

**Fermanagh and Omagh District Council**

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

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

**Please Note: This is a single stage selection process.**

**The information provided in this form should be of sufficient detail to enable the assessment panel to reach a decision on the quality of the proposed project.**



## Background

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council has secured £2.6m to deliver a PEACE IV Local Action Plan for the district to promote positive relations between people from different backgrounds and communities. The programme is supported by the European Union's PEACE IV Programme, managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB).

The PEACE IV Local Action Plan will support 15 programmes or initiatives across three key themes – Children and Young People; Shared Spaces and Services; and Building Positive Relations.

The Local Action Plan was developed following extensive consultation in 2016 with local communities to ensure actions address their needs and issues identified.

A voluntary PEACE IV Partnership - made up of Councillors and representatives from statutory agencies and social partners – will support and monitor the effective delivery of the Local Action Plan.

The PEACE IV Programme is an EU Funded Programme designed to support Peace and Reconciliation in Northern Ireland and the Border Region. It is managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB). Match-funding for this project has been provided by the Executive Office in Northern Ireland and the Department for Rural and Community Development in Ireland

## Conditions of Participation:

Successful groups and organisations will be required to:

- Enter into a development agreement to meet the conditions of the PEACE IV Programme as specified by SEUPB and the Council.
- Strive to achieve equal participation from the two main communities.

Expressions of Interest will be assessed and scored against an agreed 'Cross Community / Cross Border Youth Sports Programme Framework'.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a competitive programme.

The submission of an Expression of Interest is **does not** indicate that your submission will be selected for participation in the programme.



## PEACE IV Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sports Programme

### 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:

- Delivery of an inclusive 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.
- 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).
- 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.
- Activities must be extra-curricular and delivered outside of school hours





## Cross Community / Cross Border Youth Sports Programme Expression of Interest Form

Contact Details	
Name	
Address	
Town	
Postcode	
Contact Person <i>(if different from above)</i>	
Group Name <i>(if applicable)</i>	
Position in Group <i>(if applicable)</i>	
Address for Correspondence <i>(if different from above)</i>	
Telephone Number:	
Mobile Number:	
Email Address:	





**1. Can you demonstrate why there is a need to establish / support a youth minority sports group / club in your area? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)**

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**Please describe who benefits from the provision the group / club currently provides? Who potentially will benefit from the new / additional activities? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)**

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**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? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)**

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**For the minority sport/s identified, please advise any suitable facilities in the area that could be utilised for the project? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)**

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**I/we can confirm that the details supplied are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Name(s):** *Block Capitals* \_\_\_\_\_

The selection of groups / clubs 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.

The Expression of Interest form can be downloaded from [www.fermanaghomagh.com](http://www.fermanaghomagh.com) or a copy can be requested by contacting Ryan Hanna, Leisure Recreation and Sports PEACE IV Project Officer via email: [ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com](mailto:ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com) or tel: 0300 303 1777.

Completed forms should be returned no later than **12 noon on 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.

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For further information on the Expression of Interest process please contact Ryan Hanna on [0300 303 1777 ext. 21168](tel:03003031777)

