ref. 107414 was deemed ineligible based on the operating rules. Ms. O'Neill advised that the promoter would be advised accordingly.

**Decision:** On the proposal of Ms. Grainne Berrill, seconded by Ms. Anne Keely Project ref. 107414 was deemed ineligible.

- a) **Conflict of Interest:** Mr. Ciaran Reid expressed a conflict of interest.
- b) Members present for decision:

**Public: 5 number**

Cllr. Colm Markey, Cllr. Pearse McGeough, Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott, LMETB, Thomas McEvoy, LEO, Anne Keeley, DSP

**Private: 6 number**

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN, Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Larry Magnier, PPN, Grainne Berrill, LVC, Pat McCormick, Chamber of Commerce Dundalk, Drogheda, Mr. Matthew McGreehan, IFA

**Absented for Quorum Requirements:** Ms. Annette McDonnell, Cllr. Liam Reilly and Ms. Joan Martin.

Quorum present – Yes  
Public/ Private split – Yes

**Decision:** On the proposal of Mr. Geordie McAteer, seconded by Mr. Pat McCormick, and unanimously agreed by the members present the above project was approved for support subject to satisfactory Article 48 checks following which the project can progress to letter of offer stage.

**LAG Minute No. 56/2018**

**5. LEADER Project - 21LDRLOU106942**

Project Code:	<b>21LDRLOU106942</b>
Promoter Code:	5763
Agreed by Board:	To fully support the project at <b>75%</b> or <b>€18,496.12</b> of eligible expenditure, whichever is the lesser. Project approved subject to Article 48. Letter of Offer cannot issue until project through Article 48 check.

- a) **Conflict of Interest:** Ms. Joan Martin and Ms. Grainne Berrill expressed a conflict of interest.
- b) Members present for decision:

**Public: 5 number**

Cllr. Liam Reilly, Cllr. Colm Markey, Cllr. Pearse McGeough, Ms. Annette McDonnell, HSE, Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott

**Private: 6 number**

Mr. Kevin Moran, PPN, Mr. Geordie McAteer, PPN, Mr. Pat McCormick, Chamber of Commerce Dundalk, Mr. Larry Magnier, PPN, Mr. Matthew McGreehan, IFA, Mr. Ciaran Reid, LLP

**Absented for Quorum Requirements:** Ms. Anne Keely and Mr. Thomas McEvoy  
Quorum present – Yes

**Decision:** On the proposal of Ms. Sadie Ward-McDermott, seconded by Mr. Larry Magnier the LEADER Programme Procedure Manual was approved.

**LAG Minute No. 59/2018**

**8. Next meeting**

The Chairperson, Cllr. Liam Reilly advised members that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July at the later time of 3.30pm.

**The business of the LAG meeting concluded.**

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Minutes confirmed at meeting held on

16 July 2018

Chairperson

