

Meeting of the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

24th July, 2024.

▶ Quorum (11)

▶ Apologies

▶ Minutes of previous meeting dated 22.05.2024

Correction noted regarding title of nominating body for Trade Union - Irish Congress of Trade Unions

▶ Proposed by:

▶ Seconded by:

CYPSC/LCDC Child Poverty Pilot Programme

update by Cathriona MacCarthy

- ▶ An application for funding under this pilot programme was submitted by Roscommon CYPSC and supported by Roscommon LCDC before the extended closing date of 14th June, 2024.
- ▶ The department (DCEDIY) have set up a panel of assessors to review all 23 applications received.
- ▶ 4 applications will be chosen to take part in this pilot.
- ▶ It is envisaged that this process will take 8 weeks and a decision should be made by the end of August.

LCDC Membership

Update by Bridie McHugh

- ▶ 2 Letters of resignation were received by the Chief Officer of LCDC
 - ▶ Gareth Scahill - Business representative (Private) - as per guidelines, nomination sought from Chambers Ireland. Awaiting confirmation and will be ratified at next Council meeting (23.09.24)
 - ▶ Tom Kellegher - State Agency (Public) - Teagasc. Tom has confirmed that his replacement will be Mr Gabriel Trayers. He will be in attendance at the next LCDC of 18th September and will be ratified at the next Council Meeting (23.09.24)
- ▶ PPN Environmental Representative for Environmental Pillar. The PPN went out for nominees to fill this position on 8th July. This process finished on Tuesday 22nd July. 2 nominations received. A ballot has commenced with members this week of which the outcome will be known on Monday 29th July 2024

SICAP Sub-committee

Update by Lynne Keery

SICAP 2024-2028 Programme

Annual Plan 2024 Review

Mid Year Review 2024

SICAP has Two Goals

Goal 1: Supporting Communities

Goal 2: Supporting Individuals

The Aim

The aim of SICAP is to reduce poverty and promote Social Inclusion and Equality in Ireland through supporting communities and individuals.

SICAP Core Principles are:

- ▶ An Equality Framework
- ▶ Community Development Approaches
- ▶ Collaborative Approaches

SICAP 2024 - 2028

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| Funding: | Department of Rural and Community Development with co-funding from the ESF. |
| National Management & Oversight: | Pobal |
| Contracting Authority: | LCDC's |
| Programme Implementer (PI) : | Deliver SICAP at local level as per actions in the Annual Plan |

Annual Plan 2024

KPI Targets

- ▶ KPI 1 is set at 42 and KPI 2 target set at 440.
- ▶ The target for Disadvantaged Communities is set at 27%.

Annual Plan 2024 – Financial Review

Annual Budget: €906,667.00 (includes additional funding for “New Arrivals”)

Total Administration Costs: €213,789.75 (23.6%)
which equates to less than the permitted level of 25%

Total Action costs (76.4%): €692,877.25

- Goal 1 Action Costs: €293,365.63
- Goal 2 Action Costs: €399,511.62

Annual Plan 2024

Sub-committee Review

- ▶ A number of observations were made by committee members at the most recent sitting of the LCDC SICAP Sub-committee.
- ▶ Roscommon Leader Partnership were present at the meeting to answer any questions that the committee had in relation to the Annual Plan 2024.
- ▶ Valued discussion was had by all at the meeting and it was agreed to recommend the approval of Annual Plan 2024, in its current state, to the full LCDC Committee.

Proposed by:

Seconded by:

Mid Year Review 2024

- ▶ Pobal have submitted their review, they see the report as being financially compliant, the KPI targets have been met and the local priority targets groups reached.
- ▶ There were two queries from Pobal regarding an underspend on:-
 - ▶ Goal 1 Action G1.9.24
 - ▶ Goal 2 Action G2.8.24

These queries have been forwarded to the SICAP team in Leader who are going to respond to Pobal directly with an explanation.

