

Monaghan LCDC Peace IV Partnership Action Plan 2017 – 2019



Children and Young People				
Action	Budget (€)	Target Numbers	Delivery Agent	Performance Indicators
<p>Cross community engagement programmes and opportunities for relationship building for those young people who are not involved in organised club sports.</p> <p>This is an innovative project that has been developed using Lego Mindstorm to build good relationships, build bridges and break down barriers.</p> <p>To increase cross-border, cross community co-operation and activities among primary and secondary schools that will transcend barriers and boundaries.</p>	195,152.65	375 young people	Cavan Monaghan Education & Training Board	<p>No of Cross border events – 4</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 56</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 94</p> <p>No of young people participating – 375 of which 9-12 160, 13-16 215</p>
<p>Peace building through sport, particularly opportunities for engagement in minority sports (such as basketball, outdoor pursuits, running, boxing etc.) and sports not considered to be traditional sports of that section of the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop the sports which traditionally in Monaghan are populated by ethnic minorities. (eg. Table Tennis, Basketball, Badminton, Athletics, Tennis) Investigate the potential for establishment of new sports clubs / sporting opportunities 	103,928.93	330 young people	Clones Erne East Sports Facility Management Company Limited (Elements of this project will be done in partnership with Fermanagh Omagh Council)	<p>No of Cross border events – 4</p> <p>No of Participants – 330</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 50</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 83</p> <p>No of young people</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage communities to be more inclusive of all people by designing initiatives which reach out to children from all backgrounds through local primary schools irrespective of religious choice • Use sport / recreation to bring people together in a mutually respectful way. <p>The project aims to remove psychological barriers to reconciliation created as a result of community conflict allowing for interaction between and among people from different backgrounds thereby creating a new environment accepting of cultural/religious differences.</p> <p>The project will concentrate on people living within areas of Monaghan which have been most directly affected by the conflict of Northern Ireland which predominantly includes those areas bordering Counties Armagh, Fermanagh, Tyrone etc and will include a number of rural townlands and small towns in areas such as Drum, Connors, Scotshouse, Clones, Rockcorry, Knockatallon, Ballybay, Truagh / Emyvale.</p> <p>Cross-border sporting leagues, in conjunction with Fermanagh and Omagh District, to provide an opportunity for club sports to be linked across the border and a re-connection of communities divided as a result of conflict.</p> <p>It has been established that there are sports clubs based in small rural areas that require support and development in order to reach their potential. Some of</p>				<p>participating – 330 of which 13-16 165, 17-24 165 No of sessions that address sectarianism, racism or deal with conflict resolution – 4 No of groups supported - 12</p>
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<p>these groups are historically single-denominational clubs of either protestant or catholic membership.</p> <p>Often the structure of games and competitions means that some of these clubs are never presented with an opportunity to interact fully. A need clearly exists to bring these groups together in a positive manner through sports activities which can be carried out in a social manner or competitive manner depending on the aspirations of the participants through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage interaction through a twinning process of stronger sports clubs with weaker clubs • Develop ongoing opportunities for interaction on a continuous / regular basis that will promote reconciliation and acceptance 				
<p>Cross community youth wellbeing and positive mental health programmes.</p> <p>Through the Youth Resilience and Anti Bullying Programme, Cavan and Monaghan Education and Training Board are proposing to implement 3 specific targeted evidence based programmes that will directly challenge inherited issues such as intimidation and bullying and positively educate our young people so that they are enabled to embrace the world in which they live in, in a more tolerant and trusting way and aid with the establishment of a more peaceful and stable society for all.</p>	150,527.29	100 young people	Cavan Monaghan Education & Training Board	<p>No of Participants – 100</p> <p>No of young people participating – 100 (13-18)</p> <p>No of events/activities – 56</p> <p>No of cross border events – 2</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background</p>

