

MINUTES OF MONAGHAN LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(L.C.D.C.) MEETING HELD AT 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 19th April, 2016
in M.Tek 1, Armagh Rd., Monaghan

Present

Statutory

Cllr. Brian McKenna	Monaghan County Council
Cllr. David Maxwell	Monaghan County Council
Cathal Hand	Health Service Executive
Pat Dolan	Department of Social Protection
Paul Clifford	Director of Services, Monaghan County Council
John Kearney	Cavan Monaghan Education and Training Board
John McEntegart	Monaghan Local Enterprise Office

Non Statutory

Gabriel O'Connell	Monaghan Integrated Development
Packie Kelly	Social Inclusion – Teach na nDaoine
Emer Brennan	Environment – County Monaghan Network of Tidy Towns Groups
Breege Lenihan	Community & Voluntary –County Monaghan Community Network
Michael Treanor	Business Community
Denis Sheridan	Trade Unions

Apologies:

Cllr. Seamus Coyle	Monaghan County Council
Noel Carney	Community & Voluntary - Heritage Network
Brian Treanor	Farming/Agriculture – IFA
Robert Wilson	Social Inclusion - County Monaghan Community Network

In Attendance

Fintan McPhillips	L.C.D.C. Chief Officer, Monaghan County Council
Ann Murray	Administrative Officer, Monaghan County Council

1. Welcome

Emer Brennan, Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 15th March, 2016

On the proposal of Packie Kelly seconded by Gabriel O'Connell, the minutes of the LCDC meeting held on Tuesday, 15th March, 2016, were confirmed.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Update on the establishment of an LECP Monitoring Sub Committee

The Chief Officer updated members on the establishment of an LECP Monitoring Sub Committee and confirmed that it was agreed at the previous LCDC meeting that it would consist of three members from the LCDC and three Members from the Economic Development and Enterprise Support SPC. This Sub Committee will monitor progress on the actions contained in the LECP.

The following members were nominated at the previous meeting and agreed to sit on the LECP Monitoring Sub Committee:-

- Gabriel O'Connell
- Packie Kelly
- Paul Clifford

Paul Clifford proposed that another LCDC member be selected to this Committee to replace him due to his dual role with the SPC for Economic Development and Enterprise Support and the LCDC. Following a discussion on the matter members recommended Cllr Brian McKenna and he agreed to represent the LCDC on this Sub Committee.

5. Update on Peace IV Programme – including three nominations from LCDC to Peace IV Partnership Board

The Chief Officer referred members to the previous LCDC meeting when he outlined proposals for the establishment of a Peace IV Partnership Board. It was agreed at that meeting that three LCDC representatives would be selected, one from Statutory, one from Voluntary and one Councillor. The Chief Officer asked that when nominating and agreeing LCDC reps that gender balance be considered.

The following representatives agreed to represent the LCDC on the Peace IV Partnership Board:-

- John Kearney, Statutory Sector

Packie Kelly and Breege Lenihan, both Voluntary Sector, expressed an interest on being a representative on this board. Packie Kelly suggested that the PPN, which was to meet later, would nominate the rep from the PPN reps on the LCDC and the two PPN reps and would revert to the next meeting of the LCDC.

It was agreed that Council members would consult with each other and agree their selected member to represent the following:

- Local Community Development Committee (1)
- Ballybay/Clones MD representative (1)
- Carrickmacross/Castleblaney MD (1)
- Monaghan MD (1)

It was agreed that Councillors on the LCDC would report back to the Chief Officer on those nominated representatives to sit on the Peace IV Partnership Board.

6. LEADER Programme 2014-2020 – Local Development Strategy update:-

The Chief Officer reported that he had spoken to the Department regarding the current status of the revised Local Development Strategy which had been re-submitted by the Programme Implementer, Monaghan Integrated Development. He confirmed that he had been told that the revised LDS was due to be assessed at the March meeting of the evaluation committee but that it had not been reached on the agenda. It would be assessed shortly and hopefully the LDS would be approved before the end of April.

Gabriel O'Connell, MID, confirmed that the final draft of the LEADER Operating Guidelines should be available by the end of April.

7. Presentation from HSE

The Chairperson welcomed Cathal Hand and Emer Mulligan, HSE who delivered a presentation to Members on the HSE Organisational Overview and the Suicide Prevention Programme.

Both Cathal and Emer stressed the importance of collaboration between the LCDC and the HSE particularly in connection with the joint delivery of objective 5.3 *"to improve and sustain the health and well-being of all people in county Monaghan"* and Action 5.3.3: *"Develop and implement Monaghan Strategy on suicide prevention"* which are also outputs to be delivered by the HSE in their new Strategy *"Connecting for Life"*. Emer also stressed the importance of the SafeTalk and Assist Training Programmes.

The Chief Officer confirmed that he had attended both the half day Safe Talk and the two day Assist Training Programmes and would recommend both to anyone interested in improving their knowledge and skills in suicide prevention. John Kearney, CMETB confirmed that this training is made available to staff in all ETB Secondary Schools.

Cathal Hand, HSE encouraged all organisations to participate and avail of this training. Emer confirmed that they had a half day's Safe Talk training course scheduled each month and the ASSIST two day course scheduled every two months. The next training was scheduled for 15th and 16th June. Michael Treanor asked if these courses could be made available to people in evenings, after work hours, or at weekends. Emer agreed to look into this.

The Chairperson and members thanked Cathal and Emer for their very informative presentation.

8. A.O.B.

Packie Kelly invited members to the launch of a Report on Mullaghamatt/Cortolvin Skills Audit Survey & Analysis, December, 2015, which is taking place in Teach na nDaoine FRC on 28th April, 2016, at 11 a.m.

Breege Lenihan asked members to encourage friends, family and work colleagues to complete their Census forms on Sunday, 24th April, 2016.

9. Date of next meeting

The Chairperson confirmed that the next LCDC meeting will take place at 4.30pm on Tuesday 10th May, 2016, in M TEK I.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

CHAIRPERSON