

County Wicklow PPN Report – January 2021

Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 358 Total Members (2 new 2021)
Networking/ Working Locally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participating in Community Response Forum meetings 19 Jan • Attended meetings of CRF Sub-group Staying Connected & Managing Your Mood 13 & 26 January • Attended Disability Access & Inclusion Group meeting 21 January • Circulated details of Municipal District, and WCC Meetings to member groups
Networking/ Working Regionally, & Nationally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Resource Workers Network Meeting 20 January • Attended launch of Social Justice Ireland report Delivering Deliberative Democracy - Participation by the Public Participation Networks in Local Government Decision-making 26 January • Nominated to participate on panel to select consultant for national PPN Review • Working with PPN colleagues across the county to collate PPN Rep experiences in engaging with Strategic Policy Committees
PPN Meetings/ Specific Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informed Policing, Safety & Security Network about presentations on Community Safety Network pilot programme being established in Waterford. The pilot programme will run for 2 years after which, if successful, will be rolled out to replace the current Joint Policing Committee models nationally.
Representation Consultations/ Submissions *Submissions available to view on PPN website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted an EOI for Wicklow to participate in Dept. Environment, Climate & Communications PPN Conversations programme. The Dept wants to work with approx. 10 PPNs to develop and run workshops for 10-20 people as a pilot for a more enduring structure of community engagement that could be formalised within the programme for the National Dialogue on Climate Action • Wrote a submission to the NTA Review of the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area (Available on our website) • Encouraged engagement with: Codling Park Windfarm Development, Blessington SEC Energy Survey, Co Wicklow Screen Sector Strategy, NTA Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area, UCD Research on Older Workers, DECC Consultation on a Micro-generation Support Scheme in Ireland, National Carers Strategy Review.
Training & Capacity Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource & Support Worker website training 19 & 25 January • Organised & ran Good Governance for Community Groups Module 2 in collaboration with Carmichael Centre 25 January – 37 participants • Recruited 17 participants (PPN Secretariat & Representatives and WCC staff) to participate in PPN Stakeholder Training being delivered by Social Justice Ireland and Waterford IT • Highlighted/Advertised Training & Workshops: CWP Entrepreneurs Academy, Wicklow LSP Sports Capital Funding Workshop, SDG Advocate Training, Wicklow Heritage Know your area, KWETB Microsoft training, CWP Training (Social Enterprise and Minding Me) • Highlighted/Advertised Funding Opportunities/Competitions: Irish Hospice Fund Supporting Creativity During Covid 19; Patagonia Environmental Corporate Grant Fund, ESB Energy for Generations Fund, The Built Heritage Investment Scheme & Historic Structures Fund, Support Fund for Seachtain na Gaeilge le Energia 2021,

	<p>Wicklow Council Artist & Community Collaboration Scheme, Sports Capital Grant, Community Water Development Fund, WCC Covid 19 Emergency Fund (Second Round)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update PPN Members Funding Handbook • Approached WCC with suggestion to collaboratively work towards developing the PPN Members Funding Handbook into an online resource which can be updated by various stakeholders including PPN, WCC, Local Development Companies
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted article Re Supercharge Your Selfcare Videos which was printed in the Age Friendly Newsletter • Circulated Update E Bulletin 29 January • Acting as a central point for Covid 19 local and national supports information • Website updates • Facebook 1610 likes (15 monthly inc) 1895 follows 21 monthly inc)
Outreach	
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day to day correspondence, accounting and reporting • Meeting with Coordinator & Administrator of WTG to discuss apportionment of costs & PPN budget 27 January • Drafting 2021 Budgets, Memoranda of Understandings, & Service Level Agreement
Planning/ Upcoming Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise 2021 Workplan and Budgets • Community Response Forum & subgroup meetings • Secretariat Meeting 2 February • Liaison Sub-Group meeting 5 February • Participate in selection of consultant for PPN Review • National Advisory Group meeting 11 February • Work with Social Justice Ireland to develop training programme • Attend CIC Seminar Re Family Reunification 25 February • Disability Access Group meeting 25 February • Implement recruitment procedures to fill positions on Secretariat, Climate & Biodiversity Action SPC and Joint Policing Committee