

GLOBAL GOALS FOR LOCAL CHANGE

Bringing the SDGs to life in our communities

















Wildlife

Humanity has wiped out 60% of animal populations since 1970, report finds

The Guardian
International edition

The huge loss is a tragedy in itself but also threatens the survival of civilisation, say the world's leading scientists





A top-down view of a group of people in a meeting. They are gathered around a large chalkboard. In the center of the chalkboard is a hand-drawn globe with blue oceans and green continents. A dark rectangular box is superimposed over the center of the globe, containing the word "PLAN" in white capital letters. Several people's hands and arms are visible around the chalkboard, some holding markers or pens, suggesting they are actively participating in the planning process. There are also some coffee cups and papers scattered around the chalkboard.

PLAN

THE GLOBAL GOALS

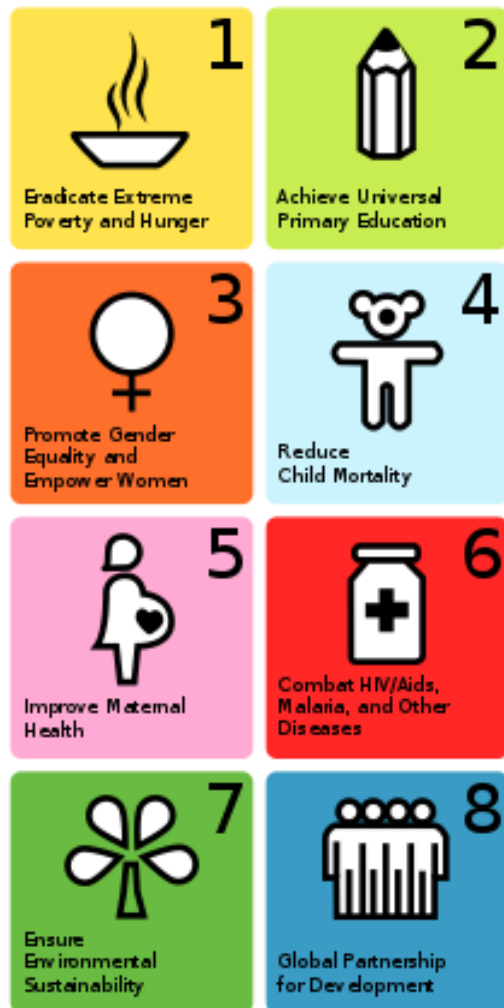
For Sustainable Development



Millennium Development Goals (MDGs, 2000 – 2015)

VS

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs, 2015 – 2030)







THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development



- **17** Global Goals
- **169** targets
- Agreed upon in **2015** by **193** countries
- **Ireland** played key role
- **Interconnected & Universal**

SDGS AND IRELAND



1. Ireland played leading role at UN



2. National Implementation Plan - April 2018



Refers to role of local government & PPNs

3. Voluntary National Review at UN every 4 years

How is Ireland doing?

▼ CURRENT ASSESSMENT – SDG DASHBOARD



Source: **2018 SDG Index and Dashboards Report**
by the [Sustainable Development Solutions Network \(SDSN\)](https://www.sdsn.org/) and the [Bertelsmann Stiftung](https://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.org/)
www.sdgindex.org



SO WHAT?





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Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Our Strategy

Overview

This section of the report relates the strategic actions within this strategy to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. The Sustainable Development Goals, also known as the Global Goals, are a universal plan of action for people and planet to be achieved by the year 2030. These 17 goals aim to end poverty, combat climate change and ensure that we leave peaceful, just and equal societies for future generations.

The SDGs were agreed upon at the United Nations in 2015 and have been adopted by 193 countries worldwide. The goals are backed up by 169 specific targets, and provide clear guidelines for all countries to adopt according to national circumstances.

The goals follow on from the Millennium Development Goals which ended in 2015 whose main focus was on ending extreme poverty, hunger and preventable disease. The Sustainable Development Goals continue the fight against extreme poverty, but also add the challenges of ensuring more equitable economic growth and environmental sustainability, specifically in tackling the effects of human-induced climate change. They are universal in nature, applying to all countries equally.