<p>1. A Youth Resilience Support Worker will be employed and will link Second level schools and Youth Service Providers to ensure support for young people within the age range of 12 – 18 years. The programme will be aimed specifically to build psychological resilience among young people and to increase the capacity of families/society to care for their children through an integrated programme of support.</p> <p>2. An Evidence based Internationally recognised Early Intervention Anti Bullying programme (KiVa) will be piloted in Co. Monaghan to tackle inherited barriers and build bridges among young people. It includes an annual child online survey, whole school activities and materials, class lessons, online games for children, a parents’ website, and materials for a school parent evening.</p> <p>3. Teacher Classroom Management (TCM) Programme - a teacher/childcare practitioner programme, providing a cohesive strategy to address and eliminate behavioural difficulties in children in a positive way. TCM is suited to challenge young people in a sensitive way in relation to inherited cycles of behaviour, attitudes and misconceptions they have developed. TCM also provides for parents of the young people to ensure that they too are educated so that a safer and more protected environment is created for their young people. The programme will encourage the prevention,</p>				<p>– 15 No of participants from a minority faith background - 25</p>
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reduction and treatment of early onset conduct behaviours and emotional problems and promote child social competence, emotional regulation and problem solving.				
<p>Shared cultural activities & experience programmes run in 3 libraries in the county – Carrickmacross, Clones and Monaghan enabling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Young people to research their cultural heritage and sharing this information. ➤ A portfolio of creative workshops themed on the traditional crafts of the participants who live in our county e.g. Lithuanian craft of Sodai, Congolese tribal masks and drums, Latvian wooden crafts, Irish celtic crafts. ➤ A series of talks and demonstrations facilitated by professional artists and designers. <p>Development of maker spaces in our libraries for young people to explore, learn and share cultural heritage in a creative and innovative environment, using the best of modern technologies.</p>	104,254.63	100 young people	Monaghan County Council – Library Service	<p>No of participants – 100</p> <p>No of young people participating – 100 of which 13 -16 50, 17-24 50</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 15</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 25</p>
Total €	553,863.50	905		

Shared Space – Available budget €931,526			
Action	Budget (€)	Delivery Agent	Performance Indicators
Outdoor space adjacent to the proposed community hub. Space for minority sports and outdoor adventure. Multi use games area. Final design to be agreed in consultation with user groups and will incorporate basketball court, tennis court, soccer pitch, skate park and lighting.	250,000	Monaghan County Council	Facility developed and completed – 1 User numbers in new facilities to have 15% participation from minority ethnic communities and 25% participation from minority faith communities.
Re-development of Rossmore Park including the incorporation of an outdoor recreational space including consideration of a community sensory garden, playpark and allotment space for joint activity. Project development will be undertaken through a co-design process in consultation with community groups and potential user groups, thereby maximising cross community engagement and buy-in to the project concept. The co-design process will encourage social interaction thereby creating vibrant communities, contribute to achieving quality of life for disadvantaged communities, contribute to improvements in health and wellbeing, underpin sustainable communities and ensure the space is open and welcoming to all. A memorandum of understanding is in place with Coillte to give Monaghan County Council management control of the forest park thereby ensuring the project is maintained and that long lasting benefits of Peace IV are achieved.	301,526 (Expected project costs to be in the region of €351,850 balance to be found by Monaghan County Council, or scope scaled down)	Monaghan County Council in partnership with Coillte.	Facility developed and completed – 1 User numbers in new facilities to have 15% participation from minority ethnic communities and 25% participation from minority faith communities.
Development of the former An Post Office in Clones as a cultural hub to include music, dance and the arts. The space will be transformed into a purpose arts venue	€200,000 (Expected project costs €206,262.20)	Monaghan County Council in	Facility developed and completed – 1 User numbers in new facilities to have 15% participation from minority ethnic

that will be open and welcoming to all members of the community, and will promote and instigate cross-community relations through the arts. It is recognised that the arts can offer a unique set of tools for transforming conflict in a manner which is innovative, inclusive and safe. This project will provide the opportunity for artists and community based art groups to extend their working practices, activities and dissemination of work to include minority communities as a method of negating racism and sectarianism in the county.	balance to be found by MCC)	partnership with Monaghan Artists Collective	communities and 25% participation from minority faith communities.
Small grants programme for local facilities (Max €30,000 per grant), to undertake works in line with programme objectives.	180,000	Monaghan County Council	No of groups participating – 6 User numbers in new facilities to have 15% participation from minority ethnic communities and 25% participation from minority faith communities.
Total	931,526		

Building Positive Relations – Available budget €1,141,217				
Action	Budget (€)	Target Numbers	Delivery Agent	Performance Indicators
<p>Community leaders/citizenship programme - TEAM Project (Together Everyone Achieves More)</p> <p>This project will support the building of positive relations between men from new communities, minority communities, older men, unemployed men and men who are socially isolated in Co Monaghan. By providing support to the sheds network to engage new members from ethnic minority communities, older age groups and unemployed backgrounds and facilitating groups to participate in collaborative projects within the local community that provide opportunities to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Reflect on past conflict, examine multiculturalism, learn how to combat racism through structured multicultural training. ii. Leadership skills, active citizenship and group dynamics training. iii. Skills development iv. Participants will be empowered to identify the nature of the community projects they wish to engage in and how these projects facilitate building positive relationships in the community v. Develop conversational language networks, 	160,136	80	Monaghan Integrated Development	<p>No of participants – 80</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 40</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 20</p>

