

## Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday

27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 at 8.30am

**Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams**

Present	Organisation
Cllr Kazi Ahmed	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Tom Kivlehan	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Lettie McCarthy	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Therese Langan	Chief Executive or Nominee
Roisin Cronin	Local Enterprise Office
Siobhan Fitzpatrick	Health Service Executive
Mary Ruane	Chief Officer
Cormac Shaw	Southside Partnership DLR
Ibrahim Al Kaddo	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Darren Chambers	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Joan Casey	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Mark Fox	Environmental Pillar/PPN
Gabby Mallon	DLR Chamber
Lorna Kerin	Tusla (in advisory role)
Stephen Fitzgerald	Department of Social Protection
Conor Hickey	Crosscare
Professor Joe Carthy	University College Dublin
Apologies	Organisation
Patricia Byrne	Southside Partnership
Sharon Perry	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Cllr Kate Feeney (Chairperson)	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
In Attendance	Organisation
Maria Kelly	DLRCC
Eoin Kelly	DLRCC
Bernie King	DLRCC
Ian Smalley	DLRCC
Eilish Harrington	Fingal Leader Partnership

## **Welcome and Introductions-Nominations & Replacements**

Mary Ruane welcomed everyone to the meeting, apologies were noted and the meeting was quorate.

Cllr. Kate Feeney was unavailable to attend the meeting. It was agreed that Cllr. Lettie McCarthy would chair the meeting.

## **Minutes and Matters Arising**

The minutes of the LCDC Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Tom Kivlehan, seconded by Therese Langan, and agreed by the Committee.

Mary Ruane noted that all actions were followed up on.

The SICAP Case Study and revised SICAP targets were submitted to Pobal.

A letter issued to the DDLETB thanking Derek Elders for his work on the LCDC and requested a nomination from the DDLETB to replace Derek Elders on the LCDC.

## **Presentation by Eilish Harrington, LEADER**

Eilish Harrington, CEO of Fingal Leader Partnership presented a report on Leader.

Following the presentation, the following items were discussed for LEADER areas:

- **Training for Environmental Groups:** Two training courses will take place on line regarding biodiversity and water. Courses need some work before they go fully online.
- **Funding available for youth projects:** Leader will consider capital costs, infrastructure, upskilling/training skills and governance training for any youth project if it is a stand along group.

## **LCDC Annual Report 2020**

### **LCDC Annual Report 2020**

Mary Ruane presented the 2020 LCDC Annual Report and outlined the key achievements during 2020 and noted the contribution made by agencies, community groups and volunteers in addressing issues arising from the impact of Covid 19 in our DLR community.

Following the presentation, the following items were noted:

- The collaborative work of the Community Response Forum, the Family Support sub-group and Health & Wellbeing sub-group.
- The approved LCDC Annual Report 2020 will be submitted to the March Council Meeting for noting.

The 2020 Annual report was proposed by Gabby Mallon, Seconded by Cllr. Tom Kivlehan and agreed by the committee.

**Action: LCDC Annual Report 2020 to go to the March Council Meeting for noting.**

## **LECP Update**

### **LECP End of Year Progress Report 2020**

Mary Ruane presented the LECP End of Year Progress Report for 2020.

Following the presentation, the following items were noted:

- The report is based on submissions by Stakeholders to the Viclarity system.
- It was agreed to hold a workshop to discuss the LECP Plan in the second half of 2021 and discuss learning from the current LECP and ways to improve collaborations in delivering actions.

## **SICAP Update**

### **Year End Review 2020**

Eoin Kelly presented SICAP End of Year Review 2020.

The following points were noted:

- Southside Partnership achieved and exceeded the revised KPI Targets for 2020 following a revision of the targets due to Covid 19.
- Southside Partnership were very flexible and adapted services to facilitate the Covid 19 situation.

SICAP End of Year Report 2020 was proposed by Stephen Fitzgerald, Seconded by Gabby Mallon and agreed by the Committee.

### **Annual Plan 2021**

Eoin Kelly presented the SICAP Annual Plan for 2021.

The following points were noted:

- Targets may need to be revised in 2021 depending on the Covid restrictions and this would be noted to Pobal.
- Southside Partnership have initiated operation upskill, a collaboration across programmes to support people looking to retrain and upskill with a view to employment.
- Southside Partnership have opened a new office at Upper George's Street, Dun Laoghaire so services can be made more accessible.
- Planning for an increase of clients has commenced and staff are working with people at the moment who need assistance.
- The unspent budget carried over from 2020 has been allocated to staff costs for engagement with Community Groups in 2021.

- Southside Partnership provides strong support for the Women's Programme through the SICAP programme.

**Action:**

**Cormac Shaw to circulate the Women4Women Programme schedule and update on participation.**

SICAP Annual Plan 2021 was proposed by Cllr. Tom Kivlehan, seconded by Darren Chambers and agreed by the Committee.

## **Grants Schemes Updates**

### **Grants Scheme – Covid 19 Emergency Fund Round 2**

Mary Ruane presented a report on Round 2 Covid Emergency Grant Fund.

Following the report, the following issues were discussed:

**Holly House** - Holly House has submitted an application for emergency funding under Round 2 Covid 19 Emergency Fund to supply families in need with food parcels. The issue was raised at the Community Response Forum and due to the urgency of this application the Council are requesting permission from the LCDC to grant this emergency funding to Holly House.

Following a discussion it was agreed that Round 2, Covid 19 Emergency funding be granted to Holly House. The funding was proposed by Gabby Mallon, seconded by Cllr. Tom Kivlehan and agreed by the Committee.

**Kiltiernan Parish Centre** - Kiltiernan Parish Centre have submitted an application for Round 2, Covid 19 Emergency Funding to provide a soup delivery service.

Following a discussion it was agreed that Round 2, Covid 19 Emergency funding be granted to Kiltiernan Parish Centre. The funding was proposed by Gabby Mallon, seconded by Cllr. Tom Kivlehan and agreed by the Committee

Mary Ruane noted more applications may be submitted to target food poverty prior to the online grant application closing date and due to the urgency of these issues asked if the Council could use their discretion in approving funding to these applications on behalf of the LCDC.

It was agreed by the Committee to allow DLRCC permission to approve Round 2, Covid 19 Emergency Funding to applications requiring emergency funding to address food poverty in the County. Proposed by Stephen Fitzgerald, seconded by Cormac Shaw and agreed by the Committee

## **PPN Update**

A report from the DLR PPN was circulated prior to the meeting and noted.

**AOB**

Conor Hickey updated the LCDC that the Crosscare Café is still operating a take away service.

Siobhan Fitzpatrick noted a mass vaccination centre will open in the Aviva Stadium.

The Age Friendly questionnaire will remain open until the 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. 570 questionnaires returned so far.

Siobhan Fitzpatrick noted this is her last LCDC meeting as she is retiring. All members thanked Siobhan for her hard work, dedication and support to the LCDC and the Stakeholder Forum.

Clr. Tom Kivlehan asked for all stakeholders to review and if possible, make a submission on the County Development Plan.

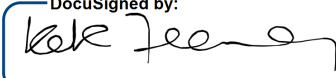
**Future Updates**

Claire Carroll, Volunteer Corps will present at the next meeting.

Roisin Cronin, Local Enterprise Office, DLRCC will present at the next meeting.

**Date of the Next Meeting**

Next meeting 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

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