



Dear Members,

We have a few PPN related reminders for you heading into the weekend

1. **Clare PPN's Autumn Plenary Meeting** will take place on October 8<sup>th</sup> at our meeting rooms in the Clonroad Business Park at 7pm (behind LCETB). We'll have refreshments, a chance to catch up with some of our new representatives and we'll do an update on our work for the last quarter and seek your suggestions and priorities for our work for the rest of the year. All welcome including those who would like to learn more about Clare PPN. We particularly encourage our member groups to do their very best to attend these plenaries as they are your chance to direct your PPN's work and agenda.

Please reserve a ticket here:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/clare-ppn-public-plenary-meeting-tickets-73095692183>

2. **Elections, Elections, Elections- Reminder Deadline Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

We are currently holding elections from among our member groups for representative seats on all of Clare County Council's Strategic Policy Committees. The deadline for having nominations in is this Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. As we previously notified all members there are seats available for each college of Clare PPN on four committees where you will represent our member groups. We are seeking people to come forward on a voluntary basis. They will be given training, support and their travel expenses will be covered and you can read details at the links below of the seats that are up for grabs. Please select the link according to the college your group is in within Clare PPN (Environmental College, Social Inclusion College and the Community & Voluntary College). If you don't know your college or need any help with making a nomination, please drop us an email with your phone number in it and we'll get on to you on Monday to help.

Community and Voluntary Strategic Policy Committee Elections information here:

<http://clareppn.ie/notice-of-elections-for-community-representatives-for-clare-county-councils-strategic-policy-committees/>

Social Inclusion Strategic Policy Committee Elections information here:

<http://clareppn.ie/6153-2/>

Environment Strategic Policy Committee Elections information here:

<http://clareppn.ie/notice-elections-for-environmental-seats-on-clare-county-councils-policy-committees/>

3. **National Conference for Public Participation Networks** October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> 2019 Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Carlow. You are all invited to attend this annual conference in Carlow where there'll be talks, workshops, training and a chance to meet and hear from other PPNs around the country. If you are a secretariat member or representative of Clare PPN and wish to attend please get in touch with [admin@clareppn.ie](mailto:admin@clareppn.ie) as we will be able to help with travel and accommodation costs for a limited number of people. You can book tickets to the conference here <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/national-public-participation-network-ppn-conference-2019-tickets-65787350737>
  
4. **Good Governance Webinar #2** - October 9<sup>th</sup> 1.45 pm Clare Education Centre. We are delighted to be working with Clare Volunteer Centre and the Carmichael Centre on a series of webinars to help community groups with Governance and the Charities Governance Code. This workshop is the second in a series of three and will focus on developing volunteer and staff roles for your organisation and on developing codes of conduct for staff and volunteers in your organisation. This webinar will be delivered by video link and so all you need is yourself and a pen and paper. It is free but must be reserved in advance at this link below: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/good-governance-webinar-2-tickets-70152061705>

Many thanks  
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PPN member group Clare Leader Forum had a great day yesterday in Ennis for Make Way Day