





# A Look at the Impact of the Life Skills Project (Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council PEACE IV Action Plan)

#### THEME:

Building Positive Relations: Local Authority Action Plans

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The Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council Local Authority Plan supported a number of locally-based projects and initiatives that promoted positive relationships between people from different communities and backgrounds.

## Life Skills Project

The project was developed to provide life skills and development opportunities to young people at risk of being lured into criminality or other anti-social behaviour to engage them on a journey of transformation and skills enhancement.

Activities were crafted to develop capacity and confidence, not only helping young people to enter into the workplace but to also understand and accept diversity, enabling them to work comfortably in mixed environments.

The project also involved personal development training and volunteering opportunities.

## **Key Project Outputs:**

- 1) 174 participants engaged (exceeding the target of 144);
- 12 cohorts (Old warren, two groups; Hillhall; Seymour Hill; Glenavy; Derriaghy; Ballybeen; Brooklands; Ballymacash; Moneyreagh, Moira and Killynure);
- 3) Skills Development Programme delivered;
- 4) Mentor support offered;
- 5) Two Teambuilding Activities;
- 6) Six workshops delivered (including CV Building and Interview Skills).