



**Líonra Rannpháirtíocht Contae
na Gaillimhe Galway County
Public Participation Network**

Plenary AGENDA

6pm: Welcome & Business matters

- What is the PPN?
- Vote on changes to the PPN Constitution
- Adoption of Workplan and Budget
- Ratification of new PPN Reps
- Reps reports
- Motions

7.30-8pm; BREAK (light refreshments)

8pm: Presentations

- Patrick Mc Hugh, (Clár Éifeachteacht Fuinnimh), 'Energy Efficiency Training'
- Fiona McDonagh-Delaney (AMACH), 'Supporting LGBTIQ+ Communities'
- Anne Graham (Community Finance Ireland), 'Financing for Community led organisations'
- Cian Strolla (Cipher Digital Developments Ltd), 'LocalHub - Connecting communities with localised information'.

9pm: END



Welcome

Vincent Lyons (Galway County PPN Secretariat Member)



What is the PPN? *Céard is PPN ann?*

- Introduction/ Réamhrá

Overview

1. Development of PPNs/ Bunú na PPN's
2. What is the PPN? / Céard is PPN ann?
3. Functions of the PPN/ Príomh-fheidhmeanna an PPN
4. What do PPNs do?/ Obair an PPN
5. PPN Values/ Bunluachanna an PPN
6. Who is the PPN for? / Cé do an PPN?
7. PPN Structure/ Struchtúr an PPN
8. Galway County PPN - Why does this matter to you? /
Líonra Rannpháirtíocht na Gaillimhe – Cén fáth a bhfuil sé seo tábhachtach duit?





Department for Rural and Community Development

'The primary purpose of the PPN is to enable the PPN member groups to input into and have their voices heard within the formal decision-making structures of the local authority. The PPN is now the main way that local authorities connect with groups active in their area',

(PPN Handbook (2020))

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Development of PPNs/ **Bunú na PPN's**

- White Paper on Voluntary Activity (2000)
- Task Force on Active Citizenship (2007)
- Working Group on Citizen Engagement (2013)
- Local Government Reform Act 2014



WHAT is the PPN? / Céard is PPN ann?

- Statutory entity
- Gives a voice to community groups on Local Authority committees and boards
- Main way for Local Authorities to engage with communities
- Provide a pathway for communities to have a real voice in decision-making committees and boards at Local Authority level
- Provide a vision for change through social policy, participation and representation
- It's about coming together as a collective to shape your community

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FUNCTIONS of the PPN / Príomh-fheidhmeanna an PPN

- 1) Facilitates the **participation** and **representation** of communities in a fair, equitable and transparent manner
- 2) Strengthens the **capacity** of community groups to contribute positively to the community in which they reside/participate
- 3) Provides **information** relevant to the environmental, social inclusion, and community & voluntary sector and acts as a **hub** around which information is distributed and received.



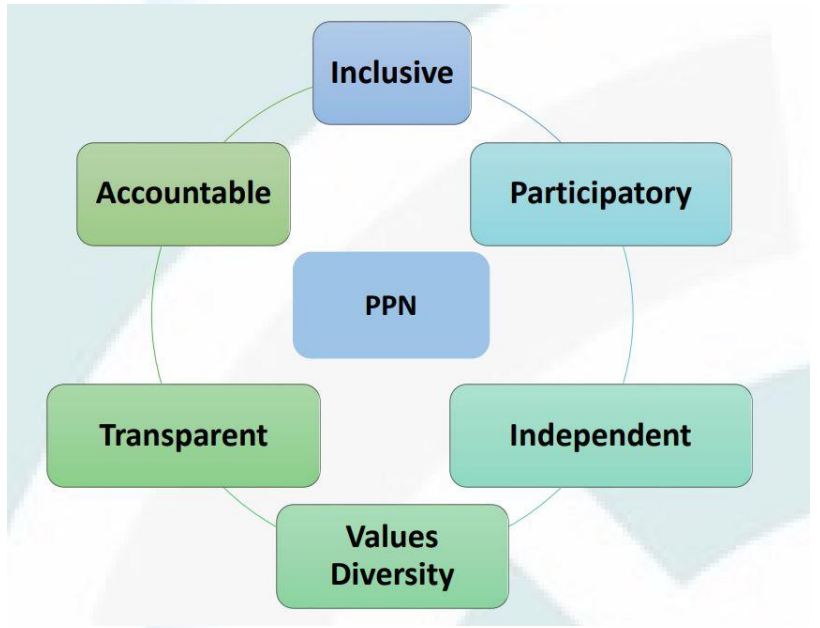
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What do PPNs do? / Obair an PPN

- Build community capacity – broadening understanding and participation
- Support inclusion of socially excluded group and those facing discrimination to enable them to participate at local and county level
- identify issues of collective concern, bring community concerns to decision making arena and work to influence policy locally.
- Elect representatives
- Participate in consultations etc.
- Share information
- Support individual member groups with advice, mediation or training so that they can function effectively
- Build relationships between communities and agencies, create networking opportunities



PPN Values / Bunluachanna an PPN



WHO is the PPN For? / Cé do an PPN?

