

# Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday

21<sup>st</sup> October 2020 at 8.30am

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

<b>Present</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Cllr Kazi Ahmed	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Tom Kivlehan	DLRCOCO Elected Representative
Cllr Kate Feeney	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
Patricia Byrne	Southside Partnership dlr
Ibrahim Al Kaddo	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Sharon Perry	Social Inclusion Pillar/PPN
Darren Chambers	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Joan Casey	Community & Voluntary Forum/PPN
Mark Fox	Environmental Pillar/PPN
Professor Joe Carthy	University College Dublin
<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Conor Hickey	Crosscare
Gabby Mallon	DLR Chamber
Stephen Fitzgerald	Department of Social Protection
Derek Elders	Dublin Dún Laoghaire Education & Training Board
Lorna Kerin	Tusla (in advisory role)
<b>In Attendance</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Maria Kelly	DLRCC
Eoin Kelly	DLRCC
Bernie King	DLRCC
Ian Smalley	DLRCC

## Welcome and Introductions-Nominations & Replacements

Cllr Kate Feeney welcomed the two new members; Cllr Tom Kivlehan and Patricia Byrne to their first meeting of the LCDC and invited them to give brief introductions.

Mary Ruane advised the Committee that the Council meeting of the 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020 approved the following nominations:

Cllr. Tom Kivlehan to replace Cllr. Daniel Dunne on the LCDC

The Council also resolved, in accordance with Section 128C of the Local Government Reform Act 2014, to appoint the seven nominees listed for membership to the Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Community Development Committee that were submitted to the members of the local authority for consideration. The nominees had been recommended by the Corporate Policy Group.

Sector	Members Name	Organisation
Local & Community Development	Patricia Byrne	Southside Partnership dlr CLG
State Agencies	Stephen Fitzgerald	Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection
Local Authority Officials	Therese Langan	Nominated by Chief Executive, DLRCC
Community & Voluntary Public Participation Network	Joan Casey	Community & Voluntary Pillar PPN/LRRA (Laurleen Rocwood Residents Association)
	Darren Chambers	Community & Voluntary Pillar PPN/Ballinteer St Johns GAA Club
Environmental Interests Public Participation Network	Mark Fox	Environmental Pillar PPN/An Taisce
Other civic society or local community interests	Gabby Mallon	DLR Chamber

### **Minutes and Matters Arising**

The minutes of the LCDC Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Lettie McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Kazi Ahmed, and agreed by the Committee.

Under matters arising for Healthy Ireland Round 3, Mary Ruane noted that the LCDC's request that the completion date of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 be extended to the end of 2021 was conveyed to the Department of Rural and Community Department and to Pobal and decision was awaited.

### **SICAP Update and Mid-Year Review**

Mary Ruane noted that Pobal had been notified of the LCDC's approval of the SICAP mid-year review.

Cormac Shaw presented a brief outline of the Community Response to Covid SICAP Case Study which will be completed by the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020.

Action: Presentation on Case Study at next LCDC meeting.

### **Grants Schemes Updates**

#### **Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) Round 1**

Mary Ruane presented a report on the CEP 2020 Round 1 Grants.

Mary Ruane noted that a Grants Subcommittee meeting took place on the 15<sup>th</sup> October last. All applications were assessed and where a conflict of interest arose the members

involved removed themselves from the meeting. 24 grant applications were recommended for funding.

Following a discussion on the applications presented and in agreement with the Committee, Cllr. Tom Kivlehan proposed the approval of funding for the applications presented and Cllr. Kate Feeney seconded the approval.

**Action:**

All applicants to be informed of their grant decision.

**Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) 2020 Fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings**

Mary Ruane outlined the CEP 2020 Fund for Community Buildings and Community Centres and confirmed the amount of funding available is €154,000 and is targeted at capital grants for maintenance and upkeep of Community Buildings and Centres.

Mary Ruane proposed that an upper grant limit of €20,000 be approved by the LCDC Committee due to the nature of the grant and the level of funding available in this round.

Following a discussion on funding available the committee agreed the upper grant limit should be capped at €20,000. This approval was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy and seconded by Cllr. Kivlehan.

Eoin Kelly confirmed that applications received for funding under the CEP 2020 Fund for Community Centres and Community Buildings are currently being assessed. The Grants Subgroup committee will consider the applications and make recommendations regarding funding to the LCDC at the November meeting.

**Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) 2018**

A report was considered in relation to a grant for Shanganagh Park House under the Department of Rural and Community Development's Community Enhancement Programme 2018- Round 1.

