

County Wicklow PPN Report – June 2020

Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 331 Total Members, no new members in June. Re-registration ongoing – some member groups no longer in operation and removed from database.
Networking/ Working Locally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participating in Local Authority Community Support Response to Covid 19 Forum. Meetings 2nd, 16th & 30th June • Participated in 2 Digital Poverty sub-group meetings. Grant application developed and circulated • Circulated details of Municipal District, and WCC Meetings to member groups
Networking/ Working Nationally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Conference postponed until 2021. Continue organisation for new date (13th & 14th May) • Participated in Resource Worker Representatives to the National Advisory Group meeting 3 & 8 June • Participated in National PPN Advisory Group meeting 10 June • Fed into Terms of Reference to conduct a National Review of PPNs
PPN Meetings/Specific Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of PPN Disability sub group. Submitting proposal to all committees that have PPN Representation to ensure Disability awareness in public spaces, particularly in relation to social distancing measures. Working on Disability Awareness Training development. Preparing a tender for work to develop an information resource to support groups to be Disability aware and develop accessibility measures • Nominations received for voluntary PPN Representatives for LCDC and CCSD SPC. 5 nominations received for 1 C&V seat on the LCDC. Election procedures were activated with 12 July deadline for votes. • Discussion with consultant engaged to support WCC to develop an Integration Strategy for the county. PPN agreed to support the facilitation of consultations with target groups. • Developed information leaflet to point groups to resources to support them in re-activating their services and opening their premises.
Representation/ Consultations/ Submissions *Submissions available to view on PPN website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 255 responses received to PPN online consultation to feed into WCC Tree Strategy. Working with PPN Environ Reps to develop submission. • Encouraged engagement with: CAN Local Authority Tenants Consultation; Corona Citizen's Science Project; Irish Hedgehogs Survey; Strategy for Criminal Justice Consultation; Significant Water Management Issues Consultation
Training & Capacity Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ran 2 sessions of Supercharge Your Self-care, developed with Avril Baily of the Human Givins Centre. Introducing Your Super Powers & Sleep Your Secret Super Power • Highlighted Wheel Training Workshops: Town Twinning & Networking and Returning Safely to the Workplace • Highlighted/Advertised Funding Opportunities/Competitions : EPA Green Enterprise Programme; Town & Village Renewal Scheme; Community Enhancement Scheme; Community Integration Fund; Rural Regeneration & Development Fund & WCC Digital Poverty Grant • Exploring ways to develop an online training package to replace this years Training Fair • Update PPN Members Funding Handbook

Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with E-Power Web Design, PPN web developer • Circulated monthly E bulletin to members • PPN Interview on Garden County Radio provided advice for community groups that are preparing to open their doors and resume their services and activities as well as details about the Town & Village Renewal scheme and the funding available to support groups to put in place health and safety/social distancing measures • Acting as a central point for Covid 19 local and national supports information • Continue to collate Local & National Information & Developed Covid 19 Resources Page on PPN website. Find here: http://www.countywicklowppn.ie/covid-19-resources.html • Website updates • Facebook 1503 likes (19 monthly inc) 1719 follows 37 monthly inc)
Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day to day correspondence, accounting and reporting • Developed a Health & Safety Policy to support the wellbeing of Secretariat members and Representatives when attending physical meetings (in light of Covid 19 issues & social distancing) when participating in online meetings.
Planning/ Upcoming Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue work with Wicklow Community Response Forum and its Digital Poverty Sub Group • Continue to progress re-development of website • Facilitate July Secretariat Meeting • Run 4 sessions of Supercharge Your Self-Care webinars. • Follow up actions from Disability Sub Group • Continue to facilitate PPN election process and induction of new Reps • Organise PPN Plenary Meeting • Participate in National Advisory Group Annual Conference Sub-group meeting 1st July • Developing online training in place of 2020 Training Fair • Preparation for Annual Conference • Working with WCC Environmental Officer to develop a mapping App that will highlight the work of community groups and link it to the Sustainable Development Goals • Work with consultant engaged by WCC to develop a Co Wicklow Integration Strategy • Resource Worker & Support Worker will take Annual Leave in July & August. Dates to be agreed