

Dublin City Council
Local Community Development Committee
25th May 2022
9AM-10.30AM
In person at the Guinness Enterprise Centre and online
Meeting Minutes

PRESENT – PUBLIC SECTOR MEMBERS	ORGANISATION
Cllr Carolyn Moore (Chair) (in person)	DCC Elected Representative
Greg Swift (in person)	Head Enterprise and Economic Development, Dublin City Council
Ellen O’Dea (online)	HSE, Head of Service Health and Wellbeing - Community Healthcare Office of Dublin North City & County
Frank d’Arcy (online)	Director of Operations, Housing and Community Services, Dublin City Council
PRESENT – PRIVATE SECTOR MEMBERS	ORGANISATION
Dr Sarah Miller (in person)	Social and Economic (CEO, Rediscovery Centre)
Claire Wheeler (in person)	Dublin City PPN, Environmental Pillar
Michelle Murphy (online)	Dublin City PPN, Social Inclusion Pillar
Prof. Deiric O’Broin (online)	Social and Economic (NorDubCo)
Anne Fitzgerald (online)	ILDN – CEO of the Ballyfermot & Chapelizod Partnership
Kelley Bermingham (in person)	Dublin City PPN, Community & Voluntary Pillar
APOLOGIES	ORGANISATION
Paul Rogers	ILDN – CEO of the Northside Partnership
Lee Dillon	Dublin City PPN, Community & Voluntary Pillar
Sandra Dillon	Dublin City PPN, Social Inclusion Pillar
Karen Smollen	Social and Economic (SIPTU)
Cllr Racheal Batten	DCC Elected Representative
Blake Hodkinson	Director of Further Education and Training, CODETB
Cllr Tara Deacy (Vice Chair)	DCC Elected Representative

Cllr Noeleen Reilly	DCC Elected Representative
Cllr Colm O'Rourke	DCC Elected Representative
ALSO PRESENT	ORGANISATION
Dr Dáithí Downey (Chief Officer), Elaine Hess, Brenda O'Reilly, Síle McNulty-Goodwin (all in person)	Dublin City Council - Community, Social Development and Research Section

1) WELCOME

The hybrid meeting was opened and members were welcomed both in person and online.

2) MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

Updated draft minutes from the Dublin City LCDC Meeting of the 27th April 2022 were proposed by Kelley Bermingham and seconded by Greg Swift. There were no matters arising.

3) LCDC BUSINESS MATTERS

(a) LCDC Funding Schemes

i. COVID 19 Emergency Fund – distribution of funds in R1 and R2

The Chief Officer updated members on the COVID 19 Emergency Fund, which was funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development. Dublin City was allocated €160,634 under the first round of the COVID-19 Emergency Fund to support community and voluntary groups involved in the delivery of the first COVID-19 community response efforts. Dublin City was allocated €117,246 under the second round of the COVID-19 Emergency Fund. The second round was aimed, in general, at not-for-profit community and voluntary groups in Dublin City and provided grants to assist applicant groups to either adapt services and operations in response to the new COVID-19 reality in 2021 or become more involved with the Government's 'Keep Well' campaign. Report confirming details of all approved groups under Round 1 and Round 2 were submitted to DRCD and subsequently circulated to LCDC members for noting.

ii. Community Activities Fund (CAF) 2022 – update

The Chief Officer provided an update on the Community Activities Fund. A total of 157 complete applications were received. An additional 64 draft and incomplete applications were also received. The total sum of funds available is €427,358. The Chief Officer advised that the CEP Sub-Committee will be convened on the 7th June at 11am to undertake the finalisation of the assessment process. A list of applications that are recommended by the CEP Sub-Committee will be presented to the LCDC for approval at its June meeting. A shortlist of eligible applications recommended to be allocated any unspent and refunded funding from the current Community Activities Fund (CAF) as well as approval under any forthcoming second round of funding will also be drawn up and presented for approval.

Agreed Action:-

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

(b) DCC Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme (SHCP)

i. Programme update

The Chief Officer confirmed that four Local Development Officers (LDOs) have been recruited. One has started and the other three will start their new positions by the end of June. While working as a team, each LDO will also be assigned to one of the four SHCP programme areas in Dublin. All will be based in the Civic Offices initially with a view to relocating to the local areas. Their responsibilities include oversight for expenditure of approximately €250,000 per area under the SHCP Community Enhancement Fund. A key priority for the LDOs is to ensure there is no duplication or repetition of existing structures and programmes and instead to bring an emphasis on enhancing and consolidating activities as well as developing new proposals for consideration and agreement by the DCC SHCP Implementation Team.