- All “not for profit” groups active in the area
- Select a College
 - Social Inclusion
 - Environmental
 - General Community and Voluntary
- Inclusive of minority or traditionally hard to reach groups
- Not political parties



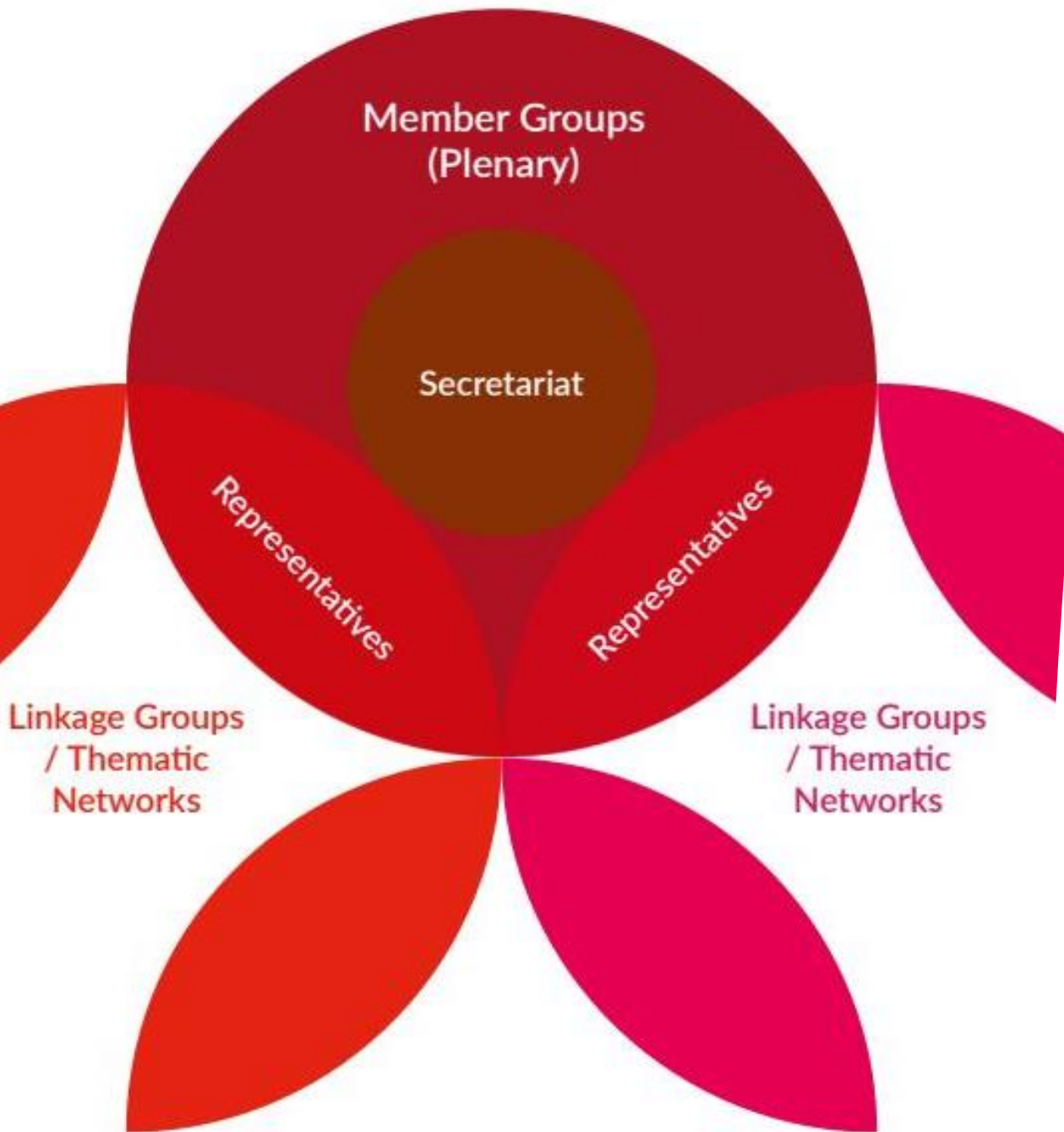
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PPN Structure / Struchtúr an PPN

- Funded by DRCD and LA
- PPN Workers
- PPN Secretariat (11 Members)
- PPN Plenary
- Linkage Groups/ Thematic Network/ Working Group



