

County Wicklow Public Participation Network

Representative Reporting Template

This template aims to support CWPPN representatives who sit on local social partnership structures in County Wicklow in providing a report to the wider membership. Please complete the template and return to countywicklowppn@gmail.com **within one week after each meeting**. Please keep responses to 1 page if at all possible.

Name of Committee: **Wicklow Children and Young People's Services Committee**

Name of Representative(s): **Yvonne Murray**

Date of Meeting Attended: **19th February**

Most important actions or issues to emerge from a County Wicklow PPN perspective

- Annual CYPSC Wicklow Progress Report 2020 was completed and submitted in February.
- It was advised that new funding has been advertised that may be available to support young people from Direct provision Centres with supports to access Sports in the County

The committee will keep in mind the request from the previous meeting for access to a small source of funding whereby the subs/insurance and/or transport costs for young people from Direct Provision Centres to become members of local clubs i.e. GAA, Soccer, Tennis, Dance could be met as a measure to improve integration.

- It was noted that Local Sports Partnership are currently working on a potential activity programme for young men 20-25 years.
- Outcome 5 Sub group are exploring and developing a project proposal for Peer to Peer Youth Health & Wellbeing Mentors.
- SPACE training took place on the 8th and 9th February for 50 practitioners from a variety of projects across the County. Positive for the area and builds on the NVR work that has been done.
- **West Wicklow:** A Second Hypnobirthing course running for 120 women including sessions on Birth Choices and Breastfeeding. Great feedback from the participants that took part and great attendance at the course.
- **Keep Well Campaign Update**

Approach 4 (focused on families of primary school age children) virtual family events are continuing through February (family fun dance and family fun yoga) and we will meet in early March to decide if these will continue.

Sport/Activity/Sensory Pack went to 40 families in January and to Syrian Families in February and we are looking at stock levels in order to be able to assemble some additional packs if they are required in March.

A Perinatal Mental Health Resource is also being developed by SPECS in collaboration with a group of young mothers.

It was noted that the funding spend date has been extended to the end of May and it is hoped that some face to face work will be able to take place even in small groups.

There are a number of workshops planned for young people and restrictions need to be eased for these to go ahead. The Comhairle work on the virtual calendar of events was noted and praised.

**Date of Next Meeting:
26TH March 2021**