Minutes of Meeting of Roscommon Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) – held at 3pm on 22nd July 2026

in Loughnaneane of Roscommon County Council and on MS Teams.

Members In Attendance – In Person
Cllr. Dominic Connolly, RCC
Cllr. Laurence Fallon, RCC
Mr. Shane Tiernan, RCC
Ms. Martina Hourigan, Community PPN – Social Inclusion
Mr. Kevin Conry, Community PPN – Social Inclusion
Mr. Vincent Moran, Community & Voluntary PPN
Mr. Ger Fallon, Community & Voluntary PPN
Mr. Pat Leonard, Farming

Members on-line
Mr. Larry Brennan, RCC
Mr. Enda Cannon, RCC
Ms. Rachel Clancy, GRETB
Mr. Eoin Power, DSP
Mr. John Bergin, Business

Apologies:
Mr. Gabriel Trayers, Teagasc
Mr. Eamonn Hannon, HSE
Ms. Carina Lennon, RLP
Ms. Kevin Coyle, Environment PPN
Mr. Pat Compton, Trade Union
Ms. Helen Hunt, Brothers of Charity

Non members In attendance:
Mr. Chris Flynn, RCC – Director of Services
Mr. Conor Feighan RCC – Minute Taker and Administrative Checker for LEADER projects
Ms. Aisling Dunne, RCC – Healthy Ireland
Ms. Sharon Shally, RCC – Social Inclusion
Mr. Tomás Beades, RLP
Ms. Denise McDonnell, RLP
Ms. Niamh Nolan, RLP

Agenda Item	Decisions Made/Actions to Be Taken	By Whom
1. **To reaffirm quorum in accordance with LCDC rules** **Minutes of Last Meeting 10.06.26** **Matters Arising**	• Cllr. Laurance Fallon confirmed with Conor that we had quorum to proceed with the meeting – 13 members in attendance. • Minutes of Meeting 10th June 2026 were agreed. • None	Conor Feighan – LCDC Meeting Administrator **Proposed by:** Mr. Pat Leonard **Seconded by:** Mr. Shane Tiernan
2. **Correspondence Sent** 3. **Correspondence Inward** (Slide 3)	• **SICAP Support Workshop – Human Rights & Equality:** Pobal and DRCDG hosted SICAP support workshop for LCD and LCDC frontline staff in Athlone on 01 July. The purpose of the workshop was to share learning and experiences on applying the principles of human rights and equality to the delivery of SICAP. Attended by three members of RLP SICAP staff. • **LCDC National Network Event:** LCDC National Network event held in Tullamore on 9th July. Attended by Cllr Laurence Fallon. Cllr Fallon reported that Roscommon LCDC performing well compared to national norms. • **Circular 04 2026 – v8 updates to the 2023-2027 LEADER Operating Rules:** LCDC members informed that all LCDC members were informed of changes and update included in IP Report. • **No update on Correspondence Inward**	Chris Flynn – Director of Services

4. **LCDC Membership** (Slide 4)	• LCDC members were informed that Rachel Clancy was ratified as GRETB representative on 25 05 2026. Ms. Clancy was welcomed to the LCDC by the chair and given opportunity to introduce herself. • Along with serving on LCDC, Rachel Clancy also appointed to LCDC's Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) subcommittee.	
5. **Healthy Roscommon Update** (Slide 5-7)	• Aisling Dunne (RCC – Healthy Ireland) gave a presentation on update regarding Healthy Ireland programme. • Correspondence issued by Pobal to advise that the current Round 4 Healthy Ireland Fund is to be extended by a further year, with an allocation of €75,000 programme funding. • Outcomes remain unchanged for 2027 with greater flexibility in the coming year in the addition of new or amended projects to meet these outcomes. • Small Grants Fund 2026 of €20,000 opened for grants from €2,000 – €5,000 to support community-based initiatives for improving positive mental health & increasing physical activity. Total of 13 applications received totalling €44,900. • LCDC members were given an update on projects currently being implemented in 2026. These include Multisport camps in Roscommon Town and Monksland, rollout of a DAFM funded programme on the Health, Safety & Wellbeing of Farmers across Roscommon, Welcoming Minister Darragh Calleary to 'Rooted & Growing Conference' in Strokestown as well as Working with Castlerea prison in conjunction with Roscommon Social Prescribing in the development and delivery of a Healthy Connections project for prisoners approaching release. • Update also given on progress regarding Community Resilience. Of note, work ongoing with 9 designated CSC's & 9 secondary support centres to build capacity through practical and scenario-based training. Collaboration has commenced with the GAA for national rollout of the toolkit at the request of the DEFM to be launched at EU Summit of Mayors in October. • Question raised regarding why it was said that collaboration has commented with GAA on rollout of toolkit whereas, in fact, there is a high level of collaboration with GAA already at local level. Healthy Ireland Coordinator pointed out that Roscommon is a case of best practice, as displayed with high level of collaboration during Storm Éowyn, and this initiative is relating to national rollout.	Aisling Dunne – RCC Healthy Ireland

6. **SICAP 2026 Mid-term Review** (Slides 8-16)	• The Director of Services provided an overview of the SICAP 2026 mid-term review. • The LCDC were informed that KPI 1 (Communities) has a target to support 45 groups and communities under SICAP Programme in 2026. As of the mid-term review, 51 groups and communities had been supported. • The LCDC were informed that KPI 2 (Individuals) has a target to support 450 groups and communities under SICAP Programme in 2026. As of the mid-term review, 252 groups and communities had been supported. • The LCDC were updated regarding budget projects for SICAP. As of the mid-term review, 40.24% of budget had been charged. SICAP is on track to be within its budget for 2026. • A question was raised regarding whether an individual can be counted twice across two years. This query will be followed up. • The LCDC annual report was subject to discussion and approval by the LCDC members.	Chris Flynn – RCC Director of Services **Proposed by:** Mr. Vincent Moran **Seconded by:** Cllr. Larry Brennan
7. **Funding Updates** (Slide 17)	• The Director of Services provided an overview of funding updates. The update focused on LEP 2026 and Tidy Towns and Amenity Grants 2026.	Chris Flynn – RCC Director of Services
7 . **AOB** (Slide 53)	• The LCDC was informed that a list of all groups funded under LEP 2026 is publicly available. This list has been included with the meeting documents and is for noting. • Next LCDC Meeting Wednesday 21st October at 3pm in the Loughnaneane Suite and MS Teams.	Cllr. Laurence Fallon – Chairperson

Signed: _____ **Chairperson** 22/10/26 **Date**

Signed: _____ **Chief Officer** 22/10/26. **Date**