

## County Wicklow PPN Report 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### SDGs 16 & 17 Wicklow LECP G2 O2.1i

Membership	<a href="#">Total Members</a> 413
Networking/ Working Locally  <b>SDG 13</b> <b>LECP G1 O1.1i</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Met with WCC Environmental Awareness Officers 21/6 for introductions and information sharing.</li> </ul>
Networking/ Working Regionally, & Nationally  <b>SDG 10, 16, 17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organised &amp; facilitated an election process for a vacant seat for a Resource Worker Rep on the PPN National Advisory Group</li> <li>Discussion with the Public Service Transformation Policy Unit of the Dept. Public Expenditure NDP Delivery &amp; Reform on the <a href="#">PPN Submission to the 4<sup>th</sup> Open Government National Action Plan 2023 – 2025.</a></li> <li>Dormant Accounts Funded Engagement Pilot Project: Meeting with Pobal for Wicklow Project Update 7/6 &amp; 23/6, Meeting to discuss the development of a booklet that shows the link between the Local Economic &amp; Community Plan (LECP) and actions on the ground 13/6, Meeting with CEOs of Bray Area Partnership &amp; Co Wicklow Partnership to discuss the project 14/6, Meeting with consultant for next stage planning 22/6 Meeting with consultant and DOS 26/6</li> <li>PPN Coordinator attended a meeting of the PPN National Advisory Group (NAG) 27/6. The group was given an update on the PPN Implementation Roadmap &amp; Conference Plans. DRCD is undertaking a piece of research into barriers to involvement with PPNs. A review of the NAG Terms of Reference will be conducted over the coming months. DRCD encouraged PPNs to make budget submissions over the coming weeks and in time for the national estimates</li> <li>PPN Development Officer attended a meeting of the National PPN Workers Network. The meeting discussed staff roles &amp; responsibilities and agreed that PPN Resource Workers should be called Coordinators and the Support Workers should be called Development Officers as this is more in line with their work. An update was provided on the Conference and supports given. The Department requested feedback from PPNs on the Advisory Services provided for PPN by The Wheel/ADARE.</li> </ul>
PPN Meetings/ Specific Work  <b>SDG 11, 13, 16</b> <b>LECP G1 O1.1ii</b> <b>G1 O1.2i</b> <b>G2 O2.1i</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic Plan Development: Secretariat &amp; Reps met with consultant to discuss the survey results and progress plan development 14/6</li> <li>Summer Plenary (Members Meeting: 29 Wicklow PPN members attended the meet up in The Avon in Blessington. Work reports &amp; Financial Reports were presented and the meeting ratified new members, new Reps and revisions to our Constitution and Election Policy. Kim Townsend Smyth, the WCC Community Climate Action Officer gave a presentation on the upcoming Community Climate Action Fund</li> <li>Conference 2023 development: Meeting with Gr8 Events (Arklow Company) to arrange booking &amp; registration systems for the conference 12/6, Wicklow sub group meeting 22/6 &amp; National sub group meeting 26/6. Meeting to discuss environmental &amp; heritage walk through Arklow as part of conference programme 19/6 Reviewing and confirming tenders for service provision (audio visual, photography,</li> </ul>

