

## Tuairisc/Reporting Template for Galway City Community Network Representatives

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<b>1. Cruinniú / Name of Meeting</b>	<b>Strategic Policy Committee for Economic, Community and Cultural Development.</b>
<b>2. Ionadaí LPCG (glacadóir - nótaí) / Name of GCCN Rep (note-taker)</b>	Dominick Whelan
<b>3. Dáta &amp; Suite / Date &amp; Location of Meeting:</b>	Hybrid - In-person at Galway City Council and Online (MS Teams)
<b>4. I láthair / Attendance</b>	<p>Present -----</p> <p><b>Council:</b> Neil Mc Nelis - Chair &amp; CLLR Donal Lyons - CLLR Noel Larkin - CLLR John Connolly - CLLR Eddie Hoare - CLLR Declan Mc Donnell - CLLR</p> <p><b>Sectors:</b> Dominick Whelan - GCCN David Hickey - Galway Chamber of Commerce</p> <p><b>Executive:</b> Brian Barrett - Director of Services Gary Mc Mahon - Head of Economic, Community and Cultural Development Caitriona Morgan - Community Officer Ruairi Lehmann - Tourism Officer</p> <p>Theresa O'Donoghue - Officer Thomas Melley - Officer TJ Hughes -</p> <p>Lisa Renwick/ Laura - DFI Marian - Access for All Francis Kane - Homes</p> <p><b>In Attendance: All Above</b></p> <p>Apoligies:</p>

## **5. Príomhphointí pléite / Key Issues Discussed:**

### **AGENDA**

**1. Confirmation of minutes of the, Economic, Community & Cultural Development SPC meeting held on Thursday 26 th May 2022**

**2. Matters Arising**

**3. Proposal Re: Disability Steering Committee – to receive a presentation**

**4. Healthy Age Friendly Homes programme – to receive a presentation**

**5. Community Department– to hear an update**

**6. Culture Night 2022 – to hear an update**

**7. A.O.B**

### **Adoption of the minutes**

Adopted -

Seconded -

### **Matters Arising**

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### **Disability Steering Committee**

- Disability is covered by UN Convention and Public Sector Duty
- LECP and Social Inclusion work group would benefit from the programme
  
- The access officer can be a support and age friendly, with inclusion across the broad
- It is for elected representatives
- Tourism and sport bodies
  
- The team can be a supportive for active travel plans
- The scope and report of the council can work with PPN's and activities are reported to the SPC
- To Implement the UN Convention
- There is coordinated approach to support disability and inclusion issues
- Appropriate ways to action and support within the council
- LECP inclusion and pilot programme within the LECP ato support capturing the roles of making the LECP inclusive
- Compiling a support tool for making sports and clubs more accessible.
- The support of introducing in local areas
- Examples of benefits of using reader, planned works, active travel, social inclusion implement EU web based activity
- Galway would be ideal for ensuring supports in disability and disability committee

### **DFI- Lisa Fenwick**

- Discussions around should be inclusion of the elected members and civil society groups
- A disability committee can be beneficial to bringing a coordinated approach with stakeholders and dealing with issues and compliance.
- It's a benefit to the city council reading planning length times
- Facilitate the development of new inclusion for disability in the city
  - Standing within policies
  - -Committee dependent on length of strategy

Question Declan Mc Donnell

- what is the link between gold star, GCP, GCCN, LCDC
- Un Convention
- Public Sector Duty

Clarification by Brien Barrett

- Gold Star through the stakeholders and partnership and LCDC partners
- Funding for disability action

Declan Mc Donnell

- Gold Star, In hotels in Offices and ensure correct size and supports within planning.
- - Planning within ramps and improvements for users or for upgrades

Question - Donal Lyons

- Can see the merits of the benefits and ensuring schemes and areas
- The issues of enforcement and protection of disability spaces
- An oppotune time to allocate a budget and support a committee structure

Question - Eddie Hoare

- Recommendation to the full council and the chamber
- Query to add if this can be added to the provision of services within the city.
- It would be beneficial if there is scope and budget

Response to Questions

- Gold star works with the community and ensuring policy
- The web access and public sector duty requirements and audit
- Donal Lyons Proposal: The the benefits of both models are examined and that a review of access office for the next spc
- Motion supported by: Lyons, Hoare, Mc Nelis, Mc Donnell

**Healthy Age Friendly Homes - Francis Kane**

- Aim for the adoption a holistic approach on certain needs amd referrals from the HSE
- Assistance needs is about providing information and support on how to enable and empower people to be at home
- Housing and mobility groups, funding and advices for funding

Question - Eddie Hoare

- Is the programme available to engage of a certain group or by whom is the programme reporting to

Reponse to Question

- Link in with Gardai.
- Information to the community officer. Its a free service to the public. A person over sixty five or those in need of the services
- Reporting is done and collated to the national oversight group
- Cost savings can be arranged in relation to a nursing home
- increase awareness of the project, a note in relation to the workbeing done by the council at a local level
- The objective would be the best route for people to stay at home

**Community Department - Update**

- Ukeratine response
- - 7% of refugees -
  - 50,000 refugees

- 90% in accommodation
- 10% in own accommodation
- Development may increase over the next year in the medium term
- Ukraianine response forum, education, sports, supports
- Galway city partnership is coordinating the emergency accommodation
- volunteer galway us supported to work with volunteer groups
- Medium term solution for housing what funding, - council sicap and human resources €200,000
- Covid 19 community call
- covid19 HSE supports
- Lving well programme
- The HSE has increased their level of communications
- Mental health supports in healthy Ireland initiative is ongoing
- The Galway older persons council meet recently.
- The volunteer ireland call is currently ongoing
- Public LECP submission, work ongoing. Ongoing update is due for the next meeting and progress on the LECP.
- Minister O'Brien was onsite visit in Galway City with older persons council.

### **Culture Night 2022**

- Series of events near 60 on the programme
- Culturenight.ie by two and location
- Galway facebook page has 11 pages
- Starting at 4pm at Westside Resource Centre
  - Multinational food event
  - margarita D'arcy
  - Bridgets Place
  - A reding, Film and unique perspective on her fathers experience
  - Culture coordinator asked last year for late night events.
  - Fabin's An Ghaeltacht - Street performance - 424 Brass band
  - Museum director, leading through curations.
  - Budget for €45/50k budget for culture night
- Approx. 60 city events and 45 events in the county
- **AOB**
  - National Social Enterprise Plan
    - Addition of plan on ATU/OG for the next agenda
    - LECP expected for QTR 2023

### **Close of Meeting**

- **Adjourned**

### **6. Socruithe déanta / Key Decisions Made:**

#### Recommendation;

- Proposal: The the benefits of both models are examined and that a review of access office for the next spc
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**7. Gníomhaíochtaí / Action(s) required from GCCN:**

Follow up on the proposal(s) for disability steering committee

**8. Dáta don chéad chruinniú eile / Date of next meeting :**

**Friday 9th December 2022 at 2pm**

**9. Moltaí breise / Any Other Comments:**

9th December 2022 SPC is expected to have an influence on economic developments