



INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR IRELAND

Helping Unionists and Nationalists to  
Learn, Work and Live Together as part of  
a shared future on the island of Ireland

# Annual Report & Accounts 2014

## Our Key Priorities

Developing and funding initiatives that tackle segregation and promote integration to build a lasting peace in Northern Ireland and the southern border counties of Ireland.





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COVER IMAGE: Young musicians celebrate the South Lough Neagh Regeneration Association Good Relations Programme.



# Chairman's Foreword

In the 20 years that followed the 1994 ceasefires in Northern Ireland, a generation has come of age in an era shaped by bold efforts to reconcile communities.

The hard-earned peace has given young people new prospects and inspired many to seize the opportunity to transform their lives and their communities for the better.

However, while 2014 has shown the absence of the level of violence that characterised the years prior to the ceasefire it does not mean that a sustainable peace has yet been achieved. For all the many achievements of the last two decades, a settled peace remains elusive and there is a great need to reassess how young people are involved in the process of building peace.

In the last year, more than 700 people were convicted of rioting in protests linked to parades. The majority were, at the time of sentencing, young men under the age of 23 with barely any memory of the Troubles. Their willingness to embrace sectarian violence is an urgent reminder of the pressing need to tackle the underlying causes of sectarianism.

The International Fund for Ireland recognises the role it can and must play, and our response has been strong and decisive. We have taken risks in

the cause of peace and reached out to vulnerable young people in areas where the political settlement is strongly, often violently, opposed. During uncertain times for the Peace Process, we are delivering the difficult but essential interventions that other funders and government bodies simply cannot undertake.

During the year, the Fund's primary focus was on its Community Transformation Strategy, and particularly its Peace Impact Programme and Peace Walls Programme. Over £3.1m/€3.9m was approved in Northern Ireland and the southern border counties during the year to these two programmes, whilst many projects from the Fund's previous strategy were successfully finalised.

Engagement with young people, particularly those who are vulnerable and/or marginalised, is a core theme in our Community Transformation Strategy and the projects we support.

This Annual Report serves to illustrate what can be done with limited resources and the brave steps communities are taking with our assistance

ABOVE: Dr Adrian Johnston, Chairman of the International Fund for Ireland (centre) pictured with Northern Ireland's First Minister, Peter Robinson MLA, and deputy First Minister, Martin McGuinness MLA.



to resolve dangerous and potentially violent situations that threaten to destabilise the political structures.

In the reporting period, Fund interventions have led to landmark agreements to remove interface barriers in North and West Belfast and Londonderry/Derry. It has also led to the agreement of an accord between the Londonderry Bands Forum and the Apprentice Boys, which has the capacity to be adopted as a protocol for all parades in Northern Ireland.

Across Northern Ireland and the southern border counties, our projects have aided communities to develop new solutions to neutralise extremism and encourage people away from paramilitaries, violence and anti-community activity. They have provided alternative pathways for marginalised groups and individuals and brought renewed confidence to areas isolated by decades of violence. A lot of this work goes on quietly but progress has been rapid with a high level of sharing between groups that are being supported. The achievements made in the last year are significant and our international supporters can be very proud of the impact their support is making.

Towards the end of our reporting period, the world reflected on the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the international efforts that led to that historic moment. In the quarter of a century since German re-unification, more physical divisions have been erected in Northern Ireland than at the peak of the Troubles.

In the two years since the Fund's Peace Walls Programme (PWP) was launched it has delivered major progress in terms of confidence and relationship building measures within and between interface communities. Working with a range of statutory organisations, we have assisted a wide range of groups to begin a schedule of works that are transforming interface neighbourhoods.

The commitment of those seeking to improve their communities continues to inspire us. As well



as providing information on our activities in this report, we have also asked some of the groups involved to tell their own stories, through words and photographs, in a series of case studies. These examples of their work in action offer a real sense of the difference our interventions are making for those individuals and communities who want positive and sustainable transformation.

Belfast-based Peace Walls projects such as Black Mountain Shared Space and Duncairn Community Partnership, and the Londonderry/Derry-based St. Columb's Park House-led initiative show how confidence and trust building measures within and between interface communities are building cross-community relationships and delivering real transformation.

The physical changes are significant steps in the history of participating communities and are symbolic of the developing attitudes and willingness to challenge the old ways of sectarianism and segregation.

While positive transformations are underway, sustainable physical changes cannot be delivered without a long-term strategy and funding package that can provide for the social and economic regeneration of these neighbourhoods as the Peace Walls are removed. Interface communities are willing to take brave steps to build a new and shared future, but they need meaningful support from the Northern Ireland Executive.

In 18 short months, projects within our Peace Impact Programme – funded by the United States of America – have brought forward ambitious new approaches to deal with complex topics like parading, interface tensions and encouraging young people away from paramilitaries.

The reports from the Londonderry Bands Forum, Belfast-based Upper Springfield Development Trust and Cox's Demesne in Dundalk make for compelling reading. Their experiences illustrate how communities with limited peace building experience are taking necessary risks in difficult

LEFT: Julieann Campbell from the Unheard Voices Peace Impact Project reads an extract of a participant's story.

RIGHT: Dr Adrian Johnston, Chairman of the International Fund for Ireland discusses the Peace Walls Programme with Cypriot delegates from the Forum for Cities in Transition.



areas, reducing community tensions and supporting those who may be drawn towards unlawful activity.

The groups that the Fund is working with have taken considerable risks and started building momentum for positive change in areas where the risk of violence has threatened to destabilise political progress. It is right that statutory authorities acknowledge these achievements and take action to provide new pathways for the groups and the people they are assisting. Community appetite for change is strong and must be met with better access to education, training and employment opportunities.

IFI has developed much experience of dealing with the consequences of conflict and civil unrest on the island of Ireland. The Fund remains committed to sharing its experiences as a model for intervention with other organisations and regions seeking to move beyond conflict and creating more stable civic societies. During the reporting period, the Fund has undertaken a number of initiatives to disseminate our learning.

This included funding for the John Hume and Thomas P. O'Neill Chair in Peace based at the University of Ulster's International Conflict Research Institute (INCORE). The position is dedicated to the two men for the pivotal role they played in the Peace Process in Northern Ireland and will support young peacemakers from around the world.

In the last year, we were pleased to learn that shared education models developed in Northern Ireland with support from the International Fund for Ireland have helped shape the response to division within the Macedonian education system. This, in turn, has leveraged funding from UNICEF and USAID in support of a shared education programme between ethnic Macedonian and Albanian schools. As a funder we are exceptionally proud to see the outputs of one of our flagship programmes excel in shaping local and international policy.

The Fund has made many significant contributions to community and policy development on the island of Ireland and our current scope of work is directed towards informing governmental thinking with the ambition of the programmes being mainstreamed and supported financially by governmental action.

The PWP delivery model, for example, is accepted by community representatives and statutory authorities as the only effective way to build the required community confidence and capacity to pave the way for the removal of Peace Walls. The lessons learned from this programme are helping shape the government response to Peace Walls in the Office of the First and Deputy First Minister's Together: Building a United Community strategy. Within our Community Transformation strategy, the Fund is concentrating resources in the areas where we can make the most significant and urgent contribution to stabilise the Peace Process.



MAIN IMAGE:  
The interface wall  
at Cupar Way, Belfast  
divides the Unionist  
area of Shankill Road  
from the Nationalist  
Springfield/Falls  
Road area.

LEFT: Dr Adrian  
Johnston, Chairman  
of the International  
Fund for Ireland.

RIGHT:  
Participants from the  
Londonderry Bands  
Forum celebrate  
their achievement.

The quality of our interventions has never been more evident, yet the fact remains that a lot of the ground-breaking work we are pioneering simply could not take place in the absence of the Fund.

Recent multi-party talks in Northern Ireland aimed to find agreement on a wide range of political issues and build on the foundations laid last year by Dr Richard Haass in relation to flags, parades and the past. The Fund has supported a number of community-led interventions in these and other areas.

While the parties to the talks are to be commended for the Stormont House Agreement, we would encourage them to push ahead with its full implementation. It is essential that the issues that remain within communities in Northern Ireland be tackled and resolved and that a deal that will offer better options for the next generation is secured.

Sustainable peace in Northern Ireland and the southern border counties has not been achieved, nor will it be without appropriate resourcing and the commitment to take necessary risks and challenge political and community leaders.

The political institutions in Northern Ireland are far from stable. There remains a viable threat to undermine the fragile peace and many serious and persistent issues remain unresolved and are likely to continue for the foreseeable future.

During uncertain times for the Peace Process, the International Fund for Ireland is the only independent vehicle that is enabling communities

to address the most difficult challenges to a sustainable peace on the island of Ireland.

There is a pressing need to tackle the underlying causes of youth involvement in violence and the Fund must play its significant part, particularly in those local communities where the benefits of the Peace Process are not yet evident.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank our international donors – the United States of America, the European Union, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand – for their very generous financial support and political encouragement.

The support and encouragement from our donors has enabled the Fund to underpin the Peace Process and assist the British and Irish governments in their efforts to deliver a lasting peace on the island of Ireland.

I would also like to pay tribute to outgoing Board Members Ms Rose Mary Farrell, Mr David Graham and Mr Winston Patterson for their enthusiasm, energy and commitment to the International Fund for Ireland during their term on the Board.

Finally, on behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the Joint Chairs and members of the Inter-Governmental Advisory Committee for their guidance and advice, the Secretariat, our Development Officers, Managing Agents and other partners for their on-going efforts to deliver programmes that are making a very real and meaningful difference.



# The Board

The Board of the International Fund for Ireland is appointed jointly by the British and Irish governments. Representatives of the United States of America, the European Union, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand attend meetings of the Board.



Pictured are (L-R):

Back row

Mr Winston Patterson

Ms Rose Mary Farrell

Mr David Graham OBE

Mr Billy Gamble

Front Row

Mrs Siobhan Fitzpatrick CBE

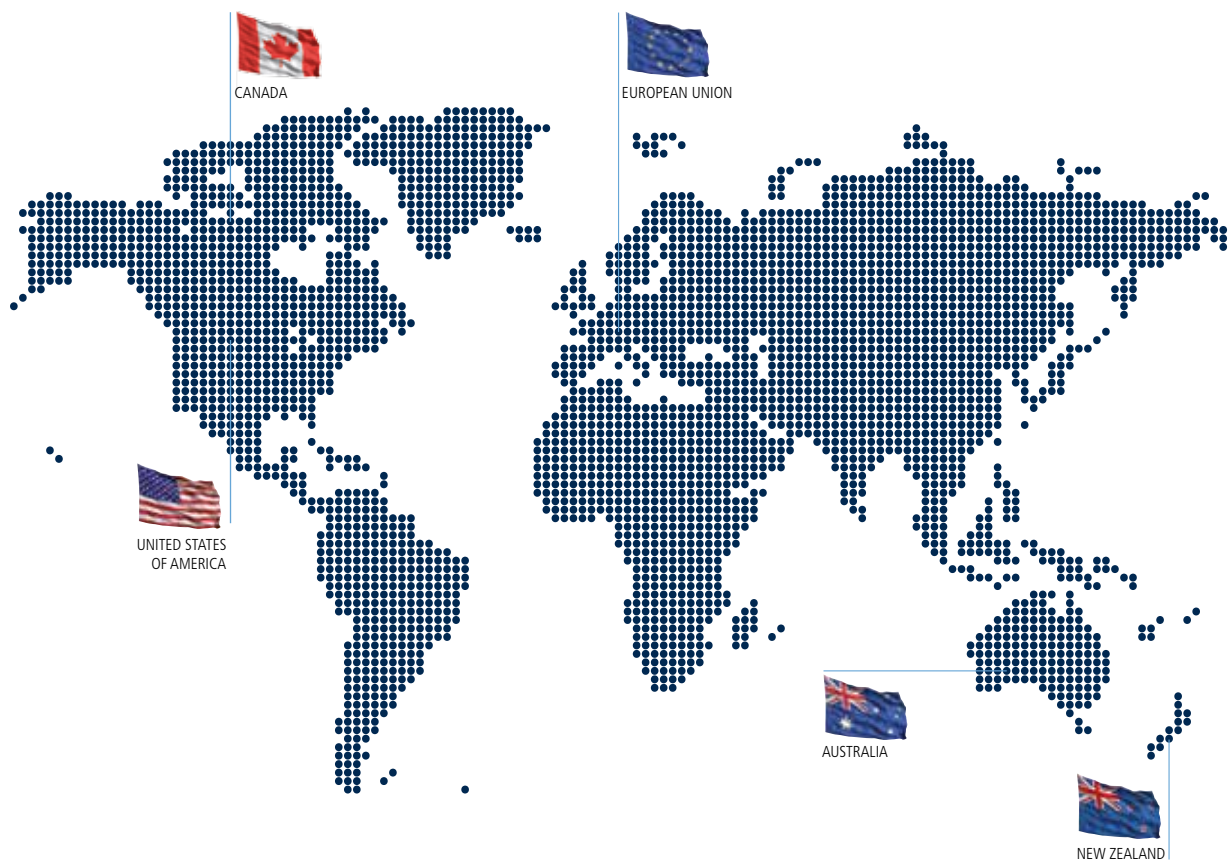
Dr Adrian Johnston, Chairman

Ms Dorothy Clarke

The United States of America, The European Union and governments of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand were represented this year by: Mr Dan Hynes and Ms Stella O'Leary, United States of America; Ms Agnes Lindemans-Maes and Ms Tamara Pavlin, European Union; Mr Brian Doherty, Canada; Her Excellency Dr Ruth Adler, Australia; and His Excellency, Dr Rt Hon Sir Lockwood Smith, New Zealand.