The SDGs work in the spirit of partnership, encouraging all people across the globe to make the right choices now to improve life, in a sustainable way, for our children and for generations to come.

The Sustainable Development Goals



How our Strategy Reflects the SDG

Ireland played a key role in the design and adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals at the UN, with our permanent Ambassador to the UN, David Donoghue, leading the negotiations alongside Kenya.

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Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) & Our Strategy

The Irish government is now on the brink of releasing its National Implementation Plan for the SDGs, in which it will outline how it intends for the goals to be achieved in Ireland. Achieving the SDGs will require the collaboration of all sectors, and the importance of local level action – in particular the roles played by local authorities, PPNs and the community and voluntary sector – will be crucial.

As President Michael D Higgins stated during his opening address at the 2016 Summit on the SDGs,

'By adopting a new set of transformational Global Goals, we have given ourselves a mandate to craft a reflexive and holistic vision for development and social progress.'

We have a historic opportunity to lay the foundations for a new model for human flourishing and social harmony – one that is shared between all those who dwell on this planet, and one that is shared, too, between this generation and those to come. Let us commit, today, together, to make this promise thrive and bloom.'

Given the spirit and scope of the goals, the PPN is proud to endorse these as part of our work, starting with mapping the goals to our strategic actions and our PPN Linkage Group Issues Paper (separate publication).



How our Strategy Reflects the SDGs

While the majority of actions refer to goals 1, 3, 4, 10, 11, 16, 17 combined, the future development of the PPN will impact on all SDGs, especially through our Linkage Groups, whether it is advocating for clean water through the environment SPC or improving community safety through the JPC, these improvements will together positively impact on community wellbeing.

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Community Issues Paper

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02. Arts, Community, Heritage and Sport

Relevant UN Sustainable Development Goals:



Table 1: Issues Identified by the Arts, Community, Heritage and Sport Linkage Group

Thematic Area	Issue
Arts: Events	Increase the number of individual event open nights for art exhibitions to be promoted alongside talks on art and culture.
Arts: Youth and New Communities	Fingal County Council to build on and raise greater awareness of school and community programmes to encourage participation in the arts, particularly from young people and new Irish communities living in Fingal.
Community: Facilities	<p>Ensure community facilities are affordable and accessible across Fingal, especially to local volunteer led groups. This will enable them to run arts, culture and support groups for the local community. Community facilities should be appropriately equipped to facilitate performances and exhibitions as well as general group meetings.</p> <p>All new community buildings to be appropriate for disabled access.</p> <p>A gap analysis to be carried out by Fingal County Council to identify community facilities with the least access for residents and capital expenditure to be prioritised in these areas.</p>
Community: Hubs	Explore the potential of Community Hubs being rolled out through existing community facilities. Community Hubs could facilitate satellite community based services and clinics such as Citizen's information, Family Resource Centre, Youth Services and more.
Community: Planning	<p>Investigate the potential of commercial rates exemptions being provided to vacant commercial premises being used by volunteer led community groups selling artworks, crafts or other volunteer produced products.</p> <p>Local planning to have a focus on ensuring adequate provision of designated play areas for children and suitable cultural/arts recreational facilities for young people.</p>

