



**Minutes of Donegal Local Community Development Committee
 Public Services Centre, Letterkenny, 2.00pm on 24th May 2018**

Members	Clr Martin McDermott (Chair), Seamus Neely, Martin McBride, Clr Niamh Kennedy, Clr Maire Therese Gallagher, Jim Slevin, Susan McCauley, Susan McLaughlin, Liam McElhinney and James O Donnell
Apologies	Paul Hannigan, Anne McHugh, Peter Walker, Aengus Kennedy, Fionnan Bradley, Michael MacGiolla Easbuig, Michael Tunney & Siobhan McLaughlin
Chief Officer	Paddy Doherty
Attending	Liam Ward, Eimear McDermott, Loretta McNicholas & Kathleen Browne

Welcome

Clr Martin McDermott, Chairperson, welcomed everyone and thanked the members present for attending the meeting.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Draft minutes of the LCDC meeting of 17th April 2018 were considered. The minutes were proposed by Susan McLaughlin and seconded by Clr Niamh Kennedy.

2. Matters Arising

Martin McBride advised that the LCDC Members who were members of the Irish Language Sub Committee were Clrs Marie Therese Gallagher, Clr Niamh Kennedy and himself.

He confirmed that Sean O Daimhin would bring a report on the work of the Irish Language Sub Committee to the next LCDC Meeting.

3. LECP Monitoring and Evaluation Sub Committee

Susan McCauley updated the members on the work of the LECP Monitoring and Evaluation Sub Committee. She confirmed that the role of the Monitoring and Evaluation Sub Committee was to monitor what was going on in the County under the different goals of the LECP. Susan confirmed that an App was being developed to all groups to enter onto the Monitoring System their current status and progress. Input had already been received regarding the Healthy Ireland Fund and Alcohol Forum.

Susan requested that members advise the Sub Committee of any new projects in their area to ensure that the Sub Committee has an overview of all actions throughout the County.

Susan confirmed that a report would be brought to the July Meeting of the LCDC. Members would then be requested to discuss the activity throughout the County to ensure that resources are going into the sectors that need it most.

Loretta McNicholas confirmed that the work of the LECP Monitoring and Evaluation Sub Committee would be presented under the seven goals of the LECP. It would show how the projects fit into the work of the LCDC. Members would be requested to examine the proposals in the various goals with a view to examining how they can be moved on.

Loretta advised that it was intended to being a list of the key recommendations to the LCDC and finalise second update on targets and achievements by year end.

4. Healthy Ireland Fund

Eimear McDermott gave a presentation to members on Round 2 of the Healthy Ireland Fund. Members were advised that the LCDC application would again be a joint application with CYPSC and that the deadline for receipt of applications was 25th May 2018.

Eimear advised members that decisions on the applications would issue in August and all actions had to be implemented by 31st March 2019. The LCDC fund total is €75,000, with CYPSC at €37,100, leaving a total fund of €112,100. Members were advised that the LCDC Healthy Ireland Fund Sub Committee had met and reviewed the application to be submitted and details of the projects which were included in the application were provided to members.

Clr McDermott thanked Eimear for the comprehensive presentation. Susan McCauley and Susan McLaughlin both expressed their support for the positive progress made through this fund.

Liam Ward stated that the collaboration with CYPSC was beneficial to all parties and stated that the Healthy Ireland Fund application was a strong programme and would result in allot of good work.

Eimear also advised members that the deadline for the initial Healthy Ireland Fund Round 1 had been further extended to 31st May 2018 to ensure all necessary paperwork was completed.

On the proposal of Clr Maire Therese Gallagher, seconded by Susan McCauley, members approved the Round 2 Application to Health Ireland Fund and the extension of Round 1 to 31st May 2018.

5. AOB

Martin McBride advised members present that the PPN group had promoted a number of events recently including workshops on Social Media and Data Protection. He advised that the next workshop would be held in the Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny on 6th June on Equality and Human Rights.

6. Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting of the LCDC would be held on 11th June 2018 at 2.00 pm in County House, Lifford.

This concluded the business of the meeting