# Tuairisc/Reporting Template for Galway City Community Network Representatives



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1. Cruinniú / Name of Meeting	SPC for Community, Culture and Economic Development
2. Ionadaí LPCG (glacadóir - nótaí) / Name of GCCN Rep (note-taker)	Dominick Whelan
3. Dáta & Suite / Date & Location of Meeting:	10th May 2023
4. I láthair / Attendance	Present  Council: Brian Barrett - Senior Executive Officer Deirdre Headd - Acting - Arts Office Gary Mc Mahon - Officer for Culture, Community Ruairi Lehmann - Tourism Officer Breda Glynn - Stephen Doyle - Theresa O'Donoghue - Officer TJ Hughes - Officer Caitriona Morgan - Community Officer John Walters - Neil Mc Nelis - Chair & CLLR Donal Lyons - CLLR Eddie Hoare - CLLR Noel Larkin - CLLR John Connolly - CLLR
	Community: Dominick Whelan - GCCN Dave Hickey - Chamber of Commerce Margaret Jenkins - Failte Ireland Mark O'Connell - Repucon Ciaran O hIgartaigh - President of University of Galway In Attendance:

## 5. Príomhphointí pléite / Key Issues Discussed:

University Of Galway – Presentation by Professor Ciarán Ó hÓgarthaigh, Uachtarán na hOllscoile

University of Galway - Presentation by President

Questions -

- Is there continuing development by enterprise ireland on start up enterprise in the university?
- Is there much information in relation to the transport and planning by the university?
- Student accommodation, how many beds are now in place and in planning for the future?

## Answers

- In relation to creating a proper space for the city. The key factors are in ensuring economic, housing, community investment, tourism and destination. Community engagement and working with the community.
- Funding on Projects to ATU and portershed.
- Ensuring SDG's, placements are our students calling for environment and sustainability.
- Human capital including to support entrepreneurship
- Practice in relation to feedback and then support transport
- The ide or banning parking and if we had public transport we'd be keen to ensure effective transport and work together.
- A key piece of public transport, work with walkways such as the greenway project.
- Parity is a source of employment by students, we've noted 5% car or 95% other means of transport by students.
- How we might work with parties with the campus.
- there are 664 beds with a goal of 1900 beds for students
- Currently there are about 3000 graduates per year. There are two things regarding to manage housing and social housing elements. Which create a student accommodation.
- How to state and social need to create policy.
- Dangan is saturated, Nuns Island we need to be good neighbours. The challenge is about additional space.
- Electric Charging points to be increased.
- Nun's Island for URDF for development.
- Covid delayed our projects plans, the old electric which will act as the new law building. Subject to planning.
- The old for urban and tracks in the other side.
- The Persse building and challenges by conservation. Plenty of ideas and cultural spaces or accommodation.
- The Bish development and public, there are significant funding requirements and work with the community of nuns island.
- The performance space, Heuston Film School, cultural spaces the other option is the Baily Allen Hall and o'Donoghue. We need a real size performance space. the balance and tour hall is important.
- The average journey of our students is 140km. the housing and transport are key for us.
- We need to work together to find solutions.
- This is a lot of space open to the community in Galway.
- Equality is to be open to everybody to come, be it industry and travelling community, the access office. We have projects with SCCUL and Westside.
- Question
- One of the concerns, increasing is third level. The issue of increasing international studies and support international community. This is in relation to international student at the expense of opportunity to serve the local community. The name change is a unique factor in this internationalism.

- Answer
- Any student in Galway will need to work in an international dimension. The city with the most diverse location. an opportunity was in the role of having authentic student experience. Enterprise Ireland and international exports for interaction is recognised as important factor in Ireland. Its important to challenge the reason to support these values as an spect of opportunity in various ways through different aspects of partners. To evolve the region and to be sustainable.

#### Follow Up

- There is another matter SFI and need to talk about the creation of an exhibition as a tourism attraction and destination for medical technology. Enright project and urban lab for leisureland project and various other departments are ongoing.

Failte Ireland DEDP (Destination Experience Development Plan) – Presentation by Mark O'Connell &; Margaret Jenkins

- The current launch of destination and experience development plan DEDP, experience plans, we are currently at consultation process.
- A specific plan for Galway City fir visitors and insure stay and extension to the season.
- The wider guidance of Galway city is in relation to quality experience and stablish a process that do inform the process.
- The destination place, mystery shopping for an international benchmarking. Have from best international best practices. The best ideas and engage with the communications and stakeholders.
- Planned development process.
- Opportunity and projects that need to be explored and discuss.
- Perhaps on consultation with various parties.

