



Information following Kildare LCDC/LAG meeting to Kildare PPN members

LCDC Meeting Date: 7th July 2021


Agenda Item	Information for dissemination to LCDC members	Date for dissemination
Youth Mental Health	A meeting with the HSE to progress discussions on Youth Mental Health priorities was postponed due to the Cyber-attack. This has been rescheduled.	Immediately
Creative Places funding for Athy	An application by Kildare County Council, with LCDC support, to the Arts Council, under their Creative Places awards was successful. The application is focused on Athy and has a funding commitment of €150,000 per annum for three years. A dedicated Co-ordinator will work to ensure that there is engagement by people/groups in Athy in a range of arts activities as part of education and community development. In addition, there will be opportunities to support artists in Athy. Further information will be circulated as it becomes available.	Immediately
Community Call Helpline	The Kildare Community Call Helpline remains open from 8.00am – 8.00pm Monday to Sunday. Phone: 1800 300 174 or email: covidsupport@kildarecoco.ie	Immediately
CEP 2021	The Community Enhancement Programme 2021 grant scheme will be advertised in the coming weeks. This will be an online application process. The total funding available under this programme for Kildare is €148,013.	Immediately
Local Enterprise Office	A range of supports are available through Kildare Local Enterprise Office to support small businesses. For further information contact: www.localenterprise.ie/Kildare	Immediately
Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme (SICAP)	<p>Work is progressing in 2021 to roll out the national social inclusion programme, SICAP, in Kildare under the current Covid-19 restrictions. This programme targets socially excluded groups and communities across Kildare through a range of programmes and supports. County Kildare LEADER Partnership implement the programme on behalf of the LCDC.</p> <p>LCDC members approved a Mid Term Review of the SICAP Programme at their July 7th meeting.</p>	Immediately

	<p>The Department of Rural and Community Development have just announced a one-year extension to the SICAP programme for a period of twelve months up to 31st December 2023.</p> <p>For further information on the programmes and supports on offer please contact: County Kildare LEADER Partnership – www.countykildarelp.ie, or telephone 045-895450</p>	
Healthy Ireland	<p>Pobal have approved additional funding for Kildare to continue Healthy Ireland 3 up to the end of December 2021</p> <p>Interviews were held recently for a Healthy Ireland Co-ordinator for Kildare.</p> <p>Athy has been included as one of the communities in the Slaintecare Healthy Communities Initiative. Further details will be circulated as soon as they become available.</p>	Immediately
Kildare LEADER Transitional Programme 2014-2020	<p>There is confirmed funding remaining under the Kildare LEADER Transitional Budget of €724,197.26. Additional funding of €358,745 is expected for LEADER in Kildare following confirmation by the EU. This funding <u>must be allocated by December 31st, 2022.</u></p> <p>Grant aid can be allocated based on adhering to strict criteria under a) Enterprise Development (including Tourism), b) Social Inclusion and c) Environment.</p> <p>Community Groups and Individuals in Kildare can find out more about the LEADER funding available by contacting County Kildare LEADER Partnership 045-895450 or Karl Duffy karl@countykildarelp.ie- www.countykildarelp.ie</p>	
Projects Approved by the LAG	<p>Three projects were approved for LEADER grant aid by the LCDC/LAG on 7th July totalling €31,210.12, with contracts currently being signed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Newbridge Family Resource Centre was grant aided €9,132.75 towards a new strategic plan to cover the period 2022 to 2027. 2. Angelina Foster Studio was grant aided €7,461.37 towards two pieces of specialist equipment. 3. Ballymore Eustace Community Development Association were grant aided €14,616 towards a feasibility and design study for the successful development of a community multi-user facility. 	Immediately

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Approved by Sonya Kavanagh, LCDC Chief Officer

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