Galway County PPN

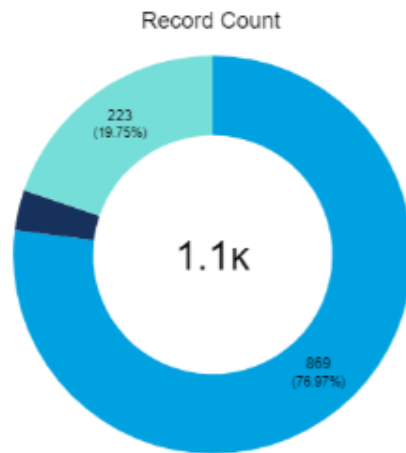


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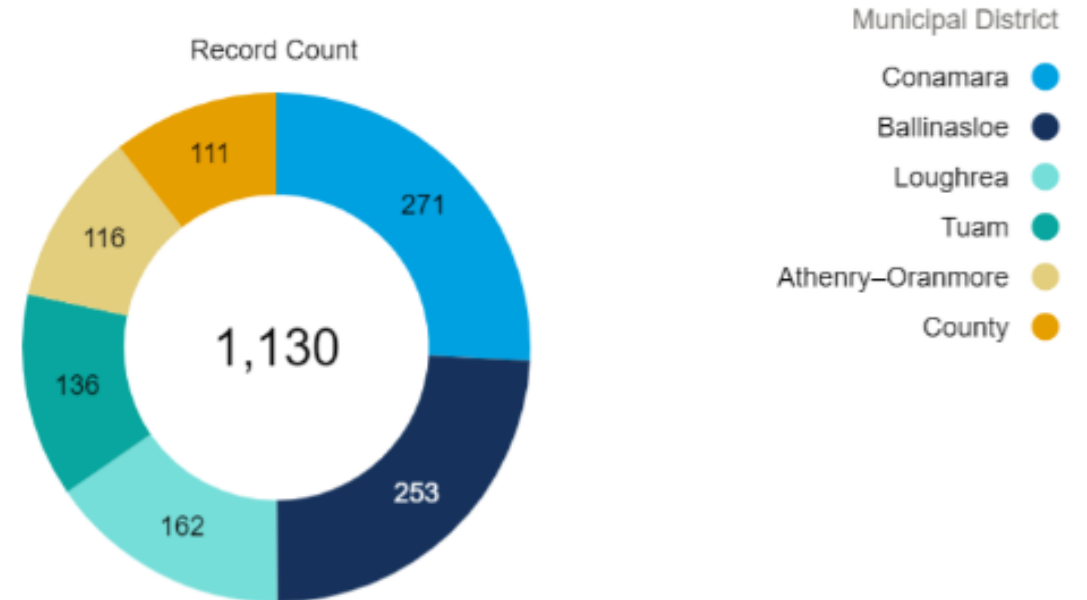
Groups by Municipal District

Groups by Pillar



Group Pillar ● Community ● Environment ● Social Inclusion

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Upcoming Events



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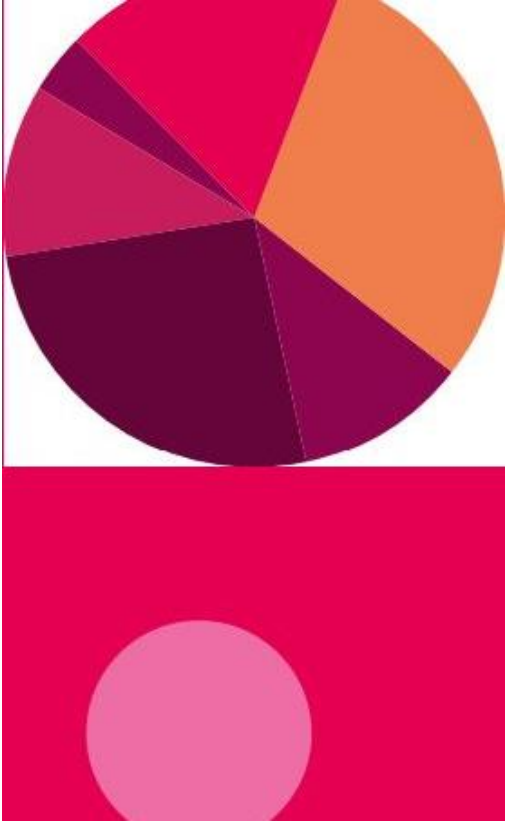


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Galway County PPN Secretariat / Rúnaíocht an PPN





Other Committees and Boards with PPN Representation:

