SHARED CITY PARTNERSHIP

Monday 7th November, 2022

MEETING OF SHARED CITY PARTNERSHIP HELD REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Members present: Councillor Kyle (Chairperson);

Councillors Carson, McCullough and O'Hara.

External Members: Ms. J. Irwin, Community Relations Council;

Mr. J. Donnelly, Community and Voluntary Sector, Ms. A. Roberts, Community and Voluntary Sector; Mr. I. McLaughlin, Community and Voluntary Sector; Mr. P. Anderson, Community and Voluntary Sector;

Mr. W. Naeem, Faith Sector; Ms. A. M. White, British Red Cross; Ms. A. Tohill, Good Relations, TEO; and

Mr. A. Hannaway, NIHE.

In attendance: Ms. D. McKinney, PEACE IV Programme Manager;

Mr. S. Lavery, Programme Manager; Mr. D. Robinson, Good Relations Officer; Ms. L. Dolan, Good Relations Officer;

Ms. N. Lane, Neighbourhood Services Manager Ms. V. Smyth, Democratic Services Officer; Ms. S. Steele, Democratic Services Officer;

Ms. T. Hogg, Blu Zebra;

Mr. C. Boylan, Locus Management.

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were reported on behalf of Superintendent A. Ford, Mr. A. Irvine, Ms. B. Arthurs and Ms. G. Duggan.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 10th October, 2022 were taken as read and signed as correct.

Declarations of Interest

Mr. J. Donnelly declared an interest in 2b Children and Young People Update.

Ms. A. Tohill declared an interest in item 7 PEACE PLUS 1.1. Co-designed Local Community Peace Action Plan for Belfast.

Both left the meeting whilst the matters were under consideration.

PEACE IV Updates

Peace IV - Update on Secretariat

The Peace IV Programme Manager provided the Members with an update in respect of the Secretariat activity associated with the implementation of the Peace IV Local Action Plan.

The Peace IV Programme Manager advised that project activity was progressing as outlined in the thematic reports, and mitigations and project extensions continued to be progressed as required to enable implementation of the programme. During the month, on the spot verification site visits took place for CYP2 and BPR4. Final clarifications were being sought which would enable project closure to complete. Closure of CYP3 and CYP4 was to be progressed.

The Peace IV Programme Manager reported that discussions had been had with SEUPB on the challenges of implementation relating to CYP3 OTRT, the Traveller and SSS Intergenerational Narratives/Panels projects. The Members were requested to note that requests for targets to be amended were due to be considered by the Programme Board.

The Peace IV Manager highlighted item 3.2 and asked the Members to note that revised budgets submitted by NIHE had identified changes in underspends from those submitted in the Business Case. The CYP5 underspend was reduced from £168K to £89K, due to increased contractual obligations, and the BPR underspend had increased from £292K to £630K due to technical assistance for place shaping no longer being utilised.

The Members agreed that any further underspends be redirected into the SSS theme to cover increased costs for the construction of Forth Meadow Community Greenway. The project continued to experience increased costs due to material prices and unforeseen issues, such as a change in legislation associated with red diesel. Discussions with SEUPB to enable changes on the eMS system for the issue of revised Letters of Offer were progressing.

In response to a query, the Peace IV Manager provided clarification about the value of the social clause. She advised that, due to the programme having carried a shortfall for some time, the value of the social clause associated with the work packages under the SSS would not change. She added that she would liaise with Physical Programmes and would bring back an update report to the Members at a future meeting.

All contractual obligations for the delivery of the Event Management contract with Plannd were being finalised and progressed to closure. As previously reported any further workplan deliverables would be coordinated by the PEACE IV team. The Peace IV Manager reported continued resource pressures within the PEACE IV team.

As previously reported expenditure across the programme totalled £7.87m with reimbursement of £5.9m to date. During the month BCC claims for Period 29 BPR valued at £139k and Period 30 BPR for £222k had been verified by SEUPB, with payment due imminently. The Members noted that discussions had taken place with SEUPB on prioritising the reimbursement of outstanding NIHE claims given the delivery partner requests.

The Partnership recommended to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee that it note the contents of the report and agree:

 That any further programme underspends be redirected into the SSS theme to cover increased costs of construction for Forth Meadow Community Greenway.

Peace IV - Update on CYP Theme

The Partnership considered the undernoted report:

"1.0 Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues

To provide the Shared City Partnership (SCP) with a progress report in respect of the Children and Young People's (CYP) theme of the PEACE IV Local Action Plan.

