



**Information following Kildare LCDC/LAG meeting to Kildare Public Participation Network**

**LCDC Meeting Date: 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Information for dissemination to Kildare Public Participation Network</b>	<b>Date for dissemination</b>
<b>Empowering Communities Programme</b>	The Department of Community and Rural Development announced a new national programme Empowering Communities Programme (ECP). This programme targets social exclusion and aims to co-ordinate a community development approach. Athy was selected nationally to benefit from ECP. A dedicated Community Engagement Coordinator will be employed by County Kildare LEADER Partnership and a budget for programme costs directly related to the delivery of the project programme will be in place. An information session is scheduled in October.	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Communities Activities Fund 2022 – Round 2 Running costs</b>	Kildare LCDC received €296,027 under the Community Activities Funding to be allocated as follows: €115,122 capital funding and €180,905 running costs targeting community and voluntary groups. Following an initial application process earlier this year, unallocated CAF funding of €76,282.72 towards running costs remained. A second application process was advertised over the summer. There were 104 applications worth €698,495.83. The evaluation committee of the LCDC recommended 51 groups for funding. This was approved and the list of successful applicants are outlined below.	<b>Immediately</b>

<b>Domestic Violence and Abuse Network</b>	An in-person 200-delegate inter-agency seminar focusing on domestic violence will take place on <b><u>Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> November 9am to 5pm in Killashee Hotel</u></b> <i>Widening the Lens: A Closer Look at Perpetrator Accountability in Keeping Families Safe</i> . This will provide a valuable opportunity for networking, knowledge-building, and learning with esteemed keynote speakers and workshop facilitators from home and overseas. Further details, including booking link will be circulated shortly.	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Planet Youth</b>	Work has commenced on the feasibility study for Planet Youth in Co. Kildare. This is being completed by Maynooth University, commissioned by South Western Regional Drug & Alcohol Task Force. Consultation is due to commence shortly with services and young people. More information about Planet Youth is available on <a href="http://www.planetyouth.ie">www.planetyouth.ie</a>	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Celbridge Outdoor Teen Space</b>	The consultation phase with young people has been completed and the findings were presented to the Project Steering Group. These findings will be shared with other key stakeholders in the coming months.	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Kildare Children &amp; Young People's Plan 2023-2025</b>	Work is underway on the development of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Children & Young People's Plan for Co. Kildare. The consultation phase of the planning process will commence shortly and will comprise several elements including 1-2-1 structured interviews, focus groups and online surveys.	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>EU Guarantee National Action Plan</b>	As part of the Irish Governments national action plan, LCDCs & CYPSCs will be invited to develop and implement a local, inter-agency child poverty action plan. Four sites will be selected in the pilot phase. The process and timeline for the selection of locations is not yet confirmed from the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth (DCEDIY).	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures 2</b>	The Children's Rights Alliance has been contracted to carry out the consultation nationally for the development of the updated version of the National Policy Framework for Children & Young People, known as BOBF2. No timeline for this consultation has yet been provided by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth (DCEDIY).	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Kildare Garda Youth Awards</b>	The Kildare Garda Youth Awards 2022 took place on 16 <sup>th</sup> September in Newbridge Town Hall. Seventeen young people from across Co. Kildare were celebrated for their resilience and contribution to their communities	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP)</b>	Work continues to implement the SICAP programme by the Programme Implementers CKLP. Annual targets are on track to be met, and the budget will be spent. The work centres on a range of actions targeting the most excluded and linked to five national	<b>Immediately</b>

	<p>priorities (Traveller/Roma, Long Term Unemployed, Mental Health, Older People, New Communities) and a group identified by the LCDC (Young early school leavers/those at risk of leaving school early). This includes: homework/breakfast clubs, training and education programmes, self employment supports, community development supports. The annual engagement meeting with the Pobal Liaison Officer took place in September. This was a very positive meeting.</p> <p>Additional SICAP resources were secured in 2022 to respond to the Ukrainian crisis. A dedicated co-ordinator, employed by CKLP is working to respond to issues and co-ordinate responses across the county.</p> <p>Planning for SICAP 2023 is commencing and will be considered at the next LCDC meeting.</p>	
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	The existing Healthy Ireland subgroup is being reconstituted as a Health and Wellbeing subgroup. The Terms of Reference were approved by the LCDC and work will commence to re-establish the group.	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Healthy Ireland</b>	<p>Laura Kelly has been appointed as the Healthy Ireland Co-ordinator for Kildare.</p> <p>Minister Frank Feighan visited Athy in July to see Healthy Ireland in action at local level. It was a positive opportunity to showcase the work of project partners for Healthy Ireland 3. This programme is now complete. Funding of €40,000 has been made available for 2022. This funding must be used in accordance with criteria from the Dept of Health. The LCDC agreed that this funding will be used, to progress physical activities targeting a range of groups/communities led by Kildare Sports Partnership.</p> <p>The Healthy Kildare Plan was approved by the LCDC on the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The three key themes that emerged from the consultations and planning process are: 1) Healthy People and Communities, 2) Healthy Connections and Partnerships, and 3) Healthy Places and Environments.</p> <p>Healthy Ireland Round 4 guidelines have just been issued with a briefing session planned in October.</p>	<b>Immediately</b>

<b>Slaintecare Healthy Communities</b>	<p>Work is progressing very positively in Athy to roll out a range of evidence-based health programmes in addition to local supports to engage people in healthy activities. Work has concluded to upgrade the Peoples Park and additional work is taking place along the river.</p> <p>Minister Frank Feighan TD will launch Sláintecare Healthy Communities Programme in Athy on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>Local Economic Development Plan</b>	Work will commence in October to develop the second LECP for Co. Kildare	<b>Immediately</b>
<b>EU LEADER Programme 2023 - 2027</b>	It is expected that the structure of the next LEADER programme will be agreed by Government in the coming weeks as part of the approval process for the entire CAP Strategic Plan. It is expected that the new LEADER programme will be based on the county boundaries.	<b>Immediately</b>

