



**Fingal
Public
Participation
Network**

Fingal PPN Newsletter: January 2021

This is the Monthly Fingal PPN Newsletter for January 2021. Please be sure to circulate this to all members of your group, you never know what they may be interested in! Our newsletter is divided into four sections:

- 1. PPN News**
- 2. Active Public Consultations and Notices**
- 3. Funding Opportunities**
- 4. Community News**

1. PPN News

Welcome to January's Newsletter.

Happy New Year! Welcome to the January's edition of the Fingal PPN newsletter.
Fingal PPN Staff Update

I want to begin by offering a congratulations to our Resource Worker, Natasha Bagnall who celebrated the birth of her baby girl in December. While Natasha is on maternity leave, we are delighted to advise the PPN membership the **Laura Barton** will be taking on the **Acting Resource Worker position**.

Laura will be starting on the 15th February and we look forward to working with her over the coming months. I will also continue in the role as Acting Support Worker. Enjoy this jam-packed issue of our newsletter!

Adam Rudden

Fingal PPN Support Worker

PPN Linkage Groups

The next round of PPN Linkage Group meetings are underway. Linkage Groups are thematic networks of community groups. The networks focus on what is happening across the County, share information and lobby for change.

28th January: Arts, Community, Heritage and Sports

[Register Here](#)

4th February: Social Inclusion, Rural Development, Youth and Enterprise

[Register Here](#)

9th February: Community Safety, Crime and Policing.

[Register Here](#)

11th February: Climate Change, Water and Environment

[Register Here](#)

Meetings take place from 7pm to 8.30pm on Zoom.

[Click Here to View Linkage Group Calendar 2021](#)

Implementation of the National PPN Guidelines and Review of the Fingal PPN Strategic Plan

In December 2020, Fingal PPN secretariat engaged Jamie Moore consultant to carry out the following

- o Review of the 2018-2021 Fingal PPN Strategic Plan (and to develop a 1 year extended plan)
- o Implementation of the National PPN Guidelines
- o Development of a support programme to enhance the capacity of secretariat members and linkage groups facilitators

[Click Here for Full Details](#)

Public Participation Networks Handbook

This Handbook was written following consultations to review the original PPN User Guide, which was published in 2016 and updated in May 2017.

The Handbook gives guidance, support and, where necessary, clarity, for everyone involved with, or interested in, the PPNs. This includes: • New and Existing Member Organisations – the Plenary • Representatives of the PPN, Committees and Boards • PPN Secretariats • PPN Workers • Elected Representatives and staff of Local Authorities • Department of Rural and Community Development

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Social Justice Ireland Report: Delivering Deliberative Democracy

This Social Justice Ireland launched "**Delivering Deliberative Democracy: Participation by the Public Participation Networks in Local Government Decision-Making**".

The purpose of this research was to capture how the various PPN stakeholders engaged in the participation processes 'on the ground' viewed the application of the principles set out in the Council of Europe Framework to participation by the PPN, both overall and at each stage of the decision-making process. This data can then be used to inform policy on participation in local decision-making to support more active engagement.

[Click Here to View Report](#)

PPN Training.

Fingal PPN will be offering training to our members in Spring 2021. If members would like to submit any ideas or suggestions on this training.

Please email: ppn@fingal.ie

FCC Chief Executive's Monthly Management Report

A Management Report is given by the FCC Chief Executive at each Council Meeting giving an update from every section in the Council. Read the latest report now. [Click here](#)

FCC County Council Meeting

County Council Meeting Monday, 11th January, 2021 5.00 pm

If you missed the live stream of January's Council Meeting, you can click the following

[View the webcast](#)

[Click this link to view accompanying documentation.](#)

Age Friendly Ireland

Please find Age Friendly's Daily News Updates [here](#)

2. Active Public Consultations and Notices

[Draft Heritage Signage Guidance](#)

The Draft Heritage Signage and Heritage Trail Guidance has been developed to provide clear direction and advice to the public and stakeholders on the best practice, procedures and requirements for the development of heritage signage and heritage trails in Fingal

[Click Here to Find Out More and Make a Submission](#)

Expires: 29/01/2021

[Public Consultation on the exercise of the national discretion in Article 17 of Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2088](#)

The Department of Finance invites interested parties to make submissions in relation to the exercise of the national discretion in Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

[Click Here to Find Out More and Make a Submission](#)

Expires: 29/01/2021

[Notice of Proposed Development Planning](#)

Proposed development of 62 no. dwellings & associated site works at Old Road, Hayestown, Rush, Co. Dublin

[Click Here to Find Out More and Make a Submission](#)

Expires: 09/02/2021

The Forest of Fingal, A Tree Strategy for Fingal

Fingal County Council has prepared a Draft Tree Strategy:
"The Forest of Fingal, A Tree Strategy for Fingal"

It is now proposed to provide the public an opportunity to have their say on this document through a Non-statutory Consultation Process

[Click Here to Find Out More and Make a Submission](#)

Expires: 28/03/2021

**Fingal's Consultation Portal is updated regularly.
The most up-to-date information can be found [here](#)**

3. Funding Opportunities

Irish Hospice Foundation announces new grant scheme to support creativity in the community during COVID-19

IHF Seed Grant Scheme to inspire and support creative responses to the themes of dying, death and bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This may take the form of starting new local art projects, or to support existing projects gain momentum – this may involve artists, crafts people or coders or may be a group or individual who has a good idea.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Expires: 29/01/2021

Fingal Chamber Community Fund 2021: Open for Applications

Fingal Chamber has established a new 'Fingal Chamber Community Fund' for community-led projects and activities in the region.

This new fund totalling over €25,000 is financed by supporters and contributions from the Chamber and aims to support the community projects and activities which benefit the citizens of Fingal.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Expires: 01/02/2021

Ministers launch €40m sports grant scheme for 2021

The SCEP is the government's primary vehicle for providing support to sports clubs and communities to develop sports infrastructure around the country. Applications can be made online only from 9am on Friday 11 December until 5pm on Friday 12 February, 2021.

[Click here for more information.](#)

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Expires: 12/02/2021

Emergency Funding Available for Community and Voluntary Groups in Fingal

Fingal Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) invites applications from community, not-for-profit and voluntary groups for funding under the COVID-19 Emergency Fund.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Expires: 26/02/2021

Summer Project Funding - Expression of Interest

Summer Project Funding- Expression of Interest Closing date 28th February 2021, 5pm

[Click here for more information.](#)

Expires: 28/02/2021

4. Community Events and News

Befriending Training for Community Response Volunteers – Expression of Interest Form

For groups that are currently delivering or interested in delivering a befriending service as a form of support to persons vulnerable to isolation in their community, the Community Development office is offering bespoke training.

[Click here for more details](#)

Do You Want to Stop Smoking?

We Can Quit is a peer-led smoking cessation programme for women aged 18yrs and over. A wide range of women register for places on the programme and receive one-to-one support to quit smoking by trained Community Facilitators in venues throughout Fingal.

[Click here for more details](#)

Heart Foundation

Heart Foundation have recently launched a new Heart Failure Support Programme

[Click here for more details](#)

AONTAS - Voice of Adult learning

AONTAS launch the The One Step Up Information and Referral Service and the Adult Learners' Festival 2021

[Click here for more details](#)

February's Newsletter and More Information

If you would like an item included in our February's **Newsletter**, please submit it to us by Wednesday 17th February 2021. You can view and download all our newsletters from our website here: <https://fingalppn.ie/resource/monthly-enewsletter/>

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Kind regards,
Adam Rudden

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