





**MINUTES OF KILDARE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NETWORK SECRETARIAT MEETING  
9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023**

<p>indicated that they will cease hosting on Dec 31 2023.</p> <p>GF informed the meeting that the PPN had secured extra funding and requested that this be used to bring the staff up to grades 4 and 5. These amounts were circulated in Circular Letter CVSP1/2015 from the Dept and in Circular CVSP 5/2022 from the Dept which stated that the funding may be used for staff salaries. GF then left the meeting to allow discussion on this. In the discussion that followed more information was sought as follows:</p> <p>Is this once off funding? or is it part of the core funding going forward. AC to write to the Dept for clarification before the Staff Liaison and Finance Committee meet so that they can put a proposal to the Secretariat before next meeting.</p> <p>Another observation was made as to the wisdom of using all the extra funding on salaries as there has to be decisions on options of hosting going forward either hosting by KCC, another community group or setting up a private company.</p> <p><b>7. Frequency of meetings</b></p> <p>The secretariat has an ambition to move to every 6 weeks, to be discussed again in 3 months (April meeting)</p> <p><b>8. Election Procedures</b></p> <p>GF re-joined the meeting. The members of this group LD, PF and GF to meeting and examine our election process before going out for elections as we are having challenges in attracting people and filling seats. GF requested that GC join this group as she has in the past and will going forward organise and run the elections.</p> <p><b>9. Wellbeing statement</b></p> <p>GF informed the meeting that training will be held for staff and Secretariat. NSH has expressed interest in attending this training. GF will give an update at the next meeting.</p> <p><b>10.</b> LD informed the meeting that hopefully Climate Action Weekend would take place on May 18 to 22 and requested input and support from all Secretariat members.</p>	<p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p>LD/GF</p> <p>GF</p> <p>LD</p>	<p></p> <p>AC to write to the Dept</p> <p></p> <p>Meeting to be organised</p>
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**Next Meeting : February 20<sup>th</sup> 2023 – KCC Building**

Signature: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_