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## Neighbourhood Renewal Area

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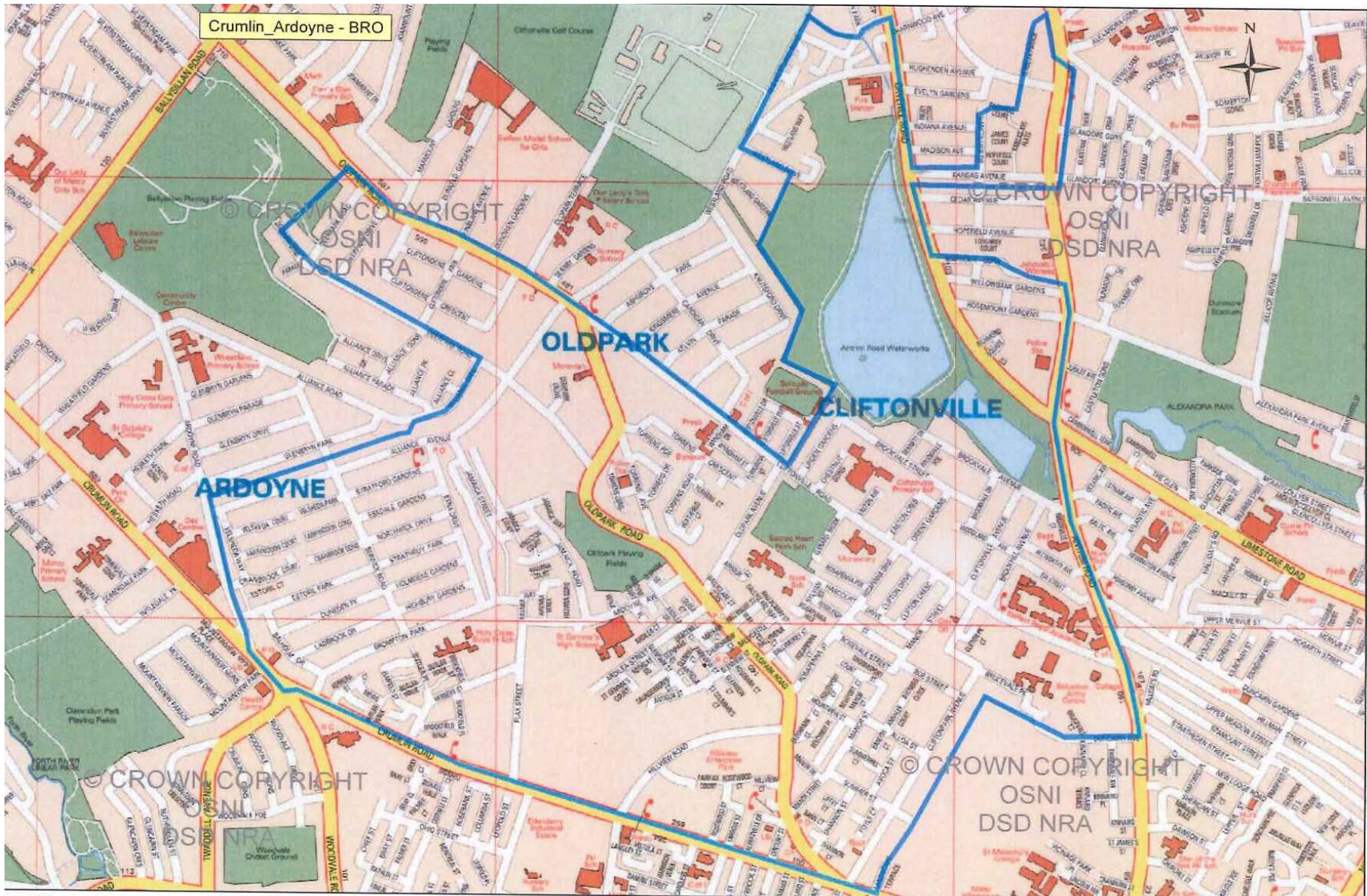
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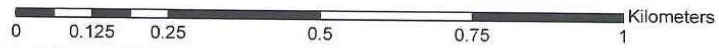


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## Neighbourhood Renewal Background:

The Neighbourhood Renewal Programme aims to reduce the social and economic inequalities which characterise the most deprived areas. It does so by making a long term commitment to communities to work in partnership with them to identify and prioritise needs and co-ordinate interventions designed to address the underlying causes of poverty. Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships were established representative of local community interests together with appropriate Government Departments, public sector agencies, private sector interest and local elected representatives. “People and Place- A strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal” was launched in June 2003. The 10 -year strategy aimed to target those communities throughout Northern Ireland (NI) suffering the highest levels of deprivation by bringing together the work of all Government Departments in partnership with local people to tackle disadvantage in all aspects of everyday life. The Neighbourhood Renewal (NR) had four interlinking Strategic Objectives to tackle the complex, multi-dimensional nature of deprivation in an integrated way- primarily:

- **Community Renewal:** to develop confident communities that are able and are committed to improve the quality of life in the most deprived areas of NI
- **Economic Renewal:** to develop economic activity in the most deprived neighbourhoods and connect them to the wider urban community
- **Social Renewal:** to improve social conditions for the people who live in the most deprived neighbourhoods through better co-ordinated public services and the creation of safer environments
- **Physical Renewal:** to help create attractive, safe, sustainable environments in the most deprived neighbourhoods

Neighbourhood Renewal Areas (NRAs) were identified from the most deprived 10% of the wards in NI as defined in the 2001 Multiple Deprivation Measure. 34 NRAs were identified using this method. The Multiple Deprivation Measures were revised in 2005 using the Super Output Area data, which resulted in a further 2 NRAs being created. A comprehensive evaluation of the impact of NR was carried out by RSM. McClure Watters in 2015. In terms of making a difference it pointed out to 2012/13 did not have a common set of meaningful output/outcome indicators. A review of the socio-economic and deprivation data showed that whilst there had been in progress in relation to aspects of community and social renewal (particularly in relation to improved educational outcomes) there has not been significant progress in relation to economic renewal. As a direct response to this conclusion the Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership became a process of incorporating Outcomes Based Accountability (OBA) methodology into its approaches, strategy and subsequent activities.

## **Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership:**

To take forward the Neighbourhood Renewal Programme, Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership was established in 2006 to oversee the development and delivery of the local Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan.

The Partnership currently has 16 members which include representatives from the local communities, voluntary and statutory organisations. The Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership meets on a monthly basis and its secretariat services are currently provided through by a Coordinator based at the CCRF offices.

The Partnership still operates 4 sub-groups to assist them in the identification, development and where appropriate the delivery of projects which aim to address the Strategy's 4 strategic objectives of community renewal, social renewal, economic renewal and physical renewal.

They also assist local community organisations to co-ordinate actions that are beneficial for all communities living in the Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Area (NRA).

It should be noted that the Crumlin Ardoyne Partnership and Subgroups have all signed up to and abide by the Neighbourhood Renewal Code of Practice and Guiding Principles and subsequent Subgroup Terms of Reference.

There is a shared commitment of all participants through planning arrangements that provides the framework to ensure individual respective plans are aligned to a sovereign plan and that resources and primary and mainstream activities are directed at achieving identified local outcomes and addressing priority needs.

To this end the partnership has taken on board the concept of O.B.A. (Outcomes Based Accountability) and some members have undergone bespoke training which has been brought to bear when there has been debate and discussion around an area plan and what positive changes can be brought about and how they can be measured. In the next operational year, the partnership as a collective will seek to access resources to arrange tailored made and up to date training open to partnership members and staff and volunteers.

The partnership has begun the process of reviewing the neighbourhood renewal action plan. The plan flows from the key outcomes agreed in the Programme for Government and the specific outcomes which focus on the priorities of the Department for Communities.

This work will continue into the next year.

### **Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Structure and Membership-March 2019-March 2020**

- Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership Management Committee
  - Chairs working group
    - ❖ Youth Working Group
    - ❖ Economic, Employability & Education Working Group (the 3 E's)
    - ❖ Health Working Group
    - ❖ Community Life Working Group

### **Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Management Committee:**

The Management Committee of Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership provides the overall direction and steer to the work of the partnership.

With the development of the first neighbourhood action plan in 2007 all those groups involved in delivering neighbourhood renewal should have a seat at the management committee. After the review of the implementation plan in 2015 it was agreed that they continue with the smaller, manageable and more focused committee. This continued with the re-launch of 4 working groups which would draw their membership from all

those groups working on neighbourhood renewal. There is still a collective ownership of the partnership and a democratic accountability acceptance.

**The current membership of CANP Management Committee is as follows:**

Contact Name	Organisation	Status
Manus Maguire (Chair)	Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum	Voluntary & Community Representative
Liddean McStravog	Cancer Lifeline	Voluntary & Community Representative
Janice Beggs	Lower Oldpark Community Association	Voluntary & Community Representative
Garrett Gorman	Community Restorative Justice Ireland	Voluntary & Community Representative
Stephen Reid	Vine Centre	Voluntary & Community Representative
Sally Smyth	GRACE Women's Development	Voluntary & Community Representative
Shane Whelehan	Ardoyne Youth Enterprises	Voluntary & Community Representative
No worker in place	Westland Community Group	Voluntary & Community Representative
Una McRoberts	Ardoyne/Shankill Healthy Living Centre	Voluntary & Community Representative
Laura Smith	Belfast City Council	Statutory Representative
Liam Gunn	Northern Ireland Housing Executive	Statutory Representative
Gabi Mornhingweg	Belfast Health and Social Care Trust	Statutory Representative
Fiontann McQuillan	Belfast Regeneration Office North Team	Statutory Representative
Andy Pearson	Belfast Regeneration Office North Team	Statutory Representative
Gayle Dalton	Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator	Voluntary & Community Representative

The Management Committee meets at 2.00pm on the first Tuesday of each month. This is flexible and can be changed to adapt to circumstances and the needs of members.

## **1. Chairs Working Group:**

A Chairs Working Group exists as a Management Team to ensure that working groups are focused on the action plans. While the management committee meets to provide overall direction and to take reports on progress from each working group, the Chairs Working Group is focused on the operational side of the work. The current agenda, for example, is focused on tracking neighbourhood renewal outcomes, supporting working groups by identifying external resources, ensuring adequate communications and encouraging collaborative working between working groups.

Formally the Chairs Working Group is made up primarily of the 4 Working Group Chairs, the chair of the partnership, one BRO official, Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Coordinator and one official from North Belfast Partnership. However, all Working Group Vice-chairs are also invited to ensure co-ordination and continuity.

## **2. Working Groups:**

There are four Working Groups. The role of each Working Group is to focus on a specific number of outcomes and actions. Membership of Working Groups is open to anyone working or living in the Neighbourhood Renewal Area who feel they have a contribution to make to support neighbourhood renewal and the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership.

The four working groups are:

- a) Community Life Working Group
- b) E.E.E. Working Group (Economic, Employability and Education)
- c) Health and Wellbeing Working Group
- d) Youth Working Group



### 3. Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Fund:

There are currently **14 community organisations** supported by the Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Fund within the Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Area. These are as follows: -

- a) Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum (**Lead**)/ North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum/ Manor Street Community Group
- b) Grace Women's Development Ltd (**Lead**)/Ardoyne Association
- c) Vine Centre (**Lead**)/Lower Oldpark Community Association
- d) Restorative Justice
- e) Ardoyne Youth Providers (**Lead**) Forum/ Marrowbone Community Association/Westland Community Group
- f) Wishing Well Family Centre
- g) Cancer Lifeline
- h) New Life Counselling

### 4. Neighbourhood Renewal Community Groups:

The following groups are those who support the work and have representatives on the Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership. The full list is as follows.

- a) Ardoyne Association
- b) Grace Women's Development Ltd
- c) Ardoyne Youth Enterprises
- d) Cancer Lifeline
- e) Cliftonville Community Centre
- f) Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum
- g) Community Restorative Justice

- h) Lower Oldpark Community Association
- i) Marrowbone Community Association
- j) New Life Counselling
- k) North Belfast Interface Network
- l) North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum
- m) Shankill Ardoyne Health Living Centre
- n) The Vine Centre
- o) Westland Community Group
- p) Wishing Well Family Centre

## **5. North Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership Chairs Forum:**

Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership is one of five neighbourhood partnerships in North Belfast. The other four are:

- Inner North Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
- Rathcoole Neighbourhood Partnership
- Ligoniel Neighbourhood Partnership
- Ballysillan and Upper Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership

The five North Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership Chairs are scheduled to meet bi monthly to co-ordinate the work of neighbourhood renewal across North Belfast's most disadvantaged communities. The Chair's Forum, which is facilitated by DfC and the CANP Neighbourhood Renewal Coordinator continues to be a valuable mechanism for promoting the work of community organisations

Delivering Neighbourhood Renewal. The Forum also acts as a conduit for the promotion of collective responses and ideas from Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships to consultations, relevant policy issues and potential collaborative and sharing of funding opportunities and upcoming training and events

## **Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Projects:**

The Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Fund is has supported 14 organisations delivering services in the Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Area these are as follows:

### **Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum (CCRF)**

Manor Street Cliftonville Community Group, North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum:

Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum is the lead partner in a collaborative project with Manor Street Cliftonville Community Group and the North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum. CCRF aim to address the following themes in the Neighbourhood Action Plan: Economic, Employability and Education, Youth Health and Community Life.

The project is committed to collaborative and collective actions and continues to deliver programmes that develop the capacity of local people and offer training opportunities to provide them with community development skills. A wide range of relevant programmes have been put in place including careers advice, skills training and employment, advice services, social enterprise and business start-up, childcare places, parenting programmes, accredited and non-accredited training, healthy lifestyle and suicide prevention, crime prevention and youth inclusion / diversionary projects. Additionally, the project continues to work with other statutory and voluntary agencies to address the issues of dereliction and improve the environment through the implementation of environmental improvement schemes. As a direct result of this work **Cliftonville Community Group** secured funding from the Housing Executive to set up a Men's Shed Project on land adjacent to the Centre. The building work was started in January 2017 and the new Men's Shed was launched in March 2018. It is hoped that this will encourage men to engage in both physically and mentally stimulating community-based activity, in the company of other men, thus reducing isolation and improving self-esteem. The Men's Shed project is situated at the Manor Street peace line and interface and this intervention will have a very a positive impact on community relations.

The joint programme delivered by the 3 projects in 2019-2020 was called "Working Cross the Generations". **CCRF** updated its business plan and completed an economic appraisal for a small enterprise centre at Cliftonpark Avenue. Consultants completed with work in September 2017. The proposal is to construct a 650 square metre facility with 8 work units and 4 office/retail units. Total project costs are £1.5 million, however, a first phase could be constructed at a cost of £750,000.

## **Highlights of Collaborative Work:**

The three organisations worked collaboratively to secure the development of the Men's Sheds project and worked together to ensure that the launch in March 2018 was a success. Further funding is being sought by NRC & NBSCF co-ordinator to update equipment required by the men.

Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum is involved in a number of projects including regeneration, peace-building and work with children and young people.

### **Arranged Fights**

The ongoing problem of young people involved in 'arranged fights' at the interface. These are not confined to the area around the Girdwood Community Hub site but happen across Belfast. The new Gilder has facilitated these events as it enables young people to move rapidly across Belfast. That is not a cause in North Belfast. Opportunity seems to be a major issue: where there is open ground and easy access on foot but not vehicular access young people gather.

CCRF along with LOCA organised a number of meetings in October/November 2019 involving local residents, the PSNI and Belfast City Council to reduce the impact these 'arranged fights' were having on local residents. 4 planning meetings took place, two residents meetings took place. The PSNI local commander and others attended one of the public meetings and answered questions from residents.

### **Community Organising**

CCRF works with a number of developing residents' groups to address anti-social behaviour problems and reduce dereliction within the area. CCRF aim to have a community organising worker to help assist with these residents group. CCRF have now secured funding for a community organising post from Belfast City Council.

### **Personal Youth Development Project**

CCRF has launched a new project which is working with the most marginalised and alienated young people within the community. They are not active in the labour market. We are working with 25 16-25 year olds and have secured employed for 6 of these young people.

## **NBSCF**

The North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum continues to highlight the concerns of senior citizens around anti-social behaviour and has had more than 300 people (along with the other organisations) participating in community safety events.

## **Dementia Friendly North Belfast (DFNB)**

We organise training and awareness raising around dementia. During this reporting period we trained 18 people in dementia awareness. We also installed 4 further dementia information hubs in prominent locations throughout the area – Old See House, and the 3 offices of Newington Credit Union – Greencastle, Duncairn Gardens and North Queen Street. Unfortunately the pandemic prevented us placing others in local health centres. These hubs provide a wide range of information on coping with dementia. DFNB also visited around 100 businesses and organisations in the Antrim Road area informing them of our work and offering staff training sessions. DFNB also hosted a play – The Songbirds - on dementia at the Duncairn Centre attended by around 40 people.

- 15 people participated in an 8 week exercise session at Mount Vernon Fold organised by the Forum.

Both the **Cliftonville Community Centre** and Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum works with young people from disadvantaged communities. Both organisations provide drop-in provision for young people, CCRF also had detached youth work teams which operate at street level. Both organisations used their drop-in provision to encourage young people to participate in developmental, personal development and training programmes. This provision is carried out both in a single identity setting and a cross community setting.

