



## **Fermanagh and Omagh District Council**

# **PEACE IV – Cross Community / Cross Border Youth Sports Programme**

## **GUIDANCE NOTES**



## Introduction

In its role as lead partner Fermanagh and Omagh District Council wishes to invite Expressions of Interest under the PEACE IV Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sports Programme - enhancing the capacity of children and young people to form positive and effective relationships with others of a different background and make a positive contribution to building a cohesive society through minority sports participation.

This element will invest in children and young people so that they can reach their potential and maximise their contribution to a more cohesive society. It will bring about change in the form of clear, meaningful and sustainable 'distance travelled' for individual young people in terms of good relations, personal development and citizenship.

This intervention will **result** in an increase in the percentage of 16 year olds who socialise or play sport with people from a different religious community; who think relations between Protestants and Catholics are better than they were five years ago; and who think relations between Protestants and Catholics will be better in five years' time.

## Project Definition

It has been determined that at least 12 Youth Minority Sports Groups should be established or supported in the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council area.

The objectives of the Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sport Programme is to:

- Deliver an inclusive coach led youth initiative involving sports that will engage young people in sporting activities which they enjoy while forming positive relationships with people that they would not normally socialise or play sport with.
- 10 Youth Minority Sports Groups established or supported in sports which are not traditionally played in the Fermanagh and Omagh area e.g. soccer / GAA Football.
- Up to 240 young people from both communities playing a new sport, away from the traditional sports played in Northern Ireland and building relationships with members from other religious backgrounds through membership of one or more sporting clubs.





- Up to 24 young people / members trained in youth leadership / sports coaching to maintain sporting clubs post-funding.

### **Additional Information**

- The intensity of engagement for each participant (8 - 24 years old) must equate to a minimum period of 6 months or equivalent (26 hours).
- Activities must be extra-curricular and delivered outside of school hours
- Funding of approximately £1400 is available to successful applicants for venue hire, sports equipment and coach education, with a view to ensuring the sustainability of activities after the programme has concluded.
- Programmes / events **must** be free of charge for participants throughout the duration of the project.

### **Selection**

The selection of applicants will be based on their submission at the Expression of Interest (EOI) stage. A number of groups / clubs have been assessed and selected through the first call for Expressions of Interest. Any applications submitted in this call will be assessed separately to those already selected. If applicable, a reserve list will be created. An expression of interest form and guidance notes can be downloaded from [www.fermanaghomagh.com](http://www.fermanaghomagh.com).

Completed forms should be returned no later than **12 noon** on ~~Friday 4~~ **Wednesday 6 June 2018** in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the outside 'PEACE IV Youth Sports Programme' to:  
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, Townhall, 2 Townhall Street, Enniskillen, Co.  
Fermanagh, BT74 7BA or The Sperrin Centre, 1 Market Street, Omagh, Co.Tyrone, BT78 1EE or alternatively, via email to [ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com](mailto:ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com). Expression of Interest Forms received after this date and time will be deemed ineligible.

For further information on the Expression of Interest process please contact Ryan Hanna, Leisure Recreation and Sport PEACE IV Project Officer on [0300 303 1777](tel:03003031777).





## **PROGRAMME SPECIFIC CRITERIA**

### **1. Can you demonstrate why there is a need to establish / support a youth minority sports group / club in your area?**

#### ***Assessment criteria***

- Can you demonstrate why there is a need to deliver your project?
- How did you identify the need to develop the project?
- What is the minority sport of interest / selected?

### **2. Please describe who benefits from the provision the group / club currently provides? Who potentially will benefit from the new / additional activities?**

#### ***Assessment criteria***

- Participation Numbers?
- Frequency of group sessions?
- Demographic?
- Consulted with potential programme participants?

### **3. Please outline how the group will achieve cross-community engagement in the programme to enhance peace and reconciliation in the area? Once engaged, how will the new youth minority sports group be sustained beyond the PEACE IV Programme?**

#### ***Assessment criteria***

- Participation Target – 50% Catholic / 50% Protestant
- Evidence of cross-community / cross-border links
- Are there schools etc. in the area to target participants?
- Sustainability - Further training? Advertising? Recruitment?

### **4. For the minority sport/s identified, please advise any suitable facilities in the area that could be utilised for the project?**

#### ***Assessment criteria***

- Who owns the facility? Contact details?
- Suitable for delivery of minority sports selected?
- Cost per hour / session?

