



**Fingal  
Public  
Participation  
Network**

## Minutes

<b>Linkage Group Name</b>	Housing, Planning and Transport Linkage Group
<b>Venue</b>	County Hall, Swords
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	7pm, 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
<b>Attendees</b>	Abi Wise, Angela Rogers, Anthony Onwuka, Brian Arnold, Claire Ann Ferry, Dayakar Komirelly, Doreen Keaney, Gill Blackburn, Greg Farrell, George Mongey, Helena Merriman, Jagan Muttumula, Jennifer Ryan, John Lovatt, Joseph Foley, Kathleen McCann, Kesava Gollapalli, Kieran O'Neill, Máire O'Brien, Myles Caulfield, Pat Suttle, Paula Foley, Rebecca Omokaro, Robbie Loughlin, Ronnie (SMS), Sheelagh Morris, Tony Brennan, Wunmi Excel, Yvonne Greg.
<b>In attendance</b>	Jamie Moore (PPN)

### 1. Open, Welcome and Minutes

Kathleen McCann opened the meeting. Kathleen conducted a round of introductions from attendees.

### 2. Elections

Elections were held for the Housing and Planning SPCs. Dayakar Komirelly and Jennifer Ryan were elected to the Social Inclusion and Community Seats for Housing. It was agreed that Michela Benassi would represent the PPN on the Environment seat for a period of 1 year at which point the Linkage Group would revisit the seat.

Doreen Keaney and Ray Ryan nominated unopposed to the Transport SPC seats.

### 3. Minutes and Matters Arising

Minutes were proposed and accepted without amendments by members.

### 4. PPN SPC Progress Reports

There was no Housing SPC Progress Report.

There was no Transport or Planning SPC meeting since the last Linkage Group meeting.

## **5. Irish Rail Meeting and Subgroup**

The Linkage Group received correspondence from Irish Rail advising that they would be in a position to attend the meeting in June. To prepare for this the Linkage Group setup a subgroup to prepare an issues paper. The subgroup is made up of: Kathleen McCann, Doreen Keaney, Brian Arnold, Kieran O'Neill, Angela Rogers, Will Lee, and Pat Suttle.

## **6. Discussion on Community Issues and Planning for 2019**

### **Discussion on Community Issues**

The key issue discussed by members is the accessibility of engaging in the planning process for communities, especially in relation to:

- the current housing development landscape;
- strategic housing developments;
- unfinished housing estates
- the perception of a democratic deficit within the planning processes

The Linkage Group believes that Fingal County Council have a role in supporting the capacity building of communities to increase their knowledge in this area to facilitate them in engaging with the planning and development process. The LG is to write to FCC inviting them to engage on this.

The LG also discussed the inaccessibility of the An Bord Pleanala website and will write to them re same.

## **7. Agreement on actions / issues to be pursued**

- Action: Irish Rail Subgroup to be setup and prepare for the June meeting.
- Action: Letter to be sent to Director of Planning inviting them to the September meeting of the Linkage Group.
- Action: Letter to An Bord Pleanala regarding the accessibility of their website.

## **8. Date of next meeting, AOB and Close**

**The next meeting of the Linkage Group will be on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019.**