2.0 Recommendations

The Partnership is requested to note the contents of the report and related appendices and recommend to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee to

CYP1 Tech Connects

 agree the approach to redistribute the project equipment (Lego We Do kits, Laptops & iPads) via EOI to community organisations

CYP 5 NIHE

- agree to extend the project to 28 February 2023. To allow additional time to meet revised targets.
- formally note the alternative training option to OCN and online delivery for the Foster Carers Network.

1.0 Main report

Project Updates

3.1 CYP 1 – TECH CONNECTS, GIGA Training (Afterschool's and Digital Arts Academies: Tech Camps) (6-11, 12-16 yr. olds)

Members are advised latest monitoring and evaluation forms have been reviewed by Officers with the figures below. The delivery agent has been requested to submit all outstanding data to evidence their final completion figure which will be paid on final contract payment following submission of final closure report. An onsite visit is to be scheduled to close the project.

Delivery Agent	Sessions	Target	Completed YTD	Variance
GIGA Training	6-11-Year- Olds	494	449	45
GIGA Training	12-16-Year- Olds	365	357	8
Previous Delivery agent	Tech Connects 2018/2019	133	133	0
	Total	992	939	53

Members are advised the Programme Board considered an options paper on the repurpose of CYP equipment (Lego We Do kits, Laptops & iPads) and recommended the equipment reallocation should be via Expression of Interest advertised to community organisations. The items are not considered as assets within the PEACE IV programme rules, having individually cost less than £1,000. SEUPB have also endorsed this approach. It is anticipated that the reallocation will be progressed in early 2023. Members are requested to agree the above approach.

CYP 1 – TECH CONNECTS, Belfast Metropolitan College (Digital Insights Programme) (17-24 yr. olds)

Following the submission of a modification request, as reported in October, the Programme Board approved an extension to the project until 31 January 2023.

The Board also considered the anticipated completion level of 104 participants, 6 less than the previously amended target of 110. Discussions are progressing with SEUPB on the acceptance of this level of achievement of project deliverables.

Total	104 from a target of 160	56 remaining against original target of 160
	104 from a target of 110	6 remaining against target of 110
	(Reduction of 50, from 160 to 110 approved in Business Case)	

3.2 CYP 2 – Playing our Part in the City

An On-the-Spot Verification/Site Visit took place during October and a report issued to the project for further clarification. On receipt of the final clarification the final payment will be released.

Total	610 young people from a target of 640	Progressing	to
	123 Parents from a target of 100	Closure	

3.3 CYP3 - On the Right Track - Sports and Personal Change elements

Delivery of activity for existing participant clubs has been continuing with OCN sessions and residentials planned to take place in October and November. Sports leaders training will be taking place during half term and recruitment is underway targeting previous clubs. Recruitment of further clubs / participants is temporarily on hold due to no Project Officer in post.

Total	800 from a target of	460 remaining (Contract
	1260	ends December 22)

Personal Change - Delivered by Extern

As previously reported, the final report and additional supporting information and evidence has been submitted. An On-the-Spot Verification Site Visit is being progressed.

Total	42 from a target of 42	0 remaining - Progressing
		to Closure

3.4 CYP 4 – Cooperation Ireland (Young Advocates)

As previously reported, a final signed closure report together with supporting evidence has now been submitted. Officers are reviewing all information and an On-the-Spot Verification Site Visit is to be arranged.

Total	87 from a target of 80	+ 7 achieved -
		Progressing to closure

3.5 CYP 5 – NIHE Local Area Network Partner Delivery

NIHE has progressed training options for the Foster Carers Network. Members should note an alternative training provider to OCN has been agreed by SEUPB and an online approach also approved.

NIHE has recently requested an additional extension to allow both peer and core networks to achieve the level of contact hours required. In order to fully assess and progress this request with SEUPB, a modified budget and implementation plan for delivery across the networks has been requested. As such members are requested to agree in principle an extension of the project to 28 February 2023.

Procurement has completed and awards issued, which is enabling ongoing delivery of activity.

	+ 41 over target (Contract ends December 2022
143 Core Participants	
	143 Core Participants 202 Peer Participants

3.6 Financial and Resource Implications

The financial position is as previously reported, with claims up to Period 31, valued at £1.92m submitted to SEUPB for reimbursement. To date £1.665m has been reimbursed and as such outstanding claims are approximately £262K.