Mid Year Review 2024

- ▶ The Sub-committee acknowledged all the good work that was done on the SICAP Programme in Roscommon.
- ▶ KPI 1 Target = 42; Actual = 44; % Achieved 105%
- ▶ KPI 2 Target = 440; Actual = 226; % Achieved 51%
- ▶ Well done to the RLP board and all the staff who work on the SICAP Programme.

Sub-committee Recommendation

- ▶ KPI targets as recommended by SICAP Sub-committee.
- ▶ Target Groups – People living with disadvantage in Roscommon with particular focus on the LPTG.
- ▶ Financial costs in line with guidance.
- ▶ The Sub-committee agreed to recommend the approval of the Mid Year Review 2024, as it currently stands, to the full LCDC Committee.

Proposed by:

Seconded by:

SICAP Sub-committee

- ▶ Nomination onto the SICAP Sub-committee

Healthy Ireland Sub-Committee

Update by Eamon Hannon

► Connect Café

- 10 Successful Community Groups, café's currently running in 9 areas with very positive feedback on those complete, project will be ongoing until autumn.
- Case Study on success of the project and potential future extension to be completed.

► Additional 2023 Budget Allocation

- 2 additional projects funded bringing to a total of 10
- Castlerea FRC sensory room for children with additional needs and their families in the area
- Pride Festival - Funding for mental health and wellbeing symposium for LGBTIQI+ young adults and for family friendly 5k 'Colour Run' supported by RSP

► 2024 Funding

- 2023 50% funding requirement reached, 90% 2024 funding has been received from Pobal as a result
- 2023 Financials have been signed off by Pobal and portal for 2024 reporting to open in August.

Healthy Roscommon

- ▶ Lough Funshinagh Rise & Thrive Project

Phase 1 complete, engaged with Local Community to design programme to support psychological and wellbeing needs of the community delivered by Laura Tully supported by HSE Psychology Services.

- ▶ 4 week programme structured around physical activity, community connectedness and psychological wellbeing with 16 participants at it's peak.
- ▶ Evidence that the community is under significant ongoing stress and would benefit from a Phase 2 programme perhaps with a more social focus to maintain connectedness. Feedback awaited
- ▶ Potential for Healthy Roscommon to develop National Community Resilience tool kit to utilize in such situations into the future being explored currently.

Healthy Roscommon

- ▶ Creative Ireland funding granted to Art and Creativity at end of life project, roll out of this project being supported by Healthy Roscommon over the next 2 years to Hospice, Long Term Care Facilities and Home Care recipients at end of life across Mayo and Roscommon.
- ▶ Launch of 'Safe Harbour' a tool kit to support adults talking to children who have experience of death by suicide has been launched. It is designed to support younger children using visual tools and worksheets and is currently being adapted for older children and teenagers. Available in hard copy and as an online resource.
- ▶ Healthy Roscommon Plan currently being revised it will align with LECP Goals 1 & 5 and HI Strategy Round 4 Actions. Term of plan will allow for LECP 2 year review to ensure adaptability.

Funding Updates

Updates by Cathriona MacCarthy

- ▶ Local Enhancement Programme (LEP) 2024
 - ▶ Total amount allocated to Roscommon is €138,641.54, of this amount €23,106.92 has been ring-fenced towards women's groups.
 - ▶ There is a total of 120 projects approved (inc women's groups).
 - ▶ All groups were notified and acceptance of offers have been received.
- ▶ Community Recognition Fund (CRF) 2024
 - ▶ Awaiting departmental approval on submitted projects.

Library Supports for Marginalised, Socially Excluded and Disadvantaged Communities

Call for supports February 2024

Cathriona MacCarthy

Application

- ▶ Roscommon Library Service submitted an application proposal in early March.
- ▶ The fund is 90% with 10% match funding
- ▶ The application included an array of equipment to support people with physical disabilities based on feedback from library branches across Roscommon. Totaling €15,085.80.
- ▶ On 24th June Minister Humphreys and Minister O'Brian announced that funding was approved in the sum of €13,577.22 (90% of proposal) with remaining €1,508.58 (10%) to be provided out of Library Services funds.

