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STRUCTURE OF THE PPN (County/City, Plenary, Secretariat, Municipal Districts PPNs, Linkage Groups, Membership)

The PPN structure is too slanted in favour of bigger urban centres. Thus in the SDCC area the PPN is dominated by Tallaght /Lucan? Clondalkin. Issues facing areas like Knocklyon, Rathfarnham, Templeogue or neglected because they do not have enough Votes at PPN meetings.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PPN (Participation and Representation on Decision/Policy Making Bodies, Capacity Building and Training, Information Sharing and Communication)

The PPN is ineffective because the Councillors see it as competing with them and the Council see it as a nuisance being another body that is interfering with their work. The PPN should be more involved with community developments and should be a voice that the Council listen to.

OPERATION OF PPNs (Budget and Work plan, Resource Worker, Support Worker)

The PPN Resource worker for each area needs to be better funded so they can give the time ,energy and ability to be actively supporting all the PPN bodies in their area.

RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE PPN AND THE RESPECTIVE LOCAL AUTHORITY (Budget, Resource Worker, Support Worker)

The relationship is one of pretense. The council pays lip service to listening to the PPN but does not take their advice into account. On many occasions at meetings, the PPN volunteer is more informed than the Councillors or the Council officials.



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