

County Wicklow Public Participation Network

Representative Reporting Template

PPN Rep Name	Niamh Wogan	Other Reps who feed into this report (if applicable)
Committee Name	CCSD SPC	Kevin Mann Mai Quaid Carina Harte
Date of Meeting	27/6/2022	

Other Attendees at Meeting	
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Agenda Item	Notes	Outcome /Decision	Action required.
Rural Regeneration schemes	Town and Villages renewal scheme CLAR	Applications are out at present and are being moved on. Projects in 3 areas were submitted for funding. The PPN reps highlighted that the need for information hubs in communities was identified in recent consultations, and that these could be situated in the buildings that The council have/ hope to be acquiring.	The Council have said they will work with the relevant communities involved to ensure their views are considered There is a real issue emerging around funding projects / initiatives due to rapidly rising inflation and other costs.
	Urban Regeneration & Development Scheme	No news on when applications have to be submitted	
	Rural Development Scheme	2 applications have been submitted, for Baltinglass and Rathdrum	
	Community Awards	227 Applicants were	

	Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme	<p>successful. There will not be a presentation of funding in person this year however it is hoped to resume this process next year.</p> <p>7 applications were submitted under measure one of this scheme in April 4 applications were submitted under Measure 2 in May</p>	
Community Enhancement Programme 2021	Community Activities Fund	123 applications were successful in the county and the Council are commencing payments to these groups shortly	
Strategy updates	<p>Greenways-</p> <p>Age Friendly Strategy</p>	<p>A new code of Practice has been developed A request was made that maps of the proposed routes should be made available to the community/ landowners, so people have a clear idea of what the plans are.</p> <p>Blessington Greenway- Currently with Bord Pleanala 293 submissions were received. Decision due on 7th July. Arklow-Shillelagh Route has been identified. Wicklow – Greystones – Brief is being developed for a feasibility study.</p> <p>The New Strategy is at consultation stage, and it is anticipated that a draft strategy will be</p>	

	<p>Play and Recreation Strategy</p> <p>Arts Strategy</p> <p>Library Strategy</p>	<p>available in September</p> <p>There is an issue trying to find a suitable person/ company to develop a report on the maintenance of existing playgrounds in the County</p> <p>There is a plan in place for a large-scale sports in Wicklow Town a smaller scheme in Arklow.</p> <p>New strategy due next Year. Baltinglass has been selected to take part in Creative places initiative</p> <p>A report was given on the library service in Wicklow. The official opening of Rathdrum’s library took place. There are now 13 libraries in the county</p>	
<p>Wicklow Sport and Recreational Partnership</p>	<p>Inclusion Initiative</p> <p>Bike week</p> <p>Funding</p>	<p>Pilot GAA Camp; Irish Sign Language Project- the launch of the video will take place in July.</p> <p>Bike Week took place 14 th – 22 nd May this year. Wicklow Sports & Recreation Partnership ran a wide variety of programmes and events during Bike Week.</p> <p>A grants scheme is being launched to support groups to get back to</p>	

		providing sports / activities post COVID and to encourage reaching out to new groups	
Healthy Ireland / Healthy Wicklow	Round 4 update Slaintecare	A number of initiatives will be matched funded by the LCDC and Sports Partnership. These are all current spend related. The Social prescribing service will continue to be funded until the end of the year The Slaintecare Healthy Communities launch took place in Bray and had a really successful turnout. An update was given on the enhancement fund (Bray)	
LECP	The public consultation process has been completed and a draft plan is being developed		
Pride Of Place	2022 awards	Kiltegan village and surrounds won special community award in this year's competition	

Questions & Feedback needed from PPN member groups	
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Date of Next Meeting	12/09/2022
Signature of PPN Rep	Niamh Wogan