# Introduction

The International Fund for Ireland was established as an independent international organisation by the British and Irish Governments in 1986. With contributions from the United States of America, the European Union, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, the total resources committed by the fund to date amount to £713million/€897million.\*



THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FUND ARE:

- to promote economic and social advance; and
- to encourage contact, dialogue and reconciliation between Unionists and Nationalists throughout Ireland

\* The sterling/euro conversion rate at 30 September 2014 is applied throughout this report



The Board of the Fund is appointed jointly by the British and Irish governments. It is assisted by an Advisory Committee comprising officials appointed by the two governments.

The administration of the Fund is provided by a Secretariat, headed by Joint Directors General, based in Belfast and Dublin. A range of bodies act as administering agencies and the Fund has engaged the services of a team of Development Officers, located across the southern border counties, who act as local contact points and assist prospective applicants to identify and develop proposals. They also monitor the ongoing operation of projects, providing assistance as necessary.

This report, which covers the period 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014, is presented by the Board to the Government of the United Kingdom, the Government of Ireland, the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Fund's donors in accordance with Article 12 of the Agreement of 18 September 1986, as amended, by which the International Fund for Ireland was established.

The Fund's Community Transformation Programmes cluster around three key areas: Peace Walls; Peace Impact; Completion and Sustainability. All programmes are characterised by:

- a clear focus on reconciliation as the over-riding objective;
- a focus on community transformation rather than conflict management;
- an emphasis on engaging with individuals and communities that have not previously, or only partially, participated in peace building and community development activities;
- an independent and credible approach with strong international backing;
- two one-day training courses
- a willingness to take risks on behalf of local communities;
- early support for community initiatives;
- co-operation with other funders and leverage of funds from other sources;
- a willingness to innovate and to break new ground in support of reconciliation; and
- a responsive approach to donor priorities.

MAIN IMAGE:  
Lurgan Junior High School student Katie McCullough shares her experiences of community relations activities.

LEFT: Children from different schools mixing at a shared education event.

RIGHT: Bert Robinson and Thomas O'Reilly, the Chair and Vice Chair of Newtownbutler Together at the launch of the Peace Impact Project in the town.



# Peace Walls Programme



A Peace Wall divides two communities along the Springmartin Road in west Belfast.

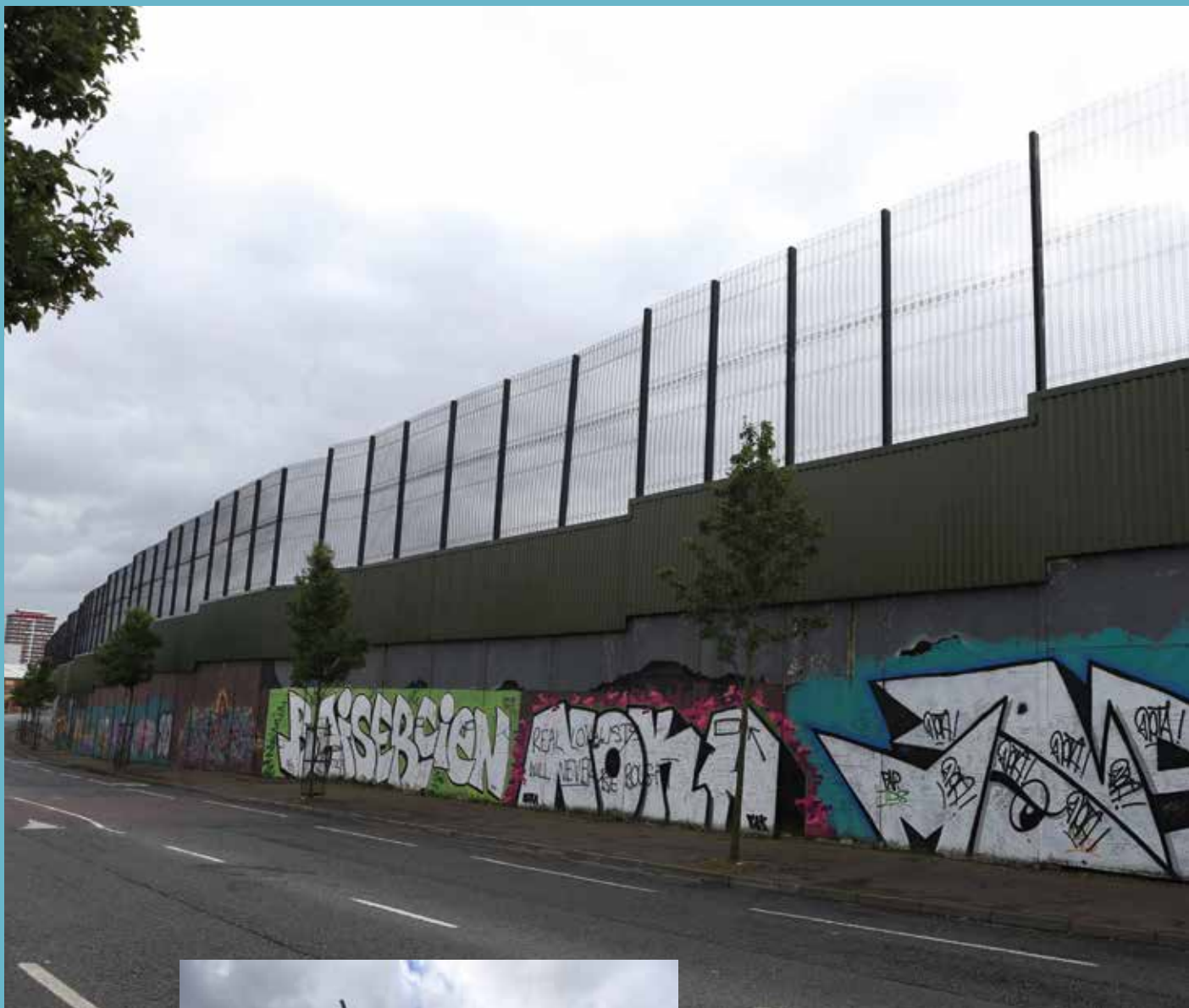
PEACE WALLS – PHYSICAL BARRIERS DIVIDING COMMUNITIES – are one of the most visual remaining symbols of division in Northern Ireland.

There are more than 100 such barriers, mainly in Belfast, stretching over 21 kilometres in total.

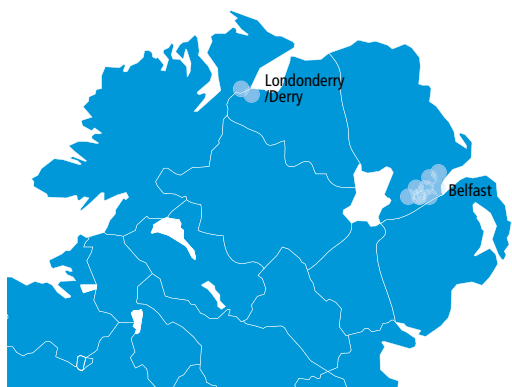
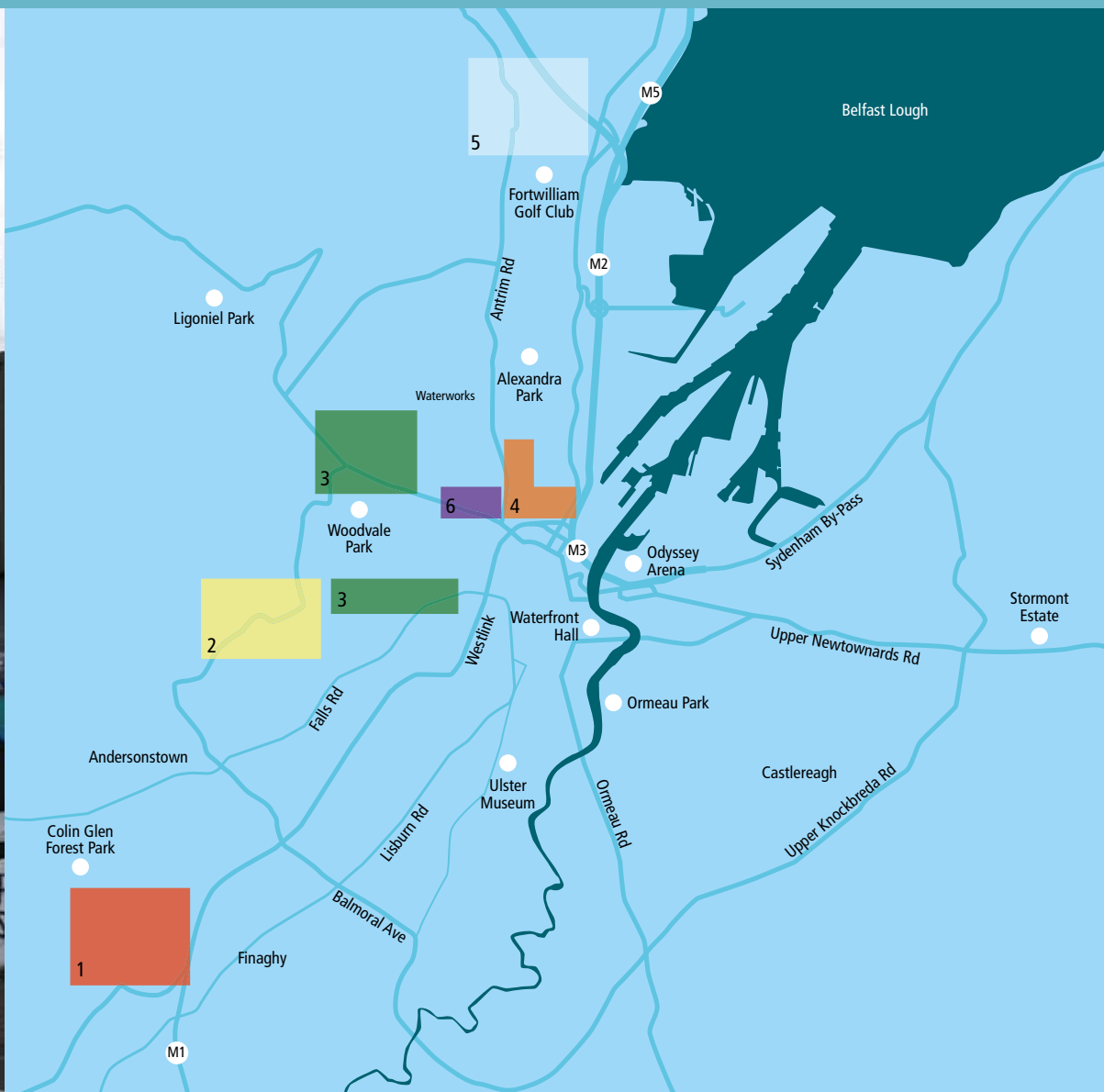
Launched in January 2012, the Peace Walls Programme focuses on helping interface communities to bring about the conditions that can allow for the removal of Peace Walls. It provides a range of confidence and relationship building initiatives within and between interface communities to help residents arrive at a position where they feel it is safe and appropriate to discuss and consider the removal of Peace Walls in their area.

