



Tipperary PPN Secretariat Meeting Minutes

Thursday 19th June 2025

Venue: Thurles/ Zoom Hybrid @ 6.00pm

Facilitator: Daniel Long

Minute Taker: Niamh Ní Chilin

Present: Mike Edwards, Charles Stanley Smith, Michael Kealey, Daniel Long, Rachel O'Malley, Derry O'Donnell, Niamh Ní Chillin, Alan Moore, JJ O'Sullivan, Kuldeep Joshi

Apologies: Sangeeta Molloy, Sean O'Farrell and Anne Williamson & Sharon Melbourne

In Attendance: Ruth Smith (Co-ordinator), Ann Scanlon (Admin), Mary Moloughney (Co. Co. PPN Liaison worker) Shoyna O'Gorman (Community Mapping Worker)

Quorum achieved

Conflict of Interest: None declared.

Agenda: The agenda was agreed.

Minutes: **Proposed by: Alan Moore**

Seconded by: Micheal Kealey

Minutes of last month's meeting had been sent in advance by email.

Matters Arising: None

Correspondence: Carmicheal Centre

Finance Update: Q2 Finance meeting will be on July 7th

Co-ordinators Report: as per email

Training and funding:

Ruth reported that we got €1000 through the HSE National Lottery, so we'll be able to fund some of the courses we were hoping to do- Social Enterprise Training such as strategic fundraising training.

LEP funding (€1300) – Local Enhancement Grant – we have ordered a Laptop and PC for our admin staff

Power of People and Place Mapping Project Job Description & Specification for the Post of Researcher, Grade 4. There will be monthly meetings with the Mapping workers team to ensure best practice (JJ & Mike interested in attending) and see if the survey questions are delivering the information needed. All participating groups will get a Resource Pack, a Plaque and digital presence.

SEAI EMP project - Daniel, Derry and Rachel are interested in joining the steering committee on this.

Rep Update:

Rep calls are going out Thursday 26th June for SPC & LCDC vacancies with the deadline 11th July.

Rachel O'Malley is our new Env Nenagh MD rep seat on the secretariat and was welcomed to her first Secretariat meeting.

Sharon is updating the rep page on our PPN website. We still need to fill the community and voluntary seat in Nenagh. We will need a new rep in Carrick in September as Anne's term will be finished.

After the Environmental Rep meeting on the 14th July, Alan raised the question of how to get other pillar groups to link in with our environmental groups. Charles suggested that before doing that that we would do a similar meeting with Social inclusion Reps.

Regional Rep training is in Kilkenny on Saturday 27th September in the River Court Hotel

Kuldeep invited everyone from the PPN to **The International Yoga Day** on Saturday 28th July, 10am in the Cashel Rugby Club.

Mary Moloughney (TCC Liaison) spoke about: *Power of the People and Community Mapping.

*Group funding options.

*Age Friendly Expo

*The Council's Migrant Strategy.

*Why and how money is spent- eg: why some areas get funding for walking tracks

Charles asked Mary re hard-to-reach community groups in relation to less formality in initial meetings.

National Workers Network: Community Resilience and Emergency Response national event update:- Thursday 17th July. Charles, Ruth, Mike, Rachel (she needs to verify) will attend.

Talks on the six relevant themes – World café style, What is the PPN doing, What should they be doing, Increasing resilience for the future.

N.A.G. Charles attended meeting earlier today- 19th June in Portlaoise. They may be changing their name and moving to a more positive proactive role- to help, to guide the government as well as advice role, communicative role.

National Secretariat Network: Niamh attended on May 15th. Ruth is the National Workers rep on the NSN meetings and on the Joint Liaison subgroup (4 members from each network) too and attended part of the meeting and introduced herself to the network.

Lobbying We believe that whether we have to register will come down to whether we are public service body. We are still looking into this.

A.O.B.

Ruth shared an article with us of PPN women's group 'SHE' in the Tipperary Star

Ruth is ordering new pens and shared the info on those with us.

Team building – Probably Fri Aug 1st (to be confirmed)

Next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday July 24th at 6 p.m.**