



Minutes of Kilkenny Local Community Development Committee Meeting held on Friday 22nd March 2024, via Microsoft Teams at 10.30a.m.

In attendance: Mary Mescal, PPN (Chair)
Lar Power, Chief Executive
Angela Hayes -Teac Tom
Aileen McGrath, Local Enterprise Office
Cllr. Martin Brett, KCC
Cllr. Mick McCarthy
Cllr. Ger Frisby
Michael Walshe, PPN Community Pillar
Julieanne Power, DEASP
Michael A Fitzgerald, Teagasc
Olive Maher – FRC

Online: John Hurley, Chamber of Commerce
Cllr. Joe Lyons, KCC
Derval Howley, HSE

Also present: Anne Marie Shortall Chief Officer, Katherine Peacock and Cora Nolan, Kilkenny County Council.

1. Administrative

Mary welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies: Martin Rochford – PPN Environment Pillar
Paul O' Rahilly, PPN Social Inclusion
Denis Drennan, CKLP

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of LCDC meeting held on Friday 26th January, 2024

Proposed by Lar Power, Seconded by Cllr. Mick McCarthy

Matters Arising

None.

Any Conflicts of Interest

Mary Mescal, Angela Hayes and Olive Maher will leave the meeting for the decision on Local Enhancement Grant 2024 due to conflict of interest.

2. Oversight and Implementation of the Local and Economic Community Plan.

Monitoring of LECP Implementation Plan

Overview Presentation and summary report on the status and monitoring of the actions in the LECP Implementation Plan was made by Aileen McGrath on the Economic Goals, followed by Anne Marie Shortall on the Community Goals.

There are 130 Actions in total in the Implementation Plan. There are 13 actions complete, 106 ongoing. 9 not yet started and 2 no response. The final review of the implementation plan will assist with the preparation of the new implantation plan in 2025.

Derval congratulated all involved in collating the information, and great to see progress being made.

Spreadsheet and Presentation to be circulated to committee.

3. Citizen Engagement and promotion of Social Inclusion

PPN Report

Angela Hayes gave the PPN Report.

4. Items for Information and Information Sharing

5. Items for discussion and decision

6. Local Enhancement Programme 2024

Anne Marie updated the LCDC members on the Local Enhancement programme for 2024. The total allocation comprises of €151,822 made up of €126,519.02 capital funding with 30% ring-fenced for grants of €1,000 or less and €25,303 capital funding ring-fenced for Women's groups.

Katherine read out list of successful applicants to the meeting and advised that the groups cannot be notified until a press release is issued from the Department.

Cllr. Mick McCarthy queried when would the applicants be notified. Katherine advised that the Department stated that a decision would be made in mid-April and once we hear back from the Department, all successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

Recommendations of the grants to the Department Proposed by Cllr. Mick McCarthy and Seconded by Cllr. Ger Frisby.

7. **Recommendation from SICAP Subgroup End of Year Review 2023**
Katherine Peacock gave the SICAP report and advised that KLP will make a presentation at the next meeting.

The End of Year Report was Proposed by Julieanne Power, Seconded by Lar Power.

8. **AOB**
Angela Hayes invited the LCDC Committee to a 10-year celebration of Teac Tom on Monday form 12.00-2.00p.m in City Hall.

9. **Next Meeting is in person on Friday 24th May, 2024 at 10.30a.m.**

This concluded the business of the meeting.