# Minutes of Secretariat meeting held 8th February 2022 @ 7.30pm via Zoom Call

Facilitator:	Eleanor Phillips
Present	Aoibhinn McCloy, Gerorda Stamps, Helen Kinsella, Michael Conlon and Phyllis Farrell.
Quorum:	Yes
Apologies:	Diana Gallagher
Absent:	Anne Waithira Burke and Stephen Kearon
In Attendance (Others):	Helen Howes and Grainne Quinn

**Approval of the minutes of the meeting of (18**<sup>th</sup> **January 2022):** Sent in advance of meeting and approved by the meeting.

Matters arising: none

#### **Declarations of conflicts of interest:**

Helen & Grainne declared a conflict of interest in Agenda item: Staffing Matters.

Financial Report: Report sent to members prior to meeting and approved by meeting.

Underspend in January due to no requirement for IT maintenance. Agreement to allocate €250 to sponsor an award in the 2022 Co Wicklow Volunteer Awards.

**Monthly Work Report:** Report for January 2022 sent to members prior to meeting and approved by the meeting.

Agenda Item	Notes	Outcome /Decision	Action required.
Correspondence:			
Mermaid Arts Centre: Re Board Nominations	PPN reply re Board nomination shared. Mermaid Artistic Director extended invite to meeting for PPN (HH & GQ)	Useful to meet.	Helen to organise meeting with the Artistic Director.
Health Insurance Authority	Request for assistance in organizing a Health Insurance Consumer Information Webinar	Outside the focus of the PPN. Suggestion that the HIA contact Citizens Information	Helen to prepare a reply based on meeting discussion.
Work Report/Advice & Direction for Upcoming Work	Items Discussed:		

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Programme	Community Climate	Meeting notified that		
Application	Action Programme	the proposal was		
	Funding Update	submitted by Irish Rural		
		Link on behalf of the		
		consortium and that a		
		response is due in April.		
		Topic is a second print		
Vision for Community	Vision for Community	Consultation will be	Helen &	
Wellbeing	Wellbeing & LECP	conducted	Grainne to	
consultation	Consultations: Meeting	collaboratively but	continue to	
Consultation	informed that the PPN	•	collaborate	
		analysis will be		
	and Wicklow Co Co will	undertaken separately.	with Wicklow	
	collaborate on the		Co Co and to	
	consultation with	Discussion focused on:	work towards	
	community.	<ul> <li>The means of</li> </ul>	ensuring broad	
		consultation: survey,	engagement	
		in person & online	with the	
		sessions.	consultation.	
		Gathering		
		demographic	When survey	
		information or not	circulated all	
			Secretariat to	
		The need to ensure	encourage	
		engagement across	engagement	
		diverse communities	with the	
		was highlighted e.g.,	consultation.	
		Youth, Travellers, New		
		communities.		
		Provisional date for		
		completion of Final		
		Vision for Community		
		Wellbeing set for the		
		Autumn. Vision for		
		Community Wellbeing		
		information would then		
		be used to inform		
		preparation of PPN		
		Strategic Plan.		
Network Events	Community Centres &	Plan to hold Peer	Helen &	
	Hall Network Event	Support session for this	Grainne to	
		Network discussed.	organise for	
		Venue, time and focus	early March.	
		of session discussed.		
	<b>Environment Network</b>	Theme: Reconnecting	Helen &	
	<b>Event &amp; Social Inclusion</b>	Communities. Facilitate	Grainne to	
	Network Event:	Groups to network,	organise	
		Groups to network,	5. Barrise	

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	Developed based on responses received to Members' Survey and Reps Meeting	share and support each other. Suggestions: • Visit groups/projects • Involve SI groups in planning for SI week.	
Training	Suggestions: Funding Clinics	Funding Clinic instead of a full Training Fair. Possibly hold as a morning session. Include information on corporate funding & supports.	Helen & Grainne to explore suggestions further in relation to training topics
	Risk Assessment & Insurance		
	Back to Basics session on the PPN	For PPN Reps, members and/or Council officials/staff.	
Presentations to Wicklow Co Co	Helen presented to meeting of Wicklow County Council on Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Focus of presentation was on areas of collaboration of PPN with the County Council.	
Secretariat & PPN Reps	Representatives Code of Conduct	Importance of Reps being familiar with and signing this document was highlighted.	Helen & Grainne follow up with PPN Reps.
	In Person Meeting	Consider holding an in person meeting to facilitate networking Could include a visit to a member group.	
	Vacant Rep Seats	Formal call for nominations open until Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February at 9am.	

New Members	List of new membership applications circulated in advance of the meeting.	Carnew AFC East Coast Samaritans Lacken Tidy Villages Newtownmountkennedy Sport and Recreation	Grainne to update Members Database & send member welcome email.
Staffing Matters	Private Secretariat session held on this Agenda item		
Date of Next Meeting	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.30pm via Zoom		