The programme is designed for communities that have expressed their willingness and readiness to begin building the levels of trust required before starting the process of engaging with statutory authorities about removing the barriers.

The programme, which was developed by the Fund following consultation with all the key stakeholders, is designed to be the first stage in a process leading to the physical removal of barriers. This includes assisting interface communities to lever financial and political investment from statutory authorities for any associated infrastructure and community regeneration needs when the barriers are removed.



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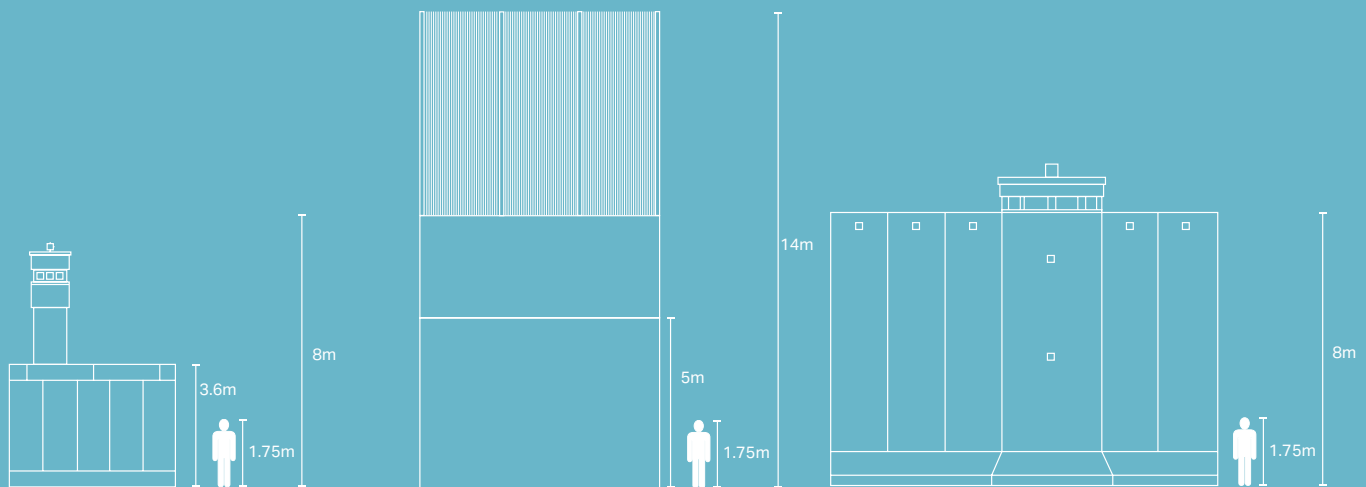
#### KEY

- 1. Suffolk and Lenadoon
- 2. Blackmountain Shared Space
- 3. Twadell, Ardoyne, Shankill, Crumlin in Transition
- 4. Duncairn Community Partnership
- 5. Greater Whitewell Community Surgery
- 6. Cliftonville/Oldpark

# Peace Walls Programme

The Peace Walls Programme is breaking new ground in interface areas and assisting the Northern Ireland Executive to meet wider targets.

Located mostly in Belfast and Londonderry/Derry, Peace Walls stretch for more than 21km, and were originally intended to keep the peace between Unionist and Nationalist communities.



BERLIN WALL

28  
YEARS

CUPAR WAY, BELFAST

46  
YEARS

PALESTINE WALL

15  
YEARS

Peace Walls were first constructed as a temporary, security response to sectarian violence in

# 1969

In the same year:



Richard M Nixon became 37th President of the United States



American Neil Armstrong became the first man to walk on the Moon



The Beatles release their Abbey Road Album

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## 100 £3m >2 years

Almost 100 Peace Walls exist in Belfast with a smaller number still present in Londonderry/Derry and Portadown.

International Fund for Ireland investment in new confidence and relationship building interventions, to help residents get to a point where they feel it is safe and appropriate to proceed with the removal of barriers.

In less than two years, the Peace Walls Programme (PWP) has delivered significant progress and begun a schedule of works to transform interface neighbourhoods.

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The 2012 Attitudes to Peace Walls research from the Ulster University surveyed the views of peace lines residents and found that:

## 58%

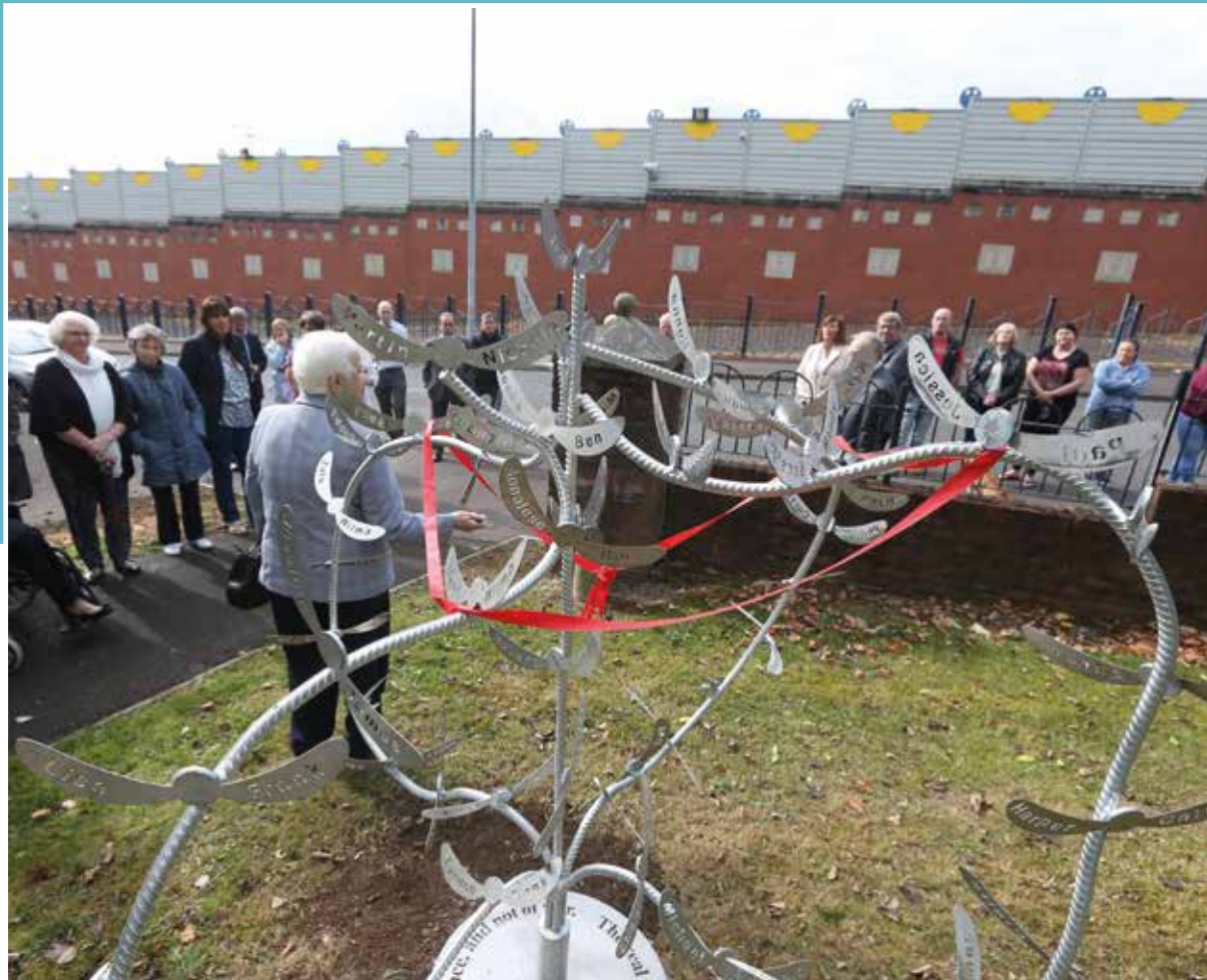
shared the view that 'the peace walls will come down at some stage either now or in the future'.

## 69%

maintained that the peace walls were still necessary because of the potential for violence.

## 63%

wanted to know more about initiatives and discussions on the peace walls.



# Black Mountain Shared Space Project

One of the most visible signs of Belfast's divided communities is the structure known as the Million Brick Wall which marks the interface between Nationalist and Unionist estates along the length of the Springmartin Road.

The huge wall is one of 10 identified barriers separating the two communities living in the Springfield, Sliabh Dubh, Moyard and New Barnsley estates on the Nationalist side and the Springmartin, Highfield and Ballygomartin Road areas on the Unionist side.

The Black Mountain Shared Space Project, which received funding of £253,627 from the International Fund for Ireland, is working to break down the psychological as well as physical barriers which exist between the communities.

Much of the work, according to Joanna Felo, a community worker on the project, is aimed at building up the required confidence and capacity, which will eventually breach the physical walls, fences and gates.

This was a notorious interface area marked by sporadic outbreaks of violence, particularly during the marching season. A steering committee made up of people within the respective communities has been formed to ease tensions in the area and the project workers have also

ABOVE: A sculpture unveiled by Baroness May Blood replaces security gates at the Springmartin Road interface.



A range of activities have helped build trust and confidence between the two communities.

drawn up a multi-pronged programme to lay the groundwork for further progress.

One recent success was a quilting course involving women from the Highfield and Moyard Estate. When first mooted 18 months ago the Moyard residents expressed a reluctance to cross the peacelines but now they regularly travel to the Highfield community centre for the course - many of them brought there by women from Highfield.

Other successes include:

- The removal of barriers at Springmartin Road and Moyard Crescent
- The staging of a discussion in Highfield on the Ulster Workers Council strike of 1974 as part of the Feile an Phobail - the first time a Feile event was held in the area
- Bringing 60 people - 30 from each side of the interface - to Belfast's Cultural Night this year
- Holding a residential course on family life at Corrymeela, again attended by people from different traditions
- Two one day training courses
- An anti-racism course for women in Highfield
- A week-long summer soccer school taken by coaches from Glasgow Celtic Football Club and Glasgow Rangers Football Club for young people across the interface
- Family health fairs dealing with issues

such as cancer, suicide, mental health, heart disease, dental hygiene and providing physical activities for children.

One breakthrough which helped establish the credibility of the project, according to Joanna, was work to secure £500,000 for the development of sports and play facilities at the derelict Vere Foster site in Moyard. "This showed the communities that we could deliver and that the peace work can have tangible results for very deprived areas", she says.

She adds: "Given the background of population displacement in the area, interface violence and high levels of deprivation including lack of employment and educational achievement, it is important that the communities are encouraged to look to a future where there can be more contact between them. We are attempting to prepare them for the time where they will have the confidence to engage in greater cross-community activity".



# Duncairn Community Partnership

Thirty years after it was erected, a security barrier which had blocked off a north Belfast street was finally removed in autumn 2014. It was a development that made headline news and another small victory for those implementing a peace plan in the area.

North Belfast is one of the most highly divided areas of Northern Ireland, the result of a terrible toll of death and violence during the Troubles.

It is a patchwork of segregated communities with a number of physical structures or 'peacelines' that separate people along the interfaces. The security barrier in Newington Street was one of those peacelines. It was opened for a short period each day in 2012 and then all day each day in 2013

until it was dismantled and removed in 2014.

This was the result of a lot of hard work by the Duncairn Community Partnership which was awarded funding of £471,000 for its peace building work.

According to Ciaran Shannon of the Partnership, its work consists of several complementary strands including:

ABOVE: Work underway to remove the security barrier that had divided Newington Street in north Belfast for almost 30 years.



- active efforts to build relationships between communities in the general Duncairn Gardens area
- Promotion of shared space projects
- Development of a shared housing initiative
- Working with local businesses to promote and sustain the Cityside Retail Park.

With Nationalist and Unionist communities living in very close proximity, tensions are high during particular times of the year such as the Tour of the North and Twelfth of July demonstrations, St Patrick's Day and other cultural occasions.

