

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday

23rd February 2022 at 8.30am

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Present	Organisation
Cllr Kate Feeney	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Lettie McCarthy	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Tom Kivlehan	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Marie Baker	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Therese Langan	Chief Executive or Nominee
Mary Ruane	Chief Officer
Róisín Cronin	Local Enterprise Office
Stephen Fitzgerald	Department of Social Protection
Louise Keogh	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Sharon Commins	Southside Partnership
Sharon Perry	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Gabby Mallon	DLR Chamber
Darren Chambers	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Conor Hickey	Crosscare
Maria Culbert	Dublin Dun Laoghaire Education & Training Board
Apologies	Organisation
Joan Casey	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Prof Joe McCarthy	University College Dublin
Patricia Byrne	Southside Partnership
Aisling Heffernan	HSE
Mark Fox	Environmental Pillar/PPN
In Attendance	Organisation
Eoin Kelly	DLRCC
Bernie King	DLRCC
Ian Smalley	DLRCC
Shahruz Mirmirani	DLRCC

Introductions and welcome

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting, apologies were noted, and the meeting was quorate.

Governance, Nominations and Replacements (if any)

Cllr Feeney welcomed new LCDC member Louise Keogh (PPN Social Inclusion Pillar representative) to the committee. Louise Keogh's nomination to the committee was approved at February 2022 County Council meeting.

It was agreed to issue a letter of thanks to Ibrahim Al Kaddo who was stepping down from the committee to thank him for his valued service to the LCDC and the SICAP Subgroup.

Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes of the LCDC Meeting held on the 24th November 2021 were proposed by Stephen Fitzpatrick, seconded by Cllr Baker and agreed by the Committee.

LCDC Annual Report 2021

Mary Ruane presented the main highlights of the draft LCDC annual report 2021.

Following the presentation, Cllr Baker complimented the report in capturing the work of the LCDC during 2021. Cllr Baker queried if there were any donations received for the DLR Community Foundation. Therese Langan noted that as it is in the early stages, no monies have been received and no funding applied for so far. Cllr Baker noted that €25,000 was spent on the High Security Lock Scheme and queried if the scheme had been oversubscribed. Mary Ruane noted that it was oversubscribed. Cllr Baker noted the value of the Paperchain project in connecting with people and queried if the Volunteer Centre has any capacity to keep it going. Mary Ruane advised that the Community Department would liaise with the Volunteer Centre in relation to this query.

Action: Community Department to contact the volunteer centre in relation to the Paperchain initiative.

Following the discussion, the annual report was proposed by Cllr Baker, seconded by Gabby Mallon, and approved. Mary Ruane noted that it would be referred from the LCDC to the March Council meeting for noting.

LECP End of Year Progress Report 2021 and LECP update

Mary Ruane noted that the LECP guidelines for preparation of next LECP have issued and the department are scheduling online training webinars to assist LCDC's with developing the next LECP.

Ms. Ruane then presented the highlights of the end of year LECP Progress Report 2021. Following the presentation, a discussion was held and an edit to the text relating to the High Security Lock Scheme was agreed.

Action: LECP Annual progress report to be amended in line with discussion.

Cllr. Baker queried if the Dun Laoghaire Men's Shed received two grants and asked where the shed is located. Mary Ruane noted that they received two small grants of €500 each and provided the location of the shed. Mary noted that there is a promotional video on the work of the Men's Sheds in DLR, and the link will be circulated to members.

Sharon Perry noted that a presentation from SAVE to the LCDC would be very useful. Cllr Feeney noted that a SAVE presentation on their work in relation to DV supports will be added to future updates.

Action: Presentation from SAVE to be added to future updates.

Action: Dún Laoghaire Men's shed video link to be circulated to LCDC members

Cllr Kivlehan queried if the High Security Lock Scheme will continue in 2022. Mary Ruane noted that no funding is available for it to continue in 2022. Theresa Langan noted that the assignment of budget for this project for next year is a matter for the members at budget time.

Following the discussion, the report was noted.

SICAP Update

Sharon Commins, CEO of Southside Partnership gave a presentation on the SICAP activities undertaken in 2021, the annual plan for 2022 and an overview of the SICAP case study 2021.

Following the presentation, a discussion was held with a query noted on the outcome for the participants in the Woman's Programme. Sharon Commins agreed to prepare a report addressing this.

Action: SSP to produce a report on the outcomes for the participants in the Case Study Programme.

Mary Ruane noted that a report was circulated prior to the meeting. The SICAP subgroup met to review the annual performance for 2021 and the annual plan 2022 and have proposed to the LCDC that the annual performance review for 2021 and the annual plan for 2022 be approved as recommended by the subgroup.

Approval of the SICAP end of year performance review 2021 and the SICAP annual plan 2022 was proposed by Gabby Mallon, seconded by Cllr McCarthy and agreed by the committee.

Sharon Commins from Southside Partnership DLR CLG, declared a conflict of interest and did not take part in the decision making. Written agreement for approval of the SICAP annual performance review 2021 and the annual report 2022 were sought and received from 2 of the private members who gave apologies for the meeting to ensure that the decision was quorate. These were Joan Casey and Joe Carthy.

Update on Grant Funding

Mary Ruane presented an update report on recent grant schemes. The report was noted.

PPN Update

An activity report from the DLR PPN covering the period November to December 2021 and January 2022 was presented by Sharon Perry. Sharon noted that the PPN are collating the data from the vision for community wellbeing pre-draft consultation.

Leader & Rural Task Force Update

Mary Ruane gave a brief overview of the update report circulated on the LEADER programme.

She noted that the date of last meeting was 7th December 2021 and the date of the next Rural Task Force meeting is 22nd March 2022.

Cllr. Tom Kivlehan noted that the boundaries for LEADER funding have changed and queried if these will be the new boundaries going forward to new round of LEADER funding. Mary Ruane noted that this is the case and the Dublin Rural LEADER LAG had asked for permission to extend the area and it was approved. She also noted that if members have any further additions to the areas to send them to the Chief Officer to be considered.

Future Updates

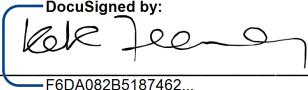
Presentation by SAVE to be added to future updates.

AOB

It was noted that LECP workshops would be arranged when meetings are in person.

Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is 30th March 2022, 8.30am online

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Chairperson

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Mary Ruane

Chief Officer