## **PPN Meeting Report**

PPN Staff	Sue Kent Development Officer		In attendance
Committee Name  Date of Meeting	Secretariat Meeting 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	County Wexford PPN	Ann Lacey Breda Cahill David Rea
Specify in person or online	Block E Meeting Room First Floor @ 10am In person	Public Participation Network	Apologies: Bernard O'Leary Patrick Rochford
Agenda Item	Notes	Outcome / Decisions Made	Actions Required  - By whom and when
1.	Welcome and apologies.	Bernard O'Leary, Patrick Rochford & Ian Ludlow sent their apologies. Ian has accepted a new position with South Regional Assembly in Waterford and will resign on the 24 <sup>th</sup> of March 2024. Sue will continue to cover both roles until a new Co- Ordinator is appointed. The Secretariat wished Ian well in his new appointment and assured Sue that they were available for support until a new replacement is appointed.	
2.	Agreement of Minutes of the 11 <sup>th of</sup> January & February 2024	Although a quorum was not achieved it was agreed to continue with the meeting for information sharing as no decisions could be made.	
3.	Matters arising from the minutes	All groups presented at the last meeting had been converted to Salesforce.	
4.	New Group Registrations	Enniscorthy Brownies/Guides Community Saoirse Community Gorey Unable to get in contact with the above groups. Order of Malta / Social Inclusion/ Wexford Doers & Dreamers / Social Inclusion / New Ross Women's Collective / Social Inclusion / Wexford	PPN will continue to contact groups re applications.  6 groups to be accepted and

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		Rosebuds Ladies Group / Social Inclusion/ Rosslare	converted to
		Cloughbawn FC / Community/ New Ross	Salesforce.
		Enniscorthy Rugby Football Club / Community/	Sue awaiting
			training for
		The following vacancies were advertised due to terms of office	administration
		being fulfilled.	access.
		Enniscorthy Municipal District Representative	
		New Ross Municipal District Representative	
5.	PPN Vacancies	Wexford Municipal District Representative	
	Nominations Received	Gorey Municipal District Representative	
		Social Inclusion Representative	
		LCDC Representative.	
		6 nominations were received by post,	
		Kevin Molloy - Gorey MD Rep	
		Kevin Molloy – Social Inclusion Representative	
		John Carr – Enniscorthy MD Representative	
		John Carr – Wexford MD Representative	
		Linda Sinnott - LCDC Rep	Sue to contact all
		One application was considered invalid, and one was withdrawn.	nominee's and
		As only one position can be accepted, the applicants will be	inform them of the
		contacted about the position preferred.	results.
		It was established that the nomination received for the Wexford	roodito.
		Municipal District role was invalid as the nominating group were	
		not from the Wexford District. It was agreed that the applicant	
		would be notified by post.	
		Only one application was received for the role of the LCDC	
		Representative and the position was offered to that applicant.	
		As no nominations were received for New Ross District MD, & the	
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		outgoing Rep was asked to stay on in the interim until a new rep is	
		elected. The Enniscorthy Municipal District Role is yet to be filled,	
		the outgoing rep was asked to continue in the role as interim until	
		a new rep is appointed.	
		Sports Active Co-Ordinator contacted Sue to ask if Maria (Gore)	
		Mulcahy was eligible to stay on for another term.	
		The committee discussed the role of all representatives and noted	
		that their lack of attendance on committee's was a concern. It was	

		discussed about the role of representatives and the PPN's Code of Conduct and it was agreed that the Code of Conduct be put forward as an Agenda item at the next meeting. It was agreed that the Secretariat would review the Code of Conduct circa 2019.	
6.	MOU Review	The MOU was discussed, and it was proposed that the funding figures be introduced in a table showing clearly the Dept's contribution and the Council's contribution. Sue informed the Secretariat that Ian had been in discussions with the Finance Department about funding. He had asked that the hosting fee of €8000 be removed. The Finance Dept stated that they could not remove the Hosting fee however they had agreed to increase their contribution from €5000 to €15,000 but they have yet to put this in writing. Ian had informed Dymphna O'Connor about this before he went on leave and advised that the Finance Report and MOU were due into the DRCD by the 29 <sup>th</sup> of March 2024. A month's extension will be sought from the Department.	Sue to contact the DRCD to ask for an extension of one calendar month
7	Community Grower's Update	PPN Community Grower's Event will be held in Askamore Community Hall & Gardens on Tuesday the 19 <sup>th of</sup> March @ 7pm. Guest speakers are Jonathan King, Sustainable Gardener & Cliona Connolly, Environment Officer Wexford County Council. We are again sponsored by Annette Dupuy of Healthy Wexford, and Jonathan will be offering advice on companion planting in containers and growbags. Making your own chemical free fertilizer from nettles or bananas. Jonathan will also be offering tips on pruning and growing cuttings, and we are asking people attending to bring cuttings and slips to swop for free. Cliona Connolly, environment Officer with Wexford County Council will be explaining the finer points of composting and how to use natural household products to clean your home.	
8.	District Meetings	New Ross District Meeting will be held on Thursday the 21 <sup>st</sup> of March in Rathgarogue Parish Hall, New Ross @ 7pm.  Enniscorthy District Meeting will be held on Tuesday the 26 <sup>th</sup> of March in Templeshannon Community Centre @ 7pm.	

		Rosslare Municipal District Meeting will be held on Wednesday the 27 <sup>th of</sup> March in the Stella Maris Centre, Kilmore Quay @ 7pm. Fleadh Cheoil Co-Ordinator Eimear Kennedy will attend all meetings to discuss the volunteer roles available during the festival on August 4 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> of August and how to apply. Crime Prevention Officer Eddie Wilde and Inspector Liam Kavanagh will also be in attendance to offer advice and answer any queries or concerns in each locality.	
9.	Correspondence	Covered in Item 5 – Nominations received	
10.	AOB	The Secretariat recommended that Sue contact them at any time for support. Ian's replacement would be appointed after the 24 <sup>th</sup> when Ian's contract ends.	
11.	Close of Meeting		