



**Steering Committee Minutes –
Comhpháirtocht Spóirt na Gaillimhe / Galway Sports Partnership**

11.30am 8 Marta 2023 – The Maldrón Hotel, Sandy Road

Attendance / i láthair –

Cllr Gabe Cronnelly, *Galway County Council*
Kathy Hynes, *University of Galway*
Brian Killian, *GRD*
John O'Donnell, *Galway City Partnership*
Chris Hickey, *GCCN*
David Kennedy, *GCCN*
Paul Gillen, *HSE*
Tom Waters, *Garda Síochána*
Joby Kelly, *Galway County PPN*
Cllr Tom Welby *FORUM Conemmara*
Dermot Mahon, *Galway City Council*
Kieran Coyne, *Galway County Council*

Jason Craughwell, *GSP Programme Coordinator*
Rachel Dervan, *GSP Admin*

Apologies / Leithscéil

David Lee, *ATU*
Sean O'Conghaile, *GRETB*
Joe O'Curraoin, *Comhar na nOileán CTR*
Zoe Langsdale, *Galway County PPN*

Absent / as Láthair

Aisling Ni Dhochartaigh, *Údarás na Gaeltachta*
Cllr Mike Cubbard, *Galway City*

Cllr. Gabe Cronnelly welcomes everyone to the meeting.

Item 1 – Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of previous meeting held on 30th January 2023, proposed by Tom Waters and seconded by Dermot Mahon.

Item 2 – Activity Report

Jason went through the Activity Report and highlights a few programmes – Good2Go, Box Up Funding, International Women's Day, Bike Week 2023 and Horses Connect. He informed the committee that Galway Sports Partnership has received funding from the HSE in the amount of €15,000 and hopes to put €1,000 of this towards setting up another Parkrun location in Inis Mor.

Item 3 – Terms of Reference – 5 References

Sub committees or Work Groups are required to be set up to go through the different grants. A member of the Steering Committee is required to be the Chair of each of these groups and at least one person on the group should be from the area involved. Jason highlighted that both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are de facto members of all working groups.

- A) Club Development Grant Work Group – Volunteers on this group are; Tom Waters, Kieran Coyne, Joby Kelly and David Kennedy.

The Club Development Grant is due to be advertised in the coming weeks. Joby asked the Chair if one of the criteria in regards to submission of applications can be for applicants to submit proof of insurance Indemnity along with their submission. Jason will chat to Joby and the Chair regarding this proposal at a later date.

Proposed by Gabe Cronnelly and Seconded by Tom Waters.

- B) Governance Work Group – Volunteers on this group are: Dermot Mahon, John O'Donnell, Tom Waters, Gabe Cronnelly and Mike Cubbard. (Mike Cubbard - proposed by Dermot Mahon in his absence.)

This group is to ensure the Governance of GSP is kept up to date with a review of the Steering Committee to be reviewed.

Kathy Hynes asked what change has there been since the last Governance Sub Committee in 2021? Jason replied that this is a group to ensure the Governance is kept up to date.

Proposed by David Kennedy and Seconded by John O'Donnell.

- C) Active Cities – Volunteers for this group are: Chris Hickey, Kathy Hynes, Mike Cubbard and another relevant members external to GSP.

Proposed by Gabe Cronnelly and Seconded by Chris Hickey

- D) Community Sports Hub – Ballinasloe - Volunteers on this group are: Joby Kelly and other local members of the public from the Ballinasloe Area.

- E) Community Sports Hub – Aran Islands – Jason will link in with Joe O'Curraoin and find out about local members who may be able to take part in this group.

Item 4 – GSP Coordinator Position

The request to fill this position on a temporary basis is currently with Sport Ireland and Human Resources (Galway County Council).

Kieran explains that this post is a permanent position, but Sport Ireland has not yet confirmed their intention to permanently fill this position.

They are waiting on Sport Ireland to allow the filling of this position on a temporary basis until a permanent officer can be sought.

Dermot stated that the decision to fill the post on a temporary / non-permanent basis should be agreed by the Sports Partnership Steering Committee in the first instance. It is of course a matter thereafter for Galway County Council as the employer to advertise and fill the post, but in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee. Kieran replied that in line with Governance, it is the role of Galway County Council to fill this position, as they are the employer.

Kathy proposed to bring this matter to Sport Ireland to move it forward. Kieran will follow up on this with Sport Ireland.

Item 5 – Ballybane / Doughiska Sports Hub

Jason explains that the funding for the Sports Hub in Doughiska expires this year. He has asked different LSP's about their Sports Hubs and only 2 LSP's have continued to fund their Sports Hubs from their Core Funds. Jason will meet with the ARD Resource Centre and discuss the contract of the Sports Hub Coordinator with Imelda and Paul.

Item 6 - AOB

Jason has informed the committee that the Dormant Account Application form has been released and that if the steering committee would like to view this and submit any proposals for the funding to contact him.

Item 7 – Dates of Next Meeting

The date of the next Steering Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday May 17th at 11am – venue to be confirmed at a later date.

Meeting Ends.

Chairperson:

Date: