**Secretariat minutes 18 April 2023**

Present: Mick, Ernie, Gerry, Steven, Deirdre, Rachel

Apologies: Gavan, Deirdre John, Catherine,

Staff: Resource Worker (note taker),

**Minutes: represent, educate, network**

1. The minutes from the previous meeting in March were proposed by Mick and seconded by Gerry. The minutes from March are uploaded to the website [here](https://dublincityppn.ie/secretariat/). No matters arising from the last minutes.
2. Discussion about a recent proposal by Paul Woodward, (Ernie left the Zoom while the discussion took place). Paul Woodward was informed by email of the Secretariat’s decision.
3. Resource Worker updates:

The 2023 Q1 report was presented to the Secretariat in “easy read” format, to make it easier for people to follow. The document is uploaded to the website [here](https://dublincityppn.ie/resources/).

The 2023 Income and Expenditure Report was sent to DRCD in March and there were four queries, which were responded to on return of query.

The additional financial contribution of 75K from DCC has been agreed verbally, and DCVC will send an invoice for the full amount asap. It is hoped that additional funding from DCC will be included in the next SLA in December 2023, to provide more consistency.

There are a number of [events from April – June,](https://dublincityppn.ie/events/) in addition to having to complete the annual report for the Department, so this period is very busy. Suggestion to identify the second Consultant Facilitator from the panel (from November 2022), to help with the Planning/Housing Linkage Groups and the Environmental Pillar, was met with approval from the Secretariat. There are 5 PPN events planned for the last week of April alone – 3 pre-submission information sessions for the LECP, an event organised by the Migrant Thematic Group, and a Last Thursday of the month meet-up. Follow the [Bulletins](https://dublincityppn.ie/news-events/) for further information.

1. Updates from the Secretariat

* **Mick**

The Disability Thematic Group are working on a pull-up/a brochure/broaches and would like to have 10 – 20 minutes of the November Plenary to update the wider PPN on their work.

* Gerry

Gerry brought up the issue of the end of the eviction ban at the NAG recently. He would like to see all the Housing SPC reps meet to discuss this issue and how it effects the most vulnerable people in the city the most. He would welcome a nationally agreed statement on the lifting of the eviction ban, and hopes that the way through this is with the NAG. He would also welcome that the next National Conference (to be held in Wexford on 05/06 October) have a space for motions to be passed and decisions to be made, rather than having too many presentations.

* Ernie

Ernie would like to encourage the Climate SPC reps to think about “liquid trees” and Mayawaki forest projects and if they can be implemented by the council. Ernie to talk to Climate SPC Reps about how to do this before the next meeting.

1. **Any other business**

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1. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 09 May, 6.30pm – 8.30pm in person at Carmichael and online.