County Wicklow PPN Report – September 2020

Membership	 350 Total Members, 10new members in September. Re-registration ongoing – some member groups no longer in operation and removed from database.
Networking/ Working Locally	 Participating in Local Authority Community Support Response to Covid 19 Forum. Meeting 15th September 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 promote & run an information event during Social Inclusion Week Collaborating with WCC Environment & Heritage Office, Local Authority Waters & Communities Office and Wicklow Volunteer Centre to link community groups to local schools to run citizen's science project for Science week 8-15 November Working with WCC Consultant to facilitate consultations that will support the development of a Wicklow Integration Strategy and a Wicklow Migrant Forum. Circulated & encouraged engagement with the Wicklow Migrant Integration Strategy Survey. Held discussions with the Glencree Centre for Peace and Reconciliation to discuss the possibility of them facilitating a regional meeting for PPNs, local authority staff and interested parties for peer support in relation to developing an Integration Strategy to take place in October
Networking/ Working Nationally	 Attended online National PPN Advisory Group meeting 9th September Continue to provide peer support & share information across PPN's nationally. Telephone meetings 8th, 10th, 24th September Member of Secretariat continually active in the National PPN Secretariat Wicklow is one of 5 PPNs piloting a PPN training programme for all PPN stakeholders i.e. PPN workers; PPN Secretariat & Representatives; Local Authority Staff and Local Elected Representatives. The training is being delivered online by Social Justice Ireland and Waterford IT and is being funded by the Dept Rural & Community Development Ran nomination procedures for vacant representative seats on PPN
Meetings/Specif ic Work	 Secretariat, Arklow JPC seat and Environmental seat on Planning SPC Ran welcome and induction meeting with existing and new PPN Representatives 28 September Co Wicklow PPN Secretariat meeting ran on 15th September Co Wicklow PPN Liaison Sub-group meeting with stakeholders from PPN Secretariat, Host Organisation, WCC and Resource Worker 18th September
Representation/ Consultations/ Submissions *Submissions available to view on PPN website	 Encouraged engagement with: Transboundary Environmental Public Consultation – Sizewell C Nuclear Power Station, Suffolk, England; DDRCD Statement of Strategy 2021-2023; Mountains to the Sea – Proposed greenway from Kilcoole to Glendalough Feasibility Study; Wicklow Migrant Integration Strategy Survey

 Ran New Options for Funding Your Community Group in collaboration with Carmichael Centre 22nd & 29th September 28 people attended Meeting with Development Perspectives and WCC Environ Officer (30th Sept) to discuss running SDG awareness raising training with community groups on 14th October Meeting with Carmichael Centre to discuss running up to 4 modules of Governance Training to begin in 2020 and run into 2021 11th September Highlighted/Advertised: HSE Living Well Programme; The Climb Programme for Social Enterprises Highlighted/Advertised Funding Opportunities/Competitions: Charity Impact Awards; Community Heritage Grant Scheme; WCC Housing Adaptation Gants; Artist in the Community Scheme Bursary Awards; Wicklow Local Sports Partnership Club Grants; WCC Housing Aid for Older People Grants, Social Enterprise of the Year Award Update PPN Members Funding Handbook
 Working with E-Power Web Design, PPN web developer Circulated monthly E bulletin to members 30th September 2020 Acting as a central point for Covid 19 local and national supports information Website updates
Facebook 1559 likes (21 monthly inc) 1795 follows 26 monthly inc)
 Day to day correspondence, accounting and reporting
 Continue to develop website Continue to participate on WCC Community Response Forum 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 conversations with Carmichael Centre to develop Governance Training Continue to work with Disability awareness Group in its new form Promote events for Social Inclusion Week 17 Oct-23 Oct in collaboration with CWP, CYPSC, CCC, Arklow Youth Service, Wicklow Libraries Run online Meet the Elected Rep meetings Arklow 1 October, Baltinglass 8 October, Bray 15 October, Greystones 22nd October, Wicklow 29 October Participate in DRCD PPN Stakeholder Training