3.7 <u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/</u> Rural Needs Assessment

The draft plan has been equality screened and discussed at the Equality Consultative Forum on 13 May 2015. The Equality Consultative Forum was further consulted on 18 November 2020".

The Programme Manager advised that a further extension request by the NIHE for CYP5 delivery to 31 March 2023 had been requested. The Partnership noted the contents of the report and related appendices and recommended to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee to:

CYP1 Tech Connects

- Agree the approach to redistribute the project equipment (Lego We Do kits, Laptops & iPads) via EOI to community organisations.

CYP 5 NIHE

- Agree to extend the project to 31 March 2023 to allow additional time to meet revised targets; and
- Formally note the alternative training option to OCN and online delivery for the Foster Carers' Network.

Peace IV - Update on BPR Theme

The Partnership considered the undernoted report:

"1.0 Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues

To provide the Shared City Partnership (SCP) with a progress report in respect of the Building Positive Relations (BPR) theme of the PEACE IV Local Action Plan.

2.0 Recommendations

The Partnership is requested to recommend to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee that they note the contents of the report and related appendices and agree in principle:

BPR 1 -NIHE

- the request for procurement of quantity surveyors for 4 CCANS place shaping plans, subject to further information and clarification to support the viability of the plans.

BPR 4- Corrymeela Facilitation

- the final study visit is not viable due to levels of participation.

BPR 5- FSP- Roma

 a further request to modify the English language classes delivery and to amend INAP targets noting 4 participants of a proposed 10 completed, subject to approval by SEUPB.

BPR6 St Comgalls

- an extension to 31 January 2023 to allow for changes to materials to be implemented

Also, to note the exhibition materials (oral histories) and educational resources (worksheets for schools) are being reviewed via an Equality Screening.

3.0 Main report

Key issues

The status and progress with projects are outlined in Appendix I BPR-Progress report. Projects are at various stages of delivery; some projects are completing, whilst activity is continuing with other projects. Members should note that participation and retention levels continue to be impacted by Covid 19 with ongoing sickness and isolation, as necessary.

3.1 BPR1 - Cross Community Area Networks (CCAN)

Participation levels remain consistent with 127/144 core participants and over 400/900 peer participants all pending verification.

NIHE has requested approval to procure Quantity Surveyors for 4 of the CCANs to enhance the place shaping plans. However further clarification and detail has been requested including evidence of engagement with landowners and key stakeholders to ensure any plans are agreed and have been communicated with

all parties. As such members are requested to note the NIHE request and agree, in principle the procurement of Quantity Surveyors, subject to clarification on the viability of the place shaping plans place shaping concept.

Members will be aware of the recent challenges with the East Belfast Network. Members should note a proposal from NIHE to explore if the Diamond ladies' group can continue as a single identity group is being progressed with SEUPB and supporting details have been shared with SEUPB to agree whether this option is viable, given that single identity work sits outside programme guidelines.

3.2 BPR2 – Creative Communities Project

A recent meeting with the culture section has led to agreed actions to progress and utilise an additional resource to aid engagement sessions with participants facilitated by the artist.

Artists in both Ardoyne and Divis groups have agreed to continue engagement with participants the cost for additional sessions being met by internal department funds.

The artist for the Football cluster has provided a mid-point report and indications show 17 participants near to completion target of 42hrs engagement each. Further sessions are planned and have been outlined to the Project Support Officer.

The East Belfast Radius cluster is engaging with McCadden to develop the booklets that will showcase the East cluster project and activities. This will conclude all deliverables for the cluster.

McCadden has outlined the engagement schedule with each cluster group and are actively working on resources to compile each creative cluster booklet.

Participant numbers and contact hours are under review.

3.3 BPR3 – Transform for Change Project

Transformative Leadership Programme

The local projects developed through the Action Plans continue to be delivered.

The £16k combined Local Action Plan for the North Belfast cluster, comprising of a multicultural event, guided tour and LTBTQ+ plus storytelling is progressing. The multicultural event took place on 8th October at Alexandra Park, with over 300 attendees. The

images captured reflect the diversity and multicultural them of the event with dancers, food stalls entertainment and music.

The West Belfast Gaming application is due to complete with a closure event proposed for November.

Remaining projects continue with payments progressing as projects come to a close. The intergenerational project in the west will complete with a family fun day at Halloween, catering for all ages. This project has been multifaceted with armchair aerobics, drama classes, art workshops, guided walking, and photography tours.

