

4. non-public/public ratio attendees % ratio non-public/public attendees	9 non-public : 7 public 56% non-public: 44% public
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1. Confirmation of Quorum: Having reviewed the attendance record, Chief Officer D. Tuohy confirmed that a quorum was achieved. Non-public 9; Public 7; 16 members in attendance. The Chair Mayor Damien Geoghegan opened the meeting.

2. Apologies

As per table above, apologies were noted.

3. Conflict of Interest

- (i) Chief Officer D. Tuohy informed members that the Annual Conflict of interest forms and declarations have been circulated and should be completed and returned forthwith.
- (ii) Chief Officer D. Tuohy outlined the provisions of Section 5.4 of the LEADER Operating Rules (v2.0) and reminded members of their obligations therein. He reminded members to consider whether a conflict of interest could arise on receipt of the notice of meeting and agenda items. He requested members to contact him in advance of the meetings following reviewing the Agenda and associated documentation should a COI arise.
- (iii) Review of Quorum: As in 1. Above.

Agreed

4. Confirmation of Minutes of LAG Meeting held on December 10th 2020.

Proposed: S. Cooke	Seconded by: D. Geoghegan
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	APPROVED

5. Matters arising: None.

6. For noting: Chief Officer D. Tuohy gave a brief update on the Co-operation Budget issued by the Department.

7. Circulars: D. Tuohy, Chief Officer gave an overview of 2020 Circular 15 detailing the pending implementation of the Transitional Leader Programme. Mr. J. Taaffe C.E.O. WLP detailed the proposals and progressions that can be achieved in the programme. J. Somers queried the timeframe and budget and J. Beresford questioned if the programme has scope to reach new groups. J. Taaffe advised that Department planning has focused on a 12 month period as a date has not been set regarding the rollout of the next E.U. led programme and that work was underway to expand the range of recipients and beneficiaries.

8. Rural Development Programme.

(a) Project approvals: None

(b) Approval of WLP Advance Administration Funding Q1 2021 (€90,309.70). Mr. J. Taaffe C.E.O. WLP left the meeting.

Proposed: L. O'Sullivan	Seconded by: G. Foley
Abstentions: J Taaffe	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

J. Taaffe returned to the meeting,.

(c) Project Extension Request 31LDRWAT111374 Legacy Irish Cider.
Project Extension Request 31LDRWAT110720 Restoration of Clonegam Church Portlaw

J Taaffe advised the committee that a six month extension is required by the project promoters (31LDRWAT111374 Legacy Irish Cider) due to restrictions and limitations posed by Covid-19.

Proposed: S. Cooke	Seconded by: A. Wyse
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

J Taaffe advised the committee that a six month extension is required by the project promoters (31LDRWAT110720 Restoration of Clonegam Church Portlaw) due to extra conditions being applied to the funding award which proved time consuming to address.

Proposed: G. Foley	Seconded by: J. Beresford
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

- (d) LEADER Funding Agreement Addendum 'Agreement to signing the Addendum to the Funding Agreement between the Department of Rural & Community Development and the Waterford Local Action Group (LAG) dated 8th July 2016' (extranet).

Proposed: H. Kiely	Seconded by: J. Beresford
Abstentions: None	
Quorum achieved: Yes	Approved

9. Report of the Rural Coordination sub-committee:

A report is due to be presented at the February meeting.

10. Correspondence: None

11. A.O.B. None

12. Date and venue of next meeting: Thursday 11th February 2021 at 11.00 a.m.

Meeting Closed

Signed  19/2/21
CHAIRPERSON DATE