





SPECIAL EU PROGRAMMES BODY

Project Case Study: The Impact of the Muirhevnamor Peace Programme

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Building Positive Relations:
Local Authority Plans

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Projects funded under Louth County Council's Local Authority Action Plan (LAAP) continue to find new and innovative ways to deliver upon their outputs in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recently, a number of projects under the LAAP came to a close, such as the Muirhevnamor Peace Programme, which was delivered by Community Restorative Justice.

Funded under the LAAP's Children and Young People objective, the project held a special closure event over zoom in April 2021 and was attended by a wide variety of community members.

The final closing event was an opportunity to celebrate key achievements, showcasing the journey participants and beneficiaries had gone on throughout its lifetime.

In total, over 221 young people engaged in the project across a range of cultural diversity activities, workshops and training (including leadership skills).

The vast range of programme activities helped to build good relations and community capacity, with one notable event being the Multicultural Fun Day, held in Muirhevnamor. Additionally, the project engaged with community youth projects in Newry and Belfast.

This innovative cultural diversity programme provided the opportunity to create new, forward-thinking partnerships between different groups in order to promote cultural diversity and promote reconciliation.

It is important not to underestimate the value of a programme like this and the legacy it leaves in helping us all move towards a more inclusive, cohesive society.