The Thematic Project Manager has met with Kidstogether, Suffolk community group and the artist to progress a consultation and engagement session with the young people, families, and the local community. The session and introduction to the artist is scheduled for 1 November at Falls Leisure Centre. The session will showcase the artwork and family food and fun day. A further two sessions will follow, and the Black Gates artwork should be completed prior to Christmas.

The two remaining study visits under council delivery remain outstanding and may have to be pushed into November given current work pressures.

A meeting took place with the delivery partner and programme manager to discuss project closure. The project manager is progressing final verification documentation and has completed review of monitoring information.

Final figures are as noted below.

Target	Status
45 cluster reports	48 submitted
15 case studies	13 submitted
45 TLP courses	42 achieved
934 participants	592 completed

3.4 BPR4 –BATW-Facilitation

The Belfast and the World project is complete with the final element of the on-the-spot verification visit scheduled. This visit and review will ensure project closure.

The Facilitation for residentials and study visit by Corrymeela has concluded. The North coast study visit took place on the 15 October 2022 with 10 participants he second study visit was cancelled due to limited interest from participants. As such

members are requested to agree that the final study visit will not proceed due to viability and cost effectiveness.

The facilitation element provided by Corrymeela on behalf of council has concluded with the North coast historic sites visit, and the completion of two residentials with 47/60 participants attending.

3.5 BPR5 – Supporting Connected Communities - LINCS Project

The LINCS project has agreed and signed the addendum permitting the extension to November 2022 thus allowing continued delivery.

Discussion on a shared learning event concluded that LINCS participants will attend the Radius and NI Alternatives 'Big lunch' event in CS Lewis Square. They will attend as interested participants; however, this is not deemed a Peace IV event.

A final event to mark the closure and celebration of LINCS participants' achievements is under discussion with the delivery partner.

The leadership programme continues and with the additional timeframe hopes to ensure targets are reached.

As previously reported number remain as 91/96 participants completed and exceeded 68hrs of engagement. The remaining participants are still engaging and on track to reach targets.

The closure report has been shared and a review of updated attendance trackers and submitted end surveys is underway by the Thematic Manager.

3.6 BPR5 – Traveller Project - Supporting Connected Communities

The Empowering Young Women workshop series and exhibition is complete. The exhibition took place early October and the materials and booklets on display positively reflected the engagement from both the traveller and settled young women.

The exhibition materials will form part of the larger closure event in November, along with the genealogy exhibition and the health & wellbeing, as noted below.

A recent meeting with the Heart project has provided assurances of completed workshops and exhibition materials have been approved by SEUPB for publishing. The exhibition took place on the 27 October for participants, family, and community. The exhibition materials will also form part of the larger scale closure event planned for the 10 November.

The Project Support Officer for the project left Peace IV in early October. Members are requested to note that achievement of targets will remain as outlined below:

Target	Status
40 participants – Traveller	32 completed 26 hrs or
and Settled Communities	more

Discussions with SEUPB on accepting the targets is progressing.

3.7 <u>BPR5 – Roma Project - Supporting Connected Communities</u>

The Roma project will continue until December 2022. The addendum has been approved, distributed, and returned by Forward South partnership.

This additional time will allow for completion of training elements. The English classes are on track with a minor reduction requested. The Advice training is ongoing, and the delivery partner is confident this will be completed. The Intercultural Navigator Advocacy Programme (INAP) is under review given the content and that the outcomes do not meet the original submission as agreed with the delivery partner. Further discussions with SEUPB are scheduled and a revised implementation plan has been requested to indicate sessions planned and activity until completion from the delivery partner.

3.8 BPR6 – St. Comgalls

Project activity is nearing an end with one rescheduled seminar and the final celebration event to be held.

The project has advised the final celebration event will meet the outcome of a seminar and provide additional contact hours.

Members should also note that seminars and networking events were extended for attendance by the wider community. As such core participants did not necessarily attend 2 seminars each as was original intention.

The exhibition and educational resources are being reviewed through an equality screening. The methodology and outline of the materials had been approved by the SCP in March and authority delegated to the Programme Board to approve the final materials, subject to a balanced view being presented in the materials. This is being reviewed at present through the equality screening process. SEUPB will also see the outcome of the equality screening and will be able to contribute to it if they wish.

