



**Fingal
Public
Participation
Network**

Fingal PPN Resource Worker Report

25th February 2019

Goal 1: Improving our Network

Action	Activity
Action 1: Grow PPN membership in a planned and sustainable way.	Registrations: Normal registrations being processed.
	Current membership numbers: 729 Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community: 568 - Environment: 19 - Social Inclusion: 142
Action 2: Increase the operational capacity of the PPN.	Additional Resources: Awaiting approval from central government to commence recruitment process.
Action 3: Operate the network to the highest possible standard.	Governance Review: Carmichael Ireland to meet with Secretariat members on Monday 4 th March.
	MOU: Review of Memorandum of Understanding due.
	PPN Review Meeting: To be held on 26 th February.
	Staff Support Subgroup: Overdue.
	Secretariat Minutes: Now online.
	Plenary: Plenary meeting planning for 2019 underway.
Action 4: Further develop Linkage Groups.	Promotion: Production of individual Linkage Group posters paused.
	PPN Elections: Nominations open for SPCs and JPCs. Online nomination form also available.

Facilitators: Facilitators active for all 5 Linkage Groups.

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Goal 2: Improving our Communications

Action	Activity
Action 5: Showcase our achievements.	Activity Report for May Plenary being compiled.
Action 6: Continue to develop communications.	Website: Tenders received and evaluated. Additional funding secured from FCC. See report from subgroup.
	TUD: Student commenced work on “infographics” for PPN. To include election process, how to get issues heard through the PPN, how to register for the PPN, etc.
Action 7: Work closely with Fingal County Council in communicating to citizens.	Greater links created with departments engaging with communities on consultations on initiatives such as Climate Change Action Plan and the Grand Canal Way.

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Goal 3: Improving our Representation

Action	Activity
Action 8: Further develop relationships between the PPN and Public Representatives.	No action progressed. Intention to engage with Local Election Candidates in 2019 to increase awareness of the PPN.
Action 9: Foster key partnerships and explore further public participation initiatives.	Opportunities currently identified on an ad-hoc basis.
	Exploring opportunities with new CEO of Fingal LEADER Partnership.
	Engaging with HSE Social Workers on the PPNs Community Directory.
	Partnering with LCDC on delivering National Community Weekend bursaries.
Action 10: Establish the PPN as a mandatory consultative and participatory structure.	<p>National Advisory Group: On-going participation in National PPN Advisory Group.</p> <p>Member of PPN User Guide Review subgroup, work commenced with Public Consultation to commence shortly. Fingal PPN to host online consultation process.</p> <p>Member of Annual Report subgroup, work commenced with new online process being developed. Fingal PPN working with Social Justice Ireland on bringing this online.</p> <p>Member of National Community Weekend working group. Launch to take place in early March.</p>
Action 11:	Representative forums scheduled for 2019 as well as informal gatherings.

Provide more information sharing opportunities and supports for PPN Representatives.	Training for all SPC and JPC representatives scheduled for May 2019.
	Secretariat JPC Subgroup engaged on an on-going basis.
	PPN Representatives handbook to be prepared. Potential working group could be setup.
Action 12: Develop the Social Inclusion Pillar.	Meeting with Empower. Need for MOU to be drafted to progress this.
Action 13: Develop policies to make the PPN more accessible.	Further work to be completed post current governance project.

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Goal 4: Improving our Membership Supports

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Action 14: Provide a range of training supports.	Training Day scheduled for 13 th April 2019.
Action 15: Establish an efficient signposting and referral service.	Signposting on an ad-hoc basis.
Action 16: Develop an open data membership database online.	To be progressed with development of new website.
Action 17: Collaborate across the Greater Dublin Area.	Dublin PPN Facilitators meeting to take place on 27 th February in Wood Quay, Dublin City Council.
Other	
Leave	Resource Worker on leave 8 th March to 25 th March. Available for urgent communication.