

CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS BOROUGH COUNCIL

PEACEPLUS



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Welcome to this month's edition of the Causeway Coast & Glens PEACEPLUS newsletter, a handy source for updates, insights, and information on our PEACEPLUS Local Action Plan.

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PEACEPLUS Partnership Local Action Plan



PEACEPLUS, as a European Union funding programme designed to support Peace & Prosperity across Northern Ireland and the Border Counties of Ireland, will support a range of initiatives designed to promote reconciliation, build trust, and foster understanding between communities.

From beginning to end, the participants, delivery partners, and the PEACEPLUS Partnership will collaborate to nurture strong relationships and help shape a more harmonious, prosperous, and hopeful future for all.

As we move forward we look forward to getting more updates to you!

**Thank you for your continued support
and commitment!**



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**Causeway Coast & Glens
PEACEPLUS Programme**





Social Action Programme

This project has been working in a number of areas, including Glenariffe, to deliver a PEACEPLUS Social Action Programme.

The Delivery Agent - Third Sector Connect - on behalf of Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council, were delighted to receive this feedback from Fern Major, the Trustee of Friends of Glenariffe and Centre Manager at Glenariffe Community & Recreation Centre:

"We have benefited greatly from the support Gavin Nelson and Third Sector Connect have given us over the past few months as part of our engagement in the PEACEPLUS Social Action Programme. Gavin worked with us to develop a community consultation process combining focus groups, surveys and evaluations to assess the social impact of our community programme and the role it plays in helping support community physical and mental wellbeing. As a result, we now have an impact assessment report and an action plan to help ensure Glenariffe Community & Recreation Centre's future sustainability.

We couldn't have achieved so much without Gavin's help and support - he's great to work with, always incredibly well-prepared, focussed and positive, his enthusiasm is infectious and his energy boundless"



Social Action Programme



Collaborating to Strengthen Monitoring and Evaluation

We recently hosted representatives from a number of PEACEPLUS Councils for a Monitoring and Evaluation session focused on approaches to programme monitoring, reporting, and continuous improvement.

The session provided an opportunity to showcase practical Monitoring & Evaluation processes that have been developed to support effective programme delivery and creating space for discussion around the different approaches being adopted across Councils.



A key focus of the day was the importance of robust monitoring and evaluation frameworks that not only meet programme requirements but also provide meaningful insights into the impact of projects within local communities. Discussions highlighted the value of clear processes, consistent data collection, and using evidence to inform decision-making and demonstrating outcomes. It also highlighted ways to interpret complex data into meaningful stories, using clear, jargon-free indicators that make information accessible to a wide range of community stakeholders.



By sharing thoughts, reflecting on different ways of working, and exploring practical solutions, Councils can continue to strengthen their Monitoring & Evaluation practices while supporting the successful delivery of PEACEPLUS across communities.

We would like to thank everyone who attended for their engagement and contributions, helping to support ongoing learning and the continued development of effective Monitoring & Evaluation practices for us all.

Partnership Profile

About me

Personally I have been involved for the past four decades working with a charity for the disabled on a voluntary basis, and campaigning to make their lives better, and trying to make sure they too can benefit from Peace funding, as well as being prepared to lobby for better facilities, and more opportunities to obtain the best medication that at times is not readily available in N.Ireland. By working on the ground and as a National trustee I can see areas where the Peace funding could be channeled. I admire the dedication and energy within many disabled people, and how they use their strength and team work to make a better life for themselves and others.

Role in PEACEPLUS

Having been involved with the Peace Programme since Peace1, I've seen the difference and the impact both the funding and the opportunities have made on communities throughout the Borough. People and groups who previously would never have worked together or even met, have accepted the challenge, worked and grown into better citizens and have passed these skills onto others and so the benefits of the Peace funding continues to live on.

Patricia Crossley

Position / Role:

Social Partner

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**New projects
onboarding**



Older People's Programme &
Intergenerational
Roe Valley Residents Association



Youth Engagement &
Development Programme
Roe Valley Residents Association



Preserving History,
Heritage & Home
Team Sequoia Ltd



The Odyssey - Asylum Seekers
& Refugees Development
Programme
GEMS Northern Ireland Ltd



Dealing with the Past,
Contemplating the
Future
**Utopian Training
Solutions Ltd**



Sustainable Festivals Hub & Programme
Anderson Spratt Group Ltd



Exchange – Cross Border
Programme
**Glenshane Community
Development Ltd**

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THE PROJECTS

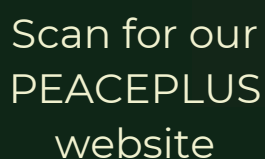
The map displays the following council areas and project locations:

- CAUSEWAY**: Loyal Orders Causeway (top left), Causeway Community Centre (top right), Causeway Community Centre (middle right), Causeway Community Centre (bottom right).
- LIMAVADY**: Limavady Community Centre (middle left).
- BANN**: Bann Community Centre (middle left).
- BALLYMONEY**: Ballymoney Community Centre (middle right).
- BENBRADAGH**: Benbradagh Community Centre (bottom left).
- THE GLENS**: The Glens Community Centre (bottom right).

COUNCIL WIDE:

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