

Minutes of Meeting of Roscommon Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) – held at 3pm on 10th June 2026

in Loughnaneane of Roscommon County Council and on MS Teams.

Members In Attendance – In Person

Cllr. Larry Brennan, RCC
Cllr. Dominic Connolly, RCC
Cllr. Laurence Fallon, RCC
Mr. Shane Tiernan, RCC
Ms. Martina Hourigan, Community PPN – Social Inclusion
Mr. Gabriel Trayors, Teagasc
Mr. Vincent Moran, Community & Voluntary PPN
Mr. Ger Fallon, Community & Voluntary PPN
Mr. Kevin Coyle, Environment PPN
Mr. Pat Leonard, Farming

Members on-line

Ms. Carina Lennon, RLP
Mr. Eoin Power, DSP
Mr. Pat Compton, Trade Union
Ms. Helen Hunt, Brothers of Charity

Apologies:

Mr. Eamonn Hannon, HSE
Mr. Enda Cannon, RCC
Ms. Rachel Clancy, GRETB
Mr. John Bergin, Business

Non members In attendance:

Ms. Fiona Ní Chuinn, RCC – Chief Officer LCDC
Mr. Chris Flynn, RCC – Director of Services
Ms. Bridie McHugh RCC – Minute Taker
Ms. Aisling Dunne, RCC – Healthy Ireland
Ms. Sharon Shally, RCC – Social Inclusion
Mr. Conor Feighan, RCC – Administrative Checker for LEADER Projects
Mr. Tomás Beades, RLP
Ms. Denise McDonnell, RLP
Ms. Niamh Nolan, RLP
Mr. Anthony Dockery, SICAP

Agenda Item	Decisions Made/Actions to Be Taken	By Whom
1. To reaffirm quorum in accordance with LCDC rules	• Cllr. Lorraine Fallon confirmed with Bridie that we had quorum to proceed with the meeting – 11 members in attendance.	Bridie McHugh – LCDC Meeting Administrator
Minutes of Last Meeting 22.04.26	• Minutes of Meeting 22nd April 2026 were agreed.	Proposed by: Mr. Vincent Moran Seconded by: Cllr. Larry Brennan
Matters Arising	• None	
2. Correspondence Sent	• Update provided on correspondence sent	Fiona Ní Chuinn – Chief Officer LCDC
3. Correspondence Inward (Slide 3)	• Update provided on correspondence inward	
4. LCDC Membership (Slide 4)	• LCDC informed of change of GRETB. Rachel Clancy ratified as GRETB representative on 25 June. LCDC thanked Donal Walsh for his contribution as interim replacement for Lynne Keery.	
5. SICAP Presentation (Slide 5-11)	• Anthony Dockery (SICAP Coordinator) gave a presentation on the role of SICAP. • Mr. Dockery informed the LCDC that SICAP supports people who are disadvantaged and less likely to access mainstream services and that SICAP provides direct support to connect people with the services, supports and opportunities they need. • Mr. Dockery communicated that SICAP faces several issues, such as diverse needs and an aging population.	Anthony Dockery - SICAP

	• A question was asked about how of costs do SICAP cover for its training programmes. Mr. Dockery stated SICAP only provides part of financing. • A question was asked on how SICAP establishes its priorities and how are individuals consulted on SICAP programme. Mr. Dockery communicated that SICAP operates on the back of research and trends. Documents based on community input, should as Roscommon's Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP), play an important role in programme development.	
6. LCDC Annual Report (Slides 12-20)	• The Chief Officer provided an overview of the LCDC annual report for 2025. The purpose of the LCDC review is to review LCDC functions and progress for 2025. • The Chief Officer noted a high participation rate at LCDC meetings of 84%. This is an increase of 5% compared to 2024. • LCDC members were informed of a high level of interagency cooperation and delivery. Strong collaboration with Roscommon Leader Partnership across numerous areas. • The LCDC annual report was subject to discussion and approval by the LCDC members. • The LCDC noted the good work of all involved throughout 2025. The chair noted significant improvement in key areas such as processing of LEADER projects and claims.	Fiona Ní Chuinn – Chief Officer LCDC Proposed by: Cllr. Dominic Connolly Seconded by: Mr. Vincent Moran
7. LECP Interim Review (Slides 21-51)	• The Chief Officer provided an update to the LCDC on progress on the LECP mid-term review. • The mid-term review has consisted of a large level of consultation with all action leads and action partners listed in the LECP, the advisory steering group, the senior coordinator group of RCC and now, the LCDC. • The Chief Officer informed the LCDC that achievements have been recorded in 50/55 actions listed in the LECP. LCDC members were advised to consult the LECP summary sheet for an exhaustive list of all achievements. • The Chief Officer provided an example of achievements across all of the six action points.	Fiona Ní Chuinn – Chief Officer LCDC

	 Goal 1: A welcoming, supportive County that celebrates its communities and unique sense of place  Goal 2: A county that attracts, retains and promotes ongoing employment and economic growth  Goal 3: A vibrant County that values its culture, arts and heritage  Goal 4: A collaborative County where people are encouraged to work together towards common aims  Goal 5: A county where people's health and wellbeing are supported  Goal 6: An environmentally-conscious and resilient County that prioritises sustainability • The LCDC was informed that several changes have been proposed to the LEP and will be incorporated. Targeted follow-ups will take place with the relevant lead stakeholders in respect to the 5 outstanding actions not already address in the review cycle. • The LCDC noted the significant work done on the LEP review. The LCDC welcomed the LEP summary sheet which provides a useful list of all achievements.	
8. Funding Updates (Slide 52)	• The Chief Officer provided an overview of funding updates. The update focused on LEP 2026, Tidy Towns and Amenity Grants 2026 and the Community Recognition Fund 2024. • A question was raised regarding when further information would be available regarding successful LEP applications. The LCDC was informed that RCC proposed projects for funding in April 2026 and is waiting for approval from the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht.	Fiona Ní Chuinn – Chief Officer LCDC

7 . AOB (Slide 53)	• The LCDC was informed that there were two successful applications for Pride of Place 2026. They are: - Frenchpark Tidy Towns (population 0-300) - The Metling Pot, Roscommon (Inclusive Communities) Judging will take place in September, and the awards ceremony will take place in the Convention Centre in Dublin on Saturday 24th October. • The Chief Officer updated the LCDC on the visit of Minister Dara Calleary to Roscommon on 12 June. Minister Calleary officially opened the refurbished Ballagherreen library. Minister Calleary visited Castlereaa to inspect improvements made to Castlereaa Swimming Pool. • The Chair informed the LCDC that Bridie McHugh will leave Roscommon County Council to take up a new position in Sligo County Council. This will also mean she will cease her role as LCDC meetings coordinator. The chair thanked Bridie McHugh for her professionalism and wished her well in her new role. This was echoed by other Committee members. • Next LCDC Meeting Wednesday 22nd July at 3pm in the Loughnaneane Suite and MS Teams.	Cllr. Laurence Fallon – Chairperson
Signed: _____	Chairperson  _____ Signed: _____ Chief Officer  _____	22/7/26 Date 31/7/26 Date