

# Fingal Local Community Development Committee (LCDC)

18 September 2014, Civic Offices, Blanchardstown

02.00pm – 03.45pm

## MINUTES

PRESENT	Category
*Ann Brophy	Community Voluntary Interest, Community & Voluntary Forum
*Clodagh O'Donovan	Social Inclusion interest, Community & Voluntary Forum
Des O'Sullivan	Young People (Under 30), Headstrong
Ethna Felten	Chief Executives nominee, Fingal County Council
*Howard Mahony	Community Voluntary interest, Community & Voluntary Forum
*Jacob Jura-Zajac	Social Inclusion Interest, Community & Voluntary Forum
Linda Curran	Local Development, Chief Executive designate of new local development company
*Maire O'Brien	Environmental Interest, Environmental Pillar
Natalie Treacy	Councillor, Fingal County Council
Padraic McMahon	Farming & Agriculture, Irish Farming Association
Pat O'Connor	Higher Education Institute, Institute Technology Blanchardstown
Peter Foran	Child and Family Agency, TUSLA
Tony Lambert	Business & Enterprise, Fingal Dublin Chamber of Commerce
Tony Murphy	Councillor, Fingal County Council

\*Interim nominee until such a time as the Fingal Community Network (Public Participation Network) is established and representatives sought through elections.

In attendance: Breffni O'Rourke, Chief Officer, FCC  
Linda Martin, Admin, FCC  
Noeleen McHugh, Senior Executive Officer, FCC

	ITEM	Action
1.0	Apologies: Paul Carroll, Department of Social Protection, Oisin Geoghegan, Local Enterprise Office, FCC Duncan Smith, Councillor, Fingal County Council	
2.0	Agree minutes of last meeting Proposed by Tony Lambert and seconded by Des O'Sullivan. Chief Officer requested a temporary chair until Item 5, meeting agreed Ethna Felten.	
3.0	Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting Temporary Chair welcomed everyone and noted it was the 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of Fingal LCDC. Noeleen reported review of Fingal Development Board is progressing. Action: Chief Officer and Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) members to avoid using acronyms, glossary of terms to be circulated. Action: Complete review of Fingal Development Board Action: Submit outstanding member profiles	All & Chief Officer Noeleen All
4.0	Standing orders – discussion / adoption Chief Officer thanked members who had sent feedback on the draft and took the meeting through the document section by section. Action: To make amendments to Section 1, 2, 3 and circulate for adoption.	Chief Officer
5.0	Chairperson / vice chairperson Howard proposed elections should take place after the replacement of interim nominee positions (5) on the LCDC, likely December 2014. Cllr. Tony	

	<p>Murphy felt elections should be postponed until such a time as the expended nominees (2) for LCDC membership were confirmed. Des suggested as a compromise the item is taken at the next LCDC meeting.</p> <p>Pat O'Connor, Tony, Ann, Padraic and Linda expressed a contrary view. After clarifications from the Chief Officer the meeting resolved to proceed to elections.</p> <p>Section 3 of the Standing Orders was followed; Ann Brophy and Ethna Felton indicated an interest in Chairperson, Ann withdrew and proposed Ethna as chairperson; this was seconded by Tony Lambert. Ann Brophy was proposed for vice chairperson by Howard Mahoney, this was seconded by Linda Curran. Ethna Felten was confirmed as chairperson and Ann Brophy was confirmed as vice chairperson.</p>	
6.0	<p><b>Code of Conduct &amp; Declaration of Interests</b>  Chief Officer thanked those who had returned declarations and urged those who had yet to do so to complete them and forward ASAP.  <b>Action: Submit outstanding declarations</b></p>	All
7.0	<p><b>Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP)</b>  This item was moved to the end of the meeting. Linda Curran was asked and agreed to absent herself due to conflicts of interest.</p> <p>The Chief Officer took the meeting through the most up to date SICAP schedule and tender evaluation process.  <b>Action: Contact law agent regards indemnification of LCDC members.</b>  Presentation and Question &amp; Answers available on request.</p> <p>LCDC members present were distributed the most up to date Pobal Management Accounts - summary - for the Local Community Development Programme (LCDP) in Fingal.</p> <p>Tony expressed a view that he felt it was wrong to ask Linda to leave for this item, that in his opinion there was nothing in the presentation that could give a potential SICAP applicant an unfair advantage.  <u>Conflict of Interests - Standard</u>  In relation to the matter of conflicts of interest the Chief Officer clarified the standard applied is not necessarily whether the item itself on its own constitutes an actual conflict of interest or unfair advantage, rather whether the item (and deliberations associated with it) might be perceived as having the potential to do so.</p>	Chief Officer
8.0	<p><b>Any other business: Local Economic &amp; Community Plan (LECP)</b>  Noleen related that tenders had been received and are being evaluated.  <b>Public Participation Network (PPN)</b>  Competition and elections for 5 nominees from a newly established PPN will be made to the LCDC in December 2014. Publicity and awareness campaign to generate awareness of PPN and encourage involvement from groups / public will start immediately.</p>	
9.0	<p>Date of next meeting: Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October @ 3pm County Hall, Swords.</p>	

Signed: 

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Ethna Felten, Chairperson

Breffni O'Rourke, Chief Officer