



Thinking about becoming a Local Community Development Committee representative for DLR PPN?

What does the Local Community Development Committee do?

The purpose of the Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) is to make sure there is a joined-up approach to local and community development in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown, ensuring that local and community programmes are delivered efficiently.

It also has responsibility for the co-ordination, planning and oversight of local development funding, specifically the Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme (SICAP) and the Rural LEADER funding.

The LCDC also has to ensure that there is meaningful citizen and community engagement in the development, planning, delivery and evaluation of local & community development programmes.

The LCDC is responsible for preparing and implementing the community elements of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown's Local Economic and Community Plan. It also reviews and monitors the implementation of the community elements of the plan, and revises the actions and strategies set if necessary.

The LCDC prepares an annual report on how it has performed during the year.

Who sits on the Local Community Development Committee?

The LCDC consists of 19 members who represent different agencies and bodies in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown who have a stake in the wellbeing of communities in the county. For example current membership includes:



- DLR PPN members from the Community & Voluntary, Social Inclusion and Environmental sectors
- County Councillors
- Southside Partnership, the Local Development Company
- the Health Service Executive (HSE)
- the Chamber of Commerce
- the Local Enterprise Office
- the Education & Training Board
- the Irish Congress of Trade Unions
- the Department of Social Protection
- TUSLA, the child and family agency
- the Irish Farmers Association

What skills or abilities do PPN representatives need for the LCDC?

- A demonstrable interest in community and social affairs in the county.
- Experience of working with local communities, voluntarily or professionally.
- Awareness of key issues relating to local & community development in the county.
- Good communication skills and the ability to work as part of a group.

What time commitment is needed from PPN representatives?

- Able to commit to attend 6-8 meetings a year, from 8.30-10.30am on Wednesday mornings, usually in Dún Laoghaire or Blackrock.
- Preparation for meetings, for example, reading through documentation, preparing questions.
- DLR PPN representatives are expected to represent the diverse views of DLR PPN members at the LCDC and not just their own views. They are also expected to share information from the LCDC with other members of the PPN.
- 2 PPN representatives meetings per year (1 hour each) and occasional training on relevant topics.

Travel expenses are covered as per the DLR PPN expenses guidelines.