#### Questions

- How do we take around about Hotel rooms and value for money fo rgood product. how do we measure that.
- Will it be city and county council.
- What of the extensions to Galway City Museum.
- If we look at Leisureland and refurbishment. We need to allocate attractions a venue, and leisureland complex an attraction. A city of both languages and cultures.
- What will be the outcome of an destination plan. Others can understand the projects such as we wet weather attractions.
- Do we have collective in community, and tourism, sustainable tourism.
- Motivate sales, vacant shops, is there much interaction in relation to retail and tourism.
- In terms of value in relation to destination attractions, Galway City aomes out in a positive light. Access the destination in relation that this is a rare integrity.
- Comments on the leisureland, one of the first projects. Leisreland comes up and Salthill is a key market for plans and be individual with the council.
- In terms of the irish language us a key aspect for the city and connemara.
- The brand will play a key point.
- A progress report to Connemara and aran islands. The report from the most successful plan to date is another plan is the Limerick DEDP for comparison for Galway City and visitor destination.
- Development and residents acroos all regions are working on short term accommodation. We are going to loose accommodation due to the new regulations.
- Community development and support through our engagement process through the community across all plans. Failte Ireland use the VICE model.

-	The VICE model and work with community sectors in relation to community sectors.
-	Supporting the Galway Chamber through the influencer campaign. One of the unique opportunity on
	over occupied with the destinations.
-	In this with the development with the concepts we use community and connections in relations to
	how to promote local destinations.
-	Time frame is 8 months progress for draft in September and October.
Galway	v City Culture &; Creativity Strategy 2023 – 2027
-	The development of acultural strategy for the european capital of culture. The second strategy and
	beneficial by the department.
-	Goal one for the LECP development plans.
-	Cultural insights of the expression and creativity. Creative Ireland is about the cultural development in
	communities and advising their strategy.
-	Access and creative community - funding €160,000
-	Climate change and access - funding €50,000
-	Youth and Children - funding €13,000
_	Creative and communities officer in delivering a call for development at projects of year end. For
	example are working on gaming and building on further projects.
-	Under health and wellbeing project. And working with traveller community.
-	Project in for a and community project for older people.
-	A number of people under climate actions and and working in the westside area for a project in 2025.
-	Climate Action process.
-	Creative communities funding
-	Challenges based funding
-	Everybody matters
-	What are local communities, what are you doing
-	The is a first round and during covid and was focus during covid and benchmarking.
Galway	/ / Gaillimh Tourism Brand
-	The brand is the next couple of weeks.
-	To manage properly in the industry and workshop and benchmark against other destinations.
-	Unique Irish identity
_	Blas Na Gaillimhe
_	We have worked with Gaillimhe na Gaelige is ensuring the language in relation to ensuring visitor
	experiences the language.
Local E	conomic and Community Plan – To hear an update.
-	23rd again to template on consultation
-	draft plans to ensuring group
-	Develop are finalise by QTR 3
Ukrain	ian Humanitarian Response & Community Update
-	Refugees support worker and lead project.
-	Support families and refugees to aid in new arrivals
-	€1,911,918 awarded for clubs and communities, projects.
-	Tangible benefits over the course of 2023-2027
-	Capital cost projects have been approved for grant 28,725 on Ukaranian health and development
	health supports for the refugee committee.
-	Initial proposed a suite of projects, if approved and notify once approved by the department
A.O.B	
-	Language is a value to the opportunity for the city. The role is that the title of irish language and the
	role impacts the irish language planning officer.

- It's included in the work programmes.

**AOB** Continued

- Request for agenda and notices for SPC' to issued two weeks prior to the meeting as per recommendation by the IPA on 9th March 2020, and best practice of three weeks.
- The city council standing order stands at 7 days prior to a meeting.

ATU will present at next SPC on 12th May 2023.

6. Socruithe déanta / Key Decisions Made:

Adoption of Galway Tourism Brand (embargo due to current commercial sensitivity)

Open collaboration with University of Galway and Galway City Council

Commence DEDP for Galway City Council area

7. Gníomhaíochtaí / Action(s) required from GCCN:

Follow up on presentation by University of Galway President open call for engagement with community

Follow up on community engagement process in particular to consultative status of community based on Failte Ireland VICE model for Galway City Council DEDP

Further discussion on Cultural and Creativity strategy

Galway Tourism development impact and community engagement

LECP discussion on outcomes expected by QTR3 of 2023

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

12th May 2023

9. Moltaí breise / Any Other Comments:

Further developments in relation to tourism, economic, retail strategy and how they interlink with cultural and creative developments.

The role of developments and impacts on the community sector.