## **Community Centre highlights:**

- 40 children taking part in Girdwood Cross-community programme (Monthly activity-base group)
- 20 women taking part in Cross community programme with Lower Oldpark (4 Meetings in Centre)
- Young Person (aged 18) trained in youth Development – gained employment as shop Assistant

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:



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### Economic Renewal Output Measures (C.C.R.F. Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum	Manor Street/Cliftonville Community Group	North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
ER1(5) - Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	1.5	4	1.6	Yes	Yes	7.10
ER3 – Number of people accessing career advice	0	0	0	Yes	Yes	0
ER4 - Number of people receiving job Training	30	10	0	Yes	Yes	40
ER6 – Number of people receiving non-specific training	0	32	0	Yes	Yes	32
ER13 – Number of new/existing childcare places	0	14	0	Yes	Yes	14

### Social Renewal Output Measures (C.C.R.F. Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum	Manor Street/Cliftonville Community Group	North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
SR1 Number of childcare/nursery school places created/safeguarded	0	12	0	Yes	Yes	12
SR5 Number of people attending parenting skills/development programmes	0	35	0	Yes	Yes	35
SR6 Number of pupils directly benefiting from the project	102	141	0	Yes	Yes	253
SR (H)1 Number of people who benefit from healthy lifestyle projects	0	86	105	Yes	Yes	191
SR (C) 1 number of people receiving advice on crime prevention	0	0	500	Yes	Yes	500
SR (C) 2 Number of community safety initiatives implemented	8	0	4	Yes	Yes	12
SR (C) 3 Number of people participating /attending community	75	0	113	Yes	Yes	88
SR ( C) 6 number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/ diversionary projects	395	65	0	Yes	Yes	460

### Community Renewal Output Measures (C.C.R.F. Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum	Manor Street/Cliftonville Community Group	North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
CR1 Number of people participating in community relations projects	926	60	51	Yes	Yes	1037
CR3 Number of people volunteering For community development activities	117	38	56	Yes	Yes	211
CR7 Number of Community Voluntary/Groups supported	5	2	30	Yes	Yes	37
CR8 Number of Community Relations Projects supported	5	2	1	Yes	Yes	8
CR12 Numbers of enquiries and clients by category	65	0	417	No- due to loss of worker	No	482



## **Grace Women's Development Ltd and Ardoyne Association:**

Grace Women's Development Ltd is the lead partner in a collaborative project with Ardoyne Association and aims to address the following themes in the Neighbourhood Action Plan: Economic, Employability and Education, Youth, Health and Community Life.

The main aims and objectives of this collaborative project are to deliver a range of community development services to meet the needs of people living in the Crumlin / Ardoyne NRA. Services are developed in response to demand and include educational and training opportunities, provision of health and fitness programmes, personal development and health issues with young people deemed 'at risk' of becoming involved in anti-social behaviour during the summer months. Crèche facilities are available to reduce barriers to uptake in education, training and skills programmes.

### **Highlights:**

#### **Grace Women's Development Ltd:**

- Received the following funding;
  - £500 from Tesco's to support residents throughout Covid
  - £3673 from Halifax Foundation for salaries
  - £1.4 million from Belfast City Council for the New building
  - Awaiting a decision from CFNI for £6000 as well as the Big Lottery for £495,000
- The GRACE family centre is nearing completion – families in North Belfast will soon benefit from the new £2.162 million GRACE family Centre on Alliance Avenue. The purpose-built, two story centre is due to open in late summer with childcare for up to 60 children, a counselling suite, a multi-functional training suite, and a café and office space.
- A 9 long term unemployed women availed of free childcare service to be able to complete 6 complimentary therapy sessions
- Over 60 people participated in community relations projects including a 6 week cross community course promoting positive change – challenging conversations.
- Over 30 women participated in Complimentary therapy sessions
- 5 community initiatives were delivered including 'protect yourself from burglaries', 'How to protect yourself from online scams and frauds' and over 300 people took part in online initiatives delivered by Northern Ireland Fire Service & PHA
- Marie McKee won the 'Best of the North – North Belfast news 'Best community worker at a prestigious awards ceremony in Belfast City Hall.

- Ardoyne Association also won another 3 top awards for their Garden Oasis.
  - Best Kept Community Achiever Award
  - Outstanding Achievement Award
  - Overall winner for improvement to the City of Belfast



### **Ardoyne Association:**

- Ardoyne Association have over 100 volunteers who help keep the neighbourhood and streets safer. All volunteers feed into the WhatsApp Ardoyne Street reps group, they are able to support residents in Ardoyne with prescription collections throughout the pandemic as well as feeding in to the NBAP foodbank for those who require a food parcel.
- 5 Community Safety Initiatives events were held
- 4 crime initiatives implemented and residents received advice on crime prevention.