	<p>transport etc). Confirming conference programme and enlisting participation from local and national groups in presenting good models of practise. Circulated invitations to TDs, Senator and Cathaoirleach of WCC and the MDs 30/6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secretariat wrote to WCC to request additional funding for Wicklow PPN from the local authority in 2024.</li> </ul>
<p>Representation Consultations/ Submissions *Submissions available to view on PPN website</p> <p><b>SDG 16,17</b> <b>LECP G2 O2.1i</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with Community Cultural &amp; Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Reps ahead of their SPC meeting 26/6</li> <li>• Continue to circulate MD Meeting &amp; WCC Meeting Agendas</li> <li>• Highlighted/Advertised Consultations: Wicklow Climate Action Plan, EU Restore Nature Bill, National Philanthropy Policy, Freedom to Advocate Survey, National Waste Management Plan, Wicklow CYPSC County Plan, Wicklow Skills Strategy, Ireland's Private Residential Rental Sector Review, Climate Conversations, Festivals, Audiences &amp; the Digital Experience Survey</li> </ul>
<p>Training &amp; Capacity Building</p> <p><b>SDG 4,11</b> <b>LECP G1 O1.1ii</b> <b>G1 O1-2i</b> <b>G2 O2.1v</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPN Development Officer attended LGBTQI+ training organised by CWP Croi Rath Naoi &amp; the Women of Wicklow Social Inclusion Network 27/6. There were 27 women at this training.</li> <li>• PPN Development Officer attended online Grant Writing Tips and Tricks training provided by the Wheel. 16 people joined this call.</li> <li>• Working with PPNs in South East Region to run training for PPN Reps with Brian Harvey and social researcher with vast experience in community development. Proposed date 6/9</li> <li>• Highlighted/Advertised Training Opportunities: Cavan PPN Climate Change Training, Hi Digital Training &amp; Digital Champions, The Wheel Grant Writing Tips</li> <li>• Highlighted/Advertised Funding Opportunities/Competitions: Bray MD Pilot Community Space Enhancement Scheme, Supervalu Tidy Towns Waters &amp; Communities Special Award, Creative Youth Nurture Fund, International Charity Bazaar, Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme, Clár, AIB Community €1m fund, Coca Cola Thank You Fund, Ecclesiastical Insurance Launch Movement for Good, WCC Tidy Towns Estates &amp; Sustainable Development Awards, Circular Economy Fund, Meet &amp; Code, Community Centres Investment Fund – New Builds Measure, Water Heritage Day Grant Scheme, LGBTI+ Community Services Funding, WCC Arts Office 2024 Strategic Projects Awards Scheme</li> </ul>
<p>Communications</p> <p><b>SDG 11, 17</b> <b>LECP G1 O1.1ii</b> <b>G2 O2.1i</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circulated Update E-bulletin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>• Initial designs &amp; progression with printers for new PPN Banners and signs including new local &amp; national logos. Took delivery 23/6</li> <li>• <a href="#">Website</a> updates</li> <li>• <a href="#">Facebook</a> 1.9l, 2.3f</li> </ul>
<p>Outreach</p> <p><b>SDG 3,10,11</b> <b>LECP G2 O2.1iii</b> <b>G3 O3.1i</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended the launch of the Bray North Wicklow Ukrainian Community Centre by Minister Joe O' Brien 29/6</li> </ul>
<p>Administration/ HR</p> <p><b>SDG 16</b> <b>LECP G2 O2.1i</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPN Annual Report: The PPN Team (Secretariat, Representatives and PPN Workers) collaborated to complete the 2022 Annual Report. Over 80 questions sought information about; PPN membership; structures &amp; networks; governance; representation; support; training; and events. Submitted to DRCD 2<sup>nd</sup> June</li> <li>• Meetings with WTG Re Staff Salaries 1 &amp; 9 June</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day to day correspondence, accounting, and reporting</li> <li>• Staff supervision &amp; support</li> <li>• Salesforce Data Cleansing</li> <li>• Continue to run Re-registration of members</li> <li>• Continue to run campaign to encourage Associate members to register as Full members</li> <li>• Processed new membership applications</li> <li>• Continue to update website with submissions, news blogs, reps etc.</li> <li>• Follow up with Reps &amp; Secretariat re signed Code of Conduct, sharing contact details and headshots for website</li> </ul>
Planning/ Upcoming Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wicklow Pride Parade 1 July</li> <li>• PPN Rep attending national discussion on how PPNs can raise awareness, and mobilise and support community climate action 1 July</li> <li>• Public Sector Duty Training 6 July</li> <li>• Secretariat Meeting 11 July</li> <li>• National Secretariat Meeting 13 July</li> <li>• Conference Planning Meetings 17, 19 &amp; 24 July</li> <li>• DAFEP Meeting 19 July</li> <li>• Irish Goa Day Greystones Celebration 22 July</li> <li>• LCDC Social Inclusion Network Meeting 26 July</li> </ul>