



**Fingal  
Public  
Participation  
Network**

## Minutes

<b>Linkage Group Name</b>	Arts, Community, Heritage and Sports
<b>Venue</b>	County Hall, Swords
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	7pm, 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2019
<b>Attendees</b>	Anthony Onwuka, Arun Rao, Christopher Delaney, Ian Murphy, John Bowes, John Harford, Madaleine Harford, Maeve Deeb, Myles Caulfield, Nuala Kane, Roger Greene, Teresa Killoran, Tina Nwachukwu, Prince Kenneth Iduwa, Aiveen Marron, John McFadden, Matt Cullen, Heide Bedell, Aneta Laska, Brian Arnold, Angela O'Brien, Gill Blackburn, Abi Wise
<b>Apologies</b>	Angela Rogers, Elizabeth Madden, Carl Cautley
<b>In attendance</b>	Jamie Moore (PPN), Jenny Foley (PPN), Christine Baker (FCC)

### 1. Open and Introduction

Heidi Bedell opened the meeting and started with a round of introductions

### 2. Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes were proposed by Brian Arnold and seconded by Heidi Bedell

### 3. Presentation on Community Archaeology Plan

Christine Baker, Fingal County Council gave a presentation on Draft Fingal Community Archaeology Strategy 2019 – 2023. Jenny Foley to circulate the presentation. Heidi Bedell explained that this is the best time to have access to policy for the various groups and that groups should think about submissions to put in. Submissions discussed:

- Heidi Bedell – would love to see a “showcase of areas” i.e. Baldoyle and all its history
- Gillian Blackburn – Community Archaeology there's a lot of interest from youth groups that it is a pity it is only for over 18's

- Brian Arnold – there are lots of artefacts found in Lusk, it would be a challenge to bring the story to life, could we put a mechanism in place for this and put the information out into the Community
- Aneta Laska – she would love for her Irish born children to know their heritage, Christine Baker stated that they have started to get schools involved and if she wanted any school to be involved to ask them to contact Christine directly
- Myles Caulfield – An overall picture of Fingal and where the digs fit into it. Digging sites are changing Irish History, Christine suggested keeping an eye of the Facebook page for further updates on this matter

Jamie Moore had copies of the Heritage Plan at the meeting and stated that the following submissions the PPN will have seats on the Heritage Forum and that the PPN will be nominating for seats.

#### **4. PPN Sports Rep report**

Jamie Moore outlined the report in Carl Cautley's absence. New strategies are needed, however it was noted that FCC are not legally obliged to have these Strategies. However in its place they are developing the Sports Vision Statement and the Community Vision Statement. The next Linkage Group meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and it was suggested that we invite the Sports and Community Officers to this meeting to present about their work and development of Strategies/Vision Statements

#### **5. Update on Community Integration Advisory Council**

Jamie Moore provided a brief overview of the Community Integration Advisory Council. The Committee oversaw the Social Cohesion and Integration Strategy, no date yet but looks like the end of September. SIAC were involved in the Strategy and it was approved in June 2019. It was set up to this particular job and they have now finished existence. One of the key items of the new Strategy is that SIAC setting up of the Integration Forum to monitor the implementation of the strategy. Some discussion took place after this overview

- Aneta Laska – There was a survey completed by groups however they needed to be translated but this wasn't acted on, this needs to be looked at, they should be translated when requested. It was stated that there may be European funding for this that the Steering Group should investigate further
- Ian Murphy – Asked if we can make points on the Integration Forum, that the role of the forum is to advocate for services

When the launch for this Strategy is announced, the PPN will be invited.

#### **6. Discussion on Community Issues**

- Fingal Inclusion Week: Jamie Moore gave an overview on this week which will be held 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November. A steering group has been set up (Gill gave an overview on this) they reached out to groups to set up. The steering group will present options on branding, funding etc. Jamie announced that the final cut-off date for any events that the groups would like to submit is Monday

16<sup>th</sup> September. The programme of events will be advertised by public signage, in schools, newspapers and there will also be an App. There will be a Community Centre directory booklet showing list of facilities with maps, it will be in English, Irish, French and Polish languages and will be launched during Fingal Inclusion Week. Jamie showed the group on the website how to use the form to submit events and stated that Blanchardstown DIT have offered rooms during the week for any groups who wish to use them (subject to availability)

- Jamie gave a demonstration on the new County Register which will be launched at the Plenary meeting.
- Jamie gave an overview on where to find details of Grants on the PPN website
- PPN Issues Paper Jamie gave an overview on the PPN Issues Paper, we will be launching a new one next year and would be looking for submissions from Linkage Groups.

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

- Circulate Archaeology Presentation
- Circulate Fingal Heritage Plan
- Circulate Strategy Plan 2011 – 2016
- Circulate PPN Issues Paper
- Circulate details of three events discussed (Fingal Orienteering event, Matt Cullen's Art Exhibition, and Fingal Ensemble event.
- Contact Sports and Community Officers on a possible presentation at next meeting of their Vision Statements

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

Jamie Moore announced that FCC put new guidelines for SPC's and three members from PPN can now be on the Committee, there will be an election in November. This increases our motions that can be put forward.

Arun Rao proposed a motion about funding: to alter the mechanism of funding in advance of an event, to be considered specifically for smaller groups or even staged payments. Abi or Aneta will present this motion at the next meeting.

Aneta Laska stated that her organisation is expanding to Swords however there are no places to meet up. There is a hub in Donabate Community Centre but it seems to be just for Donabate clubs only. After much discussion it was decided to set up a sub-group to do an audit on Community Centres, Schools, Hubs and their charges. Sub-group consists of three members Aneta Laska, Nuala Kane and Abi Wise. They will arrange to meet separately.

Three events were discussed – Fingal Orienteering event, Matt Cullen's Art Exhibition and Fingal Ensemble event which Jenny Foley will circulate details of same.

**The next meeting of the Linkage Group will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019.**