



Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí
Cork City Council



Minutes of LCDCC Meeting 23rd May 2024 at 4pm in the Clayton Hotel, Lapps Quay, Cork

In attendance: Chair, Cllr Fergal Dennehy, Cllr Gareth Kelleher, Bernadette Connolly, Majo Rivas, Cllr Kenneth Collins, Rebecca Loughry, Siobhan Goulding, Denis Leamy, Ann Doherty, Eoin Gunn and Thomas Myres.

Also in attendance: Kieran O'Connell (CCC), Michelle Considine (CCC),

Apologies: Cllr Ger Keohane, Niall O'Keeffe, Gabrielle O'Keeffe, Joe Curtin, Cliona Barnes, Katherine Harford, and Mellisa Cotter

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chairperson, Cllr Fergal Dennehy (FD) welcomed the committee members.

The Chair acknowledged and welcomed the two new members Katherine Harford (in her absence) and Cllr Kenneth Collins.

Apologies were noted.

2. Declaration/conflict of interest:

The Chairperson Fergal Dennehy reminded the Committee of the need to declare any conflict of interest.

3. Draft Minutes of LCDCC Meeting 25th April 2024

The draft minutes of the meeting held on the 25th April 2024 were approved. Proposed by Cllr Fergal Dennehy and seconded by Rebecca Loughry.



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4. Matters Arising

New LCDC Guidance Document is due from the DRCD once this is received an induction session will be provided for all LCDC Members in the new term.

Quorum: 'The quorum to be present before business can be transacted is 50% of the membership of the Committee, rounded to the nearest whole number, plus one. **Currently 18 members. 10 Required for quorum again.**

The chair Cllr Fergal Dennehy congratulated Rebecca Loughry on her new role as Director of Services, Community Culture and Placemaking on behalf of the LCDC.

5. LCDC Membership and Annual Report 2023:

Membership: Katherine Harford PPN Rep and Cllr Ken Collins (CCP Chairperson) were welcomed. The election of Cork City Councillors for the next 5-year term of Council will necessitate a change of membership of three Councillors. Joe Curtin (PPN) and Siobhan Goulding (DSP) have also come to the end of their term. Ann Doherty's term as Chief Executive of Cork City Council is to finish in September 2024.

Draft 2023 Annual Report: Presented to LCDC for approval and then to be sent to the DRCD and the next CCP SPC for approval.

Proposed adoption of the LCDC Annual Report by Chair Fergal Dennehy and seconded by Majo Rivas.

6. For Information:

(a) LCDC Local Enhancement Programme 2024:

For Approval: The Grants is €232,204.82. Broken down as, €193,504.02 for Capital Projects and €38,700.80 ring fenced for women's groups/sheds 30% €1,000 small grants. DRCD announced the Community Section of Grant last evening. Awaiting Women's Groups announcement.

(b) The Community Recognition Fund 2023 (City of Welcomes)

To date we have paid out €416,257.12 to community groups with several projects to submit invoices to us shortly. Recoupment to the Department for these projects is also up to date. The money paid out to date equates to 38% of the overall project fund of €1,125,400 awarded.



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(c) The Community Centre Investment Fund:

Awards announced but no Cork City award. No news of a new iteration of this fund.

(d) Additional Staffing Resources Update Minister Joe O'Brien announced an increase in the ASR for the operation and administrative support to the Cork City LCDDC. This has been increased from €75,392.00 to €110,974.92 (See circular) an increase of €35,582.92. The CO RL will propose a value for money and best outcomes for the LCDDC with this additional funding.

7. PPN Report

All Documentation went to DRCD for final funding approval and for drawdown of annual funding. Request for a carryover of funding has been approved by the DRCD. Cork City Council should receive a confirmation letter shortly and will administer the PPN fund again for 2024.

Bernie Connelly advised that the PPN did not have an update. Joe Curtin's term of membership has finished up, and his replacement will be sought at the next PPN Plenary in June.

8. Strategic Items:

a. LECP 2024 -2029 Update:

LECP 2024-2029 was adopted and approved by the CCP SPC, the CPG and the full Council Meeting on the 13th May and went to print the following day. The LECP will be launched in the Council Chambers on the 30th of May 2024 2.00 p.m. Invites were forwarded to both the Minister Responsible: Heather Humphries, Dept. of Rural and Community Development and Darragh O'Brien, Dept. of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The chair thanked all those whose hard work made this plan possible.

b. Sláintecare Healthy Communities –

Rebecca Loughry advised of the launch of the Community Wellness room next Thursday in the Parochial Hall.

The recently launched 'Wellness Room' in the Glen Resource Centre will add real value to the coordinators work.



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c. Healthy Ireland Fund (HIF) –

The Healthy Ireland report for 2023 has recently been approved; this includes financial reporting and evaluation of the outcomes of the six groups who benefit from the fund.

Each group continues to work to a very high level, has developed reporting mechanisms which have minimum impact on the delivery of their work and meet the outcomes of the fund in an efficient manner.

Karen Duke asked to pass on her thanks the Local Community Development Committee for all their support over the past 18 months while she was in post as Healthy Ireland Coordinator. The Community Culture and Placemaking Team will ensure a smooth transition for grantees until the new coordinator is in place.

d. SICAP and ECP Report – CCP Annual Plan 2024 Change of Funding Proposal.

SICAP subcommittee have approved the change of funding proposal. Kieran O’Connell gave the Committee an overview of this proposal.

Proposed by Cllr Fergal Dennehy seconded by Denis Leamy.

CCP Annual Plan 2024 Change of Funding Proposal; Kieran advised of the SICAP Sub-Group and Pobal approval. The SICAP Mid-Year Review will begin in June and Kieran has requested a meeting with the SICAP Team to enable a review of the mid-year review from CCP before LCDC approval.

e. Local Area Child Poverty Action Plans –

Kieran O’Connell advised that the plan is progressing and that there will be a report on the update at the next LCDC meeting.

9. AOB

There was no other business.

The Chair acknowledged the end of term of membership of the LCDC for the following the Ann Doherty, Siobhan Goulding, Cllr Garrett Keller, Joe Curtin, Cllr Joe Keohane and Brenda Cahill. He thanked them for all their work during the course of their membership. The Chair stated it has been a pleasure to work with all the organisations working on the LCDC. Particularly the SICAP Sub-Group. The Chair also thanked Rebcca Loughry, Kieran O’Connell and Michelle Considine for their support. He also wanted to acknowledge Tony Power’s (RIP) work.

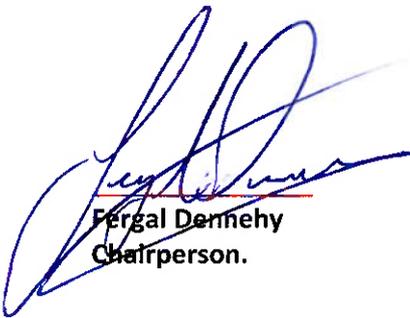


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The next meeting is Thursday 27th June at 4.00 p.m. and will be an in-person meeting.



Fergal Dennehy
Chairperson.

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