

County Wicklow PPN Report – August 2020

Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 340 Total Members, 3 new members in August. 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 11th August & 25th August • Circulated details of Municipal District, and WCC Meetings to member groups • Collaborating with Co Wicklow Partnership, CYPSC; WCCC; Arklow Youth Services and Wicklow Libraries as LGBTI Allies to run an information event during Social Inclusion Week • In collaboration with the Food Poverty Experts subgroup of the Wicklow Naturally Group, circulated a letter to PPN members to support research that will identify where food poverty exists its extent and the organisations currently working and having an impact in this area
Networking/ Working Nationally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide peer support & share information across PPN's nationally • Member of Secretariat continually active in the National PPN Secretariat
PPN Meetings/Specific Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with WCC Environmental Officer Re developing an online mapping facility to promote the work that local groups do to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals 13th & 25th August • Initial consultation with local animator in relation to developing a simple animation that shows how the work of Wicklow Groups links into the SDGs and the Vision for Community Wellbeing • Ran nomination procedures for vacant representative seats on PPN Secretariat, Arklow JPC seat and Environmental seat on Planning SPC & LCDC. Organising induction training. • Working with WCC Consultant to facilitate consultations that will support the development of a Wicklow Integration Strategy and a Wicklow Migrant Forum • Exploring combining the work of the PPN Disability Awareness Group with the work of a new WCC Disability & Inclusion Steering Committee
Representation/ Consultations/ Submissions *Submissions available to view on PPN website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraged engagement with: WCC Local Property Tax Adjustment Factor; WCC Part 8 Cedar Court, Bray Apartments Construction • Submitted quarterly Lobbying Report to Standards in Public Office Commission
Training & Capacity Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting to evaluate Supercharge Your Self-care, developed with Avril Bailey of the Human Givens Centre. Planning began to roll out the 6 sessions to 3 community groups in an online hub format in November • Meeting with Development Perspectives and WCC Environ Officer to discuss running SDG awareness raising training with community groups in October • Highlighted/Advertised: The Wheel Training Links Programme; Equality Fund Information Webinar; The Wheel – Storytelling for success online training; HSE Living Well Programme; Charities Regulator Governance Code Training

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlighted/Advertised Funding Opportunities/Competitions: RTE/Community Foundation Comic Relief Funding; The Equality Fund; The Ireland Funds Covid 19 Response Fund; Community Enhancement Scheme; Restart Grant Plus; Covid 19 Clubs Small Grants (Sport Ireland); WCC Tree Grant; Wicklow LSP Bike Week Funding; Town & Village Renewal Scheme; Failte Ireland Covid 19 Adaptation Fund; Upcycle Challenge 202 Competition; WC Re-love Fashion Competition; Katie Taylor 3rd level bursary. • Exploring ways to develop an online training package to replace this year's 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 31st August 2020 • Acting as a central point for Covid 19 local and national supports information • Website updates • Facebook 1538 likes (18 monthly inc) 1769 follows 25 monthly inc)
Outreach	
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day to day correspondence, accounting and reporting
Planning/ Upcoming Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop website • Continue to participate on WCC Community Response Forum • National PPN Advisory Group Meeting 9 September • Online Induction Meeting for new PPN LCDDC Reps (2nd week Sept) • Secretariat Meeting 15 or 17 September • Liaison Sub-Group (stakeholder meeting) 18 September • Continue work to promote the SDGs including organising SDG Training in collaboration with Development Perspectives/Saolta Programme 14 October • Plan for roll out next stages of Supercharge Your Self-care (Oct/Nov) • Continue to work with Disability awareness Group in its new form • Continue to organise an information event for Social Inclusion Week 17 Oct-23 Oct in collaboration with CWP, CYPSC, CCC, Arklow Youth Service, Wicklow Libraries • Organise online Meet the Elected Rep meetings