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Signed and date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Marian Higgins, LCDC Chief Officer.**

## APPENDIX 1

### List of successful Applicants for Community Activities Funding - Round 2 (Running Costs)

Group Name	Project Description	Total Amount Applied For	Running Costs Recommended
4th Kildare Town Scout Group	Rent, storage, fees, insurance	€8,185.00	€2,118.35
5th Kildare Athy scouts	Insurance, accountant fees, oil, maintenance, fire safety maintenance	€2,258.00	€2,118.35
Allenwood Celtic AFC	Water, electric, insurance	€2,433.92	€1,500.00
Allenwood Community Development Assoc CLG	Insurance	€9,800.00	€2,118.35
Allenwood GFC	Misc. running costs, insurance	€8,482.21	€1,500.00
Aontas Ogra	Light & heat, maintenance, insurance, accountant fees	€3,117.58	€2,118.35
Athy Dragon Boat Club	Rent, insurance	€2,916.25	€1,446.00
Athy Mens Shed	Rent, electric, insurance, materials	€3,875.77	€2,118.35
Athy Recreational Community Hall	Insurance, maintenance, phone, heat & light	€9,341.69	€2,118.35
Athy Resource Centre	Rent, audit fees	€8,633.00	€2,118.35
Athy Rugby Football Club	Electric costs	€9,352.11	€1,500.00
Athy Sing and Sign	Insurance, membership, website, rent, printing	€1,126.83	€916.83
Athy Tennis Club	Electric, insurance	€6,479.12	€1,500.00
Athy Young at Heart	Bus trip costs	€1,100.00	€500.00
Ballyteague Gaelic Football Club	Oil and Electric	€3,303.54	€1,500.00
Balyna Rural Enterprise Development Assoc Ltd.	Printer lease	€3,690.00	€2,118.35
Bigstone Community Centre	Gas, insurance	€2,180.44	€2,022.73
Caragh Community Park and Playground	Ground maintenance, grass cutting	€5,900.00	€2,118.35
Carbury Village Residents Association	Insurance, defib service, fuel, village clean up, CE sub	€1,231.57	€308.19
Clane Mens Shed	Lease, energy, maintenance, insurance, bus hire	€5,957.24	€2,118.35
Clane Musical & Dramatic Society	Insurance, rent, repairs, skip, licence fee, materials, bank charges	€9,582.35	€626.06
Clane Project Centre CLG	Energy, broadband, refuse, water rates, cleaning supp	€3,425.33	€2,118.35
Eire Og Corra Choill Hurling Club	Electric, kerosene boiler, oil/diesel	€3,385.34	€1,500.00
Grangenolvin GFC	Electric, Fire alarm and monitoring, diesel, heating oil	€2,605.87	€1,500.00
HEADSUP Kildare	Rent	€2,120.00	€1,420.00
Irish Wheelchair Association Athy.	Electric	€2,895.00	€1,937.91

Johnstownbridge Mens Shed	Rent	€3,400.00	€2,118.35
Kilcock Community Mens Shed	Insurance	€1,200.00	€1,200.00
Kilcock ICA/Senior Citizens	Rent	€1,105.00	€555.00
Kilcullen Town Hall & Heritage Co Ltd	Electric	€2,658.10	€1,500.00
Kilteel Community Hall Committee	Electric, servicing boiler, oil, fire services	€4,479.63	€425.13
Leixlip Community First Responders	Insurance, garda vetting, misc., phones costs, bank fees	€1,463.14	€953.64
M.U.Barnhall RFC Finance Group	Overheads	€10,000.00	€1,500.00
Maynooth Community Council	Insurance, bank fees, zoom/website, promotion	€1,271.54	€570.08
Millbank Residents Association (Sallins)	Insurance	€3,316.50	€241.50
Monasterevin GFC	Electric, refuse, water, alarm, oil	€8,931.00	€1,500.00
Monread Indoor Bowls Club	Hall hire	€2,300.00	€2,118.35
Moone Celtic Football Club	Gas, insurance, refuse	€3,775.00	€1,500.00
Naas Community Men's Shed	Insurance, ink, hygiene products, waste	€2,274.63	€853.13
Naas Tidy Towns	Insurance, van insurance, comms, bank fees	€1,660.68	€1,171.11
PlayActing Youth Theatre Celbridge	Rent, participation in festivals, printing, insurance	€4,949.33	€2,118.35
Prosperous United AFC	Grass cutting, landscaping	€5,450.00	€1,500.00
Ryston Social Club	Insurance, gas, eircom, electric	€2,712.26	€1,500.00
Sarsfields GAA Club	Oil, electric	€9,571.73	€1,500.00
Serv Blood Bike Leinster	Insurance of vehicles	€5,040.00	€2,118.35
St Conleths CYMS Snooker Club Newbridge	Oil and Electric	€5,792.00	€2,118.35
St. Michaels Boxing Club Athy	Water charges, electric, gas	€3,068.00	€493.38
Straffan Community Hall Committee	Electric, gas, insurance, audit fees	€8,077.90	€700.00
The Ballymore Eustace Community Trust	Gas, electric, oil, insurance, maintenance, repairs	€6,556.08	€2,118.35
The Peoples Market Monasterevin	Insurance, hall hire, heat, refuse	€1,430.00	€1,430.00
TirMona AC	Light & heat, insurance, repairs, membership fees	€3,065.08	€1,500.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>€76,282.64</b>