The Partnership works with local people to help organise fun days around the controversial events in an effort to reduce tensions.

Improving the visual appearance of some of the 10 interface peace barriers is another ongoing project. "The idea is to reimage the various walls and barriers in the area to make them less imposing", says Mr Shannon.

A common feature of interface areas is the number of derelict properties which are created when people move out of what they regard as the firing line. The Partnership acquired two derelict houses that were then transferred to a local housing association for development into a shared housing

project. A survey has also been conducted of all the derelict sites in the area and it is hoped that they can be regenerated and used on a cross-community basis.

Mr Shannon admits that changes can appear slowly but says the vital groundwork is with local people. Their fears or anxieties have to be assuaged and their agreement has to be given before barriers can be removed.

As well as talking to residents within each community catchment area, the Partnership has been instrumental in getting the communities to engage with each other. Particular interest has been paid to the Newington, Parkside, Mountcollier, Tigers Bay and New Lodge areas where segregation has been most evident and mutual suspicion at its most intense.

It may take time but the removal of the barrier at Newington Street shows that attitudes can be changed and progress made. The hope is that momentum can be created and maintained.

LEFT: A workman applies new coating of paint to a north Belfast interface gate.

RIGHT: The removal of the longstanding security barrier on Newington Street was seen as one of the most significant changes in interface architecture in north Belfast.



# St Columb's Park House Peace Walls Project

While most of the so-called 'peace walls' in Northern Ireland have been erected in Belfast, the Waterside area of Londonderry/Derry also has its interface areas, which have been the scenes of sporadic outbreaks of violence.

In November 2012, St Columb's Park House - a centre for reconciliation in the city - was awarded £335,000 by the International Fund for Ireland for a Peace Walls Project embracing four estates - Gobnascale, Irish Street, Currynrierin and Tullyally.

Each of the areas suffer from high levels of deprivation, low employment rates and low levels of educational achievement. The project has

evolved not simply to remove physical barriers between the communities but also to renew the neighbourhoods and improve the social and economic expectations of those living there.

Although there are no physical barriers between the Top of the Hill and Irish Street areas, the residents live segregated lives and that is reinforced by the display of sectarian flags and painted kerbstones. The Tullyally-Currynrierin

ABOVE: One of a number of reimagining projects carried out by young people from the Tullyally area of Londonderry/Derry.



An important part of the project has been encouraging contact, dialogue and reconciliation between communities at the interface areas.

interface is marked by palisade fencing erected as a result of two decades of inter-estate violence.

Kirstein Arbuckle, the project coordinator, says that work among young people in the estates has resulted in a dramatic reduction in interface conflict. This work has been carried out in conjunction with transforming the visual appearance of the interface areas.

Of 14 sites originally identified, transformation has been completed on seven. This has involved working with statutory bodies such as Derry City Council, Northern Ireland Electricity and the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Derelict buildings have been boarded up and the boards painted to create a more pleasing visual aspect. Sites were also cleared of rubbish and debris and a new shop has opened in previously disused retail units.

Kirstein says that an important part of the project has been encouraging contact, dialogue and reconciliation between Protestants and Catholics at the interface areas. A cross-community youth group has been established in Tullyally-Currynrierin that has created better relationships and helped reduce conflict. She says: “The group is so

successful that we are now developing a second group and hope to keep replicating the process”.

A number of pilot projects have also been undertaken. Working with Urban Vizualz, young people in the Currynrierin estate have painted over sectarian graffiti with their own exciting artwork while in Tullyally, young people created a ‘Welcome to Tullyally’ sign and both groups are collaborating on further art work.

A cross-community choir has been established and it performed at the Music City Day in the city in June and at the International Choral Festival in October. The choir also had a busy schedule over the Christmas period.

Volunteers working on the project were given good relations training including an Exploring Diversity accredited course, single identity training and a Community Development diploma course. Volunteers who went on an Irish Football Association coaching course will help set up a cross-community football team.

# Peace Walls Programme

During the current financial year the Fund has committed additional assistance to the following projects:

| Name/Address                                                                                                                         | Project Description                                         | North £ |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Belfast City Council Area<br><b>Black Mountain Shared Space Project</b><br>Falls Road<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                        | A minor capital works programme to enhance interface sites. | 11,892  |
| <b>Duncairn Community Partnership</b><br>Duncairn Gardens<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                    | A minor capital works programme to enhance interface sites. | 5,088   |
| Derry City Council Area<br><b>TRIAX Neighbourhood Partnership Board</b><br>Iona Business Park<br>Southway<br>Derry<br>Co Londonderry | A minor capital works programme to enhance interface sites. | 12,727  |



ABOVE: A gate in the Peace Wall at Workman Avenue in north Belfast opens for several hours each day.



# Peace Impact Programme



Young participants  
discuss Peace Impact  
Programme activities.

THE PEACE IMPACT PROGRAMME (PIP) is designed to deliver real and positive community transformation through sensitive interventions in communities that have not previously, or have only partially, participated in peace building and reconciliation activities. Such interventions are critical to building a truly integrated, shared and peaceful society.

PIP aims to build sustainable peace and prosperity in areas suffering from high levels of economic and social deprivation, where there are low levels of engagement in peace building and where the Peace Process has delivered limited benefits.

The programme places particular emphasis on engaging with disaffected and marginalised young people who are vulnerable to recruitment or attack by those opposed to the peace process.

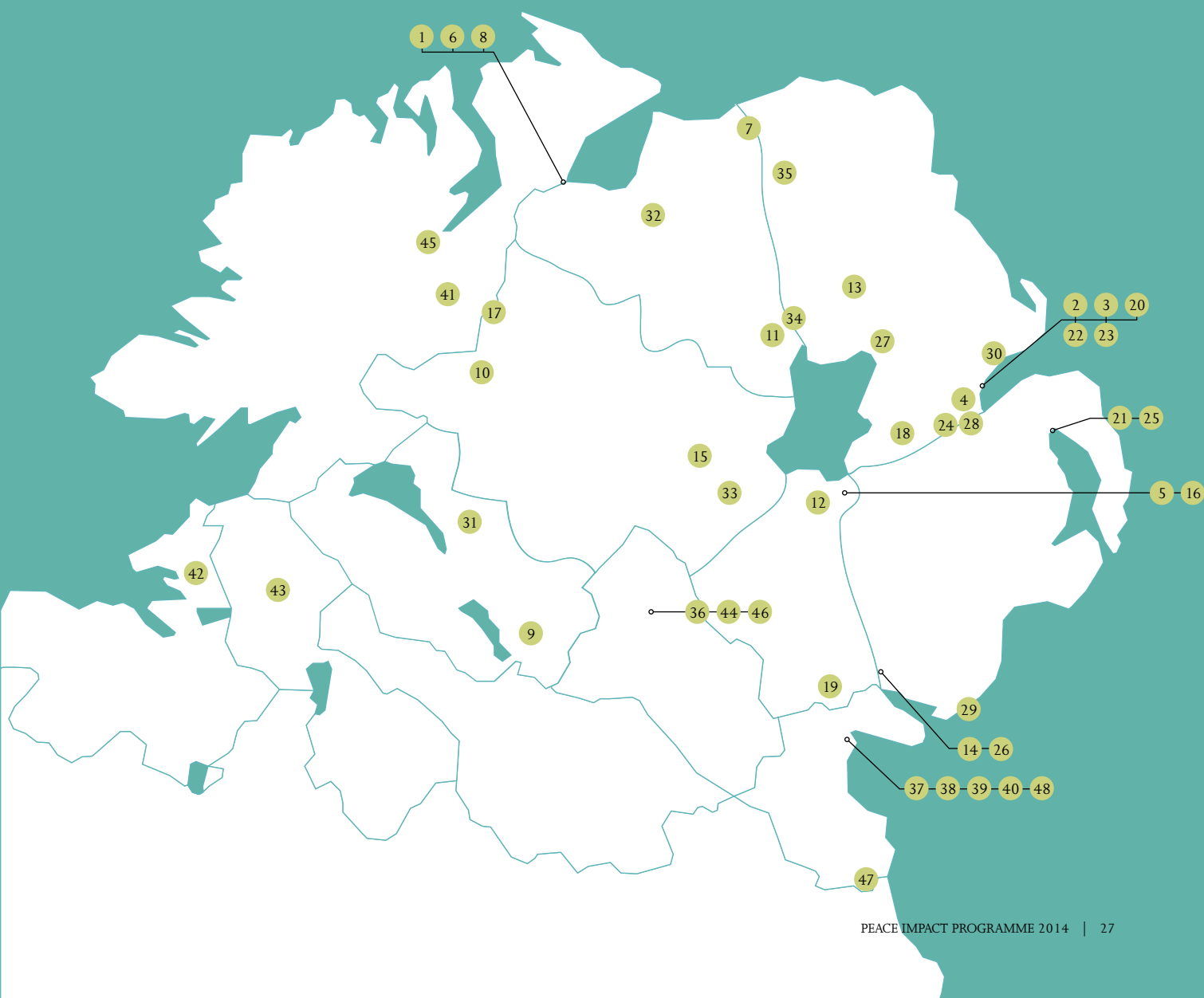


## Participant's experience

Chris Mellon, 24 is Bandmaster for Randalstown Sons of Ulster and is a member of the Orange Institution and Apprentice Boys of Derry. He says his involvement with Sperrin Cultural Awareness Association Peace Impact Programme has helped him find a new direction.

“Under the leadership of the Sperrin Cultural Awareness and its mentors I turned my life around and have also completed courses including conflict management, life and diversity and event management. Thanks to the opportunities I have received with them I’ve been able to share my experiences with other groups. My aim always is to educate younger members about embracing a more peaceful, positive cultural identity and also encourage them to cultivate key skills and qualifications, which could lead to future employment.”

- 1 Time2Choose
- 2 Queen's Park Women's Group
- 3 Rathfern Community Regeneration Group
- 4 Conflict Resolution Services Ireland
- 5 Shankill Parish Caring Association
- 6 Unheard Voices
- 7 Causeway Rural Urban Network
- 8 Londonderry Bands Forum
- 9 Newtownbutler Together
- 10 Border Arts
- 11 Sperrin Cultural Awareness Association
- 12 Drumgor Detached Youth Work Project
- 13 Leafair Carson Project
- 14 Newry Sports Partnership
- 15 Galbally Youth & Community Assoc.
- 16 North Lurgan Community Association
- 17 Fountain Street Comm. Dev Assoc.
- 18 Stoneyford Community Association
- 19 Forkhill & District Development Association Ltd.
- 20 Upper Springfield Development Company
- 21 Ards Developmnet Bureau & Community Network
- 22 Springboard Opportunities Limited
- 23 Grace Women's Group, Ardoyne
- 24 Annadale Haywood Residents Association
- 25 Charter NI
- 26 Community Restorative Justice (Newry/Armagh)
- 27 Inner Estate Partnership, Antrim
- 28 NIAMH
- 29 Schomberg Society, Kilkeel
- 30 Sport Changes Life
- 31 Fermanagh Sport & Cultural Association
- 32 Roe Valley Residents Association
- 33 Moygashel Community & Cultural Association
- 34 Sperrins & Glens Teach Na Failte
- 35 Ulidian Training
- 36 Teach Na Daoine
- 37 Muirhevnamor Community Council
- 38 Cox's Demesne Youth and Community Project
- 39 Failte Abhaile
- 40 Louth Leader Partnership (strengthening families)
- 41 Tyrone Derry Donegal Action
- 42 Sligo Young Enterprises
- 43 Driving Forward Leitrim Co.Council
- 44 Clones Fáilte
- 45 Donegal Youth Service
- 46 Drum Village Development Association
- 47 Foroige Cable Project
- 48 Cox's Demesne Dundalk Soccer Project



# Peace Impact Programme

Launched in 2013, the Peace Impact Programme (PIP) has achieved significant success in a relatively short period, particularly in its engagement with disaffected and marginalised young people who are vulnerable to recruitment or attack by those opposed to the Peace Process.