- ✓ Local Community & Development Committee (LCDC)
- ✓ Joint Policing Committee (JPC)
- ✓ Galway Sports Partnership (GSP)
- ✓ Galway Rural Development
- ✓ Older Persons Committee
- ✓ Childcare Committee
- ✓ Galway Education and Training Board
- ✓ Healthy Ireland
- ✓ Western Region Drugs & Alcohol Taskforce (WRDATF)
- ✓ Fisheries Local Action Group (FLAG)

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- Housing SPC
 - Economic Development and Enterprise SPC
 - Planning, Environment, Agriculture & Emergency Services SPC
 - Transport & Infrastructure SPC
 - Community and Cultural SPC
 - Climate Change & Biodiversity SPC



Grants



Grant Name: Peatlands Community Engagement Scheme Funding 2022



Grant Name: National Play Day 2022 **Opening Date:** 06/15/2022 **Closing Date:** 06/24/2022 Closed



Grant Name: Community Centres Investment Fund **Opening Date:** 06/07/2022 **Closing Date:** 07/14/2022 Closed



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Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys announces €...

Media Release Monday, 15th August 2022 Our Rural Future: Minister Humphreys announces €7.4 million for 175 community projects nationwide Sports Clubs, Schools, Community Groups to receive grants of up to €50,000 Successful projects include Astro-Turfs, Sensory Gardens, Handball Alleys, Outdoor Cinemas, Hurling Walls, Basketball Courts, Walkways, Public Toilets, Community Gyms, Youth Hubs, Community Cafés...

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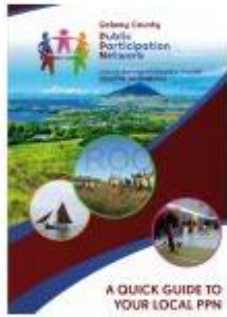
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PPN August Newsletter Out Now

Please see below our August 2022 Newsletter. The PPN Newsletter, as always, is packed with info on events, funding and other news for community groups. If you would like to include your news in the next Newsletter, please email mmullen@galwaycoco.ie PPN August Newsletter

Local & National Resources



Galway County PPN Information Booklet



SLA 2022 (1)



MOU 2022 (2)




PPN Workplan 2022



PPN Annual report 2020



PPN Representatives - handbook

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Why does this matter to you? / Cén fáth a bhfuil sé seo tábhachtach duit?

- Voice of the Community – Genuine Engagement
- Key Partners in the Community-Community Knowledge
- Better decision-making
- More sustainable policies

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Business Matters



Vote to amend the PPN Constitution

- Reason: Current Constitution requires 10% of members in attendance (PPN Handbook suggests 15%).
- DRCD issued a circular to update this rule to allow for a simple majority required to pass a vote of those attending.
- Background: Many PPNs were not reaching required numbers at Plenary meetings.
- Last Galway Co PPN (Nov 2020) had 30 in attendance.





Vote

QUESTIONS?