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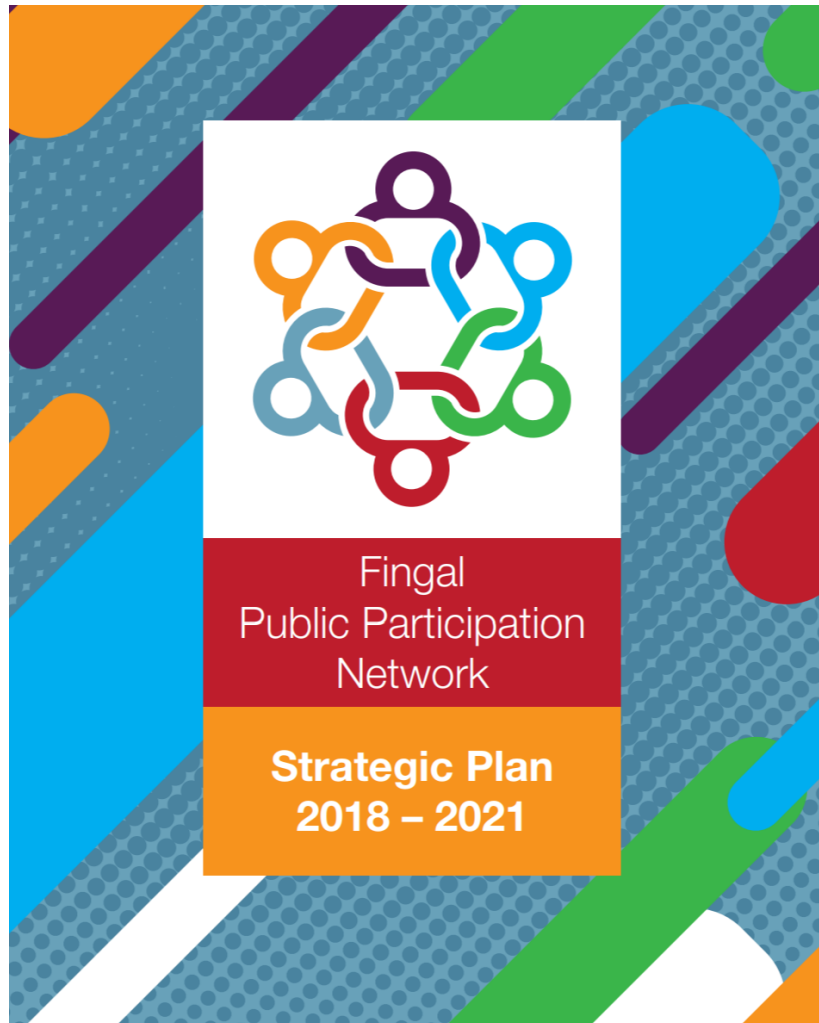


Table 5: Linking the SDGs to our Actions

Actions	Sustainable Development Goals
Action 1 – Grow PPN membership in a planned and sustainable way	
Action 2 – Increase the operational capacity of the PPN	
Action 3 – Operate the network to the highest possible standard	
Action 4 – Further develop Linkage Groups	 
Action 5 – Showcase our achievements	 
Action 6 – Continue to develop communications	
Action 7 – Work closely with Fingal County Council in communicating to citizens	 
Action 8 – Further develop relationships between the PPN and Public Representatives	 
Action 9 – Foster key partnerships with the local authority and other agencies	 
Action 10 – Establish the PPN as a primary consultative and participatory structure	 
Action 11 – Provide more supports and sharing opportunities for representatives	
Action 12 – Develop the Social Inclusion Pillar	
Action 13 – Develop policies to make the PPN more accessible	  
Action 14 – Provide a range of training/induction supports to further develop skills	
Action 15 – Establish an efficient signposting and referral service	
Action 16 – Develop an online membership database	
Action 17 – Collaborate across the Greater Dublin Area	

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TAKE ACTION!



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1. Inform yourself of goals & targets:

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs>

- Which goals/targets relate to your work?



Enrol in a free workshop



TAKE ACTION!

2. GET THE FREE COMMUNICATIONS PACK

- Bring SDGs to life by making them visible on social media, websites, newsletters, events. Public awareness = 1st step!
- Use SDG graphics to frame events, workshops etc.



'We Support the Goals' graphics

General: Download for email signatures, websites, posters & social media





TAKE ACTION!

3. SDG mapping:

- look at your activities & plans through lens of SDGs
- Use SDGs as framework for common project goals





TAKE ACTION!

4. VOTE FOR PPN to support the Global Goals

& make explicit our promise to the next generation





TAKE ACTION!

& integrate into PPN Community Wellbeing Statement
(connecting the local to the global)





TAKE ACTION!

5. Talk to local representatives re: SDGs

- Tell them you want to see action on SDGs
- Ask them how they plan to deliver them at local level



USEFUL DOC & mobile app: 'The SDGs: What Local Governments Need To Know'

https://www.uclg.org/sites/default/files/the_sdgs_what_localgov_need_to_know_0.pdf





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