

# FINGAL LOCAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

**DATE:** 27<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2016

**TIME:** 2.00-3.30 PM

**VENUE:** COUNCIL CHAMBER, BLANCHARDSTOWN.

PRESENT	CATEGORY	ORGANISATION
Tony Murphy	Local authority member , Councillor (Swords/Balbriggan)	Fingal County Council
Brian McDonagh	Local Authority member , Councillor (Howth/Malahide)	Fingal County Council
Ed Hearne	Local Authority official, Chief Executive's nominee	Fingal County Council
Oisín Geoghegan	Local Authority official, Local Enterprise Office	Fingal County Council
Pat O'Connor	State agency, Higher Education Institute	Institute of Technology, Blanchardstown
Anthony Brennan	Community Voluntary Interest	Fingal Community Network
Jeff Murphy	Community Voluntary Interest	Fingal Community Network
Adaku Ezeudo	Social Inclusion Interest	Fingal Community Network
Alice Davis	Social Inclusion Interest	Fingal Community Network
Máire O'Brien	Environmental Interest	Fingal Community Network
Brid Walsh	Community Interest (Drugs and Alcohol)	North Dublin Regional Drugs & Alcohol Task Force
Terry McCabe	Local Development	Blanchardstown Area Partnership
Mary McKenna	Local Development	Fingal LEADER Partnership
Padraic McMahan	Farming & Agriculture	The Irish Farmers Association
Des O'Sullivan (Acting Chair)	Community Interest (Young People Under 30)	Headstrong, Jigsaw Fingal.

	Public (statutory)
	Private (non-statutory)

In attendance: Fran Creed, Paul Kinsella, Breffni O'Rourke, Paul Smyth, Fingal County Council.

	ITEM	ACTION
1.0	<b>Apologies: Siobhan Lawlor, Department of Social Protection, Tony Lambert, Chambers Ireland, Peter Foran, TUSLA</b>	
2.0	<b>Election of Chair</b> Cllr. Tony Murphy Proposed Pat O'Connor, Maire O'Brien seconded <b>Election of Vice chair</b> Ed Hearne proposed Brid Walsh, Terry McCabe seconded	
2.1	Pat O'Connor was elected Chair and Brid Walsh was elected Vice Chair of the Fingal LCDC. Chief Officer clarified Chairs position extends to Dublin Rural LAG.	
3.00	<b>Agree minutes and matters arising</b> Pat welcomed Cllr Brian McDonagh who replaces Cllr Duncan Smith and Adaku Ezeudo, Social Inclusion Interest, Fingal Community Network, round of introductions took place.	
3.1	<b>Minutes proposed by Terry McCabe and seconded by Anthony Brennan</b> No further progress had been made on evaluating the possibility of the local development companies (BAP & FLP) extending the Care & Repair service County wide. <b>Action: Report on progress of this Action at the next meeting</b>	<b>T.McCabe / M.McKenna</b>
4.00	<b>LEADER – Dublin Rural Local Action Group (LAG)</b> Breffni outlined proposal, made in consultation with fellow Chief Officers, to reduce LAG number: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (9) Fingal (4) South Dublin (3) Dun Laoghaire Rathdown.</li> <li>- Non Statutory LAG members will comprise at least +1 of overall number.</li> <li>- Fingal continue Chair.</li> </ul> Proposed by Des O'Sullivan, Seconded by Padraic McMahon <b>ACTION: Put proposal to reduce members from 27 to 16 to wider LAG.</b> Chair suggested items 5 and 6 discussion take together.	<b>Chief Officer</b>
5.00	<b>Fingal Community Network (Public Participation Network)</b> Pat Queenan, FCC Community Department was welcomed to the meeting and proceeded to give members an overview, some of the main points of which were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FCN has 417 community &amp; voluntary, Social Inclusion and environmental groups are members.</li> <li>• FCN is the mechanism through which community representation is sourced for all local authority decision making committees.</li> <li>• Recruitment of a FCN Resource Worker will take place in 2016, this support role has been provided to date by the community department of FCC.</li> <li>• A Plenary of all 417 FCN members will take place in April and December 2016.</li> </ul> Pat answered a number of questions and advised that information on matters can be circulated to the 417 FCN members. <b>Action: Circulate FCN presentation to all members.</b> <b>Action: Chair to make contact with Pat Queenan regards ITB Civic Engagement Office assisting facilitate FCN 2016 Work plan.</b>	<b>Fran Creed Pat O'Connor</b>
6.00	<b>Communication Audit</b> Summary of Communications Audit (July 2015) circulated to all LCDC members in advance of this meeting. Jeff expressed disappointment that a staff member from the communications department was not present.	

	<p>Ed clarified that the communications unit in FCC were in the process of a reorganisation and asked that members treat audit sensitively and not forward at this stage.</p> <p>A discussion ensued on the importance of the council's communications with citizens and the desirability of raising the profile of initiatives such as the FCN and LCDC.</p> <p><b>Action: That the Communications Audit Item be put back on the agenda later in the year.</b></p> <p><b>Action: Jeff to link in with the communications department at the appropriate time regards some of the implementation of the audits recommendations.</b></p>	<p>Chief Officer Jeff Murphy</p>
7.00	<p><b>Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP)</b></p> <p>Pat brought members through the initial assessment of the PIs 2015 End of Year Report 2015 and Annual Report 2016. The SICAP Sub-Committee had met on the 19<sup>th</sup> January. A4 circulated to members detailing sub-committee and Pobal findings, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PI achieved KPI 1 &amp; KPI2</li> <li>- PI has adhered to all financial rules</li> </ul> <p>Chief Officer clarified SICAP Sub-Committee membership as: Oisin, Peter, Maire, Brid, Pat, Cllr Murphy, Siobhan + 2 members external to LCDC: Pat Queenan (FCC) and Austin Wynn (ETB). Chair invited Terry McCabe to give a brief presentation to members, a number of questions and discussions took place. Terry invited any members to contact her directly with specific requests if they wished <a href="mailto:TMcCabe@bap.ie">TMcCabe@bap.ie</a>, 086 2764323.</p> <p>Chair recommended LCDC approval of End of Year Review and Annual Report 2016 subject to satisfactory outcome of next SICAP Subcommittee, this was agreed.</p> <p><b>Action: SICAP sub-committee to meet again 10<sup>th</sup> February with the PI to complete approvals for End of Year Review and Annual Report 2016 on behalf of LCDC.</b></p> <p><b>Action: LCDC and its subcommittee to support the work of the PI to ensure SICAP services are spread adequately across target groups in Fingal in 2016.</b></p>	<p>Pat O'C All</p>
8.00	<p><b>LCDC Member Profile</b></p> <p>Brid Walsh gave a presentation on the profile of North Dublin Regional Drugs and Alcohol Task Force. Chair thanked Brid, a short discussion followed, suggested circulating key points and members following up with Brid on specific information 0862615276, <a href="mailto:brid@ndublinrdtf.ie">brid@ndublinrdtf.ie</a></p> <p><b>Action: Circulate presentation brief to all members.</b></p>	
9.00	<p><b>AOB – none</b></p>	

Signed:

Pat O'Connor,

Chairperson

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Signed:

Breffni O'Rourke,

Chief Officer

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