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Peace Impact Projects started between February 2013 and June 2014

£4m

Invested in the Peace Impact Programme

£600,000

of funding from additional sources has been leveraged as a result of the Fund's initial investment

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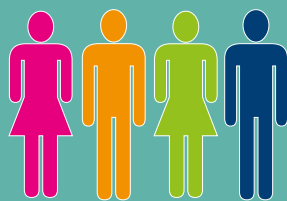
Projects in the southern border counties

THREE

of which are cross-border projects

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Projects in NI



Creating more inclusive communities



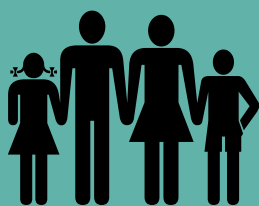
Relationship building



Developing local leadership



Providing progression routes and alternatives



New supports opened to marginalised young people that are vulnerable to recruitment or attack by paramilitaries.

## STEP 1

Enabling individuals and communities, who are still affected by sectarian violence, to take part in peace building activities for the first time.



Agreement of an accord which has the potential to unlock some difficulties over contentious parades.

“There are indications that PIP projects are having a positive impact on the levels of sectarian/ interface violence and a number of projects reported a reduction in violence in their areas during the 2014 marching season.”

Peace Impact Programme Interim Evaluation Report (Oct 14)



# Londonderry Bands Forum

In August 2014, a document was unveiled which could have a far reaching impact on one of the most contentious civic issues facing Northern Ireland.

The paper, called the Maiden City Accord, was the result of intensive discussions between the loyal orders and the Londonderry Bands Forum, an organisation funded by the International Fund for Ireland.

It set out a number of recommendations which are designed to improve the public perception of parades and their accompanying bands. Among the proposals - which have gone out for public consultation - are:

- Places of worship on routes of parades should be contacted to guard

against disruption of services

- Organisers of parades should be responsible for discipline of participants
- Loyal order officials and band leaders should actively discourage the consumption of alcohol or the use of illegal substances before and during parades
- No illegal flags or emblems should be displayed.

The Accord is designed to address problems in the Londonderry area but could form the basis of a wider protocol for marches throughout Northern Ireland.

ABOVE: Derek Moore, Londonderry Bands Forum Project Coordinator (left) and Dr Adrian Johnston, Chairman of the International Fund for Ireland (right) join participants at the launch of the project.



LEFT: the Londonderry Bands Forum education activity was launched in March 2014 and has set up a number of workshops for all schoolchildren across the city including Catholic schools.

While this was a striking development, the work of the Londonderry Bands Forum, under co-ordinator Derek Moore, has been much wider in its scope and impact.

The International Fund for Ireland approved funding of £124,500 in June 2013 for a two-year project involving the Forum and St Columb's Park House in Londonderry/Derry to address issues relating to loyalist bands in the city.

Many of the bands were perceived to be aligned to paramilitary organisations and the broad aim of the project was to improve the understanding of the bands' culture and enable the mainly young working class members to improve their employment prospects through training.

According to Mr Moore, the project's success to date has exceeded expectations with 15 bands signing up to the Forum. Last year one of the bands played in Waterloo Place in the city for the first time in 45 years and among those watching was Deputy First Minister Martin McGuinness MLA.

Bands also took part in the 2013 City of Culture programme including the All Ireland Fleadh - Irish traditional music festival - and band members from the Forum again took part in the all-Ireland Fleadh in Sligo in 2014, developments which would previously have

been unheard of. Additionally, for the first time ever, a Protestant band led the opening parade for the Foyle Cup soccer tournament.

There have been extensive cross-community meetings between the Forum and political groups including Sinn Féin, Derry City Council, the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Irish government. Bands from the Protestant and Catholic traditions in the city have also played together.

An extensive education programme was also launched and in the first tranche of 16 sessions some 600 school children, the majority from the Catholic maintained schools sector, have learned about the cultural traditions represented by the bands.

Another important strand of the work has been training for young band members. All those involved have received work experience and some have acquired leadership skills which are vital for the development of a new culture within the bands. These training schemes have included young leadership and event management programmes.

The Londonderry Bands Forum Project continues to push boundaries and create positive impacts throughout Northern Ireland.



# Upper Springfield Development Trust

The estates of Whiterock/Westrock, Sliabh Dubh, Moyard and Springfield Park in west Belfast can be a difficult environment for young people growing up. Some have been victims of interface violence, punishment beatings or threatened with expulsion by paramilitary groups.

In February 2014, the International Fund for Ireland approved funding of £55,533 for Upper Springfield Development Trust to undertake a 16-month project aimed at targeting disaffected and vulnerable young people aged 11-25 in these estates.

One of the key elements of the project was the recruitment and training of six young people

to become youth support workers, giving them salaried work and training during their “apprenticeship”.

In the initial tranche of 13 young people, six were identified and have completed their preliminary training and are moving on to gain qualifications in OCN sexual health, mood matters training, child protection and first aid.

ABOVE: Participants in the Upper Springfield Development Trust Peace Impact Project to share their experiences.



A range of activities have been successful in bringing young people from both Unionist and Nationalist communities together for the first time.

As part of their training, the young people took part in an outreach programme with their peers during the summer months. The programme drew in 177 young people, the vast majority of whom had never engaged with the Trust previously. Sixty-nine young people also took part in a youth residential programme.

Other activities that were created included a summer camp, a night camping out on Blackmountain which also brought together young people from both Unionist and Nationalist communities for the first time, a mini-World Cup football competition on the eve of a potential flashpoint occasion – 12th July – and a dance scheme.

Niall Enright of the Trust says: “From the feedback we obtained after every session it is clear that the overwhelming number of young people enjoyed the activities and found them to be a positive experience.

“They particularly valued the outdoor activities and also forged positive relationships with some of the youth workers. It has to be remembered that these are young people who may have had negative experiences of their environment in the past and who would have had low expectations of the future in many cases.

“There was also positive feedback from the young people who were recruited as community peer leaders. They welcomed the support they obtained from Trust staff and also the experiences and opportunities afforded to them by the training they received. They felt they had developed as people and had more confidence and a more positive outlook.”

Another aspect of the overall project is developing the capacity of local residents' groups. In the past, these have tended to be ad hoc groupings, often changing or disbanding. It is hoped that new groups which will emerge will go on to become involved in issues in the wider Springfield area.



## Cox's Demesne

Cox's Demesne Youth and Community Project (CDY & CP) was awarded financial assistance of just over €83k from the International Fund for Ireland's Peace Impact Programme.

The project, based in Dundalk, County Louth, focuses on Cox's Demesne Housing Estate, which experiences high levels of social deprivation, anti-social behaviour, crime, dissident activity and drug use.

Cox's Demesne Youth and Community Project delivers training, support and a suite of interventions to those who are disadvantaged or socially excluded in the community. The group has strong links in the area and projects are developed and delivered by experienced staff based on the identified needs of local people.

Support from the International Fund for Ireland was awarded in two tranches to underpin projects that work with at risk young people. The first offered accredited football training and an early intervention drama programme while the second engaged with marginalised young men through a series of innovative training programmes designed to boost employment opportunities.

The early intervention drama project targeted towards 6-13 year olds was used to promote tolerance and understanding among young people and also increase self-confidence and self-

ABOVE: A participant from the Cox's Demesne Peace Impact Project shares his experiences at an International Fund for Ireland Board Meeting.



Participants pictured at a training event organised as part of the Cox's Demesne Peace Impact Project.

expression from an early age. Workshops explored the themes of diversity, bullying, sectarianism, dealing with conflict and dealing with difference. The project culminated in a production staged in Dundalk Town Hall and the wider community also benefitted from this performance.

Through the medium of football, young people between 16 and 25 years of age were encouraged to become positive role models in their communities while gaining coaching and refereeing accreditations. To date, 40 participants have completed the course and now volunteer with other local football clubs in the area.

The second phase of funding was aimed at young men in society who are often involved in local Garda diversion projects. The content of the programme focused mainly on outdoor pursuits, conflict resolution, suicide prevention and employable skills.

Clodagh O'Mahoney, Project Manager, said: "We are very grateful to the International Fund for Ireland for their financial support. There was a tremendous amount of interest in these projects and in bringing together local communities. It played an important part in giving young people the confidence boost they needed as well as an opportunity to learn

new skills and provided them with valuable training to help enhance their employment and further and higher educational prospects."

A recent participant involved in the programme added; "Before I became involved with the Cox's Demesne project I was in trouble with the Gardaí quite a bit and spent most of my time taking a lot of drugs, which brought a lot of problems including getting put out of main stream education.

"Thanks to the programme, my life has changed completely. I am now back in full time training, moved in with my girlfriend and ditched the drugs. I've also felt a real sense of achievement and improved self-esteem and I want to continue to better myself with the help of the project as much as I can.

"I am currently looking into other courses that I can apply for in my local area to help further my employment opportunities and training and I'm also planning to volunteer some more with the outdoor Adventure centre.

"This programme has really turned my life around for the better and given me a second chance. It's a great initiative providing a real lifeline for young people in Cox's Demesne."

# Peace Impact Programme

During this financial year the Fund has committed financial assistance to the following projects:

| Name/Address                                                                                                                            | Project Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | North £ |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Antrim Borough Council Area<br><b>Inter Estate Partnership</b><br>Queen's Road<br>Antrim<br>Co Antrim                                   | The project will engage with at risk young people and others who have had limited engagement with the Peace Process offering workshops and training in various issues affecting their area.                                               | 90,700  |
| Ards Borough Council<br><b>Ards Development Bureau &amp; Community Network</b><br>Frances Street<br>Newtownards<br>Co Down              | To deliver a targeted and tailored community engagement programme across Ards and North Down working in partnership with local groups.                                                                                                    | 102,855 |
| <b>Newry Sports Partnership</b><br>Londonderry Avenue<br>Comber<br>Co Down                                                              | The project will use a cross community learning pathway through education, peer mentoring, social action and civic leadership. There will be training for 30 locally identified mentors from the target areas.                            | 63,690  |
| Armagh City and District Council Area<br><b>North Lurgan Community Association</b><br>Levin Road<br>Lurgan<br>Co Armagh                 | The project will target the engagement and participation of disaffected young people who are at risk of paramilitary involvement and support the wider community to deal with contentious issues.                                         | 85,807  |
| Ballymena Borough Council & Derry City Council Areas<br><b>Leafair Community Association</b><br>Leafair Park<br>Derry<br>Co Londonderry | This innovative project is a partnership between Leafair Community Association in Derry and the Carson Project in Ballymena and will engage disaffected young people in 4 villages in Co Antrim tackling difficult peace building issues. | 102,736 |
| Ballymoney Borough Council Area<br><b>Ulidia Training</b><br>Main Street<br>Ballymoney<br>Co Antrim                                     | An innovative Traditional Skills project which will engage up to 70 young people in a multi phased programme running side by side with a wider community engagement programme.                                                            | 86,500  |
| Belfast City Council Area<br><b>Annadale Haywood Residents Association</b><br>Annadale Flats<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                    | Working with disaffected young people in the Annadale area the project will focus on a cross community programme with Whiteabbey Community Association.                                                                                   | 22,056  |

| Name/Address                                                                                                                         | Project Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | North £ |
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| <b>Charter for Northern Ireland</b><br>Newtownards Road<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                      | The project will deliver a cross community programme between Unionist and Nationalist young people in East Belfast. Targeting young people and local residents through workshops around history, culture and contentious issues.                         | 76,966  |
| <b>Grace Womens Development Ltd</b><br>Herbert Street<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                        | To develop better community relations, community development and economic capacity on a cross community basis with women and young people in the local area.                                                                                             | 67,974  |
| <b>Northern Ireland Association for Mental Health (NIAMH)</b><br>University Street<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                           | NIAMH will deliver a "Journey towards Healing" project in the UL area in inner East Belfast with outreach to CNR communities in Short Strand and West Belfast.                                                                                           | 64,810  |
| <b>Sport Changes Life</b><br>Mersey Street<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                                   | Working with young people in the Carrickfergus and Greencastle areas the project will engage through sport and mentoring skills, development and enhanced employability.                                                                                 | 105,744 |
| <b>Springboard Opportunities Ltd</b><br>North Street<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                         | To work in partnership with community groups in both Carrickhill and East Belfast to deliver projects with both young people and local volunteers around good relations and peace building.                                                              | 101,759 |
| <b>Upper Springfield Development Co</b><br>Springfield Road<br>Belfast<br>Co Antrim                                                  | To deliver a peer leadership apprenticeship scheme for young people in partnership with 3 local residents groups.                                                                                                                                        | 55,533  |
| Craigavon Borough Council Area<br><b>Drumgor Detached Youth Work Project</b><br>Moyravery Community Centre<br>Craigavon<br>Co Armagh | The project will target young people in the local area who are engaged in risky behaviour and at risk of recruitment to a paramilitary group. Training will be given to develop skills and capacity for these young people.                              | 70,733  |
| Down District Council Area<br><b>Schomberg Society, Kilkeel</b><br>Newcastle Street<br>Kilkeel<br>Co Down                            | This 3 stranded young peoples project will include leadership, employability skills, arts, culture and media training. Although mainly targeting young PUL it includes a cross community element which will be built on through the life of the project. | 78,250  |