The project is due to finish at end November. Members are requested to approve an extension to 31 January 2023 to allow the recommendations from the screening to be implemented if changes are requested to the materials to comply with Peace and S75/ GR outcomes. The consolidated tracker for all activity is summarised as follows:

Target	Status
20 core young people participants	27 completed target of 33 hrs
20 core adult participants	14 completed reduced target of 32 hrs

3.9 <u>Cinematography Project</u>

Filming of suitable opportunities to capture the Belfast Peace Journey is continuing and due to complete at end of December.

Clips produced in the last month have been short stories for project closures for CYP1, BPR5 LINCS, BPR2, and a social clip for Forth Meadow Greenway Volunteer Training. Upcoming filming is scheduled for both NIHE BPR1 and CYP5 projects, the Forth Meadow sections for the final capital short story clip as well as interviews and installation of the Forth Meadow public artwork.

3.10 Financial and Resource Implications

As previously reported, expenditure to date within the BPR theme totals £2.95m with £2.37m reimbursed. SEUPB verification has progressed for BCC BPR claims for Period 29 valued at £139K and Period 30 BPR for £222K with payment due imminently.

3.11 Equality or Good Relations Implications/ Rural Needs Assessment

The draft plan has been equality screened and discussed at the Equality Consultative Forum on 13 May 2015. The Equality Consultative Forum was further consulted on 18 November 2020".

The Peace IV Manager reminded the Members that the NIHE extension to 31 March 2023, agreed via the CYP5 proposal, was also applicable to both NIHE projects, including BPR1. The Members were also advised that the extension for BPR6 St Comgalls was required to 28 February 2023, due to the equality screening process.

A Member raised the matter of single identity groups and sought further detail and the Peace IV Manager clarified that the BPR1 project would not have met its cross-community objectives. This was followed by discussion about the need for facilitation of single identify groups to build support, capacity and experience. A Member sought further clarification about the level of engagement with key stakeholders regarding the place shaping proposals, support on a cross community basis and discussions with landowners to determine viability of projects going forward. The Peace IV Manager advised that she was seeking agreement in principle

for the procurement of the QS, subject to NIHE's information coming through. The NIHE's representative provided reassurance that engagement was being undertaken with single identity groups. A Member requested clear demonstrable evidence of support for the place shaping proposals as a matter of urgency.

The Partnership recommended to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee that it note the contents of the report and related appendices and agree in principle:

BPR 1 - NIHE

 The request for procurement of quantity surveyors for 4 CCANS place shaping plans, subject to further information and clarification to support the viability of the plans.

BPR 4 - Corrymeela Facilitation

- The final study visit is not viable due to levels of participation.

BPR 5 - FSP - Roma

- a further request to modify the English language classes delivery and to amend INAP targets noting 4 participants of a proposed 10 completed, subject to approval by SEUPB.

BPR6 St Comgalls

- An extension to 28 Feburary 2023 to allow for changes to materials to be implemented; and
- To note the exhibition materials (oral histories) and educational resources (worksheets for schools) were being reviewed via an Equality Screening.

Peace IV - Update on SSS Theme

The Peace IV Programme Manager provided an update on the progress report in respect of the Shared Spaces and Services (SSS) theme of the Peace IV Local Action Plan.

Springfield Dam

A second meeting of the Bridge Naming Panel was facilitated on 6 October 2022. Promotion of the Bridge naming was progressing with an article included in City Matters, which would be distributed to all households on 7 November. Posters promoting the naming process and informing people of how to submit name suggestions, were prepared and put on all gates into the park and on the bridge itself (Appendix II). Further advertising of the process includes the Springfield Park webpage Springfield Park (belfastcity.gov.uk) and the Council's Social Media platforms. Information / drop-in sessions were scheduled for Friday 4th and Saturday 5th November, in Springfield Park, from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m., with a further opportunity for people to ask about the process and submit name suggestions. The process would close on 21st November 2022, with the naming panel meeting in early December to review the names and agree a final 4 for going out to public vote.

PEACE IV Network Scheme – Capital Works - Following work around the treatment of invasive species, work in Section 2 commenced on 24th October, with the date for completion being June 2023.

Works in Section 3 were complete and were due to be completed in Section 4 at the end of October. However, there was a delay with hand-over to the Council due to issues with NIE connections for lighting columns.

The considering of signage in line with the Council's language policy was included in the October update. Officers from Physical Programmes and PEACE IV met on 26th October to review Programme Rules and Regulations and advised senior management of the same.

