**Minutes of Meeting of Cavan Local Community Development Committee**

**Date: 26th April 2018**

**Time: 3.30pm**

**Location: Council Chamber**

**Present:**

**Statutory**

Mr Tommy Ryan (Chief Executive, CCC), Cllr Paddy O’Reilly (Elected Member), Cllr Clifford Kelly, Cllr Paddy McDonald (Elected Member), Mr John Kearney, Ms Marcella Rudden (Head of LEO), Ms Carmel Denning (DSP), Ms Mary Rose Smith (HSE).

**Private Sector Interests**

Mr Jim Maguire (Breffni Integrated Ltd.), Mr. Jim Reilly (C&V Interests), Ms Olive Hannigan (Social Inclusion Interests), Mr Fintan McCabe (Environmental Interests), Mr Seamus McGrath (Disability Interests), Ms Ashling Tobin (Youth Issues), Mr Gerry McDonagh (Cavan & Cootehill Chamber), Mr Thomas Duffy (Agricultural and Farming Interests).

**Apologies**

**Private:**

Ada Vance (Women’s Issues).

**In attendance:** Mr Eoin Doyle (Director of Services), Mr John Donohoe (Chief Officer), Dr Emer Coveney (Cavan County Council), Ms Marianne McDermott (Cavan County Council), Ms Jane Crudden (Cavan County Council), Mr Terry Hyland (Implementing Partner), Mr Bob Gilbert (Older People’s Council).

The Chair (Mr Fintan McCabe) opened the meeting and read out the apologies. He welcomed Thomas Duffy to the meeting.

1. **Minutes of previous meeting**

Minutes of previous meeting were adopted on the proposal of Mr Seamus McGrath, seconded by Ms Marcella Rudden.

1. **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

1. **Conflicts of Interest**

The Chair reminded people of their responsibilities under conflict of interests.

1. **Peace IV Update**

Ms. Jane Crudden gave an update on Peace IV. Regarding the previous small grant applications assessed Latton Social Services have submitted the additional information requested and this has been forwarded to SEUPB. Still waiting on further information from Bailieborough Heritage Society.

Jane Crudden then spoke about the new batch of small grant applications which were assessed by the assessment panel on 24th April 2018.

1. Luke Delaney WW1 Home Restoration Committee

Cllr Paddy O’Reilly left the room due to a conflict of interest. The group applied for €30,000. The assessment committee approved €25,000. They felt that the €5,000 for the replica furniture for the house would fit better with the Leader application for the restoration of the house. The LCDC committee felt that the €5,000 should be approved under the Peace IV small grant scheme pending the house restoration being approved under Leader.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Clifford Kelly and seconded by Cllr Paddy McDonald.

1. O’Neill Branch One Cavan

The assessment committee recommended €15,000 over a one year period instead of a larger sum over the two years as requested. It was agreed that if there is under spend in the small grants programme that this project could be revisited again with the possibility of securing funding for a second year.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Paddy O’Reilly and seconded by Ms Marcella Rudden.

1. Virginia Show Centre

Thomas Duffy left the room due to a conflict of interest. The assessment committee recommended the full amount of €47,409 for this project.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Paddy O’Reilly and seconded by Ms Marcella Rudden.

1. Kingscourt Community Development Association

Cllr Clifford Kelly left the room due to a conflict of interest. The assessment committee recommended the full amount of €48,500. This is subject to a condition that 50% be allocated to cross border project activity and 50% to equipment and materials. The group are going to work with Armagh City Men’s Shed.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith and seconded by Mr Gerry McDonagh.

1. Bawnboy Workhouse – Youth Project

The assessment committee approved the full amount requested for €14,525 with no conditions.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Mr Jim Reilly and seconded by Ms Olive Hannigan.

1. Bawnboy Workhouse – Men’s Shed

The assessment committee approved this project for the full amount of €9,436 with no conditions.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith and seconded by Cllr Clifford Kelly.

1. Project Belturbet

The assessment committee approved this project for the full amount of €28,950 with the condition that the cross border participation is acknowledged on the signage.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Clifford Kelly and seconded by Olive Hannigan.

1. Swanlinbar Development Association

The assessment committee recommended the full amount for €19,217 with no conditions.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith and seconded by Ms Ashling Tobin.

1. Bailieborough Community Association

Jim Maguire and Cllr Paddy McDonald left the room due to a conflict of interest.