Mary Ruane informed the Committee that Shanganagh Park House had been approved grant funding of €40,000 by the LCDC at its meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019. The grant was for the provision of additional childcare space in Shanganagh Park House by installing a purpose-built portacabin type facility.

The management of Shanganagh Park House have been pursuing the installation of this additional space and have recently concluded that the project is no longer viable due to additional requirements for access pathways, the additional costs of which were not included in the initial project application and only came to light at the detailed project implementations stage. To date a total of €6,669 has been expended in bringing the project to the current stage.

The management of Shanganagh Park House have requested that the remaining funding of €33,331 be transferred to a different capital project, which is both necessary and urgent, to update the heating system in the building.

The LCDC was asked to consider if they wished to approve the request to transfer the remaining balance of €33,331 to the proposed heating upgrade project at Shanganagh Park House.

There was also a discussion on alternative heating solutions to oil and gas. The Committee agreed to amend the grant approval of €40,000 funding to Shanganagh Park House and approved the transfer of €33,331 of 2018 CEP grant funding unspent from the original project (installation of additional childcares space; no longer viable) to a new project (replacement of malfunctioning heating system). If possible SPH is to look at whether an alternative solution to the current gas system is feasible.

Approval was proposed by Cllr. Kivlehan and seconded by Mark Fox and agreed by the Committee.

The Department of Rural and Community Development's formal approval will be sought for the LCDC's decision to approve the amendment of the grant approval and to transfer the sum of €33,331 to a new project (replacement of malfunctioning heating system) as set out above.

Action: The Community Department to notify the Department of the LCDC's decision and seek formal approval of this decision.

### **LCDC Subcommittees**

A short report outlining the members of the subcommittees was noted.

Eoin Kelly confirmed that Joan Casey and Gabby Mallon have joined the SICAP subcommittee.

Eoin Kelly confirmed that Joan Casey, Gabby Mallon and Sharon Perry have joined the Grants subcommittee.

### **PPN Update**

The DLR PPN Report was circulated to the members prior to the meeting and noted.

### **Leader and Rural Task Force Update**

Cllr. Feeney noted that Fingal have been notified of Mark Fox's nomination to the LAG.

### **Rural Task Force Update**

Bernie King presented a report on the Rural Task Force and noted that there are two new members on the committee -Sharon Perry and Mark Fox.

### **Leader Programme Update**

Bernie King presented an update on the Leader Programme provided by Fingal Leader Partnership's CEO, Eilish Harrington. The LCDC discussed environmental themes and in particular the need to develop the knowledge base of groups and promote interest in environmental applications under the LEADER programme.

Cllr. McCarthy noted the next LAG meeting will take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020.

Cormac Shaw noted that it would be timely for the LCDC to examine the next round of Leader funding criteria in the new year and explore the potential for future funding for eligible rural areas in DLR.

### **Action:**

Invitation to issue to CEO of Dublin Rural LEADER to present on next phase of LEADER and progressing further projects under Environmental Themes in the programme.

## Towns and Villages Renewal Scheme

Bernie King presented a report on the Towns and Villages Renewal Scheme.

She advised the application submitted under the Accelerated Measure Round 3 was unsuccessful and feedback has been requested.

Two applications made under the Main Towns and Villages Renewal Scheme for Stepside Village and Sandyford Village are still awaiting decision.

## DLR Local Economic and Community Plan 2016 - 2021

Cllr. Feeney noted a major progress report was provided to the Committee in September.

It was noted that workshops will recommence when the committee can meet in person, until then updates can be provided.

## Future Updates

- Council's Community Development Programme
  - Age Friendly (*written update issued on agenda re: commencement of Public Consultation Phase of the Age Friendly Strategy Review at end October*)
- Drugs and Alcohol Task Force (*invitation to issue*)
- County Childcare Committee
- Regional Skill Forum (for written update)
- CEO of Dublin Rural Leader to present on LEADER (*invitation to issue*)
- DEASP update-Pathways to Work Policy
- HSE Primary Health Care Update
- HSE Social Care (*added to list 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2020*)
- Mental Health and MOJO
- DLR Volunteer Centre (*added to list 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2020 for further update*)
- Crosscare (*added to list 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2020*)
- DLR CYPSC Plan (*launch of DLR CYPSC Children and Young People's Plan 2020 - 2022 Plan on 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2020 was noted & Plan added for future update*)

**Action:** dlr Drugs and Alcohol Task Force to be invited to present at the November 2020 LCDC Meeting.

## AOB

None

## Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 8.30am

Signed: Kate Feeney

Print Name: KATE FEENEY

Chairperson

Signed: Mary Ruane

Print Name: MARY RUANE

Chief Officer

