



# Annual Report





## Membership:

- Welcome 28 New Member Groups
- 378 Diverse Member Groups from all across the county



## COVID-19 continued to impact our work in 2021

Events, training and meetings held online Only one 'in person' event was held

The 2021 National
PPN Conference
due to be hosted by
Co Wicklow PPN
was postponed to

#### COVID-19 Response work:

Member of Wicklow County Council COVID-19 Response Forum
(inc. Staying Connected & Managing your Mood Subgroup)
Collaborated on Minding your Mood Webinar
Proposal by PPN Reps to SPC: Seeking Financial Support for Groups where income affected by COVID restrictions
Presented at: DRCD Community Call: Learning for the Future Webinar

## Pandemic Impact to PPN Work:

- Working Online
- Conference Postponed (again)
- WCC Community Response Forum/Community Call
- Lobbied for Funding Supports for Members
- National Review of Community Call





## Working Locally:

- Networking at MD Level
- WCC Disability & Inclusion Committee
- Integration & Inclusion, Working with Rathmore Direct Provision Centre, & Respond Refugee Resettlement Workers



#### Policing Safety & Security Network

Shared info on the new **Community Safety Partnerships** & heard peoples' voices for submission to Policing Plan

#### **Environmental Network**

Member Groups contributed to the Dept. of Environment Climate & Communications in Dept Climate Conversations

Collaborated with the Local Authorities Waters Programme to discuss issues & ideas in relation to our rivers and lakes

#### Social Inclusion Network

Collaborated with CWP, Signal Arts Centre & Aughrim Sport & Leisure Assoc. on

Social Inclusion Week Event -

**Connecting Communities** 

Members discussed the Draft

National Action Plan Against Racism

Supported other PPNs: with staff recruitment & hosting arrangements

## Working Locally:

- Community Safety Partnership Pilot
   & Policing Plans
- June Members Meeting- National Action Plan Against Racism
- Social Inclusion Week Connecting Communities- intergenerational discussion
- Climate Conversations- Report launched – Informed Climate Action Plan
- LAWPRO conversations to feed into River Basin Management Plan



#### **NETWORKING: NATIONALLY**

#### Represented on:

PPN National Advisory Group National Secretariat Network National Resource Worker Network



#### Webinar presentations:

Glencree Belonging & Identity Project
DRCD Community Call: Learning for the
Future

#### Contributed to:

Annual Report Sub-Group, Review Oversight
Committee & Actual Review
Local Economic & Community Plans (LECP)
Revised Guidelines

#### **Exploring Regional Collaboration on:**

Community Climate Action Programme:
Climate Education, Capacity Building and
Learning by Doing (Strand 2 Funding)

## Working Regionally & Nationally:

- National PPN Advisory Group
- National Secretariat Network
- National Resource Workers Network
- DRCD Community Call Review
- Supported other PPNs with recruitment & hosting
- Community Climate Action Programme (Strand 2 Funding)



## **COMMITTEES & PPN REPRESENTATIVES**



Some PPN Reps retiring in line with Governance Procedures. Preparing to welcome a number of new Reps. 37 PPN Representatives sat across 19 committees & boards



#### Proposals made by PPN Reps:

Seeking Financial support for groups affected by COVID

Libraries to display information on reporting racism

Amendments to the Community Awards Scheme Application form

WCC to engage with PPN Finding your Way Around Local Govt Training

#### Representation:

- 37 Reps sat across 19 committees & boards
- Reps Reports available on our website Reps Proposals:
- Seeking financial support for groups affected by COVID
- Libraries to display information on reporting racism
- WCC to engage with PPN in Finding Your Way Around Local Government Training
- Amendments to the Community Awards Scheme
- Governance & Rotation Procedures



#### Thank You

- Mai Quaid Secretariat
- Niamh Wogan Secretariat
- Gertie Salley- Secretariat & CCSD SPC
- Philip Beck- LCDC Rep
- Tim Morgan Transport, Water & Emergency Services SPC.
- Simon Blankensee Housing & Corporate Estate SPC
- Celine O' Neil Community, Cultural & Social Development SPC

#### Please Welcome & Ratify:

- Helen Kinsella Secretariat
- Gerorda Stamps Secretariat
- Michael Conlon Secretariat
- Annie Wiathira Burke Secretariat
- Patrick Mboci LCDC
- Julia Glass Transport Water & Emergency Services SPC
- Niamh Wogan Community, Cultural & Social Development SPC
- Mai Quaid Community Cultural & Social Development SPC
- Philip Beck County Wicklow Partnership

Could You / Would You Be A Co Wicklow PPN Representative?