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Empowering Communities Programme (ECP)

Call for application proposal July 2024

Cathriona MacCarthy

Application

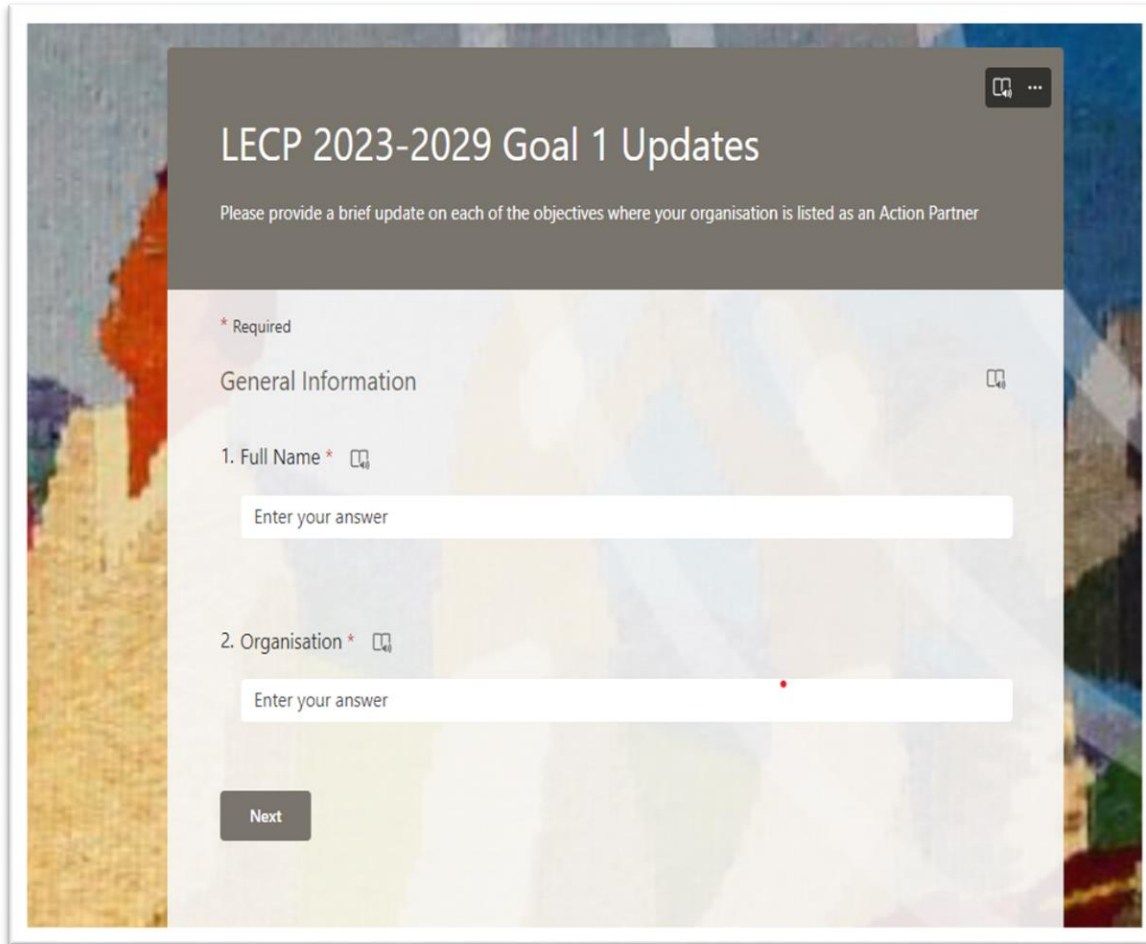
- ▶ The Empowering Communities Programme (ECP) is a three year programme that targets area-based deprivation through a community development approach.
- ▶ There are currently 14 community areas involved in this programme.
- ▶ An application was submitted to the DRCD from the LCDC supported by RLP on Monday 15th July.
- ▶ Minister Joe O'Brien announced on Thursday at the launch of the extension of this programme that two additional areas had been selected.
- ▶ An identified area in Castlerea and an area in Tallaght will benefit from this extension.
- ▶ Further details to follow in relation to roll out from the Department.