Work on the flag-ship piece was progressing with installation planned for December 2022 with a view to public unveiling in January 2023.

Programming

Implementation of the programming aspects were progressing.

• Shared History, Heritage and Identity Content / Narratives for Shared Space

Deliverable targets	Targets achieved
300 individuals	257 recruited
51 narratives (3 narratives x 17 panels)	52 draft narratives
12 contact hours per participant	152 participants (68%) achieved over 10 hours 200 participants (89%) achieved 6 hours or more.
Compilation document of all stories	In progress

Draft narratives, for panels planned for Section 4, had been circulated to the sub-group for review and comment, before agreeing which should be included on the planned panels. The project lead was finalising the publication of all the narratives from all five sections. A draft publication was to be submitted to officers for review mid-November. The Members were requested to note that discussions with SEUPB on the acceptance of the achievement level were progressing.

Shared Space Volunteer Training

Deliverable targets	Targets achieved
Sustrans	
30 volunteers (15 Walk & 15 Cycle Leads)	27 recruited across 3 groups
Volunteer Now Enterprise	
15 volunteers (Local Ambassadors)	13 recruited
The Conservation Volunteers	
15 volunteers (Nature Guides)	12 recruited

Discussions continue with all three project leads, on the future support and coordination of this team of volunteers, moving forward. An options document had been drafted and was to be presented to the Programme Board for consideration.

To further keep the volunteers engaged and build their capacity, site visit options to other volunteering projects were being scheduled. The visit would enable shared learning for the Forth Meadow Volunteers with other projects.

Governance / Management Model

Approvals to award the contract under delegated authority and from SEUPB had been received and the successful contractor, Dr Mary Dellenbaugh-Losse (MDL), had been appointed.

An initiation meeting took place on 25th October with a project start date of 1st November 2022.

Youth Engagement & Civic Education

Deliverable targets	Targets achieved
400 young people	80 young people registered from Nubia, Blackmountain, Glencairn and Forthspring.
60 contact hours per participants	54 young participants have achieved 60+ contact hours.

The project continued to receive interest from young people from Blackmountain, Nubia, Glencairn and Forthspring. An initial group of 54 young people from Blackmountain, Nubia and Glencairn, had completed with all achieving over 60 contact hours.

Following SEUPB approval to include youth organisations and young people from outside the communities along the Greenway, Youth Link had requested inclusion of youth groups in Whitewell and Fortwilliam who had expressed an interest in participating with a group of 25 young people. The Members noted the request was considered and approved by the Programme Board on 13th October.

Due to recruitment and retention issues, the Members were requested to agree in principle an extension of the project to 28th February 2023, subject to the submission of an implementation plan for review and agreement.

SSS Activities and Animation Programme

Deliverable targets	Targets achieved
20 cross community	11 cross community activities / events to an
activities/events, (to an audience of	audience of approximately 1000+ people
a minimum of 1200 attendees)	
- 4 Public spectacle events (150 people at each) – 2 in Springfield Park	 "Luminate" event in Springfield Park – approx. 1500 people "Swamp Festival" in Bog Meadows – approx. 1700 people "Colour Festival" in Woodvale Park – approx. 1,000+ people "Day of the Dead" in Springfield Park –
	approx. 2,000+ people

- 6 Medium sized creative animation activities / events (50-100 people at each).	 "River Clean event" – approx. 100 people Colour Run events in Falls and Glencairn Park – approx. 500 people "Movies in the Dam" – approx. 700 people
- 10 small community focused activities / events (30 to 50 people at each)	 "Sunflower Festival" – approx. 50 people Foraging Walk and Big Potato Harvest in Bog Meadows – approx. 100 people Dunville Heritage Tour and Whiskey Tasting – approx. 20 people "Street Art Jam in Partnership with Seedhead Arts at Glencairn Park – attracted approx. 10 people "Spooks on Spokes" – approx. 20+ people

This project completed the programme of small, medium and large finale events during October, which included:

- Street Art Jam in Partnership with Seedhead Arts Glencairn Park Saturday 15th October 2022, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Involving young people working with artists to create large scale canvasses themed around the Greenway and went on display at the Finale Event.
- A "Spooks on Spokes" event, facilitated by Sustrans and the FMCG Cycle Leaders, on Saturday 22nd October 2022, ahead of the Finale Event in Springfield Park.
- A Finale Event in Springfield Park on Saturday 22nd October 2022 a colourful
 and energetic Mexican Day of the Dead Festival, with a wide variety of activities
 for all the family to enjoy, including live music, stage performances, dance, food
 vendors, entertainers, pumpkin carving, arts and crafts, face painting and a
 spectacular fire dance finale.