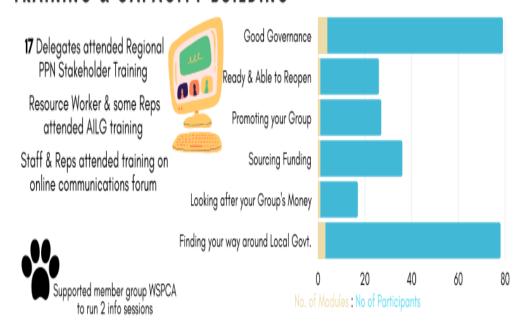


#### **Consultations & Submissions:**

- Highlighted & encouraged engagement with 72 local & national consultations
- Ran 5 consultations
- Made 6 submissions to Local & National Plans (submissions on our website)



#### TRAINING & CAPACITY BUILDING



## **Training & Capacity Building:**

- Training for Staff
- Training for PPN Secretariat & Reps
- Training for member groups

What training would you like to do in 2022?



# Pour Guide To Making A Submission To The Draft Wicklow County Development Plan 2021 - 2027 In addition to tips, information & a template on making a submission the Resource includes 2 videos that show how to access the CDP and how to use the online consultation portal to view the document and make submissions Funding Handbook Updated on a regular basis. Available in members area of PPN website. Plan to make this information more searchable and accessible in early 2022

#### Resources:

- Guide to Making a Submission to the Draft Wicklow County Development Plan
- Training Resources
- YouTube Channel
- Funding Handbook



### **COMMUNICATIONS & OUTREACH**

35 Update Bulletins sent to Member Groups

Facebook: "likes" up by 136 to 1731 & followers up by 216 up to 2090

7 Newspaper Articles

Article in WCC Countywise Bumper Edition
Selfcare Videos featured in
National Age Friendly newsletter

Attended, Contributed to and Engaged with a host of local and national organisations and events

Sponsored the Volunteer Team Award in the Co Wicklow Volunteer Awards



#### **PPN GOVERNANCE**

10 Secretariat Meetings (minutes available on website)

2 Liaison Subgroup Meetings

HR Subgroup Meetings

Policy Subgroup: reviewed/developed 7 policies

Regular Staff Supervision & Staff Appraisal

Monthly Work and Finance Reports Prepared



Developed & Maintained Resources for Member Groups & PPN Reps

Supported PPN Reps in role on Committees

Highlighted Vision for Community Wellbeing & SDGs

#### **Policies- Please Ratify**

- Constitution
- Subgroup Terms of Reference
- Representatives Code of Conduct
- Complaints Procedure
- Election Policy
- Reregistration Protocol
- Safe Driving Policy

#### Governance & Best Practise:

- Secretariat
- Liaison Subgroup Meetings
- HR Subgroup
- Staff Supervision & Appraisals
- Monthly Work & Finance Reports



## Finance Report up to 30 Nov

Expenditure	2021 Spend to Date	<b>Projected Dec</b>	2021 Projected Total	
Staff Costs (Salaries, PRSI, Pension)	84,252.74	7,715.00	91,967.74	
Hosting/Line Management	3,784.00	344.00	4,128.00	
Travel & Subsistance	305.85	600.00	905.85	
Postage	33.00	0.00	33.00	
Telephone	484.66	44.00	528.66	
Printing/Stationery/Phtocopy/Office Equip	242.95	0.00	242.95	
Bank Charges	169.30	12.00	181.30	
Audit & Accountancy	2,483.31	1,901.00	4,384.31	
Equipment/IT/Mutimedia Equip	3,127.29	750.00	3,877.29	
Web Page/Promotions/Newsletters	2,361.50	165.00	2,526.50	
Donations/Membership/Subscriptions	120.00	200.00	320.00	
Insurance	1,050.05		1,050.05	
Training/Seminars	3,265.00		3,265.00	
Resource Workers Training	0.00	419.00	419.00	
Meeting Costs/Venue Hire	965.90	1,000.00	1,965.90	
National PPN Conference	0.00	13,000.00	13,000.00	
Sundries/Misc	550.00	125.00	675.00	
	103,195.55	26,275.00	129,470.55	
Income	130,712.00			
Expenditre	129,470.55			
Carry Over?	1,241.45			



2022

- Follow Through
- Induction for New Reps
- Governance & Compliance with New PPN Handbook & Recommendations from PPN Review
- National Conference?!
- Review & Update Visions for Community Wellbeing – Strategic Plan
- Re-Registration for Member Groups

What Else?
What Are Your Priorities?

Tell Us

Annual Members Survey
Keep Engaging With Us!