LECP 2023-2029 Monitoring

Bridie McHugh

- ▶ LCDC is responsible for on-going monitoring of community elements of the LECP.
- ▶ 2 Different goals to be reviewed at each LCDC meeting
- ▶ Updates captured via simple online MS Form in advance
 - ▶ Each goal has its own form
- ▶ Each representative provides an update on actions contributing to the Goals where their organisation is listed as an Action Partner
- ▶ Agreement by full committee required.

LECP 2023-2029 Update Form



The screenshot shows a web form titled "LECP 2023-2029 Goal 1 Updates". Below the title is a grey header bar with the text "Please provide a brief update on each of the objectives where your organisation is listed as an Action Partner". The main content area is titled "General Information" and contains two required fields: "1. Full Name" and "2. Organisation". Each field has a text input box with the placeholder "Enter your answer". A "Next" button is located at the bottom left of the form. The background of the form is a light blue and white abstract pattern.

LECP 2023-2029 Goal 1 Updates

Please provide a brief update on each of the objectives where your organisation is listed as an Action Partner

* Required

General Information

1. Full Name *

Enter your answer

2. Organisation *

Enter your answer

Next

- ▶ Click on the link provided via email
- ▶ General Information section **both fields must be completed**
- ▶ Click Next

LECP 2023-2029 Goal 1 Updates

GOAL 1 : A welcoming, supportive County that celebrates its communities

SCO 1.1 Ensure County Roscommon is a county that supports and celebrates active inclusion for all
SCO 1.2 Continue to work in partnership with communities and community leaders to create universal and community-need-led responses.

3. SCO 1.1.1 Strengthen universal community development, active citizenship, social capital, inclusion of new and marginalised communities in Roscommon through targeted initiatives and strategies. [🔗]

Theme: Community Participation
Suggested KPI(s):
Number of community development, capacity building and social inclusion initiatives implemented
Migrant Integration Strategy developed, adopted and implemented

Enter your answer

4. (1.1.2) Support the maintenance, activation and creation of community facilities in Roscommon based on evidence and the County Development Plan [🔗]

Theme: Access to Community Facilities
Suggested KPI(s):
Increased engagement with existing and new community facilities

Enter your answer

7. 1.2.2 Support public access to and knowledge of available supports and services through consistent communication across a variety of mediums. [🔗]

Theme: Awareness of available supports
Suggested KPI(s)
Number of awareness campaigns and initiatives delivered

Enter your answer

8. 1.2.3 Promote coordinated community development through a collaborative effort to plan, monitor, and support community and local development across the County by leveraging open data, citizen engagement, knowledge sharing, and data collection [🔗]

Theme: Coordinate Community development
Suggested KPI(s):
Number of projects and/or programmes

Enter your answer

Back Submit

- ▶ Provide updates on relevant objectives
- ▶ Once complete **'Submit'**
- ▶ Consolidated Report will then be shared with committee at year end.

Monitoring of Goal 1

'A welcoming, supportive County that celebrates its communities and unique sense of place'

SCO 1.1 Ensure County Roscommon is a county that supports and celebrates active inclusion for all.

SCO 1.2 Continue to work in partnership with communities and community leaders to create universal and targeted community-need-led responses.

Monitoring of Goal 2

'A County that attracts, retains and promotes ongoing employment and economic growth'

SCO 2.1 Promote increased access to and engagement with education, training and upskilling opportunities.

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Any Other Business

Next meeting of Roscommon LCDC

18th September 2024 @3pm

In person

Loughnaneane Suite