

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Carlow Local Community Development Committee
Held on 8th March, 2018 at 2.00pm
In the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Athy Road, Carlow**

PRESENT

Statutory Interests:

Cllr John Murphy
Cllr Michael Doran
Cllr Andrea Dalton
Kathleen Holohan
Kieran Comerford
Cynthia Deane

Non -Statutory Interests:

Community & Voluntary College: Thomas Kelly
Community & Voluntary College: Mary Doyle
Environmental College: Eamonn Moore
Business / Employer: John Brophy
Partnership Company: Karl Duffy
Carlow Tourism: Eileen O'Rourke

Chief Officer: Michael Brennan

Administrative Officer: Margaret Moore

In attendance: Margaret Nolan Administrative

Apologies:

Statutory Interests: Cllr Charlie Murphy, Anna Marie Lanigan, Noel Barry

Non-Statutory Interests: Anne Shortall, John Nolan

ITEM 1 Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising – 8th February 2018

Proposed: Thomas Kelly
Seconded: Cynthia Deane

AND RESOLVED

“That the Minutes of the LCDC Meeting held on 8th February 2018 having being circulated to each member be taken as read, confirmed as to accuracy and accordingly approved and signed.”

ITEM 2 Conflict of Interest

The Chairperson reminded the members of their obligation and duty with regard to declaring any conflict of interest that they may have during the business of the meeting.

ITEM 3 Healthy Ireland – Strategic Plan for County Carlow (Presentation by Exodea Consultants – Donagh MacArtain)

Donagh MacArtain from Exodea Consultants outlined to the Members the framework of the Healthy Ireland Carlow County Strategy that was being developed at present. Queries raised by members were responded to by Mr MacArtain and Ms Margaret Nolan. The presentation will be circulated to the members and at the next meeting the final draft of the Strategy will be presented to the LCDC for approval.

ITEM 4 Carlow Smart Digital Communities (Gráinne O’Neill, Carlow PPN, Helen Rothwell, Carlow Volunteer Centre & Pat Kennedy, ETowns)

Gráinne O’Neill, Co-ordinator of the Carlow PPN outlined what the PPN was and the joint application that the PPN and Carlow Volunteer Centre had submitted under the Towns and Villages Funding Scheme in respect to building the digital usage capacity of communities. She then introduced Pat Kennedy, ETowns who are consultants engaged by the PPN and Carlow Volunteer Centre to deliver a Carlow Smart Digital Strategy for Communities. Mr. Kennedy outlined his plans in respect of the delivery of this project. Queries raised were responded to by Mr Kennedy. The presentation to be circulated to the Members.

ITEM 5 Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

Mr Karl Duffy, Carlow County Development Partnership gave an update and circulated a progress report on implementation of 2018 SICAP plan to the Members. Cllr. Andrea Dalton drew Members attention to the LCDC SICAP End of Year Report that the SICAP

Subgroup on behalf of the LCDC had compiled and which was due to be submitted to Pabal on the 9th March. It was requested of the Members to come back to the Chief Officer before 12 noon the next day if they had any amendments or suggestions.

ITEM 8 AOB

It was agreed that the next meeting of the LCDC will be held at 4.00pm.

It was also requested that if at all possible that reports should be issued with the agenda rather than at the meeting, in order to give Members the opportunity to consider them which was noted.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Chairman

Date: _____

Chief Officer

Date: _____