Resource Allocation

As reported previously, options in relation to how to use the support from the Resource Allocation was being reviewed by the Programme Board, and an update would be provided to members in due course.

As previously reported, total expenditure to date for the SSS totals £2.7m with £1.82m reimbursed by SEUPB. Claims for Periods 28-31 valued at £908K remain outstanding.

The Partnership noted the contents of the report and related appendices and recommended to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee to:

- Agree in principle an extension of the Youth Civic Education project to 28th February 2023, subject to the submission of an implementation plan.

BCC9 - Funding Request (SWC)

The Good Relations Officer informed the Partnership of a further project proposal that had been developed as part of the Good Relations Action Plan within the BCC9 Strategic Intervention.

The Members were reminded about the Strategic Intervention Programme (BCC9) within the Good Relations Action Plan and were advised that they had allocated £47,300 of this total fund of £48,000. Therefore, £700 of this overall programme budget remained and a proposal had been received from Shankill Women's Centre for costs associated with their Christmas Market, which would be held on the Lanark Way interface on 1st December 2022. Officers felt that bringing residents from neighbouring interface communities together for such an event was worthy of a financial contribution from a Good Relations perspective and would play a part in meeting the overall intentions of the Strategic Intervention Fund. Any award would be subject to the satisfactory completion of a previous outstanding award.

The Members noted that applications for Council small grants, including Good Relations small grants, were currently open. The closing date for receipt of applications was Friday 13th January 2023 at 12:00 p.m. and all information was available at: https://www.belfastcity-grants.com/

The Partnership noted the contents of the report and agreed that funding be awarded under Delegated Authority of the Director of Neighbourhood Services for the following project as part of the Strategic Intervention element of the Good Relations Action Plan subject to the satisfactory completion of information outstanding from a previous award.

 Shankill Women's Centre - £700 towards their Christmas Market event on 1st December 2022

Additional Funding - TEO

The Good Relations Officer informed the Partnership of an additional allocation of funding to the Good Relations Action Plan from The Executive Office.

The Members were reminded that the Council receives funding from The Executive Office for costs associated with the delivery of the Council's Good Relations Action Plan. The Executive Office had contacted all Councils to indicate that an additional resource of £7,050 was being made available for each Action Plan. This must be match funded to the tune of 25% by the Council and a commitment that the funding would be used for one of the T:BUC Themes and spent by the end of March 2023.

The Good Relations Officer advised that Departmental Managers had proposed that this funding could be used to support programming and animation at the new Urban Villages Colin Park, Páirc Nua Chollann. Since this park had been handed back to the Council in October, there had been a need identified to develop programming and animation to support activities in the park. Urban Villages was one of the headline actions within the T:BUC Strategy. It had also been proposed that the 25% match funding would be sourced from the Parks Outreach Fund. The total available resource would therefore be £9,400. He added that the proposal sat well with the BCC5 Programme in the Action Plan on Shared

Communities/Inclusion Programme and would assist in creating the new park as a shared and diverse amenity.

A Member questioned the animation funding for this particular park and the distribution of funding in other neighbourhoods for other projects and added that all parks across the city should be animated. This was followed by discussion and input from other Members about how animation could attract people from all communities. A Member advised that the Colin Park was seen as a "destination park" and, with a new facility, there was a need to animate the space to ensure the ethos of developing a shared space was maximized.

The Peace IV Manager confirmed that Parks programming and animation of parks would be progressing next year and she would highlight the Member's comments to the relevant department.

The Neighbourhood Services Manager confirmed that funding from the DCGRP was based on need and where funding would clearly deliver good relations outcomes.

Moved by Councillor Carson, Seconded by Councillor O'Hara,

Resolved – That the Partnership note the contents of the report and agree to the use of the additional funding of £7,050 from The Executive Office for programming and animation at the new Urban Villages Colin Park, Páirc Nua Chollann.

Good Relations Audit Update

The Good Relations Officer updated the Members on the work being undertaken on the Good Relations Audit.

The Members recalled that every three years, as part of its letter of offer from the Executive Office for its Good Relations Programme, the Council must undertake an independent audit of the Good Relations issues and needs within the City.

