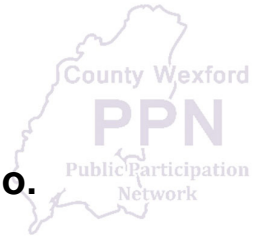


Gorey PPN Municipal District Meeting – 19.10.2023

Ballycanew Resource Center, Ballycanew, Gorey, Co. Wexford.



Secretariat Members in Attendance:

Aislinn Dunne, Gorey MD Rep

Bernard O Leary

Linda Sinnott, Facilitator

Breda Cahill

Reps:

Tony Clyne, JPC

Dan Kennedy, LCDC

Staff members:

Sue Kent, PPN Development Officer

Member Groups in Attendance:

19 Groups Attended the meeting in Ballycanew Resource

Summary of Meeting

- Aislinn introduced herself as the Gorey MD Rep.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes were read from the previous meeting of 04/07/2023 and approved by the groups present (Proposed by Aislinn Seconded by Dan Kennedy)

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- Aislinn invited the group members to participate in an open-ended discussion where views, ideas and concerns could be shared.

Summary of Discussion Points

- Hoped to set up meetings with the Chairperson of Municipal District council and the District Manager.

- Bring your problem and a solution.

Colin Webb Meals on Wheels. Disappointed the Community Guards were disbanding in November. MOW was very thankful for the service they provided and don't want to lose them. Dan Kennedy agreed.

- PPN to write to the new Superintendent.

All agreed the population in the area was increasing but the Garda numbers are decreasing.

What happened the Community Resilience Initiative?

Brendan - Ballycanew Men's Shed

Established e years ago, now has 10-12 members. Currently working out of a shed lent to them be the priest but they have to vacate in December.

Sue - Theres a National Agency for men's sheds.

- Aislinn to bring it up with Philip Knight.

Aislinn - Community just lost an investment of half a million where they could have been accommodated. Ballycanew was in line to receive a Town and Village Fund but at the last hour the parish committee rejected the councils offer to buy land adjacent to the church for community facilities. The community has asked for a meeting with them to discuss what the issues were.

Killanagh Development Group

Could do with training. CPR

Francis Kenny - Gorey ICA

Needs a space for their meetings and activities.

The Gorey Family Resource Centre are moving down to the old credit union building in Gorey. There might be space available at their old building at Charlotte Row.

- ICA to check it out.

Tara Rock may also have a space. Sue suggested trying sports clubs.



Killanagh Development Group asked about the new Community Centre in Riverchapel. Linda said planning permission had but granted but the funding still needed to be sought.

Paul Dubsy

What's happening with the building behind Aldi?

Oulart ICA

Need a meeting hall. General consensus is that group need spaces to meet.

Colin suggested the PPN do a survey. List the services being provided by community groups. Sue suggested bringing the issues to the council.

Gérard Flemming Gorey Historical Society/Tidy Towns

The GDG were trying to keep the Market House in the Community. They have only started up and the hope to initially get the tourist office back open then work on updating the building for community use.

Gorey Cricket Club

Parish Halls traditionally served the needs of the communities. Now we have to go to Gorey for most activities. If the population in the settlements grow, then so should the services.

- PPN to highlight this in future planning.

Guard talked through the process of how calls are handled now. The calls are transferred to a call centre in Waterford. Better to ring 999.

Sue PPN

There was a great meeting in Enniscorthy where all the Emergency Services gave quick talks on community safety. Ambulance, Fire Brigade, Civil Defence.

Gorey ICA

Can something be done about people walking the roads at night in dark clothes. Garda said there's a campaign coming out about that. Linda suggested to give the pubs high viz accessories to hand out.

Gerard Flemming -Gorey Community Group holding a 'Meet your Neighbour' event on November 15th in the Loch Gorman. An update on Market House will be given then.

Colin Webb wished to thank Aislinn and Linda on the work they have carried out to date and a round of applause was held for both. Meeting closed at 9.15.





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