



Invitation to Participate: Partition: What did it do for us?

As part of Fermanagh and Omagh District Council's Good Relations programme you are invited to participate in a series of discussions being delivered as part of our contribution to Council's NI2021 programme. Delivered by the Junction, the programme 'Partition: What did it do for us?' will explore key historical events of the period.

Background

On the 23rd December 1920, the Government of Ireland Act was signed off by King George V and the Partition of Ireland became a legal reality. Much violence took place. Out of the violence two confessional states emerged from centuries of colonial domination and rule, and from centuries of political and religious sectarianism.

The Act of 1920 not only partitioned Ireland, it partitioned the Province of Ulster, Irish Unionism and Irish Nationalism. All of this had consequences and has left legacies, still experienced and felt to the present.

In this centenary year of Partition, the programme will critically examine the road to Partition, the content of the Government of Ireland Act, and how it left two minority communities; northern Nationalists and southern Unionists, each beached on the wrong side of the border. The programme will also look at the Boundary Commission, tasked to make appropriate changes to the boundary or border between the two states.

When

The programme is being delivered online over 6 sessions. In order to get the most out of the programme, it is essential that you participate in all sessions.

The programme will be delivered on the following dates:

Thursday 21 October at 2.00 – 3.30 pm

The Road to Partition

Thursday 28 October at 2.00 – 3.30 pm State Security and State Religion

Thursday 4 November at 2.00 – 3.30 pm

The Partition of Irish Unionism

Thursday 11 November at 2.00 – 3.30 pm

The Partition of Irish Nationalism

Thursday 18 November at 2.00 – 3.30 pm

The Boundary Commission: An Exercise in Futility

Thursday 25 November at 2.00 – 3.30 pm What Will We Do With The Future?

If you would like to participate on the programme, please reserve your place as soon possible either by email goodrelations@fermanaghomagh.com or telephone 0300 303 1777

Places are limited and will be provided on a first come first served basis.