

**Minutes of the Wexford Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)  
meeting**

Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 9.30am  
Wexford County Council, Council Chamber, County Hall, Carriglawn, Wexford

**Attendance:**

**In the Chair:** Councillor Lisa McDonald (Public Sector)

**LCDC Members:**

Councillor Leonard Kelly - (Public Sector)  
Councillor Aidan Browne - (Public Sector)  
Councillor Anthony Donohoe - (Public Sector)  
Mr. Brian Kehoe, Wexford Local Development (Private sector)  
Mr. Tom Banville - Local Enterprise Office (Public Sector)  
Mr. Liam Daly - Department of Social Protection (Public Sector)  
Ms. Bridget Neville - Wexford Council of Trade Unions  
Mr. Pat Rath - PPN Community & Voluntary Rep  
Mr. Kevin Lewis – WWETB (Public Sector)  
Mr. John Joe Kavanagh, Farming Sector  
Mr. Brian Toomey - PPN Social Inclusion Rep  
Mr. Peter O'Connor - PPN Community & Voluntary Sector  
Ms. Jeanne Hendrick – HSE (Public Sector)

**Also in attendance:**

Mr. John Carley, Wexford County Council  
Mr. Ger Mackey, Chief Officer  
Ms. Ann Marie Laffan, Wexford County Council  
Mr. Michael Sweeney, Wexford County Council  
Mr. Seán Kavanagh, Wexford County Council

**Apologies:**

Mr. Tom Enright - CE Wexford County Council (Public Sector)  
Ms. Karin Dubsky - PPN Environmental Rep  
Ms. Lucy Medlycott - PPN Community & Voluntary Rep  
Ms. Alice Doyle, Wexford County Council

### **1. Election of LCDC Chairperson:**

Mr. Mackey opened the meeting and sought nominations for the position of LCDC Chairperson.

Cllr. McDonald was proposed by Cllr. Browne and seconded by Cllr. Kelly. Mr. Toomey was proposed by Ms. Neville and seconded by Mr. O'Connor. Mr. Banville was selected to oversee the election process and this was unanimously agreed – proposed by Ms. Neville and seconded by Cllr. Donohoe.

A ballot was taken with Cllr. McDonald receiving 10 votes and Mr. Toomey receiving 4 votes with 1 abstention. Mr. Mackey deemed Cllr. McDonald elected as Chairperson of the LCDC.

The Chairperson took the Chair and then addressed the LCDC, saying that it was a great honour and privilege to be elected Chairperson of the LCDC and thanked her proposer and seconder.

### **2. Election of LCDC Vice-Chairperson:**

The Chairperson sought nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson.

Cllr. Kelly was proposed by Cllr. McDonald and seconded by Cllr. Browne. As no other candidates were proposed the Chairperson deemed Cllr. Kelly elected as Vice-Chairperson of the LCDC.

Mr. Mackey requested an adjournment of the LCDC meeting to facilitate the holding of the LAG meeting as quorums were required for decisions to be made by the LAG. This was unanimously agreed. The meeting was suspended temporarily to hold the LAG meeting.

**Proposed:** Mr. Liam Daly

**Seconded:** Mr. Tom Banville

The LCDC meeting resumed at 11:45am. Mr. Kavanagh left the meeting at this point.

### **3. Adoption of Minutes:**

The minutes of the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) meeting of 29th April 2019, were adopted.

**Proposed:** Mr. Peter O'Connor

**Seconded:** Mr. Liam Daly

### **4. Matters Arising**

None

### **5. Correspondence**

Mr. Mackey noted the following items of correspondence:

- Wexford PPN – Let’s Talk About Disability Event report
- Letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 from the Department of Children and Youth Affairs

## **6. Consideration of LCDC Annual Report**

Mr. Mackey distributed the ‘2018 LCDC Annual Report’ to the members and gave a comprehensive overview of the distributed document. It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept the report as presented.

