



**Fingal
Public
Participation
Network**

Fingal PPN Resource Worker Report

24th November 2020

Goal 1: Improving our Network

Action	Activity
Action 1: Grow PPN membership in a planned and sustainable way.	Membership numbers (18 th November): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community: 294 October: 243 • Environment: 22 October: 16 • Social Inclusion: 64 October: 55 • Total: 380 October: 314 <p>Registration numbers continue to grow as groups continue to re-register. A full list of groups who have not re-registered have been forwarded onto the Community Dept of FCC for Community Officers to follow up with groups with directly.</p>
Action 2: Increase the operational capacity of the PPN.	Position of Acting Resource Worker to be advertised to cover maternity leave of Resource Worker. Recruitment of acting position to be led by HR Dept of Fingal County Council.
Action 3: Operate the network to the highest possible standard.	<p>Governance Review: No report</p> <hr/> <p>MOU: Signed on 28th January 2020</p> <hr/> <p>PPN Review Meeting: Next meeting June 2021</p> <hr/> <p>Staff Support Subgroup:</p> <hr/> <p>Plenary: Plenary took place successfully in a new virtual format that accommodated over 100 PPN members. Appropriate elections took</p>

	<p>place with a small number of vacancies to be filled at the next plenary in 2021.</p>
<p>Action 4: Further develop Linkage Groups.</p>	<p>Induction for new Reps</p> <p>Catch all induction for new Reps to be organised in early 2021 with appropriate support training to be made available in line with the recruitment of linkage group facilitators. Date to be confirmed and circulated as soon as possible.</p>
	<p>PPN Elections: 1 Social Inclusion Seat and 2 environment seats to be filled at May 2021 Plenary. Recruitment underway for 2 x LG Facilitators</p>
	<p>Training: Communicating your Cause and Diversity and Anti-Racism training scheduled in November for PPN members groups and other groups interested in these topics as part of Fingal Inclusion Week.</p>
	<p>Resourcing: Acting Resource Worker to be recruited with the potential for an external facilitator to be procured to support some key projects in the first half of 2021.</p>

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Goal 2: Improving our Communications

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Action 5: Showcase our achievements.	Activity report in 2020 was collated in conjunction with the Plenary. Soft copies of this report available on the website with hard copies available to PPN members.
Action 6: Continue to develop communications.	Social Media: notifying members of Linkage Groups on Social media. Planned campaign 'Getting to Know Us' for social media platforms for early 2021
	PPN Branded Merchandise: None currently on order at this time
Action 7: Work closely with Fingal County Council in communicating to citizens.	Work ongoing with all Fingal County Council departments in circulating key information to groups. Departments are increasingly contacting Fingal PPN to circulate information so being viewed as the best conduit for disseminating information to groups.

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Goal 3: Improving our Representation

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Action 8: Further develop relationships between the PPN and Public Representatives.	Mayor David Healy participated in the plenary event via video input and launched Fingal Inclusion Week. Further work to build on the relationship with elected representatives to be scheduled in 2021.
Action 9: Foster key partnerships and explore further public participation initiatives.	Working with all interested groups to bring diverse and relevant events to the membership of Fingal PPN.
Action 10: Establish the PPN as a mandatory consultative and participatory structure.	PPN has fed into Corporate Plan. PPN Strategic Plan to be included as reference document supported by the Corporate Plan.
Action 11: Provide more information sharing opportunities and supports for PPN Representatives.	PPN Reps forum scheduled to take place early in 2021, Provisional Calendar to be approved by Secretariat.
Action 12: Develop the Social Inclusion Pillar.	Fingal Inclusion Week – Launched at the recent Plenary, almost 40 events took place from 16 th – 21 st November in an online initiative. SIRDEY Linkage Group members were key drivers in the Social Inclusion Steering Group and have been instrumental in overseeing this year's initiative.

Action 13: Develop policies to make the PPN more accessible.	Pilot access and participation fund agreed for 2020 – this to be explored further in light of Covid 19. This has been included in the workplan for 2021 in line with the 2018-2021 strategy.
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Goal 4: Improving our Membership Supports

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Action 14: Provide a range of training supports.	Inclusion and Diversity Training was provided as a support for groups during Social Inclusion Week on November 19 th Communicating your Cause training completed on 16 th November and offered to all PPN member groups
Action 15: Establish an efficient signposting and referral service.	Signposting on an ad-hoc basis. No further progress.
Action 16: Develop an open data membership database online.	Re-registration process is now complete. Those who failed to re-register will be supported by the Community Office of FCC to complete the process.
Action 17: Collaborate across the Greater Dublin Area.	Working with Alone on a Slaintecare project. It is anticipated that the PPN will play an important role in this project in January were community groups can access further supports for older people in their communities.
Other	
Annual Leave	Maternity Leave Start Date 30 th November. Provisional Return date June 2021.