

Minutes of Meeting of Roscommon Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) – held at 3pm on 26th March 2025
in Castle Suite of Roscommon County Council and on MS Teams.

Members In Attendance – In Person

Mr. Shane Tiernan, RCC
Cllr. Laurence Fallon, RCC
Cllr. Larry Brennan, RCC
Cllr. Domnick Connolly, RCC
Mr. Eamon Hannan, HSE
Mr. Kevin Conry, Community PPN
Mr. Vincent Moran Community PPN
Mr. Ger Fallon, Community PPN
Mr Kevin Coyle, Environment PPN
Mr. Pat Leonard, Farming
Mr. John Bergin, Business

Members on-line

Mr. Eoin Power, DSP
Mr. Gabriel Trayors, Teagasc
Ms. Carina Lennon, RLP
Mr. Pat Compton, Trade Union

Apologies:

Ms. Louise Ward, RCC
Ms. Lynne Keery, GRETB
Ms. Helen Hunt, Brothers of Charity

Non members In attendance:

Ms. Cathriona MacCarthy, RCC
Ms. Bridie McHugh RCC – Minute Taker
Ms. Janice O'Brien, RCC
Mr. Tomás Beades, RLP
Ms. Denise McDonnell, RLP
Ms. Niamh Nolan, RLP
Fiona Ní Chuinn, RCC

Non members on-line:

Ms. Aisling Dunne – Healthy Ireland Co-ordinator

Apologies: - Non members

Mr. Mark Keaveney, Director of Services

The Chair noted that there was a quorum in place to allow the Board meeting to proceed as per Standing Orders for LCDC. A quorum for a meeting is 50% of the membership rounded to the nearest whole number, plus one (11)(Regulation 18). **15 Attendees.** This was confirmed by Bridie.

Agenda Item	Decisions Made/Actions to Be Taken	By Whom
1. To reaffirm quorum in accordance with LCDC rules	Shane confirmed with Bridie that we had quorum to proceed with the meeting.	Bridie McHugh
Correspondence	None	Cathriona MacCarthy
Minutes of Last Meeting 26.02.25	Minutes of Meeting 26 th February were agreed.	Proposed by: Cllr. Domnick Connolly Seconded by: Kevin Coyle
2. Matters Arising - (Slide 2)	(i) Cathriona provided clarity around a question arising from our previous LCDC meeting in the context of funding under SICAP 2024. Question was raised about the 19 th Infantry Battalion FCA and the structure of same. (ii) For clarity, Cathriona explained how the quorum when members abstained from voting for conflict and balance	Cathriona MacCarthy
3. LCDC Membership (Slide 3)	Cathriona provided an update to the Group. • Business Representative – Welcome to John Bergin who was ratified at the Council Meeting of 24.03.25 • Social Inclusion Representative – Recruitment for the position has commenced. Public notice re the vacancy has gone out. Closing date for receipt of nomination is Friday 4th April.	Cathriona MacCarthy

4. SICAP Presentation (See separate presentation) SICAP Programme 2024 - 2028 (Slide 5)	Presentation completed by Donnacha McSorley from POBAL- Development Coordinator Programme Delivery Unit (Local & Community Development) SICAP, LEADER Cathriona advised for noting that Roscommon Leader Partnership have opened up the Community Organisation grants under SICAP. It has been sent to all the groups registered on IRIS and will be on their website shortly. Projects for equipment up to €750.00 will be considered Gerard Fallon asked that this be sent to the PPN also. Cathriona advised that it was LEADER's programme that it would be up to then to decide to disseminate.	Donnacha McSorley Cathriona MacCarthy
5. Health & Wellbeing Sub-Committee Update (Slide 6)	Eamon updated the Committee – See presentation slide 6.	Eamon Hannan
6. Funding Updates (Slides 7-11)	Cathriona provided an update to the Committee – See presentation slides 7-14. - Local Enhancement Programme - LEP 2025 Following the presentation, Cathriona sought proposer and secondor for the recommendation for these projects from the Evaluation Committee. They were broken down as follows: (i) Groups that were approved Operating costs (ii) Groups that were approved Capital costs (iii) Medium Scale Projects	Cathriona MacCarthy (i) Proposed by: Cllr. Laurence Fallon Seconded by: Kevin Conry (ii) Proposed by: Cllr. Domnick Connolly Seconded by: Kevin Coyle (iii) Proposed by: Cllr. Larry Brennan Seconded by: Eamon Hannan

(Slides 12) (Slides 13) (Slides 14)	<u>FOR NOTING</u> - Minister Calleary announce €1 million investment for Agricultural Shows for 2025 - Minister Calleary announce €26 million for improvement and refurbishment works on 369 community centres nationwide - Eamon Hannan expressed his delight at this funding particularly in light of the recent storm response. He was hopeful that those announce were ones that opened as a community hub during the storm. - Minister Calleary launches 2025 Town and Village Renewal Scheme	Cathriona MacCarthy
7. A.O.B (Slide 15)	- Public Consultation on the Future of Rural Ireland – email sent by Bridie 21.03.25. Response required by Wednesday 2nd April - Invitation: LCDC Internal Focus Group – Tullamore - 31st March 10am to 12 noon. The Department have advised that they would like 2-3 people from each LCDC to attend this Focus Group. To that end, we would be looking to have 1 representative from the Public sector and 1 representative from the Private sector. Cathriona as Chief Officer, will also be in attendance. If you are interested in attending then please let Bridie or Cathriona know. - Minister Dara Calleary Launches 2025 SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition celebrating 67 years of environmental and community effort - 24th March - Shane confirmed that next LCDC Meeting is scheduled for 21st May at 3pm in the Castle Suite and it will be a hybrid meeting.	Cathriona MacCarthy Shane Tiernan

Signed: Shane Tiernan Date: 21-5-2025

Signed: James A. Churn Date: 21/5/25

Chairperson

Chief Officer