**Proposed:** Mr. Tom Banville

**Seconded:** Mr. Brian Toomey

## **7. SICAP**

Mr. Kehoe presented a report on the SICAP Programme (2018-2022) Mid Term Performance review for 2019 and left the room following this due to a conflict of interest. Mr. Mackey advised the members that the SICAP sub-committee were recommending approval of the review. It was unanimously agreed to approve the 2019 SICAP Mid-Term Review.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Leonard Kelly

**Seconded:** Mr. Brian Toomey

Mr. Mackey advised members that at the SICAP operational meeting that a request had been received from WLD that the LCDC SICAP Evaluation Sub-Committee minutes would be made available to them. Mr. Mackey advised members that the standing orders do not allow for minutes to be shared.

## **8. Community Enhancement Programme 2019**

Mr. Mackey noted that Wexford LCDC has been allocated €150,000 under the Community Enhancement Programme (CEP) 2019 and he presented a report outlining recommendations to the Committee in relation to this scheme:

### **Measure 1 – Small Schemes:**

#### **Enniscorthy District CEP 2019**

No conflict of interests.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey’s recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Aidan Browne

**Seconded:** Mr. Peter O’Connor

#### **Gorey District CEP 2019 excluding Kilanerin Tidy Towns application**

Mr. O’Connor has a conflict of interest on the Kilanerin Tidy Towns application.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey’s recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Anthony Donohoe

**Seconded:** Mr. Peter O’Connor

#### **Kilanerin Tidy Towns application**

Mr. O'Connor has a conflict of interest on the Kilanerin Tidy Towns application and left the room for the vote.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Anthony Donohoe

**Seconded:** Mr. Brian Toomey

Mr. O'Connor returned to the room.

#### New Ross District CEP 2019

No conflict of interests.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Mr. Peter O'Connor

**Seconded:** Cllr. Anthony Donohoe

#### Wexford District CEP 2019 excluding Knockingall Organisation Community Centre CLG and DMP Athletics Club

Conflict of interests – Cllr. McDonald has a conflict of interest on the Knockingall Organisation Community Centre CLG and DMP Athletics Club.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Anthony Donohoe

**Seconded:** Cllr. Leonard Kelly

#### Knockingall Organisation Community Centre

Conflict of interests – Cllr. McDonald has a conflict of interest on the Knockingall Organisation Community Centre CLG and left the room for the vote.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Mr. Brian Toomey

**Seconded:** Mr. Peter O'Connor

#### DMP Athletics Club

Conflict of interests – Cllr. McDonald has a conflict of interest on the DMP Athletics Club and left the room for the vote.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Aidan Browne

**Seconded:** Ms. Jeanne Hendrick

Cllr. McDonald returned to the room.

#### **Measure 2 – Climate Action:**

No conflict of interests.

It was unanimously agreed, by a show of hands, to accept Mr. Mackey's recommendation.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Leonard Kelly

**Seconded:** Mr. Brian Toomey

### **9. Healthy Ireland**

Mr. Mackey informed members that funding of €184,000 over 2 years has been made available under Healthy Ireland and a Healthy Ireland Co-Ordinator will need to be appointed.

## **10. Disability Presentation**

Mr. Rath made a presentation on 'Supporting People with A Disability in Wexford' and the members discussed the possibility of setting up a group to look at this in Wexford. Mr. Mackey suggested inviting Sligo County Council to the next LCDC meeting to discuss the work they have carried out on their Disability Consultative Group.

## **11. Chief Officers Report**

Mr. Mackey advised there was no Chief Officers report for this meeting.

## **12. Local Economic and Community Plan Update (LECP)**

Mr. Mackey informed the members that the national LECP review is at an advanced stage.

## **13. AOB**

Mr. Toomey informed the members that a pilot project is being rolled out in Bunclody on Dementia Training for Retail Businesses.

Mr. O'Gorman noted that the Refugee Resettlement programme is coming to an end with 217 persons looked after.

Mr. Carley noted that this would be Mr. Mackey's last LCDC meeting as he is taking up the role of Enniscorthy Municipal District Manager and he thanked him for his contribution to the work of the LCDC. The Chairperson and many of the members added their thanks to Mr. Mackey and noted his dedication and commitment to the LCDC.

Mr. O'Connor noted that the PPN annual report had been published and is available on the PPN website.

Mr. Mackey noted that this would be Mr. Banville's last LCDC meeting and thanked him for his contribution to the work of the LCDC.

## **Date for next meeting**

Mr. Mackey advised the members that the next LCDC meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 2.00pm.

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Chief Officer

Dated on the     day of     , 2019.

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