



Information following Kildare LCDC/LAG meeting to Kildare PPN

Meeting Date: Wednesday 22nd May 2024

Agenda Item	Information for dissemination to PPN Members	Date for dissemination
<p>Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP)</p>	<p>An update was provided to the LCDC outlining that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefings and feedback with the elected members took place at the Municipal District meetings throughout April where the plan was positively received. • The LECP was approved by full Council at their April 29th meeting. • A photoshoot launch is planned for 27th May in advance of the full Council meeting with the Cathaoirleach, KCC Chief Executive and LECP Advisory Steering Group members • The Plan has gone to the printers and is also being translated into Irish. • The AIRO Census 2022 reports are complete. AIRO will do a set of briefings over the coming months • Work is ongoing on the Implementation Plan, and it is planned to be presented at the next LCDC meeting 	<p>Immediately</p>
<p>Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) 2024-2028</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LCDC SICAP Subgroup met on May 13th. • Kildare received approval from DRCD on May 13th for additional SICAP funding of €95,662 for new arrivals. The funding will be allocated towards (1) Transport (2) Translation (3) Co-ordination of English language supports. The SICAP Annual Plan for 2024 has been adjusted to reflect this. • SICAP mid programme (2026) and end of programme (2028) Local Priority Target Group KPIs were approved by DRCD on May 20th. • The SICAP Mid-Year Review is scheduled for June and will be presented to the LCDC at their next meeting in July <p>For further information on SICAP contact: County Kildare LEADER Partnership www.countykildarelp.ie, or telephone 045-895450</p>	<p>Immediately</p>

<p>EU LEADER Programme</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LCDC LEADER Subgroup met on May 14th. • County Kildare LEADER Partnership provided an overview of the outstanding claims from the 2014–2023 programme. There are 17 claims outstanding, with a total value of €643,211. These are actively being progressed in advance of the deadline for claims of 30th June 2024. • The membership of the new LEADER Independent Evaluation Committee (IEC) for the 2023-2027 programme was presented and approved by the LCDC. Training will be provided to the IEC in advance of their first meeting. • Karl Duffy from CKLP gave a presentation on the new LEADER Programme 2023-2027 and presented a list of initial Expressions of Interest. <p>For further information on LEADER contact: County Kildare LEADER Partnership www.countykildarelp.ie, or telephone 045-895450.</p>	<p>Immediately</p>
<p>Healthy Ireland</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LCDC Health and Wellbeing Subgroup met on May 7th • Cllr. Aidan Farrelly, Chairperson of the H&WB Subgroup, presented on progress to date, with reports on Healthy Ireland circulated to the LCDC members. • A Mid-Term Review of the Healthy Kildare Plan 2022-2026 is underway. A draft Action Plan for 2024-2026 is being finalised and will be presented to the Subgroup for approval in June. • Pobal reporting is complete and approved for 2023 and funding for 2024 is awaited. • Service Level Agreements with CAMS-care and Kildare Traveller Action have been finalised. • Work on the Peter McVerry Trust Sensory Garden is expected to start in June. • The first meeting of ‘Engaging Dads’ took place on 17th of May. <p>For further information contact: Claire Morrissey, Healthy Ireland Co-ordinator: ph. 086-8858505 email cmorrissey@kildarecoco.ie</p>	<p>Immediately</p>
<p>Slaintecare Healthy Communities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Aidan Farrelly also presented an update on Slaintecare Healthy Communities from the Health and Wellbeing Subgroup to the LCDC members: • Reports for 2023 Seed Funded projects are due to the Department of Health by 31st May. • Extensions have been granted by DOH for projects focusing on Trauma Informed Practice, Neurodiversity and Inclusion, and Food Poverty with actions continuing until the end Dec 2024. • Kildare’s Local Development Officer will attend a 2-Day Trauma Summit in Belfast in June with colleagues from the Trauma Informed Kildare Working Group to strengthen the implementation of this project within the Athy area and Kildare. • Consultations are ongoing at a community level for 2024-2025 Seed Funded projects. Project proposals will be presented at the July LCDC with submission to Department of Health by 31st July. <p>For further information contact: Maria Healy, Slaintecare Local Development Officer: Ph: 087 9974155 email mhealy@kildarecoco.ie</p>	<p>Immediately</p>

<p>Empowering Communities Programme Athy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is ongoing in Athy and a progress report from the ECP Development Worker was circulated to the LCDC members. • An End of Year report for 2023 was submitted to the DRCD in April for approval. 	<p>Immediately</p>
<p>Kildare Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC) Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audrey Warren, LCDC Member and Area Manager Tulsa presented a CYPSC progress report to the LCDC. • The CYPSC Co-ordinator met with the LCDC team to discuss the preparation of an application to DCEDIY & DRCD to establish a Local Area Child Poverty Action Plan in Kildare (a 2-year pilot for at least four areas nationally with a maximum amount per area of €100,000 per year) . The focus of the Kildare proposal is to support families with neurodivergent children living in areas of disadvantage. This was approved by CYPSC at their meeting (and to apply for the max amount of €100,000 per year) and also approved by the LCDC. The CYPSC Co-ordinator will lead on the application process with LCDC staff support as required and the deadline for submission of the application is the 7th of June 	<p>Immediately</p>
<p>Grants</p>	<p>Local Enhancement Programme Funding 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LCDC is waiting for DRCD to issue a press release announcing the LEP awards before the award letters are sent to applicants. It is expected that the press release will issue very soon. 	<p>Immediately</p>

Signed and date: _____

Marian Higgins 30th May 2024

Marian Higgins, LCDC Chief Officer