

**Minutes of
Clare Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)
meeting held on
19th April 2023 at 11am
[Hybrid meeting online and The Hub, Quin Road Business Park Ennis]**

In Attendance

Mr. Paul Patton
Ms. Bernie Haugh
Mr. Leonard Cleary
Cllr Cillian Murphy
Mr. Maurice Harvey
Mr. Dermot Hayes
Ms. Sheila Lynch
Brian Mc Manus

Organisation

Chairperson - Education & Training Board
Chief Officer
Director of Services Rural Development Directorate
Elected Member
Age Friendly Alliance Board
Social Inclusion Interests
Ennis Chamber
Community & Voluntary Interests
Clare Youth Service

Attending (On-Line)

Ms. Dóirín Graham
Ms. Bridgie Casey
Ms. Hilary Tonge
Cllr. Johnny Flynn
Ms. Bedelia Collins

Clare Local Development Company
Social Inclusion Clare PPN
Community & Voluntary Clare PPN
Elected Member
HSE

Rural Staff Support

Mr. Brendan Boyce
Mr. Frank Cullinan
Ms. Anita O'Loughlin

Rural Development
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Apologies Received.

Mr. Padraic McElwee
Cllr. Bill Chambers
Mr. Pat Dowling
Cllr. Gerry Flynn
Thomas Lane

Head of Enterprise
Elected Member
Chief Executive CCC
Elected Member
Agricultural Farmers Sector

Guests

Dr. Sean Ó'Riordáin
Maureen O'Reilly
Aobhan Haverty
Triona Lynch

Consultant
Consultant
LCETB
LCETB

TOPIC 1: MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING

- Issue:** Minutes from February 22nd 2023 taken as read
- Issue:** Chairperson Paul Patton welcomed members to the meeting. Congratulations were offered to Ms. Sheila Lynch who takes over as president of Ennis Chamber of Commerce
- Proposed:** Hillary Tonge
- Seconded:** Cllr. Cillian Murphy

TOPIC 2: LECP PDATE

- Issue:** Sean O Riordain gave a presentation on the LECP Workshop that took place on the 6th April and highlighted what the main takeaways from the event were. Sean highlighted the 5 economic and 9 Social goals that were identified. He also briefed members on progress to date. The review of the previous LECP has been completed. The SEA screening process has begun with the EPA and Heritage Council. Data sets are being collated to prepare the socio-economic statement. Goal is to produce a succinct document with achievable high-level goals. To date no draft Clare Survey is available but it is hoped to have same shortly.

Feedback

Chairperson Paul Patton noted some of the goals were realistically objectives and that the LECP document should reflect this. We should be clear in our thinking as to what is a goal and what is an action or objective. A discussion took place and consensus was that the objectives targeted in the high-level goals must be measurable, achievable and involve joined up thinking in achieving them. The goals set in the plan must be achievable and relatable to the people of Clare. Chief Officer Bernadette Haugh advised that the consultants would be engaging with the steering group to finalise the High-Level Goals. Census Data would be used for preparation of Socio-Economic Statement and Clare Survey Data would be used to fill in gaps. A public consultation will begin shortly with online survey and public engagement through workshops throughout the county. A S.W.OT. analysis will also be completed prior to

public consultation. The aim is to have 6 to 10 clearly defined high level goals similar to other local Authorities.

Action:

Sean O Riordan's presentation to be forwarded to all members.



LCDC Sean O
Riordain Presentatic

**TOPIC 3: Presentation on Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board provision and support services
Presented by Triona Lynch & Aobhan Haverty**

Issue:

Triona Lynch and Aobhan Haverty of Limerick and Clare Education and training Board gave an interesting and informative presentation on the work of the training board. They gave an overview of what services LCETB provide and courses that are available in their campuses throughout the region.

Feedback

Dermot Hayes congratulated them on an excellent presentation and noted the massive improvements that have been made in the last six years. Cllr. Johnny Flynn echoed those comments. Leonard Cleary noted it was an excellent presentation. He suggested that the council and LCETB come together about securing additional space for the Kilrush campus.

Action:

Presentation to be forwarded to LCDC Members



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TOPIC 4: Presentation on the Community Development Pilot - Traveller CDP

Issue: Bridgie Collins gave an informative presentation on the Traveller CDP pilot project. Bridgie provided members with the background to the programme and outlined what the objectives of the pilot are, and some of the successes they have achieved to date, and they hope to continue building on that success in 2023.

Feedback: Dermot Hayes congratulated Bridgie on her presentation. Leonard Cleary echoed those sentiments and congratulated Clare Local Development Company for facilitating the project.

Action: Bridgie Casey's presentation be forwarded to all members.



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PRESENTATION 19AI

TOPIC 5: Update on LCDC LEADER Bid Stage 2

Issue: Brendan Boyce updated members on progress to date and advised members what actions will be taking place in the next few weeks.

TOPIC 6: Draft LCDC Annual Report 2022

Issue: Draft LCDC Annual report 2022 has been prepared.

Actions: Draft Report to be circulated to all members for their feedback prior to final document being issued.

TOPIC 8: AOB

Issue: Correspondence received from Doírín Graham that due to work commitments she is standing down from the finance subcommittee. Paul Patton thanked Doírín for her time and commitment on the subcommittee.

Sheila Lynch nominated to take vacant role on Finance Subcommittee.

TOPIC 10: Next Meeting

Wednesday 24TH May 2023 at 11a.m.

Signed:



**LCDC
Chairman:**

Mr. Paul Patton

Signed:



**LCDC Chief
Officer:**

Bernie Haugh