open to all ethnic minority communities.				
<p>Intergenerational programmes: To raise awareness and understanding of a border town. To enable young people to understand why older generations hold their values, perceptions and beliefs.</p> <p>a. My Life Your Life: Using resources created in PEACE III, Border Roads Memories Project, case studies based on experiences of those living in the border will be brought to life through drama and film.</p> <p>b. Remembering Together: Life Story books compiled capturing memories/stories of individuals who grew up in border towns.</p> <p>c. Life on the Railway: The impact of railway closure on Clones and its neighboring towns.</p> <p>d. Lost Skills Revived: Through traditional skills, young people will learn forgotten crafts e.g. sewing, crochet, knitting, which will be put on display in public areas.</p> <p>e. Connecting the Choirs: Building a bandstand in</p>	143,517.35	285	Monaghan County Council – Youth Officer	<p>No of participants – 285</p> <p>No of young people participating – 185 of which 13-16 145</p> <p>No of intergenerational events – 6</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 43</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 72</p>

<p>the community & providing an opportunity to bring an intergenerational choir together to perform to the community.</p> <p>f. Scouting Stories both sides of the border: A look at the scouting history of 2nd Monaghan, Monaghan Town Scout Group and a neighboring cross border scout group over the past 70 years.</p>				
<p>Establishing cross community/cross border connections through activities where individuals have the opportunity to step outside their comfort zone, challenge their beliefs and build trust in joint activities.</p> <p>Establishing a programme of community dancing (old time dancing, country etc.) and events such as agricultural shows on a cross community and cross border basis to normalise cross community engagement and break down invisible barriers to personal friendships. These should seek to use existing community spaces which may be perceived to be single identity spaces (such as Orange Halls and GAA clubs) to challenge perceptions of demarcation of space and facilitate cross community acceptance and utilisation of space.</p> <p>Establishing a programme of multi-cultural events to raise awareness of other cultures through food, music, dance and costume. These could take the form of 'Agenda Days' developed and managed by young</p>	174,362.41	550	County Monaghan Community Network	<p>No of Cross border events – 6 No of Participants – 550 No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 82 No of participants from a minority faith background - 138 No of sessions that address sectarianism, racism or deal with conflict resolution – 2 No of groups supported – 5 No of events - 12</p>

people for other young people in addition to a wider audience including adults, older people and younger children.				
<p>Enabling the creation of cross community connections and friendships through the identification of hidden skills and contact between like-minded individuals.</p> <p>Awareness programmes on the cultural background and use of the Irish Language and Ulster Scots, as well as musical traditions connected to the Protestant and Catholic cultures to increase acceptance and understanding.</p>	154,362.41	300	County Monaghan Community Network	<p>No of Cross border events – 6</p> <p>No of Participants – 300</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 45</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 75</p> <p>No of sessions that address sectarianism, racism or deal with conflict resolution – 2</p> <p>No of groups supported – 5</p> <p>No of events - 10</p>
<p>Cultural awareness: Development of Peace Sanctuary</p> <p>This project will implement the County of Sanctuary programme in Monaghan and will see Monaghan become the first County of Sanctuary in Ireland.</p> <p>It will celebrate Monaghan’s success as a county where</p>	72,416.49	3000	Monaghan County Council – Social Inclusion Unit and Equality Sub group.	<p>No of Cross border events – 4</p> <p>No of Participants – 3000</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority</p>

<p>people can feel safe and can live without prejudice and sectarianism. The County of Sanctuary programme aims to build a culture of hospitality and tolerance in our communities, where diversity is celebrated and respected.</p> <p>The programme will bring together community groups, local businesses, schools, churches and other service delivery agencies in the county to raise awareness of the vibrant multicultural population that now reside in County Monaghan.</p>				<p>background – 450</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 600</p> <p>No of sessions that address sectarianism, racism or deal with conflict resolution – 2</p> <p>No of events – 22</p> <p>No of toolkits developed - 1</p>
<p>Small grants programme linked to objectives above. (Max €75,000 per grant)</p>	442,528.17	1000	Monaghan County Council	<p>No of groups participating – 5</p> <p>No of participants – 1000</p> <p>No of participants from an ethnic minority background – 150</p> <p>No of participants from a minority faith background - 250</p>
Total	1,147,322.80	5,130		