



Public Participation Network Feedback Form: Governance SPC



PPN Community & Voluntary elected representatives: Brendan Murtagh, Pamela Martin

PPN Social Inclusion elected representative: Teresa Kearney

Date of Meeting: 2nd February, 2021.

Meeting Agenda

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Governance Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the 20th October 2020 - copy enclosed.
2. Matters arising from Minutes.
3. Declaration of Interests.
4. To note Supplementary Standing Orders – Remote Meetings – adopted at November meeting of Longford County Council – enclosed.
5. Corporate Plan 2019-2024 Implementation – Presentation
6. County Longford Digital Strategy Update.
7. Presentation on the Standards in Public Office Commission (SIPO)

In Attendance: Councillor Mick Cahill (Chairman)

Councillors – Seamus Butler, John Browne, Colin Dalton, P.J. Reilly.
Fulton Grant, Pamela Martin, Teresa Kearney, Brendan Murtagh, Kerie Murray.
John McKeon, Director of Services/Head of Finance.
Nora O’Farrell, Senior Executive Officer.
Mr. Danny Lynch, Head of Information Systems.
Ms. Christine Kelleher, Broadband Officer.
Ann Marie Mc Keon, Administrative Officer

Apologies: None.

Absent:

Presentations: Yes / No (details if Yes)

3 Presentations: Nora O’Farrell - Corporate Plan 2019 to 2024.
Danny Lynch & Christine Collins - Digital Strategy Update.
Nora O’Farrell - S I P O

Agenda item	Member	Discussion	Actions / Who
<u>Item 1</u>	Mick Cahill	Adopted by Seconded by	John Browne Seamus Butler
<u>Item 2</u>		No matters arising from Minutes	
<u>Item 3</u>		No Declarations of Interests	
<u>Item 4</u>		No Standing Orders	
<u>Item 5</u>	Nora O'Farrell	Presentation on Corporate Plan Implementation 2019 – 2024. This was a comprehensive and aspirational piece of work. There was no discussion on the contents of this presentation.	Commended by councillors
<u>Item 6</u>	Danny Lynch & Christine Collins	Presentation on Digital Strategy Update – 2020 to 2023 Longford has made great progress with the installation of its broadband hubs from 2016 when the county was talked about as being one of the worst counties for its lack of connectivity. BCP's were set up in Longford in 2019/20 and the county was one of the first to install this system. This in turn has presented the opportunity for remote working from rural areas.	Commended by councillors

<u>Item7</u>	Nora O'Farrell	<p>Presentation on Standards in Public Office Commission SIPO which oversees ethics, electoral, state finance and lobbying legislation.</p> <p>Nora spoke on these two circulars and said there were long documents but her own personal opinion was "that public service is at the heart of what we do".</p> <p>John Browne asked about how often or were they ever requested for viewing or comment.</p>	
<u>Item8</u>	Mick Cahill	Meeting concluded and next meeting was arranged for 20 th April 2021.	