The assessment committee approved the full amount of €49,800 with the condition that clarification and confirmation that the labour involved in this project is carried out by the CE scheme participants and this be approved by DSP.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Mr Gerry McDonagh and seconded by Mr Jim Reilly.

1. Riverside Community Group

The assessment committee recommended the full amount requested for €15,460 with the condition that clarification is sought on the terms of usage for the hall i.e. rent costs pro rata or paid for full year.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Clifford Kelly and seconded by Mr Seamus McGrath.

1. Men’s Shed Cootehill

Gerry McDonagh left the room due to a conflict of interest. This group are linking in with a group in Lisnaskea. The assessment committee recommended an amount of €25,000. The LCDC Committee recommended this project with the condition that renovation work is completed with cross border partners as a replacement to programme costs.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Clifford Kelly and seconded by Ms Mary Rose Smith.

1. Killinkere Development Association

The assessment committee recommended €23,700 for this project. Some capital works were deemed unnecessary. The LCDC Committee asked for clarification on the type of heating going into the building and evidence sought from the applicant that storage heaters are the most sustainable means for heating.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Cllr Paddy O’Reilly and seconded by Cllr Paddy McDonald.

1. CMETB

Cllr Paddy O’Reilly, Cllr Paddy McDonald, Cllr Clifford Kelly and John Kearney left the room due to a conflict of interest. This is an arts based project. This project was not awarded funding but it is an eligible project. There may be an under spend under the Partner Deliveries budget for CMETB for this project. This has to be approved by SEUPB. If this isn’t approved it can go on the small grants waiting list as no.2.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Marcella Rudden and seconded by Mr Seamus McGrath.

1. Bounce Back Youth Service South East

Cllr Paddy O’Reilly, Cllr Paddy McDonald, Cllr Clifford Kelly and John Kearney left the room due to a conflict of interest. This project was eligible and does carry merit. But it was felt that the group have access to their own funding. This project is no. 1 on the waiting list should an under spend become available in the PIV small grants programme.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Mary Rose Smith and seconded by Ms Olive Hannigan.

1. Hacklers Theatre Company

The applicant withdrew their proposal.

1. Arva Town Development Association

This project was deemed ineligible.

1. Bawnboy Workhouse Committee

This project was not approved as it previously received PEACE III funding for the same project proposal and therefore would not bring any additionality to the PIV programme.

1. **Age Friendly Presentation**

A presentation was delivered on Cavan’s Age Friendly County Programme by Emer Coveney, Grainne Boyle, Marianne McDermott and Bob Gilbert (Chair of Cavan Older People’s Council). The presentation covered the work of the Age Friendly Alliance. These key age friendly initiatives carried out in the county include Cavan Age Friendly Town, Crime Prevention Ambassadors, Age Friendly Business Recognition Scheme and Age Friendly Walkability Audits.

Gerry McDonagh commented on the Cootehill walkability audit in relation to the condition of footpaths in Cootehill and also said he had participated in Age Friendly Business Training and found it effective in improving business.

The presentation also covered the work of the Older People’s Council. The key initiatives they are delivering are the Drop In Centre and Intergenerational Projects with the TY students in the various secondary schools. The final part of the presentation addressed the age friendly work being done nationally. Cavan have contributed a lot to the national scene.

The Chair complemented the presentation as being very informative. He noted that two projects from Cavan were shortlisted in the National Age Friendly Awards which took place in Monaghan this month. These were Cavan Older People’s Council Drop in Centre and Cavan Alzheimer’s Society Memory Walk in Con Smith Park. In additional it was previously noted that Bob Gilbert won the LAMA All Ireland Community and Council award in the category of ‘Volunteers of the Year’ for his work with Cavan Older People’s Council.

**A.O.B.**

Healthy Ireland

The Chief Officer spoke about the deadline for the phase 2 Healthy Ireland application being on Friday 11th May. The Chief Officer noted that the funding this time around is for a lesser amount of €75,000. A briefing day for the programme is being held on Tuesday 1st May in Dublin. The programme will run from September 2018 to March 2019.

Approval was sought from the LCDC in advance regarding the subgroup submitting the Healthy Ireland application.

This recommendation was adopted on the proposal of Ms Marcella Rudden and seconded by Cllr Clifford Kelly.

Data Protection

All members were asked to give their consent to their names and photos being used regarding the LCDC committee for promotional purposes on print and social media.

**Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 31st May 2018 at 3.30pm in the Council Chamber, The Courthouse, Farnham Street, Cavan.

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Chairman