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Welcome to the first edition of our Antrim and Newtownabbey PEACE IV Newsletter!

This newsletter will provide regular updates on the progress of programmes and keep you up to date with events and communications. If you would like further information please contact the PEACE Team using the contact details below.

So Far...

After an extensive consultation, engagement and application process, Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council received a Letter of Offer for £3.2 million in August 2017 from the Special European Union Programmes Body.

This will facilitate the delivery of a range of programmes aimed at promoting peace and reconciliation in the Borough under three key themes;

Building Positive Relations | Children and Young People | Shared Spaces and Services

Tender Opportunities

A range of programmes will be available via public tender under Phase III. This will be advertised on Esourcing NI (www.e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk) and signposted on eTendersNI (www.etendersni.gov.uk) and eTendersIE (www.etenders.gov.ie) from 18th April 2018.

Project Update

A range of Delivery Agents have now been appointed and recruitment for the following programmes is underway:

Dialogue Programme - Copius Advisory Capacity Building and Engagement Programme - LEDCOM Leadership and Life Skills Programme - Todds Leap Community Connections Programme - Blu Zebra



Building Positive Relations - Dialogue Programme - Delivered by Copius Advisory

Smart Objective

To deliver a Dialogue Programme to initiate and conduct hard conversations with 8 areas over 3 years and 48 participants aimed at building their capacity and resilience skills to discuss contested spaces, to overcome the influence of gatekeepers and to undertake dialogue in safe places on hard issues - includes a resource allocation (RA).

Key Outputs

- 1. Recruitment of 6 participants (emerging leaders) from 8 target areas. It is anticipated that participants will be members of local community based organisations working in the target areas. All participants must be committed to engaging in dialogue around contentious issues and to working in partnership collaboratively, planning imaginative ways of reducing tensions locally and creating more shared areas. Cross community intake will be essential and participants must not have previously engaged in a similar dialogue programme under PEACE III
- 2. Completion of 48 training needs analysis
- 3. Facilitation of a capacity building for dialogue programme in 8 areas, engaging with participants for a minimum of a half day per month for 6 months
- 4. Facilitation of post capacity building dialogue sessions in 8 areas, engaging with participants for a minimum of a half day per month for 6 months
- 5. Facilitation of 3 shared events
- 6. Delivery of 8 small projects that reflect the application of learning from the programme (Resource Allocation budget of £2,000 per project)
- 7. Exit strategy to include awareness of how programme participants can use their training and increase understanding to benefit their local communities beyond the life of the programme

Project Targets

The culmination of the project engagement from the 48 minimal participants will be the delivery of a conference where the 8 areas and all participants, their respective local groups and the wider local community will come to a celebration event and learn of the projects and use of the resources in other communities across the Antrim and Newtownabbey region, October - December 2019.

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<u>Building Positive Relations - Capacity Building and Engagement Programme - Delivered by LEDCOM (Local Economic Development Company)</u>

Smart Objective

To deliver an accredited and non-accredited leadership, personal development and active citizenship programme in each of the 7 District Electoral Areas (DEA's) in Antrim and Newtownabbey for circa 238 participants aimed at building leadership and team work skills, empowering young people to take greater control of their own lives and building their emotional intelligence and coping skills.

Key Outputs

- 1. Facilitation of a minimum of 4-5 days individual group mentoring support for all participant aroups
- 2. Development of 35 "peace proofed" area improvement plans
- 3. Facilitation of a minimum of 10 days collective participant mentoring and engagement sessions in each DEA (minimum 70 days total) which will include a focus upon development and implementation of a peace building project(s)
- 4. Delivery of a minimum of 7 peace building projects, one in each DEA, utilising the resource allocation budget (£70,000)

Project Targets

Recruitment of 5 participant groups from each DEA (35 total) - participant groups should be those who have not previously engaged with PEACE III or had limited engagement. It is anticipated that community capacity will vary between participant groups to include those well-established but have had limited engagement in peace and reconciliation to those more recently established/less experienced in community development.

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Children and Young People - Leadership and Life Skills Programme - Delivered by Todds Leap

Smart Objective

To deliver an accredited and non-accredited leadership, personal development and active citizenship programme in each of the 7 DEA's in Antrim and Newtownabbey for circa 238 aimed at building leadership and teamwork skills, empowering young people to take greater control of their own lives and building their emotional intelligence and coping skills.

Key Outputs

- 1. Recruitment of circa 34 young people in each of the 7 DEA's (238 in total)
- 2. Delivery of a leadership, personal development and active citizenship programme in each of the 7 DEA's (minimum 12 week programme)
- 3. Inclusion of an engagement with elected members element to the programme
- 4. Inclusion of an engagement with community planning element to the programme
- 5. Inclusion of activities promoting citizenship, understanding cultural identity, respecting diversity, conflict management and mediation
- 6. Use of innovative multimedia and creative media engagement and planning techniques to work with the young people in the planning services in the areas in which they live
- 7. Planning and delivery of an end of project event/conference by the young people which celebrates the work of the project

Project Targets

Minimum of 34 young people aged 14 to 18 per DEA (x7) in Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough for a minimum of 238 total participants.

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<u>Shared Space and Services - Community Connections Programme - Delivered by Blu Zebra Ltd.</u>

Smart Objective

To deliver a Place Making Programme in circa 7 areas with circa 70 participants over 3 years through a place making dialogue and networking approach with a view to inspiring people to collectively re-imagine or reinvent public spaces within their communities.

Key Outputs

- 1. Recruitment of 10 participants from each DEA (70 total)
- 2. Facilitation of a minimum of 26 hours or 6 months sustained participant engagement and dialogue in each DEA
- 3. Representatives from each DEA to participate in good practice networking/site visits
- 4. Identification of at least 1 re-imaging project per DEA
- 5. Addressed sectarianism and racism through the improved use of civic and shared spaces
- 6. Cross community involvement of people from diverse backgrounds in the creation of shared spaces and services
- 7. Enhanced community capacity to engage in peace building activity

Project Targets

Recruitment of 10 participants from each DEA (70 total)

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