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Local Authority Action Plans

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€3,038,567.96

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### LEAD PARTNER:

Monaghan County

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The Monaghan County Council Local Authority Action Plan will support a number of locally-based projects and initiatives that will promote positive relations between people from different communities and backgrounds.

The Action Plan will be focused on three key areas: Children & Young People; Shared Spaces & Services; and Building Positive Relations.

*“The Monaghan LCDC Local Peace IV Action Plan has been successful in engaging individuals to challenge perceptions and beliefs. New relationships have been built and friendships have been made. This has been a real opportunity to deliver action on the ground in our communities where it matters the most.”*

Patricia Monahan, Chair of Peace IV Partnership Board



Shared Spaces “Rossmore Park Playpark”



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### BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONS (€1,321,117.01):

This part of the plan will support six initiatives including: an intergenerational programme, cross-community engagement and cultural awareness programmes and a small grants programme that will include a project utilising a model of story telling to acknowledge the different memories and perspectives of politically motivated ex-prisoners and their families.

**Key Output:** Local Action Plans that result in meaningful, purposeful and sustained contact between persons from different communities: 1

### SHARED SPACES AND SERVICES (€1,078,906.06):

This part of the plan will develop the shared aspects of existing neighbourhoods, public spaces and buildings. Projects include the development of a playpark in Rossmore Park, the development of arts studios in Clones Town and a small grants programme to include a multi-use games area in Doohamlet; renovations to the Orange Hall in Glaslough; and renovations to the Protestant Hall in Mullapike.

**Key Output :** Local initiatives that facilitate the sustained usage on a shared basis of public areas/buildings: 1

### CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (€6,38,544.89):

This part of the plan will facilitate four projects including: a youth resilience project; a cross-community engagement programme; a peace building through sport project; and an innovative 'Lego Mindstorm' project that will involve five primary and six secondary schools.

**Key Output :** Number of participants aged 0-24 completing approved programmes that develop their soft skills and a respect for diversity: 839.



Building Positive Relations through the 'County of Sanctuary' project.