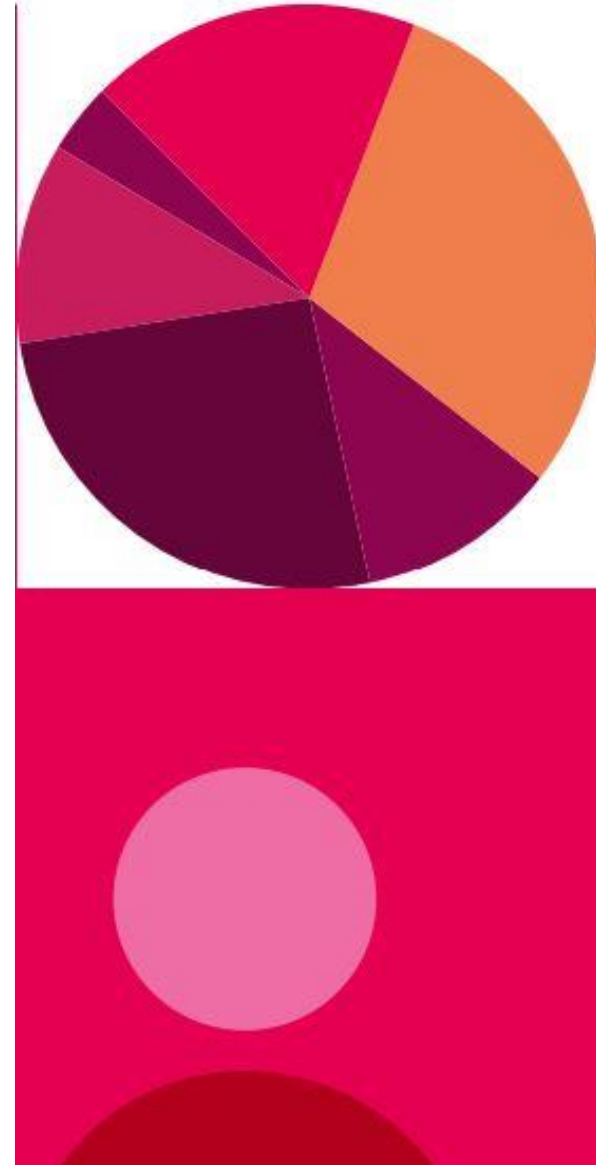
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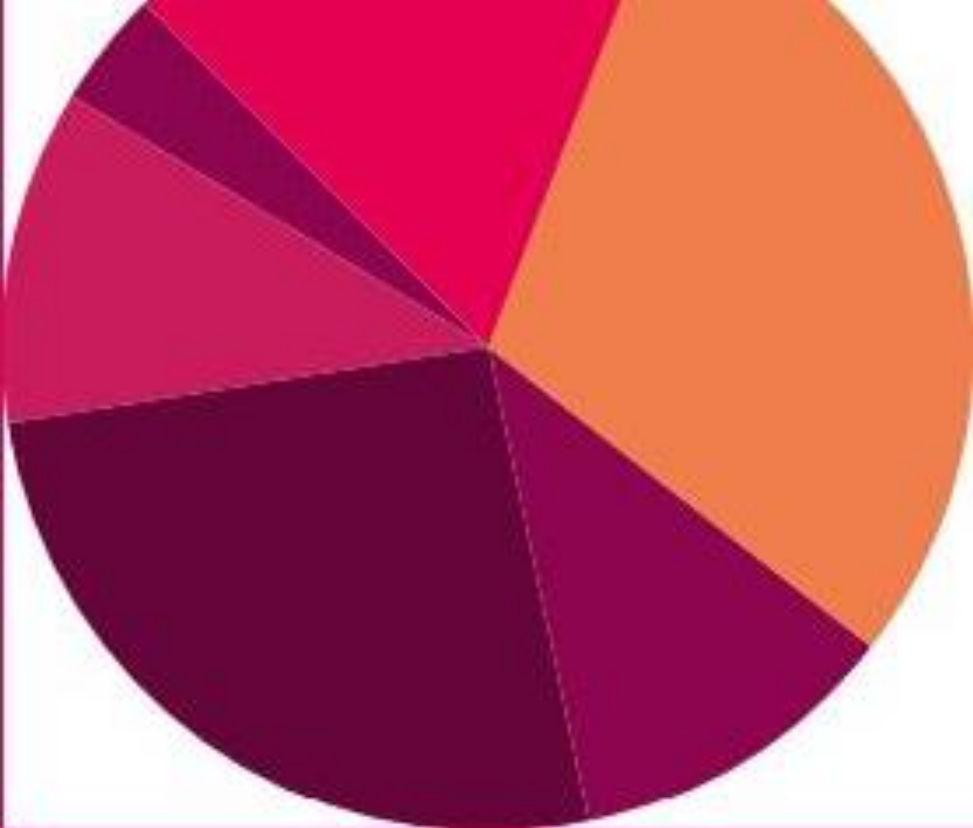
GREEN- Change & adopt amendment

OUTCOME?

PPN Workplan & Budget

- Please see Workplan & Budget on tables and sent out via email (also available on PPN Website).
- The PPN Workplan is devised annually by the PPN Workers in collaboration with the PPN Secretariat.
- The Workplan sets out the PPN activity for one year with an accompanying budget.
- The main role of the Plenary is to direct the operations of the PPN, to set overall PPN policy and procedures and to agree the annual Workplan and budget
- The elected Secretariat is responsible for the administration of the PPN between Plenary meetings.





Adoption of the PPN Workplan & budget for 2022

QUESTIONS?

RED- not adopt

GREEN- adopt

OUTCOME?



Ratification of PPN Representatives



- PPN Representatives perform an important function on behalf of PPNs.
- They are elected by Member Groups in their College / area to get involved in, and contribute to, Local Authority Boards or Committees on behalf of the PPN.
- Representatives represent the PPN as a whole, their own Municipal District / area, their College and their group.
- Over 2021/2022 **9** new PPN Representatives were nominated.



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- **JENNIFER FISHER** for LCDC
 - **MÁIRÍN NÍ CHONGHAILE** for LCDC
 - **GERARD COSTELLO** for LCDC
 - **KEVIN GAVIN** for LCDC
 - **PETER GOHERY** for LCDC
 - **AIMEE MCGEE** for HOUSING SPC
 - **NORA CORCORAN** for HOUSING SPC
 - **PETER BUTLER** for Climate Change and Biodiversity SPC
 - **MARGARET SHEEHAN** for Climate Change and Biodiversity SPC

Ratification of Representatives

QUESTIONS?

