

National PPN Conference 2023

Visioning Wall

What Are Your Hopes for the Future Development of PPNs? In 3 Years I Imagine That

- They won't be needed
- More support for PPN workers & recognition of their roles & decent support to all PPN Volunteers!
- To tackle Climate Change & Capitalism, PPNs will embrace & support systems change
- Long term funding
- We as a society are not succeeding in addressing the multiple crises. How can we change to do so?
- Attract more youth as Reps/Secretariat
- Bring PPN Staff up to the correct grade. Stop passing the book DRCD, DHLG and LAs This is going on too long *Staff Retention
- Improved staff resources & conditions. Recognition PPNs deserve
- Improve staffing. More funding
- We will endorse the rights of nature to flourish & thrive & recognise our interdependence & common destiny.

- We need to innovate & recreate a way of being that ensures a liveable planet for all
- Education Education Education!!!
- Equal status on committees. Respect!
- PPN will bring the voice of our community activists to local decision making through well resourced staff
- We will continue to celebrate & grow community connections & resilience & work together & develop more co-ops
- Ba cheart don Ghaeilge a bheith níos lárnáil i gcúrsaí PPN
- Have PPN independent of Co Councils. Give it its proper place & identity
- That the PPN are stable structures, with permanent staff, at the appropriate grades and adequately funded
- PPNs to lead and support community climate action
- PPNs are: Diverse, Inclusive, Innovative
- National Structure eg Age Friendly Ireland, School management systems
- Training in active citizenship
- If we continue with “Business as Usual” & not see the “elephants in the room” we will never be able to deal with them.
- Have a national structure to support all PPNs

- Connection & communication between DRCD & DHLGH to enhance the on the ground work of PPNs by the left hand knowing what the right hand is doing
- Improve staff resources & conditions. Long term thinking
- PPN groups more presence & vocal. Recognition of the collaboration
- That Co Co actually take on board the recommendations from PPNs & SPCs. That Co Co works with PPNs when planning their consultation /5 year plans
- Give the PPNs the recognition they deserve – stability – status
- That PPNs have become an integral part of our deliberative democracy
- PPNs can & Will be an empowered non-political voice for Irish democracy and civic engagement
- That PPNs will be properly funded to allow greater ability to properly serve the 3 pillars and the volunteers that assist
- That representations of the community works
- Young people will find a meaningful place in PPN structures
- Structures need to be in many forms to ensure meaningful participation of all ie: young people, the most disengaged, migrants, Travellers
- Additional staff and financial support to reach our full potential

- Increased/Genuine Participatory Democracy & Engagement in Decision Making
- That staff will have pay parity & T&C of employment
- Communicating, Collaborating, Coming together for Community - PPN ABÚ Thank You!
- That real responsibility is taken by the Department to resolve basic issue for staff employment/Terms & Conditions
- National PPN Day – opportunity to highlight activities generate media attention and bring the message to a wider audience
- To make all of Ireland fully accessible
- That there will be a national structure supporting PPNs
- That someone tells DHLGH that we exist and are important
- All local community groups have joined their local PPN.