

**Laois Local Community Development Committee
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 30th January, 2019
At 4.00pm in Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise**

Members in attendance:

Public Sector representatives:

1. Cllr. Paschal McEvoy, Laois County Council (Chairperson LCDC)
2. Cllr. John King, Laois County Council
3. Cllr. Pauline Madigan (Laois County Council),
4. John Mulholland, Chief Executive, Laois County Council
5. Colm Purcell (Department of Social Protection
6. Evelyn Reddin, Laois Local Enterprise Office

Private Sector representatives:

1. Paddy Buggy, Laois Public Participation Network
2. PJ Campbell, Laois Public Participation Network
3. Mary White, Laois Public Participation Network
4. Robbie Quinn, Laois Public Participation Network
5. Michael Bergin , Farming Sector

Apologies: Tony Dalton (Laois/Offaly ETB),), Joe Thompson, Youth Sector, Ms. Anne Goodwin (Laois Partnership), Mr. Kieran Finane (Business Sector), Ray Harte, Laois Public Participation Network.

In Attendance: Ms. Georgina Ireland, A/Chief Officer, Ms. Pamela Tynan, A/Administrative Officer, Ms. Emma O'Connor, Clerical Officer, Mr. Mark Clancy, (Laois Partnership).

Chairman Mr Paschal McEvoy opened meeting.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of LCDC meeting held on 12th December, 2018

The minutes were adopted following a proposal from Mr Paddy Buggy which was seconded by Cllr. John King.

2. Matters Arising

None

3. Correspondence

Ms. Georgina Ireland advised members about National Community weekend taking place over the May Bank Holiday weekend 2019. Ms. Ireland explained that the Department of Rural and Community Development have made €10,000

available. It was agreed that a call for proposals should be arranged, cognisant of the need to be equitable across municipal districts and should a proposal for a larger event be submitted, this would also be considered.

4. SICAP

Ms. Georgina Ireland advised that an audit of the SICAP year 2017 had taken place in December 2018. The following recommendations were made as a result of this audit:

- A formal procedure be put in place regarding payments.
- A system of checks be put in place.
- A procedure manual be drawn up regarding oversight.
- SICAP programme to be included in the Local Authorities Risk Register.

Ms. Ireland advised that the SICAP sub-committee will meet on the 5th February, 2019 to discuss the SICAP Annual Performance Review 2018. A decision must be made by the LCDC by the 28th February, 2019 regarding acceptance of the End of Year report and a recommendation of the subcommittee will be presented to the February meeting of the LCDC in that regard.

5. Any Other Business

The schedule of meeting previously circulated was agreed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED: *Paschal mc Evoy*
CHAIRPERSON – LAOIS LCDC

DATE: 28.2.19.