RED- do not ratify

GREEN- ratify

OUTCOME?



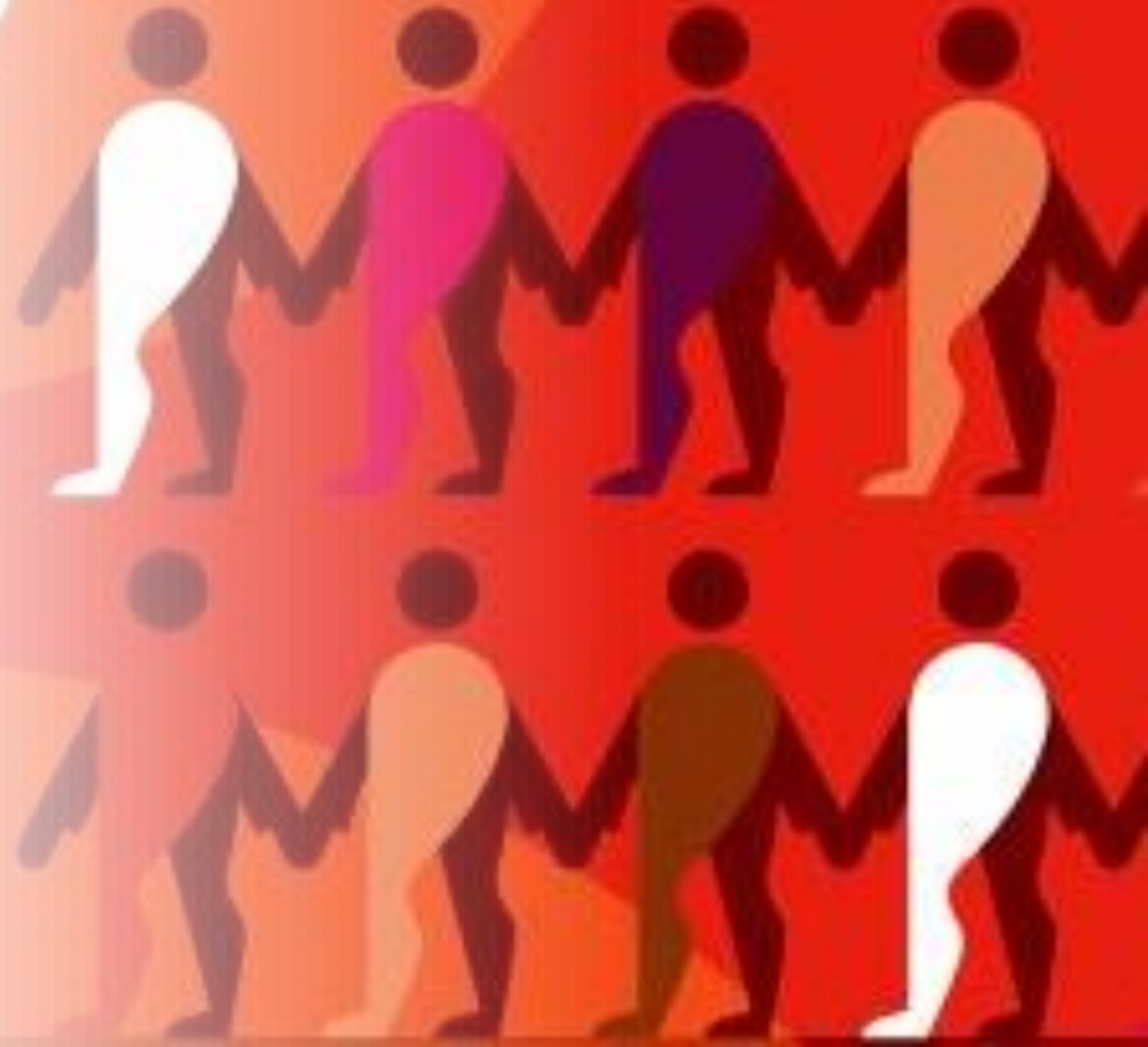
PPN Representatives

The role of PPN Representatives is an active and participative one, which requires commitment and time.

Representatives are required to represent the views of the PPN as a whole, and not their own personal views, nor those of their Municipal District, Sector or Nominating Body.


Representatives:

- Attend and participate fully in meetings of the PPN, Board or Committee.
- Bring forward the issues of the PPN to the Board or Committee for their consideration, including putting items on the agenda
- Work collaboratively with the PPN Groups to identify issues, develop policy proposals etc.
- Communicate regularly (at least as frequently as meetings are held) with the PPN groups on all matters
- Reports and feedback from Board or Committee meetings.