# Peace Impact Programme (cont)

| Name/Address                                                                                                                        | Project Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | North £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Dungannon District Council Area<br><b>Galbally Youth &amp; Community Association</b><br>Lurgylea Road<br>Galbally<br>Co Tyrone      | The project will target vulnerable young people or those engaging in anti-social behaviour and crime by developing young leaders and building a strong and united community. The project will also engage with the PUL community in the area. | 124,500 |
| <b>Moygashel Community &amp; Cultural Association</b><br>Glenwood Court<br>Lisburn<br>Co Antrim                                     | A multi faceted development and training programme in the Moygashel area of South Tyrone which will primarily focus on the unionist community but will have cross community actions.                                                          | 51,000  |
| Fermanagh District Council<br><b>Fermanagh Sports &amp; Cultural Awareness</b><br>Beechgrove Park<br>Ballinamallard<br>Co Fermanagh | The project in Fermanagh will concentrate on 4 programme themes, employment, culture, cohesion and capacity. It will seek to build better intra and inter community relations and understanding.                                              | 55,000  |
| <b>Newtownbutler Together</b><br>Galloon Gardens<br>Newtownbutler<br>Co Fermanagh                                                   | This project will take a “whole town” approach to dealing with peace building issues in Newtownbutler and will have a strong emphasis on dealing with difficult issues. The project is in partnership with Youth Work Ireland – Monaghan.     | 98,578  |
| Limavady Borough Council Area<br><b>Roe Valley Residents Association</b><br>Keady Way<br>Limavady<br>Co Londonderry                 | A peace building project that will develop partnerships between communities in the Roe Valley, Glens, Coolessan and Bovalley social housing areas of Limavady.                                                                                | 81,437  |
| Lisburn City Council Area<br><b>Stoneyford Community Association</b><br>Stonebridge Court<br>Lisburn<br>Co Antrim                   | The project will develop training skills for both women and young people in the area, support the development of cross community forum and support the development of social enterprise ideas.                                                | 56,900  |
| Magherafelt District Council Area<br><b>Sperrin Cultural Awareness Association</b><br>Hazelgrove<br>Tobermore<br>Co Londonderry     | SCAA will deliver the project across 7 areas in the counties Londonderry and Antrim, engaging disaffected young people and the wider community in new structures which will build capacity, interest and knowledge in peace building.         | 98,200  |

| Name/Address                                                                                                                   | Project Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | North £ |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Newry & Mourne District Council Area<br><b>Community Restorative Justice</b><br>Newry/Armagh<br>Cornmarket<br>Newry<br>Co Down | This project will focus on 4 areas in Newry West, Derrybeg, Carnagart, Martins Lane and Barcroft. Targeting young people and residents the project will address anti-social behaviour, inter community tensions and perceived lack of dividend from the peace process. | 101,706 |
| <b>Forkhill &amp; District Development Association</b><br>Main Street<br>Forkhill<br>Newry<br>Co Armagh                        | To develop good relations with neighbouring Markethill, enhance employment and training opportunities for both young people and women and develop a more cohesive united village.                                                                                      | 50,690  |
| Strabane District Council Area<br><b>Border Arts</b><br>Main Street<br>Castleberg<br>Co Tyrone                                 | Working across the community to deliver a project that will examine and address legacy and other issues in the area building better community relations and reducing tensions.                                                                                         | 98,727  |
| <b>Fountain Street Community Development Association</b><br>Fountain Street<br>Strabane<br>Co Tyrone                           | The project will work in 7 identified areas in the Strabane district to engage disaffected young people and the wider community in tackling intra community tensions and issues.                                                                                       | 99,888  |
| <b>Sperrins &amp; Glens Teach Na Failte</b><br>Fountain Street<br>Strabane<br>Co Tyrone                                        | The project will engage Republican and Republican Socialist groupings and wider communities with an interest in peace building. The project will develop and build the capacity of voluntary community workers and committee members.                                  | 86,400  |

| Name/Address                                                               | Project Description                                                                                           | South € |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Co. Donegal Youth Service</b><br>Port Road<br>Letterkenny<br>Co Donegal | Cross community peace and reconciliation programme aimed at hard to reach young people in Donegal and Tyrone. | 87,259  |

# Peace Impact Programme (cont)

| <b>Tyrone Derry Donegal Action</b><br>The Volt house<br>Main Street Raphoe<br>Co Donegal                              | Community development and capacity building project of social and economic nature.                                                                                                                                               | 138,150 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Name/Address                                                                                                          | Project Description                                                                                                                                                                                                              | South € |
| Co Leitrim<br><b>Driving Forward</b><br>Leitrim County Council<br>Áras an Chontae<br>Carrick on Shannon<br>Co Leitrim | With a focus on the Ballinamore area, the project will work directly with vulnerable and at risk young men and women with literacy challenges, offering accredited training and development.                                     | 90,450  |
| Co Louth<br><b>Cox's Demesne Youth &amp; Community Youth Project</b><br>Cox's Demesne<br>Dundalk<br>Co Louth          | Educational and training project for at risk young men, leading to employment and return to statutory education.                                                                                                                 | 32,623  |
| <b>Foróige Cable Project</b><br>Moneymore<br>Drogheda<br>Co Louth                                                     | Youth development and peace building programme of activities including upskilling and entrepreneurship.                                                                                                                          | 90,841  |
| Co Monaghan<br><b>Clones Fáilte</b><br>The Diamond<br>Clones<br>Co Monaghan                                           | Community support programme for ex political prisoners and their families.                                                                                                                                                       | 130,950 |
| <b>Drum Village Community Development Association</b><br>Drum Village<br>Co Monaghan                                  | Peace building programme and range of associated activities including music and youth events.                                                                                                                                    | 57,980  |
| All Areas<br><b>Teach Na nDaoine</b><br>Oriel Way<br>Monaghan<br>Co Monaghan                                          | Through local engagement and a support programme the project will involve 250 non aligned Republicans in Monaghan, Fermanagh and South Armagh. There will be a cross border project with the Unionist LA Project in Armagh City. | 120,000 |

**Co. Sligo Young Enterprises**

Cleveragh Industrial Estate

Sligo

Co Sligo

Cross community training and development programme for disaffected youth, delivered through the medium of sport, with accredited training and cross border engagement with partnering organisation in Co Fermanagh.

48,696



# The Difference We've Made



Máirtín O'Muilleoir  
MLA, former Belfast  
Lord Mayor; Bill  
Shaw Director at 174  
Trust; and Dr Adrian  
Johnston, Chairman of  
the International Fund  
for Ireland officially  
open the Duncairn  
Centre for Culture and  
Arts in north Belfast.

IN THE REPORTING YEAR, several projects started during the Sharing this Space Strategy reached completion and the Fund provided assistance to a number of others which support its objectives by promoting reconciliation, enhancing cross-community and cross-border relations and leaving a lasting legacy. These projects will deliver a wide range of sustainable interventions that produce positive peace building and reconciliation impacts for years to come.



#### AMBIT

Since 2003 the Fund's American Business Internship and Training Programme (AMBIT) has taken a group of 12 key people from the community and voluntary sector, and associated bodies, on a study tour to the USA each March. Participants are chosen by a panel comprising representatives of the International Fund for Ireland, the Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action, the Community Relations Council and the US Consulate in Belfast.

The group worked in Chicago, Baltimore, and Washington for 12 days. Projects visited included those trying to reintegrate ex-offenders into communities, those building bridges between law enforcement agencies and disadvantaged communities and those working with underachievers in education and training. Two participants were invited to attend the White House St Patricks Day Reception.

#### Hume O'Neill Chair in Peace

The John Hume and Thomas P. O'Neill Chair in Peace is a £3million peace building initiative based at the University of Ulster's Magee Campus. The position was established in honour of the two peacemakers and builds on the work of the University's International Conflict Research

Institute (INCORE), The Transitional Justice Institute and the UNESCO Centre which all work on peace building both locally and internationally.

The International Fund for Ireland provided £1.4 million towards the Chair and its goals of actively consolidating peace locally and globally while contributing to the research and teaching agenda of INCORE. Following the appointment of the new Chair in 2015, the University is also creating two PhD Scholarships, which will run over a period of six years called the International Fund for Ireland Scholarship.

#### Duncairn Centre for Culture and Arts in North Belfast

The Fund's Leaving a Legacy Programme committed £1,643,632 towards the 174 Trust's redevelopment of the Duncairn Centre for Culture and Arts in North Belfast. Co-funded with the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Northern Ireland Environment Agency the project transformed a previously derelict Presbyterian Church into a state of the art cross-community development centre.

#### Templemore Avenue School

In February, the East Belfast Community Development Association celebrated the



MAIN IMAGE: Dr Adrian Johnston, Chairman of the International Fund for Ireland marks the Fund's association with the Northern Ireland Science Park. He is pictured with Dr Norman Apsley and Dr Joanne Stuart, both from the Northern Ireland Science Park, at an anniversary event.

official opening of a £3.4 million community regeneration project, part-funded through the Fund's Community Based Economic and Social Regeneration Programme.

The project transformed the derelict and vandalised Old Templemore Avenue School into a modern community hub capable of meeting the needs of the local community. The facility was officially opened by a former pupil at the school, Esther Hamilton; Northern Ireland First Minister, Peter Robinson MLA; and Dr Adrian Johnston. The project was also supported by the Northern Ireland Department for Social Development, Princes Trust and DOE NIEA.

#### Manorcunningham Orange Hall

The historic Orange hall in Manorcunningham officially reopened in January 2014 following a major renovation supported by the International Fund for Ireland's Maximising Community Space Crossing Borders Programme. The venue is one of 17 Orange halls that remain in regular use in County Donegal, but had suffered problems due to the age and wear of the building. During extensive

reconstruction, the hall was stripped to its bare walls and carefully rebuilt. The refurbishment was co-funded by the LEADER Programme which is managed by Donegal Local Development Company and aims to improve the quality of life for local communities.

#### Early Years Respecting Difference Programme 2011-2013

Developed and run by Early Years – the Organisation for Young Children – the three-year 'Media Initiative for Children Respecting Difference' programme engaged with some 30 preschool settings and reached out to more than 1,250 young children in Cavan and Monaghan. The programme had previously been rolled out in Northern Ireland and in four southern border counties - Louth, Sligo, Leitrim and Donegal. The programme delivered bespoke mutual understanding and diversity training and resource packs for teachers, parents and pre-school managers and offered continuous delivery support from an Early Years specialist. The programme was co-funded by Atlantic Philanthropies and the Department of Education.

FAR LEFT: John Hume and former United States President Bill Clinton pictured in Londonderry/Derry at the launch of the John Hume and Thomas P. O'Neill Chair in Peace.

LEFT: Participants on the 2014 AMBIT programme pictured at Baltimore City Hall.

# The Difference We've Made

During this financial year the Fund committed financial assistance to the following projects:

| Name/Address                                                                                                                                                             | Project Description                                                                                                                                   | North £ |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| All Areas<br><b>John Hume &amp; Thomas P O'Neill<br/>Chair in Peace</b><br>University of Ulster<br>Magee Campus<br>Northland Road<br>Derry/Londonderry<br>Co Londonderry | Additional assistance towards the establishment of a new peace chair (Professorship) responsible for peace building work at the University of Ulster. | 400,000 |

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# Board Members' Statement

The full annual financial statements, from which this summary financial statement is derived and on which the auditors gave an unqualified opinion, were approved on 26 February 2015.