Ellen O’Dea (HSE) presented a summary document entitled “Dublin City Council Slaintecare Healthy Communities Update May 2022”. It outlined the services being delivered by the HSE and through community partnership as part of the Slaintecare Healthy Communities programme in the Dublin City Council Area. This has been prepared with LCDC members in mind and includes a brief overview of the different programmes and contact details for referral.

Agreed Action:-

- 1) A copy of “Dublin City Council Slaintecare Healthy Communities Update May 2022” will be circulated to members.
- 2) Update will be provided at the next LCDC meeting.

4) LCDC HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUB-COMMITTEE

(a) Governance (structure wrt LCDC)

The Chief Officer reminded members of the agreement to reconstitute the existing LCDC Healthy Ireland Sub-Committee and replace it with a LCDC Health and Wellbeing Sub-Committee. He also reminded members that an expression of interest had been extended to LCDC members to join the new Sub-Committee. He presented a draft governance structure and terms of reference for the new Sub-Committee. Members discussed the draft.

(b) Role and activity on 2022

The Chief Officer informed the members that the proposed role of the new Sub-Committee is to oversee a city wide coordinated approach to the delivery of the Slaintecare Healthy Communities Programme and Healthy Ireland Round 4 work programme in the Dublin City area.

Anne Fitzgerald (Ballyfermot & Chapelizod Partnership) was concerned about duplication of services and wanted to flag the need to adopt an integrated service delivery approach. Síle McNulty (Dublin City Council) assured members that LDOs will work to meet all statutory service providers, community groups and local development companies (including Ballyfermot & Chapelizod Partnership and Northside Partnership) that are involved in the delivery of health and

wellbeing activities on the ground in order to map what is happening with a view to avoiding duplication.

Members affirmed that the issue of inclusion and addressing health inequalities needs to be central to the role of the new Sub-Committee.

(a) Membership (proposed)

Proposed membership was discussed amongst members. Prof. Deiric O’Broin asked about the options for external non LCDC members (e.g. from academia) to join the Sub-Committee.

Agreed Action:-

- 1) The Chief Officer will review the existing LCDC standing order and constitution to explore options of inviting external non LCDC members to join the Sub-Committee.
- 2) Prof. Deiric O’Broin proposed that members should take time to reflect on the proposals and write to the Chief Officer directly with any comments, opinions, insights and formally propose themselves if interested in being a Sub-Committee member. The Chief Officer would then present a plan to agree with members at the next meeting in une. This was seconded by Kelley Birmingham.

5) LECP ADVISORY GROUP AND LECP 2022 WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

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

- The third LECP Advisory Group Meeting is taking place later today. There is a shortlist of 6 high level cross cutting thematic issues and the Advisory Group are to consider further and finalise.
- Knowledge brokers have been identified.
- Dublin City Council’s “Your Dublin Your Voice”, which is Ireland’s first local government-led online opinion panel in Ireland, will be used as the first vehicle for engaging the public on the new LECP.
- It is expected that the LECP developmental process will take place throughout 2022, continue into 2023, with adoption of the DCC LECP expected in Qt 1 2023.

Cllr Moore (Chair) noted that a Community Wealth Building proposal is currently being explored by Dublin City Council and that further engagement with LCDC on same would be useful.

Dr Sarah Miller noted the concept of a circular economy and city and suggested that Dublin should sign up to the European Circular City Declaration as part of the new LECP forthcoming.

Claire Wheeler suggested that the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) be invited to make a presentation to the LCDC on its community energy programme which focuses on how communities think about, generate and use energy.

Agreed Action:-

- 1) Dr Sarah Miller to forward information on the European Circular City Declaration to the Chief Officer for review and Joanna O'Rourke will be invited to make a presentation at an upcoming LCDC meeting. Members will then consider the declaration and make a recommendation to the full City Council.
- 2) Dr Sarah Miller will forward contact details to the Chief Officer for the community energy programme at the SEIA.
- 3) A detailed update will be provided at the June Meeting.

6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

The Chief Officer noted that forthcoming LCDC meetings will be held in the Guinness Enterprise Centre (with remote attendance as an option at this venue) at the earlier time of 9-10.30am to facilitate remote attendance and also allow co-ordination with and attendance to follow-on LECP Advisory group meetings

- 9.00 to 10.30, Wednesday 22nd 2022 (Guinness Enterprise Centre)
- Future 2022 meeting dates:
 - Sept 21st (Guinness Enterprise Centre 9.00 to 10.30)
 - Nov 23rd (Guinness Enterprise Centre 9.00 to 10.30)



Signed: _____

Chairperson

Print Name: Councillor Carolyn Moore



Signed: _____

Chief Officer

Print Name: Dáithí Downey