



## PEACE IV E-Newsletter November 2017

### PEACE IV Projects Upcoming Events

Now that all PEACE IV Projects are up and running, there is plenty of opportunity to attend upcoming events that the projects have organised. Here is a list below of what's coming up in the next few weeks. This is a great way for you or your organisation to get involved with one of our projects.

Project	Event	Date/Time	Venue	Contact
Marginalised Young Adults	The Beacon Project Launch	6 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 1pm	Ebrington Centre	Annemct@youthaction.org
Uniting Communities Through Sport	Project Launch	Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov 10am	Foyle Arena	Paul.Simpson@derrystrabane.com
Cross Cultural Strategic Initiative	Cultural Fuse Launch Event	Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10am	The Guildhall	laverne@culturlann-doire.ie
Interface Investment Programme	Connecting Communities	Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1pm	Bishop Street Community Centre	donna@bbinitiative.org
Valued voices	Project Launch	Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Holywell Diverse City, Bishop Street	eamonnbaker@thejunction-ni.org

### St Columb's Park Walled Garden Project

The Council led project, will regenerate the historic Old Walled Garden and will be supported by a programme of peace building activities.

As part of the project Derry City and Strabane District Council's Planning Committee have recently approved proposals to make significant infrastructural improvements to the historic Walled Garden at Columb's Park.





Sixteen experienced youth workers and teachers from across the North West came together recently in Derry's Millennium Forum to participate in the first of two '**Facilitating JustUs Training the Trainer**' conflict transformation programmes,

Hosted by the Derry based community education company, Gaslight Media Trust, the two day-long event comprised a series of workshops exploring '*tension laced identity issues*' facing young people growing up in the north of Ireland today.

The Project is purposely designed to foster critical thinking in young people around some of the more challenging questions prevalent in today's society by creatively adopting a multi-media approach, the JustUs Workshop Education Programme (WEP) explores young people's viewpoints, attitudes and understanding of four key thematic subject areas, which include:

- **The Conflict** or Troubles, why it happened and its tragic consequences
- **Legacy**, the past's effect on the present, marching, community justice and sectarian expressions of identity
- **Foreign Nationals**, why people from other countries come here to live and work and why racist attacks are perpetrated against them
- **Sexual Orientation** explores the viewpoints and attitudes to people who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgender

On completion of the course each educator had a digital copy of the programme uploaded onto their laptop, thus leaving them ready to utilise the resource with their respective group of young people.

For further information on the project, please contact Stephen Gargan @ Gaslight Media Trust 71308980, [sgargan@gaslightproductions.net](mailto:sgargan@gaslightproductions.net)



**Opportunity for young people:**

PEACE IV Derry and Strabane District Youth Council

Young people aged 15-18 year olds from Faughan, Sperrin, Strabane and Derg are invited to come together to share their views about the issues that are important to young people and to shape a District wide Youth Council. If you or you know of anyone who is interested in participating, Please contact [Claire.lynch@derrystrabane.com](mailto:Claire.lynch@derrystrabane.com) to register an interest by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.

Please continue to encourage other organisations and individuals to sign up for PEACE IV e-bulletins by going onto the web page [www.derrystrabane.com/Peace-IV](http://www.derrystrabane.com/Peace-IV) where there is also more detailed information on the programmes.

The PEACE IV Team can be contacted on [peace@derrystrabane.com](mailto:peace@derrystrabane.com) Tel: 02871253253

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