These summarised financial statements may not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the financial affairs of the International Fund for Ireland ("Fund") because they do not reflect the performance of the venture capital companies, which are wholly owned subsidiaries of the Fund. For further information the full annual financial statements, the auditors' report on those financial statements and the Board Members' Annual Report should be consulted; copies of these can be obtained from The International Fund for Ireland at either PO Box 2000, Belfast, BT4 2QY or PO Box 2000, Dublin 2.

## Statement of Board Members' Responsibilities in respect of the Annual Report and the Financial Statements

The Board Members are responsible for preparing the financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the International Fund for Ireland ("the Fund") and of the surplus or deficit of the Fund for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the Board Members are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Fund will continue in business.

The Board Members confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The Board Members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Fund and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with best practice. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Fund and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Board Members are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Fund's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom and Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

By order of the Board



Dr Adrian B Johnston  
CHAIRMAN  
26 February 2015

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Board of The International Fund for Ireland

The accompanying summary financial statements of the International Fund for Ireland ("the Fund"), which comprise the summary balance sheet as at 30 September 2014, the income and expenditure account, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the cash flow statements for the year then ended, and related notes, are derived from the audited financial statements of The International Fund for Ireland ("the Group") for the year ended 30 September 2014. We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated 26 February 2015. Those financial statements, and the summary financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to that date.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of The International Fund for Ireland.

## Board Members' Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

As set out within the Board members' responsibilities statement on page 48, the Board members are responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements on the basis set out on page 53.

## Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements."

## Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of The International Fund for Ireland for the year ended 30 September 2014 are consistent, in all material respects, with the full annual financial statements of The International Fund for Ireland, in accordance with the applicable accounting requirements.

The information presented in the summary financial statements relates solely to the affairs and balances of the Fund; subsidiary undertakings are not consolidated. The full annual financial statements of the Fund comprise consolidated financial statements.

**John Poole (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of KPMG, Statutory Auditor**  
Chartered Accountants  
Stokes House, 17 – 25 College Square East  
Belfast, BT1 6DH

26 February 2015

# Income and Expenditure Account

for the year ended 30 September 2014

|                                                            |       | Total transactions expressed in £ and Euro € |                |               |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                                            | Notes | 2014<br>£'000                                | 2013<br>£'000  | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000  |
| Income                                                     | 2     | 1,228                                        | 638            | 1,572         | 761            |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                                         |       |                                              |                |               |                |
| Approved projects                                          | 7     | (548)                                        | 6,076          | (702)         | 7,250          |
| Net administrative expenses                                | 3     | 273                                          | 277            | 349           | 329            |
| Impairment provision                                       | 4     | -                                            | 22             | -             | 26             |
|                                                            |       | (275)                                        | 6,375          | (353)         | 7,605          |
| <b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>                   |       | <b>1,503</b>                                 | <b>(5,737)</b> | <b>1,925</b>  | <b>(6,844)</b> |
| <b>Movement in the Fund balance</b>                        |       |                                              |                |               |                |
| At 30 September 2013                                       |       | 19,782                                       | 25,388         | 27,336        | 35,932         |
| Exchange differences on retranslation at<br>1 October 2013 |       | 166                                          | 131            | 738           | 1,752          |
|                                                            |       | 19,948                                       | 25,519         | 28,074        | 34,180         |
| Excess of income over expenditure for the year             |       | 1,503                                        | (5,737)        | 1,925         | (6,844)        |
| <b>At 30 September 2014</b>                                |       | <b>21,451</b>                                | <b>19,782</b>  | <b>29,999</b> | <b>27,336</b>  |

The amounts above relate to the continuing operations of the Fund. There is no difference between the excess of income over expenditure and its historical cost equivalent. Accordingly, no note of historical cost excess of income over expenditure has been prepared.

## Statement of total recognised gains and losses for the year ended 30 September 2014

|                                                               |  | Total transactions expressed in £ and Euro € |                |               |                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                                               |  | 2014<br>£'000                                | 2013<br>£'000  | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000  |
| Excess of income over expenditure                             |  | 1,503                                        | (5,737)        | 1,925         | (6,844)        |
| Currency translation difference charged to the Fund balance   |  | 166                                          | 131            | 738           | (1,752)        |
| <b>Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year</b> |  | <b>1,669</b>                                 | <b>(5,606)</b> | <b>2,663</b>  | <b>(8,596)</b> |

# Balance Sheet

as at 30 September 2014

| Total transactions expressed in £ and Euro € |       |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                              | Notes | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                          |       |               |               |               |               |
| Investments                                  | 4     | 11,198        | 12,198        | 16,875        | 18,289        |
| <b>Current assets</b>                        |       |               |               |               |               |
| Cash at bank and on deposit                  | 13    | 14,329        | 24,061        | 18,341        | 28,709        |
| Donor contributions due                      | 5     | 2,522         | 4,683         | 3,228         | 5,587         |
| Other amounts receivable                     | 6     | 35            | 78            | 46            | 93            |
|                                              |       | 16,886        | 28,822        | 21,615        | 34,389        |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>                   |       |               |               |               |               |
| Approved project expenditure outstanding     | 7     | (4,177)       | (18,616)      | (5,347)       | (22,212)      |
| Creditors                                    | 9     | (112)         | (108)         | (144)         | (130)         |
|                                              |       | (4,289)       | (18,724)      | (5,491)       | (22,342)      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                    |       | 12,597        | 10,098        | 16,124        | 12,047        |
| <b>Total assets less current liabilities</b> |       | 23,795        | 22,296        | 32,999        | 30,336        |
| <b>Long term liabilities</b>                 | 10    | (2,344)       | (2,514)       | (3,000)       | (3,000)       |
| <b>Net assets</b>                            |       | 21,451        | 19,782        | 29,999        | 27,336        |
| <b>Fund balance at 30 September 2014</b>     |       | 21,451        | 19,782        | 29,999        | 27,336        |

# Cash Flow Statement

for the year ended 30 September 2014

|                                                    |       | Total transactions expressed in £ and Euro € |                 |                 |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                                    | Notes | 2014<br>£'000                                | 2013<br>£'000   | 2014<br>€'000   | 2013<br>€'000   |
| <b>Net cash outflow from operating activities</b>  |       |                                              |                 |                 |                 |
| Cash received from donors                          |       | 3,197                                        | 15,653          | 4,093           | 18,677          |
| Cash disbursements to projects, excluding accruals |       | (13,541)                                     | (31,021)        | (17,333)        | (37,015)        |
| Other expenses (net)                               |       | (252)                                        | (305)           | (324)           | (363)           |
| Interest received                                  |       | 136                                          | 831             | 175             | 991             |
| <b>Net cash outflow from operating activities</b>  | 12    | <b>(10,460)</b>                              | <b>(14,842)</b> | <b>(13,389)</b> | <b>(17,710)</b> |
| Net cash inflow from financing activities          |       |                                              |                 |                 |                 |
| Loan received from EE (IRL)                        |       | –                                            | 2,514           | –               | 3,000           |
|                                                    |       | –                                            | 2,514           | –               | 3,000           |
| <b>Net cash inflow from investing activities</b>   |       |                                              |                 |                 |                 |
| Disposal of fixed asset investments                |       | 1,000                                        | 3,000           | 1,280           | 3,580           |
|                                                    |       | 1,000                                        | 3,000           | 1,280           | 3,580           |
| <b>Net cash outflow</b>                            | 13    | <b>(9,460)</b>                               | <b>(9,328)</b>  | <b>(12,109)</b> | <b>(11,130)</b> |

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Accounting Policies

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland. They are prepared in order to present financial information relating to the International Fund for Ireland (“the Fund”) on a non-consolidated basis.

These summarised financial statements may not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the financial affairs of the Fund because they do not reflect the performance of the Enterprise Equity venture capital companies, which are wholly owned subsidiaries of the Fund. For further information the full annual financial statements, the auditors’ report on those financial statements and the board members’ annual report should be consulted; copies of these can be obtained from the Fund at either PO Box 2000, Belfast, BT4 1WD or PO Box 2000, Dublin 2.

The full annual financial statements, from which this summary financial statement is derived and on which the auditors gave an unqualified opinion, were approved on 26 February 2015.

The principal accounting policies are set out below.

### Currencies

The Fund’s transactions are effected in the currencies of each part of Ireland. The financial statements are presented in both currencies, each representing an aggregation of all of the transactions for the year in each part of Ireland translated at the respective exchange rates at the year end. Differences arising on the restatement, to the year end exchange rate, of monetary assets and liabilities (e.g. amounts due from funders, amounts due to projects and bank balances) at the start of the financial year are adjusted against the Fund balance, reported in the statement of total recognised gains and losses and accounted through reserves.

Non-monetary assets (e.g. equity or debt investments in subsidiaries) are not subject to retranslation at each year end. However, any foreign exchange gains or losses arising on the disposal of non-monetary assets are recognised in the income and expenditure account in the period that they arise.

### Approved Projects

The Fund make grants to fund or assist in the funding of projects and to make or enter into arrangements which are designed to meet expenditure that promotes economic and social advance and to encourage contact, dialogue and reconciliation between Nationalists and Unionists throughout Ireland.

The income and expenditure account reflects the anticipated cost of projects approved in the year (after deduction of projects which did not proceed) and related administration expenditure. The projects approved in the year are considered as a hard commitment, which is defined as the grant sum payable over the life of a project on which we have a written contractual agreement with the applicant. Hard commitments are charged to the income statement in the year that the contracts are signed. Project approvals are shown on the balance sheet as a liability, the balance being reduced as payments to grant recipients are released.

### Loans

Funds disbursed to projects by way of loans are reflected in the total of the programme disbursements and are not included in the balance sheet. Any loan repayments received during the year are credited to the income and expenditure account.

### Interest Income

The income and expenditure account includes interest credited to the bank deposit accounts during the year together with interest accrued, but not actually credited, at the year end.

### Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at their purchase cost less any provision for diminution in value. Investment income is included in the income and expenditure account on an accruals basis.

## 1 Accounting Policies (continued)

### Income recognition

Donor countries allocate funds on the basis of calendar years. The whole amount allocated is recognised in the financial year when it has been contractually allocated by the donor country.

## 2 Income

|                                                          | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| From donors after exchange rate adjustments              |               |               |               |               |
| United States of America (2014: US\$2.1m; 2013: US\$nil) | 1,287         | –             | 1,647         | –             |
| Exchange rate adjustments                                | (171)         | 223           | (219)         | 267           |
|                                                          | 1,116         | 223           | 1,428         | 267           |
| Interest receivable                                      | 112           | 415           | 144           | 494           |
|                                                          | 1,228         | 638           | 1,572         | 761           |

The exchange losses arise from the translation of US\$ and Euro denominated donor contributions. The exchange translation losses consist of £46k/€59k of realised losses £125k/€160k of unrealised losses (2013: £163k/€194k of realised gains and £60k/€73k of realised gains). The extent to which any unrealised gain or loss is realised will depend on exchange rate movements up to the date of receipt of contributions due.

## 3 Net Administration Expenses

|                                                            | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Board members' fees                                        | 90            | 99            | 114           | 116           |
| Board meetings                                             | 25            | 14            | 33            | 16            |
| Consultancy and other fees                                 | 186           | 270           | 238           | 322           |
| Auditors' remuneration                                     | 26            | 22            | 34            | 26            |
| Travelling and subsistence                                 | 52            | 32            | 66            | 38            |
| Postage, stationery, telephone and office                  | 16            | 23            | 20            | 27            |
| Promotional and advertising expenses                       | 93            | 92            | 119           | 110           |
| Miscellaneous                                              | 25            | 10            | 32            | 12            |
|                                                            | 513           | 562           | 656           | 667           |
| Less: Contributions receivable from the Governments of the |               |               |               |               |
| UK and Ireland in respect of certain of the above expenses | (240)         | (284)         | (307)         | (338)         |
|                                                            | 273           | 277           | 349           | 329           |

Certain other expenses of the Fund, including accommodation and staff expenses, are met directly by the two Governments and are not therefore reflected in these financial statements.

