

**Dublin City Council**  
**Local Community Development Committee**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022**  
**Meeting Minutes**

<b>PRESENT – PUBLIC SECTOR MEMBERS</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
Cllr Carolyn Moore (Chair)	DCC Elected Representative
Greg Swift	Head Enterprise and Economic Development, Dublin City Council
Cllr Racheal Batten	DCC Elected Representative
Frank d’Arcy	Director of Operations, Housing and Community Services, Dublin City Council
<b>PRESENT – PRIVATE SECTOR MEMBERS</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
Lee Dillon	Dublin City PPN, Community & Voluntary Pillar
Claire Wheeler	Dublin City PPN, Environmental Pillar
Sandra Dillon	Dublin City PPN, Social Inclusion Pillar
Michelle Murphy	Dublin City PPN, Social Inclusion Pillar
Dr Deiric O’Broin	Social and Economic (NorDubCo)
Anne Fitzgerald	ILDN – CEO of the Ballyfermot & Chapelizod Partnership
Kelley Bermingham	Dublin City PPN, Community & Voluntary Pillar
Paul Rogers	ILDN – CEO of the Northside Partnership
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
Karen Smollen	Social and Economic (SIPTU)
Dr Sarah Miller	Social and Economic (CEO, Rediscovery Centre)
Blake Hodgkinson	Director of Further Education and Training, CODETB
Ellen O’Dea	HSE, Head of Service Health and Wellbeing - Community Healthcare Office of Dublin North City & County
Cllr Tara Deacy (Vice Chair)	DCC Elected Representative
Cllr Noeleen Reilly	DCC Elected Representative
Cllr Colm O’Rourke	DCC Elected Representative
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
Dr Dáithí Downey (Chief Officer), Elaine Hess, Brenda O’Reilly, Síle McNulty-Goodwin	Dublin City Council - Community, Social Development and Research Section
Margaret McQuillan	Observer - Head of Service Health & Wellbeing / HSE / Dublin South, Kildare, West Wicklow Community Healthcare (CHO7)
Lalini Veerassamy (Head of Mission) Reshma Cunnoosamy,	International Organization for Migration (IOM) Ireland Mission

Joanna Gelves, Egide Dhala and Karen Laheen	
Sian Muldowney (CEO) and Belinda Nugent	Inner City Organisations Network (ICON)

## 1) WELCOME

The meeting was opened and members were welcomed.

## 2) MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

Minutes from the Dublin City LCDC Meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 were proposed by Deiric O’Broin and seconded by Claire Wheeler. There were no matters arising.

## 3) LCDC BUSINESS MATTERS

### (a) LCDC Funding Schemes

- i. The Chief Officer gave an update on current LCDC administered funding, specifically the Community Activities Fund (CAF) and its operation in 2022. The Fund is expected to be open for four weeks for online applications from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March or earlier if possible, pending conclusion of technical testing of the online application system to make sure it is fit for purpose and easy for community groups to use. It is planned that the closing date for applications will be Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm. A total of €427,358 is available under this round of funding. It is anticipated that there will be significant demand for this funding and it will be oversubscribed. The CEP Sub-Committee will meet early May to assess the applications. Applications that are eligible and recommended for approval for this round will be presented to the LCDC at its May meeting. A shortlist of applications recommended for approval under a second round of funding will also be drawn up. LCDC plans to notify applicants of decisions in June with all payments being made to successful applicants by end July.

#### Agreed Action:-

- 1) Update on LCDC funding will be given at the next LCDC meeting

### (b) DCC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme (SHCP)

- i. Recruitment of four SHCP Local Development Officers

The CO confirmed that DCC opened a recruitment campaign in December 2021 for the new Local Development Officer positions provided for under the DCC SHCP. A total of 47 applications were received. Shortlisting concluded in January with notification to successful candidates of interviews to be held. An interview board comprising HSE, Department of Health and DCC has been established with interviews scheduled for first week of March 2022. It is hoped that staff will be in post by April 2022.

### **Agreed Action:-**

- 1) Update will be provided at the next LCDC meeting
- 2) LCDC Healthy Ireland Sub Committee to be convened to oversee SHCP and HI Round 4 work programme for DCC.

### **(c) SICAP**

As part of the SICAP programme requirements, the five Programme Implementers (PIs) that have been contracted by DCC to administer SICAP locally had to prepare and submit their EOY 2021 performance reports and their draft plans for 2022. These have been comprehensively reviewed by Pobal and DCC. The LCDC is required to take a decision on the formal approval of the EOY 2021 Performance Reports and the annual plans for 2022 by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Elaine Hess (Dublin City Council) gave a presentation on the results of the review process. Overall the quality of the end of year reporting and the draft annual plans is of a high and professional standard. The review demonstrated that all the PIs have again done exceptionally well given ongoing challenges of COVID 19 on service delivery. The Dublin City lots according to Pobal “lead the way in innovative and targeted programme supports”. Members were incredibly impressed by the PIs achievements in 2021 in the face of yet another very challenging year and commended the PI’s staff. They expressed their appreciation that the SICAP budget had been increased for 2022.