The Provision for the audit was included in the 2022/23 Good Relations Action Plan, as agreed by the Members in February this year. Following a procurement process, Peter Osborne of Rubicon Consulting was awarded the contract to develop the Audit and associated Good Relations Action Plans. The work on the Audit had been ongoing since July and a range of surveys, meetings and focus groups had taken place and a draft Audit was currently being prepared. He explained that it was a requirement from the Executive Office that Councils' Good Relations Action Plans were based on an independent audit of local needs and issues. Therefore, the Council's 2023/24 Action Planning was dependent upon there being a new Audit in place.

The Members noted the contents of the report and:

- 1. Agreed that a draft report on the Audit and its draft findings be discussed at its December meeting; and
- 2. Agreed that Peter Osborne, who was developing the Audit, be invited to discuss the draft report at the December meeting for 20 minutes, to enable

Members to feed into the report prior to it being finalised in advance of the January meeting.

Events Update

The Good Relations Officer provided the Members with information on forthcoming events.

Event: Launch of Report on the Lived Experiences of people from Minority Ethnic

Backgrounds living in Belfast. **Date:** 1st December 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Format: In person launch at Belfast City Hall Registration: goodrelations@belfastcity.gov.uk

Event: Holocaust Memorial Event: A Living History Lesson shared by Holocaust Survivor

Eve Kurger

Date: 24th January 2023 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Format: In person venue to be confirmed

Registration: goodrelations@belfastcity.gov.uk

Event: Remembering the Roma Holocaust

Date: 26th January 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Format: Online workshop

Registration: <u>goodrelations@belfastcity.gov.uk</u>

The Members noted the contents of the report and noted that they were welcome to attend any of the events. The Members were advised that if they required any further information, they should contact the listed officer/organisation responsible for the event.

PEACE PLUS

The Programme Manager provided the Members with an update on recent activity with regards to the development of the PEACE PLUS 1.1. Co-designed Local Community Peace Action Plan for Belfast and explained that the areas for discussion at the meeting would include:

- Initial feedback from recent Stakeholder Engagement Workshops and plans to follow up with further engagement;
- Update on next steps to complete Stage 1 of the co-design process in developing the local action plan;
- Update on survey being issued to the Shared City Partnership members; and
- Development of proposed residents survey as part of Stage 1 of the codesign Process.

The Members noted that at this point that, as part of the development of the local action plan, there could be up to 40% of the overall allocation available for community regeneration and transformation projects as part of Theme 1. The outworking of what type of projects which might be considered for inclusion within the local action plan would require detailed analysis over the coming months. Further information on what process would be used to consider

potential projects would be brought back to the Members at a future meeting for discussion and agreement. However, any potential projects must:

- Have clear Peace and Reconciliation Outcomes;
- Be able to align to the objectives of the PEACE PLUS Programme and the targets as set by SEUPB;
- Meet the assessment requirements as set by SEUPB (these were to be confirmed by SEUPB);
- Align to wider PEACEPLUS opportunities;
- Align to the Belfast Agenda; and
- Be realistic, affordable, and deliverable within the Programme timescale.

The Council's appointed consultants, Locus Management and Blu Zebra, were in attendance and presented updates on the initial feedback received from recent Stage 1 Engagement sessions. They provided a breakdown of attendance at each of the 16 workshops of which a total of 154 attended, they also provided a summary of initial feedback by issue and opportunity. The Members received further detail on work that would be undertaken in the coming weeks and months outlining key stages 1-3. It was noted that the timeline was dependent upon a formal call being issued by SEUPB, therefore, it was subject to change.

The consultants also updated on both the Shared City Partnership survey as discussed at the previous meeting and the proposed stage 1 engagement survey that would be open to anyone to complete. Following discussion, it was agreed that Ian McLaughlin and Ashleigh Roberts will work with consultants to draft a survey. It was further agreed that anyone else from the Partnership who wanted to get involved would be welcome to do so.

Congratulations were extended to the consultants and the Programme Manager on the work carried out to date.

The Members noted the contents of the report, provided feedback on the presentation and:

- Agreed to the proposed methodology for completing Stage 1 of the co-design process;
- Provided feedback on the process for the residents' survey to inform Stage 1 and agreed that SCP members would get involved in designing the survey; and
- Noted that given the current resource needs, an exercise to recruit a PEACE Programme Manager had commenced in accordance with Council procedures. Costs associated with a Programme Manager would be able to be claimed retrospectively from SEUPB as part of our Action Plan submission.

Chairperson