#### 4 Fixed Asset Investments

|                                 | Unlisted investment |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
|                                 | £'000               | €'000         |
| Cost                            |                     |               |
| At 1 October 2013               | 13,124              | 19,792        |
| Foreign exchange re-translation | –                   | (134)         |
| At 1 October 2013 re-translated | 13,124              | 19,658        |
| Additions                       | –                   | –             |
| Disposals                       | (1,000)             | (1,280)       |
| <b>At 30 September 2014</b>     | <b>12,124</b>       | <b>18,378</b> |
| Provision                       |                     |               |
| At 1 October 2013               | 926                 | 1,503         |
| Charge in year                  | –                   | –             |
| <b>At 30 September 2014</b>     | <b>926</b>          | <b>1,503</b>  |
| <b>Net book value</b>           |                     |               |
| <b>At 30 September 2014</b>     | <b>11,198</b>       | <b>16,875</b> |
| At 30 September 2013            | 12,198              | 18,289        |

Cash receipt for the investment disposals during the financial year amounted to £1,000k/€1,280k. The disposals amount above includes €129k reflecting the foreign exchange movements from the purchase date of the investment to the cash receipt on its disposal.

#### 5 Donor Contributions Due

|                          | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| United States of America |               |               |               |               |
| - 2014 (US\$0.3m)        | 178           | –             | 228           | –             |
| - 2012 (US\$3.5m)        | –             | 2,169         | –             | 2,587         |
| European Union           |               |               |               |               |
| - 2010 (€3m)             | 2,344         | 2,514         | 3,000         | 3,000         |
|                          | <b>2,522</b>  | <b>4,683</b>  | <b>3,228</b>  | <b>5,587</b>  |

#### 6 Other Amounts Receivable

|                          | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Government contributions | 26            | 45            | 33            | 55            |
| Bank interest receivable | 9             | 33            | 13            | 38            |
|                          | <b>35</b>     | <b>78</b>     | <b>46</b>     | <b>93</b>     |

## 7 Approved Project Expenditure Outstanding

The totals of the Fund's project disbursements in the year ended 30 September 2014 and the movements in approved projects outstanding are as follows:

|                                                                                     | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Approved project expenditure outstanding at the beginning of the year               | 18,616        | 42,989        | 22,212        | 54,028        |
| Foreign exchange re-translation                                                     | (350)         | 572           | 1,169         | (2,051)       |
| Approved project expenditure outstanding at the beginning of the year re-translated | 18,266        | 43,561        | 23,381        | 51,977        |
| Project approvals in the year                                                       | (548)         | 6,076         | (702)         | 7,250         |
| Project disbursements in the year                                                   | (13,541)      | (31,021)      | (17,332)      | (37,015)      |
| Approved project expenditure outstanding at the end of the year                     | 4,177         | 18,616        | 5,347         | 22,212        |

## 8 Cumulative Approved Projects and Disbursements to Date

Cumulatively, the totals of the Fund's approved projects and project disbursements to date are summarised:

|                                                                  | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total approved projects to date                                  | 712,274       | 713,173       | 895,956       | 895,488       |
| Less contributions to investment companies                       | (27,142)      | (27,142)      | (40,023)      | (40,023)      |
|                                                                  | 685,132       | 686,031       | 855,933       | 855,465       |
| Total disbursements to projects and administration costs to date | (680,955)     | (667,415)     | (850,586)     | (833,253)     |
| <b>Approved project expenditure outstanding at</b>               |               |               |               |               |
| <b>30 September 2014</b>                                         | <b>4,177</b>  | <b>18,616</b> | <b>5,347</b>  | <b>22,212</b> |

To date the Fund has approved total payments in respect of specific projects and administration costs to a total of £713m/€897m (2013: £713m/€895m) after deduction of approved projects which did not proceed.

The approved project expenditure outstanding at 30 September 2014 reported in the balance sheet represents the unspent balance of the projects approved for which a claim for payment of grant has yet to be received.

## 9 Creditors

|                 | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Accruals        | 83            | 76            | 106           | 90            |
| Deferred income | 29            | 32            | 38            | 40            |
|                 | 112           | 108           | 144           | 130           |

## 10 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

|                                          | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Loan – IFI Financial Investments Limited | 2,344         | 2,514         | 3,000         | 3,000         |
|                                          | 2,344         | 2,514         | 3,000         | 3,000         |

The loan from IFI Financial Investments Limited will be repayable when the £2.3m/€3m retention held by the European Union donor is received (note 5), which is expected to be 2015. The loan carries no interest.

## 11 Loans

The aggregate of euro denominated loans made by the Fund and outstanding at 30 September 2014 amounted to €165k (2013: €169k). The equivalent sterling value as translated at the relevant year end rate amounted to £129k (2013: £142k).

## 12 Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

|                                                      | 2014<br>£'000 | 2013<br>£'000 | 2014<br>€'000 | 2013<br>€'000 |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Excess of income over expenditure                    | 1,503         | (5,737)       | 1,925         | (6,844)       |
| Impairment provision                                 | –             | 22            | –             | 26            |
| Decrease in donor contributions due                  | 2,161         | 15,156        | 2,359         | 19,344        |
| Decrease in approved project expenditure outstanding | (14,439)      | (24,373)      | (16,865)      | (31,816)      |
| Decrease in other amounts receivable                 | 43            | 413           | 47            | 524           |
| Increase/(decrease) in creditors                     | 4             | (14)          | 14            | (25)          |
|                                                      | (10,728)      | (14,533)      | (12,520)      | (18,791)      |
| Exchange difference                                  | 268           | (309)         | (869)         | 1,081         |
| Net cash outflow from operating activities           | (10,460)      | (14,842)      | (13,389)      | (17,710)      |

### 13 Analysis of Changes in Cash

|                                                                        | 2014          | 2013    | 2014          | 2013     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------|----------|
|                                                                        | £'000         | £'000   | €'000         | €'000    |
| <b>Balance at 1 October 2013</b>                                       | <b>24,061</b> | 32,950  | <b>28,709</b> | 41,411   |
| Retranslation to current year exchange rates                           | (272)         | 390     | 1,741         | (1,631)  |
| Balance at 1 October 2013, retranslated to current year exchange rates | 23,789        | 33,340  | 30,450        | 39,780   |
| Exchange difference on loan                                            | —             | 49      | —             | 59       |
| Net cash outflow                                                       | (9,460)       | (9,328) | (12,109)      | (11,130) |
| Balance at 30 September 2014                                           | 14,329        | 24,061  | 18,341        | 28,709   |

## Analysis of Programme Disbursements for the Year and of Approved Projects Outstanding at 30 September 2014 (unaudited)

|                             | Approved projects<br>outstanding at<br>30 Sept 2013 | Retranslated at<br>30 Sept 2014 | Approved projects<br>outstanding at<br>30 Sept 2013<br>(retranslated) | Project<br>approvals<br>and admin<br>costs | Project and<br>admin<br>disbursements | Approved projects<br>outstanding at<br>30 Sept 2014 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Expressed in £'000          | £'000                                               | £'000                           | £'000                                                                 | £'000                                      | £'000                                 | £'000                                               |
| <b>Building Foundations</b> |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
| CBESR                       | 3,426                                               | (181)                           | 3,245                                                                 | (324)                                      | 2,829                                 | <b>92</b>                                           |
| Communities in transition   | 407                                                 | —                               | 407                                                                   | (166)                                      | 241                                   | —                                                   |
| Community leadership        | 529                                                 | (9)                             | 520                                                                   | (47)                                       | 473                                   | —                                                   |
| AMBIT                       | 156                                                 | —                               | 156                                                                   | (14)                                       | 60                                    | <b>82</b>                                           |
| <b>Building Bridges</b>     |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
| Community bridges           | 715                                                 | (29)                            | 686                                                                   | (151)                                      | 535                                   | —                                                   |
| Key                         | 143                                                 | (1)                             | 142                                                                   | (93)                                       | 49                                    | —                                                   |
| Let                         | 202                                                 | (1)                             | 201                                                                   | (142)                                      | 59                                    | —                                                   |
| Wider horizons              | 1,803                                               | (18)                            | 1,785                                                                 | (1,161)                                    | 624                                   | —                                                   |
| <b>Building Integration</b> |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
| Sharing education           | 3,385                                               | 14                              | 3,399                                                                 | (862)                                      | 2,299                                 | <b>238</b>                                          |
| Integrating housing         | 486                                                 | —                               | 486                                                                   | (441)                                      | 45                                    | —                                                   |
| Integrating communities     | 992                                                 | (48)                            | 944                                                                   | (440)                                      | 504                                   | —                                                   |
| Border towns and villages   | 238                                                 | (19)                            | 219                                                                   | (29)                                       | 190                                   | —                                                   |
| <b>Leaving a Legacy</b>     |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
| Projects                    | 2,456                                               | —                               | 2,456                                                                 | 404                                        | 2,851                                 | <b>9</b>                                            |
| <b>Peace Projects</b>       |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
| Peace walls                 | 2,045                                               | —                               | 2,045                                                                 | 91                                         | 906                                   | <b>1,230</b>                                        |
| Peace impact                | 981                                                 | (21)                            | 960                                                                   | 2,985                                      | 1,419                                 | <b>2,526</b>                                        |
| <b>Pre 2006 Programmes</b>  |                                                     |                                 |                                                                       |                                            |                                       |                                                     |
|                             | 652                                                 | (37)                            | 615                                                                   | (158)                                      | 457                                   | —                                                   |
|                             | <b>18,616</b>                                       | <b>(350)</b>                    | <b>18,266</b>                                                         | <b>(548)</b>                               | <b>13,541</b>                         | <b>4,177</b>                                        |

## Analysis of Programme Disbursements for the Year and of Approved Projects Outstanding at 30 September 2014 (unaudited) (continued)

|                             | Approved projects outstanding at 30 Sept 2013 | Retranslated at 30 Sept 2014 | Approved projects outstanding at 30 Sept 2013 (retranslated) | Project approvals and admin costs | Project and admin disbursements | Approved projects outstanding at 30 Sept 2014 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Expressed in £'000          | €'000                                         | €'000                        | €'000                                                        | €'000                             | €'000                           | €'000                                         |
| <b>Building Foundations</b> |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| CBESR                       | 4,088                                         | 66                           | 4,154                                                        | (415)                             | 3,621                           | 118                                           |
| Communities in transition   | 486                                           | 35                           | 521                                                          | (212)                             | 309                             | —                                             |
| Community leadership        | 631                                           | 34                           | 665                                                          | (60)                              | 605                             | —                                             |
| AMBIT                       | 186                                           | 14                           | 200                                                          | (18)                              | 77                              | 105                                           |
| <b>Building Bridges</b>     |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| Community bridges           | 854                                           | 24                           | 878                                                          | (193)                             | 685                             | —                                             |
| Key                         | 169                                           | 13                           | 182                                                          | (119)                             | 63                              | —                                             |
| Let                         | 242                                           | 15                           | 257                                                          | (182)                             | 75                              | —                                             |
| Wider horizons              | 2,150                                         | 135                          | 2,285                                                        | (1,486)                           | 799                             | —                                             |
| <b>Building Integration</b> |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| Sharing education           | 4,038                                         | 313                          | 4,351                                                        | (1,104)                           | 2,942                           | 305                                           |
| Integrating housing         | 580                                           | 42                           | 622                                                          | (564)                             | 58                              | —                                             |
| Integrating communities     | 1,184                                         | 24                           | 1,208                                                        | (562)                             | 646                             | —                                             |
| Border towns and villages   | 284                                           | (3)                          | 281                                                          | (37)                              | 244                             | —                                             |
| <b>Leaving a Legacy</b>     |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| Projects                    | 2,931                                         | 213                          | 3,144                                                        | 517                               | 3,649                           | 12                                            |
| <b>Peace Projects</b>       |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| Peace walls                 | 2,560                                         | 58                           | 2,618                                                        | 115                               | 1,160                           | 1,573                                         |
| Peace impact                | 1,050                                         | 179                          | 1,229                                                        | 3,821                             | 1,816                           | 3,234                                         |
| <b>Pre 2006</b>             |                                               |                              |                                                              |                                   |                                 |                                               |
| Programmes                  | 779                                           | 7                            | 786                                                          | (203)                             | 583                             | —                                             |
|                             | 22,212                                        | 1,169                        | 23,381                                                       | (702)                             | 17,332                          | 5,347                                         |





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