Representatives Reports to PPN Plenary

- **MARK GREEN** (An Taisce), PPN Representative on Planning, Environment, Agriculture and Emergency SPC
 - **GERARD COSTELLO** (Monivea Community Council) PPN representative on LCDC
 - **MEGAN FLYNN-DIXON** (Oranmore Arts Festival) PPN Representative on Community and Culture SPC
 - **AODÁN MACDONNCHA** (Taispeántas Chois Fharráige Teo.) PPN Representative on Joint Policing Committee
 - **PETER BUTLER** (Conservation Volunteers Galway) PPN Representative on Climate Change and Biodiversity SPC.
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Rep Update - Megan Flynn Dixon Community & Culture SPC

[MEGAN FLYNN DIXON PRES WATCH HERE](#)



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Motions

Name of submitting PPN Member group:

Anna Murphy, Kinvara Climate Action.

Proposed Motion (Brief outline of suggested action):

That Galway County Council would adopt a motion to ban the use of pesticides (except in cases of invasive species) in line with Dublin, Cork and other Councils. Promote awareness and understanding of negative impact of pesticides on health and biodiversity and change perceptions towards unmanaged natural vegetation.

Desired outcome:

Ban on pesticides except for invasive species, raise awareness and influence perceptions on unmanaged natural vegetation.

PPN ACTION: Work with Group to create Motion to put forward to Galway County Council.

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VOTE

QUESTIONS?

RED- not adopt

GREEN- adopt

OUTCOME?



BREAK until 8pm





PRESENTATIONS

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- LGBT+ Awareness Training



Supporting the LGBT+ community in Galway and the surrounding areas

Resource Pack for Supporting LGBTIQ+ Communities & PRM



Monday 24th October 2022, 7pm
Community Groups Introduction to
Resource Pack training

Wednesday 26th October 2022, 10:30am
Service Providers Introduction to Building
Cultural Competency

Register on EventBrite
[https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/supporting-
lgbtiq-communities-training-tickets-
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- Do you think your organisation is inclusive?
- How to be a good Ally
- Definitions
- Pronouns

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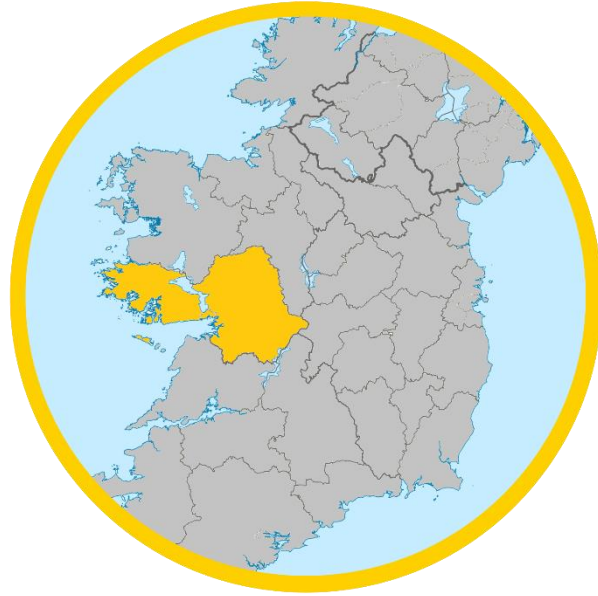
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Client Relationship Manager
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- We are a Social Finance provider, we provide Term and Bridging Loans to any community led organisation.
- Our aim is to make sure that access to finance is never a barrier to make a social change or creating positive social impact.
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Range of sectors we support



