



Draft Minutes of the LCDC meeting on Thursday, 23rd July 2020 Teams Meeting

In attendance:

Fergal Dennehy Chairperson
Joe Curtin Cork City PPN
Cllr. Garrett Kelleher Cork City Council
Catherine Kennedy Cork City PPN

Eddie Mullins ICTU

Mick O'Connell Cork City Partnership

Adrienne Rodgers Chief Officer

Denis Leamy CETB

Also in attendance: Tony Power, Rebecca Loughry, Ruth Lynch, Fearghal Reidy, Lorcan Griffin

Apologies: A O'Connell, A Doherty, P McGuirk, B McPolin, G Keohane, F Finn, L Owens,

N O'Donovan, P Lynch, S Goulding

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the committee members and apologies were noted.

2. Teleconference Etiquette

A Rodgers outlined teleconference etiquette.

3. Minutes

On the proposal of C Kennedy, seconded by E Mullins the minutes 25th of June 2020 were approved with no matters arising.

4. For information:

a. Cork City Council Community Response Forum update

T Power gave an update on the Community Response Forum.

C Kennedy acknowledged the work being undertaken by the committee with responsibility for the digital divide in relation to families and older people but queried whether anyone was in contact with the Direct Provision centres.

D Leamy suggested that Denis Barrett make a presentation on the Digital Divide at the next meeting.

T Power following a question from F Dennehy, T Power confirmed that the Covid Emergency Fund could be used for sanitary equipment in the re-opening of buildings and services.

A Rodgers confirmed that the Department had issued guidance on the re-opening of services but also suggested that the Committee write to the Department requesting extra funding for groups to re-open.

R Loughry currently there is not much funding to support groups. The Committee needs to press the Department for more funding.

F Dennehy requested that the guidelines for re-opening of groups published by the Department to circulated to the Committee.

J Curtain queried whose responsibility it would be if a person contracted Covid-19 in a community building.

b. DRCD Community Emergency Fund update

Two reports were circulated to the Committee. A change to the scheme allows people to apply for PPE and safety equipment. The awards for tranche 2 were circulated. There has been €42k of the Emergency Funding allocated so far.

c. SICAP Mid-Year Timeline

A report on the SICAP Mid-Year Update was circulated to the Committee. Despite the onset of Covid-19 all KPIs continue to be met.

d. Public Participation Network Report

The PPN report was circulated and Catherine Kennedy outlined details of report.

5. Strategic Items:

a. Issues Paper

T Power informed the committee that the CEP 2020 would be advertised at the end of the month with a closing date of the end of August/start of September. Healthy Ireland Fund – reporting for year 1 has been postponed to allow re-allocation of budgets due to covid-19.

b. Cork City Development Plan

F Reidy gave a presentation on the Cork City Development Plan public consultation process.

R Loughry commented on the solid foundations that have been formed and relationships through the Community Response Forum. These should be utilised when the LCDC are making their submission to the Development Plan.

F Dennehy noted that only twelve months have passed since the boundary was extended. A lot has been done but still a lot to do.

6. AOB

E Mullins is stepping down for the 31st of July 2020. The Committee acknowledged his position as an important pillar in Cork. His calibre of experience and the extensive contribution he has made will be missed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Fergal Dennehy Chairperson.

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