



Líonra Rannpháirtíochta Phoiblí Chontae na Gaillimhe
Public Participation Network Galway County

Galway County PPN Secretariat Meeting

25th April 2023 @ 7pm

Online via Microsoft Teams

Attendees: Mary Mullen, Duana Tuite, Carmel McGrath, Vincent Lyons, Patrick McHugh, Martina Finn, Jarlath P. Canney, Dan Dowling, Martin Ward.

Apologies: Aodán Mac Donnacha

AGENDA

Welcomes

Approval of minutes from previous meeting 14.03.2023

New PPN Support Worker

Updates

Training Proposal

PPN Merchandise

New Secretariat nomination

AOB

WELCOMES

Carmel McGrath welcomed everyone to the meeting, with a special welcome to new PPN Support Worker Duana Tuite.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING 14.03.2023

Vincent Lyons proposed minutes, seconded by Jarlath Canney.

NEW PPN SUPPORT WORKER

Carmel McGrath gave a special welcome to Duana Tuite, new PPN Support Worker. The secretariat welcomed Duana and wished her success in her new role.

UPDATES

Mary Mullen shared updates with the group on recent PPN Activities, membership stands at 1,226 as of 24/04/2023.

- Healthy Islands events in Inis Meáin, Inis Mór, Inis Óirr, Inis Boffin.
- PPN Reps Forum 22/03/2023
- PPN collaboration with LAWPRO to plan an event for community groups operating around Loch Corrib.
- National PPN Workers Meeting & Retreat in Athlone this Thursday & Friday. Workshops from various PPN Stakeholders.

TRAINING PROPOSAL

Mary Mullen shared details of training proposal from Cramdentech, 4 training sessions on the following topics, Strategic planning, Writing Funding Applications, Intro to Social Enterprise and Social Enterprise Development. Total cost for this series is €1,599.00 + VAT.

Secretariat approved.

The group discussed holding an in-person training around Biodiversity, Mary to discuss possible collaboration with GCC Heritage Officer and Biodiversity Officer.

Martina agreed to look into events for Biodiversity Week May 19th to 26th, and to also try to engage the youth. Patrick Mc Hugh suggested seed bombing as an option.

UPDATE FROM CHAIRPERSON, CARMEL MCGRATH

Carmel McGrath gave an update on activities of her group, Killereen Development Company Ltd.

PPN MERCHANDISE

Mary Mullen and Duana Tuite shared merchandise ideas with the group – secretariat discussed items which would be useful. Martina Finn stressed the importance of sourcing Environmentally friendly merch.

Approval given for workers to order merchandise for PPN. Items agreed – notebooks, PPN information booklets, bags,

NEW SECRETARIAT NOMINATION

Nomination received from George Francis of Ballinasloe Indian Cultural Community, to represent the Social Inclusion Pillar on the secretariat.

Secretariat approved nomination.

Mary to arrange an introduction meeting with George ahead of next secretariat meeting.

AOB

Group wished Martin Ward success in his new role as Housing SPC representative.

MEETING ENDED: 8:30pm

NEXT MEETING DATE: **06 JUNE 2023 @ 10am**, Chairperson: **Dan Dowling**