

**Minutes of the Meeting of  
Carlow Local Community Development Committee**

**Held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 2.30pm**

**in**

**Council Chamber, County Buildings, Athy Road, Carlow**

**PRESENT**

**Statutory Interests:**

Cllr. Michael Doran

Cllr Arthur McDonald

Cllr Willie Quinn

Cllr Charlie Murphy

Head of Enterprise: Kieran Comerford

Kilkenny/Carlow Education & Training Board: Cynthia Deane

**Non -Statutory Interests:**

Community & Voluntary Sector: Thomas Kelly

Community & Voluntary Sector: Mary Doyle

Social Inclusion: Josephine Tierney

Agricultural /Farming: John Nolan

Environmental Pillar: Eamonn Moore

Civic Society: Brian Hand

Carlow Tourism: Eileen O'Rourke

Business/Employer: John Brophy

**Chief Officer:** Michael Brennan

**Administrative Officer:** Margaret Nolan

**Apologies:**

Statutory Interests: Cllr Willie Quinn, Kathleen Holohan, Anna-Marie Lanigan, Cynthia and Noel Barry

Non Statutory Interests: Josie Tierney

**ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

**Proposed: Cllr Michael Doran**

**Seconded: John Nolan**

**AND RESOLVED**

“That the Minutes of the LCDC Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016 are hereby approved.”

There are no matters arising that were not on the Agenda.

**ITEM 2 Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) Mid Term Review January - June 2016**

The Chief Officer, Michael Brennan informed the members of the mid-year review with the LCDC SICAP subgroup and that they will meet the Programme Implementer next week to review the year and plan for 2017. Members were requested to submit issues to the Chief Officer that could inform the 2017 planning process.

**ITEM 3 Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2021 - Implementation Plan 2016-2018**

The Chief Officer, Michael Brennan advised that the Implementation Plan will be presented at the Council Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> September for approval. He also advised that progress reports will be a regular occurrence at the LCDC meetings and to the Elected Members.

**ITEM 4 Town and Village Renewal Scheme**

The Chief Officer and K Comerford outlined details of the Town and Village Renewal Scheme to the members which they noted. The Chief Officer advised them that a workshop for Elected Members has been arranged to decide the areas to be supported under the scheme. The Chief Officer also advised that it was important to achieve a more coherent approach to the development of towns and villages going forward and for the purposes of ensuring that projects are evidence-based and contribute to sustainable rural development, proposals must be consistent with the broader development plans for the area and county and consistent with the community elements of the Local Economic and Community Plan and the LEADER Local Development Strategy.

**ITEM 5 AOB**

The issue of all Elected Members representation on the LCDC coming from the Municipal District of Muinebheag was raised. Members were informed that this was solely a decision for the Members of Carlow County Council to make and that they were there to represent the whole County.

It was also agreed following discussion that there would be a Calendar of Speakers prepared from Public Bodies who have funding programmes, who would be requested to attend future LCDC meetings and that members would send in proposals to the Chief Officer in this matter. It was also agreed that at the next meeting of the LCDC that a representative from the Regional Skills Forum would be invited.

**This concluded the business of the meeting**