#### **A. 2021 End of Year Performance Review Summary**

- i. All submitted detailed annual progress reports;
- ii. All submitted case studies for 2021;
- iii. All inputted excellent quality of data on IRIS (which is Pobal’s online SICAP portal);
- iv. All supported individuals on a one-to-one basis across a range of SICAP target groups demonstrating a high level of targeted programmes at the most disadvantaged and vulnerable people;
- v. All met and exceeded their KPI targets to support individuals and local community groups; and,
- vi. All supported social enterprises and supported in total of 81 SEs and created 33 associated jobs.

#### **B. 2022 Annual Plans Summary**

- i. All draft plans have been submitted;
- ii. All KPIs are in line with agreed targets;
- iii. All actions under two main goals of supporting local community groups and supporting individuals have been updated, are clearly described and in line with programme requirements and national priorities for 2022;
- iv. Target groups are clearly linked to actions;
- v. All Lots have received a budget increase for 2022. The total DCC SICAP budget for 2022 is €5,950, 975, up from €5,568, 683 in 2021.

### **Agreed Action:-**

- (1) Frank d’Arcy proposed that all the lots EOY 2021 performance reviews and draft plans for 2022 should be approved. Councillor Racheal Batten seconded this.

#### **4) LECP ADVISORY GROUP AND LECP 2022 WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE**

The CO provided an update on work now underway in 2022 to review, revise and develop a new LECP for Dublin city and noted the following:

- Since the launch of the LECP guidelines on the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and the follow-on online orientation and information event for LCDC members (December 9<sup>th</sup> 2021), work has been underway since to identify members required for the LECP Advisory Group. This group will oversee and drive the preparation of the next LECP in terms of process, resourcing, timeline, consultation and engagement. An expression of interest (EoI) to join the LECP Advisory Group was extended to all DCC LCDC members and to members of the DCC Economic Development and Enterprise (EDE) Strategic Policy Committee (SPC). The inaugural meeting of the Advisory Group will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- The following people are proposed on the LECP Advisory Group:
  - Councillor Carolyn Moore (Chair of LCDC)
  - Councillor Dr Claire O'Connor (Chair of DCC EDE SPC)
  - Dr Dáithí Downey (Chief Officer, LCDC)
  - Mr Greg Swift (Head Enterprise and Economic Development, DCC)
  - Professor Deiric O'Broin Dublin City University (joint EDE SPC and LCDC nominee)
  - Ms Kelley Bermingham Ms Kelley Bermingham, Iveagh Trust (LCDC nominee)
  - Ms Evanne Kilmurray, CEO, Inner City Enterprise (EDE SPC nominee)
  - Mr Odran Reid (Technical University Dublin & Northside Homecare Service (EDE SPC nominee)
  - Ms Anne Fitzgerald, CEO Ballyfermot Chapelizod Partnership Company Ltd (LCDC nominee)
  - Dr Sarah Miller, CEO Rediscovery Centre (LCDC nominee)

#### **Agreed Action:-**

- 1) Members noted the proposed membership of the Advisory Group.
- 2) Members are encouraged to send any ideas and suggestions into the Chief Officer.
- 3) An update on the LECP Advisory Group will be given at the April meeting.

#### **5) UN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM) - IRELAND MISSION PRESENTATION**

The IOM Chief of Mission for Ireland Ms Lalini Versammy and staff members from the UN International Organisation for Migration (IOM) made a presentation that outlined how the UN IOM works, what it does and how it plans to work with Dublin City Council to develop a proposal for a Dublin City Migrant Forum and to undertake a new evaluative study for Dublin using the established IOM migration governance indicators (MGI) toolkit. The proposed collaboration with DCC was supported by DCC LCDC and the efforts of DCC in undertaking this collaboration were commended.

## 6) INNER CITY ORGANISATION NETWORK (ICON) PRESENTATION

CEO Sian MulDowney and staff members from the Inner City Organisation Network (ICON) made a presentation on their pilot Community Development programme (CDP) that is trialling community led interventions that address poverty, social exclusion and inequality, and promote human rights. ICON has been working with marginalised individuals and groups in Dublin's North East Inner City (NEIC) using community development principles since its inception in 1990. This CDP continue this work by building an awareness among marginalised women in Dublin's north east inner city regarding the right to adequate housing in the private rented sector.

LCDC members made suggestions on how ICON could link in with existing organisations that would add value to and promote the project.

## 7) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 0915 to 1030, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (online unless otherwise advised)
- Future 2022 meeting dates:
  - May 25<sup>th</sup>
  - June 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - Sept 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson

Print Name: Councillor Carolyn Moore



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Chief Officer

Print Name: Dáithí Downey