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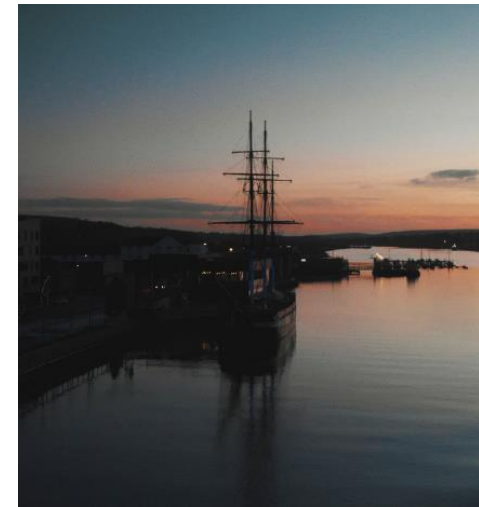
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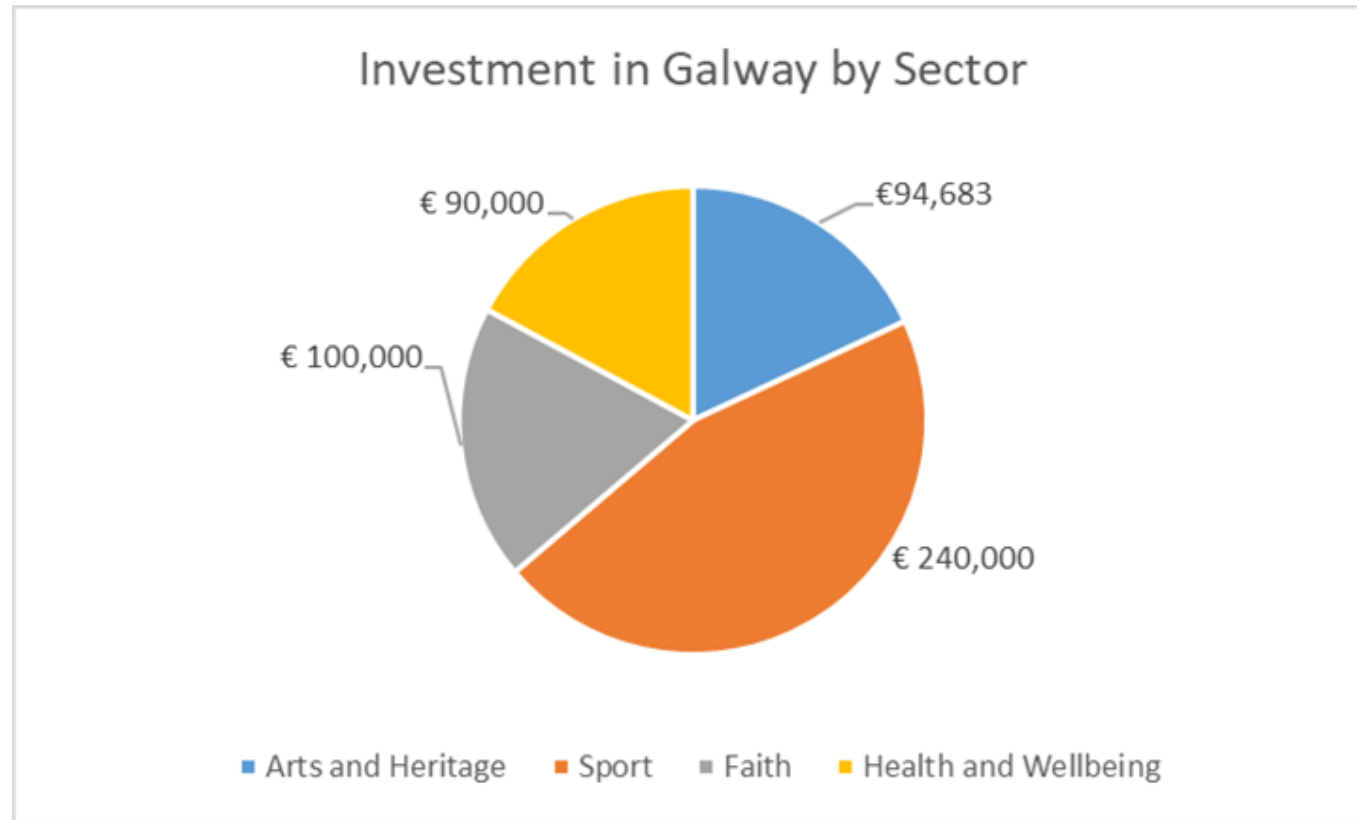


Sport



Tourism

Investment in Galway by Sector



We provide finance for a wide range of projects

- Bridging loans to assist with drawdown of Grants (Leader/Sports Capital etc.)
- Shortfalls in funding packages
- Property – purchase, construction or renovation
- Equipment
- Renewable energy projects
- Restructuring existing debt
- Flexible working capital facilities

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- We are open for business & ready to listen & we will meet you in person
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Examples of existing Clients in Galway



Lets Get Talking Counselling Service

An Mheitheal Rothar, Bicycle Recycling Social Enterprise.



10/17/2022



Craughwell Athletic Club

Examples of Galway Clients



Faith Group –
Mountain of Fire &
Miracles Ministries
Galway

Ballinasloe Town Hall
Theatre



Colga Football Club

Social impact

Tell us your story

What problem is your community facing

What is your mission/aims

Tell us about your plans and achievements

Describe your social impact/outcomes

What are the objectives of the funding

In conclusion

The CFI approach;

- Empathy, Integrity, Quality
- We adopt a more nuanced, bespoke and market specific approach to each deal – ‘each deal on its own merits’.
- A people based approach that recognises that social impact is as important as financial capability.

Thanks for listening

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Company - Cipher Digital Developments Limited

Position - Director

Presentation Title: LocalHub - Connecting communities with localised information