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:



### Economic Renewal Output Measures (Grace Women's Development Ltd Primary Lead)

Grace Women's Development Ltd (Primary Lead) Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Grace Women's Development	Ardoyne Association	Cumulative Outputs -2019-2020
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	3.2	0	
ER3 Number of people accessing careers advice	36	0	( due to office relocation Lemis+ had stopped going to GRACE office but will resume in new financial year)
ER4 Number of people receiving job specific training	0	0	0
ER13 Number of new/existing childcare places supported to facilitate training and /or employment	22	0	22

### Community Renewal Output Measures (Grace Women's Development Ltd Primary Lead)

Grace Women's Development Ltd (Primary Lead) Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Grace Women's Development	Ardoyne Association	Cumulative Outputs -2019-2020
CR1 Number of people participating in community relations projects	62	0	62
CR5 Number of people training in community development skills	0	0	0
CR3 Number of people volunteering for community development activities	110	0	110
CR7 Number of community/voluntary groups supported	5	0	5
CR8 Number of community relations projects supported	5	0	5

### Social Renewal Output Measures (Grace Women's Development Ltd Primary Lead)

Grace Women's Development Ltd (Primary Lead) Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Grace Women's Development	Ardoyne Association	Cumulative Outputs -2019-2020
SR14 Number of young people benefiting directly from project	28	0	20
SR2 Number of people attending Health Education / Awareness Initiatives	0	0	46
SR3 Number of people accessing intervention/treatment services	66	0	66
SR2 and SR3 Number of community safety initiatives implemented and number of participants	11	0	11
SR4 Number of crime initiatives implemented and the numbers receiving advice on crime prevention	4	0	4
SR6 Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	0	0	0
SR8 Number of homes with increased security	0	0	0
<b>Total Outputs</b>			695.1

## The Vine Centre and Lower Oldpark Community Association:

The Vine Centre is the lead partner in a collaborative project with Lower Oldpark Community Association and aims to address the following themes in the Neighbourhood Action Plan: Economic, Employability and Education, Youth, Health and Community Life.

The aims and objectives of this project are to deliver a range of community development services across the Crumlin / Ardoyne NRA. A wide range of services including advice services, childcare provision, community safety initiatives, education, training and employment support, evening diversionary programmes, health awareness, homework clubs, senior citizen's clubs and safety and crime prevention targeting all age groups and sectors. The Vine Centre and LOCA continue to deliver relevant community development and good relations.

### Some of the main highlights were:

#### Vine Centre:

The Vine Centre continued to provide services at the Centre, we have continued to provide advice at a number of outreach locations: Belfast City Mission (Mountcollyer); Carlisle House/Gray's Court; Grove Housing Association and Shankill Women's Centre. Since our last report, we have also begun delivering an additional weekly outreach in the offices of Greater Shankill Community Council.

- **96.8%** of enquiries dealt with by staff during the reporting period were benefit related.
- Value of benefits claimed as a result of the advice given was **£1,875,377.71**
- **19** participants who completed unaccredited training delivered through the North Belfast Advice Partnership's Volunteer Development Programme ( this included Welfare Rights, Financial Capability, Women & Welfare, Poverty In North Belfast, Universal Credit);
- **24** participants who attended a workshop, delivered by Speech & Language Therapist designed to enhance their understanding of the experience of children with autism, and provide practical advice on applying this understanding to their work with children and families (a follow up workshop had to be postponed).
- Since the debt this service dealt with **354** enquiries from **77** families. The amount of debt negotiated on behalf of those families totalled **£315,850.19**, and a total of **£120,460.00** in additional benefit entitlement was also secured.
- Since the Family Debt & Benefits Service became operational, the advisor has dealt with **707** debt issues on behalf of **202** clients. The total amount of debt negotiated on behalf of clients during the period was **£1,675,110**.

## **Lower Oldpark Community Association:**

During the reporting period LOCA received the following funding for salaries:

- Pathway – £5,400.00
- HE - £15,610.29
- BCC - £2,000.00

The following grants support the delivery of the following programmes:

- Northern Ireland Housing Executive
  - Mind craft Workshop £2,160.00
- Belfast City Council
  - Good Will Grant £500

## **Other Highlights include;**

- In total 435 people took part in Good Relations programmes. Some of the programmes that were delivered were
  - Cross-Community Residential
  - New Lodge Arts – Halloween Event
  - Shankill Parade
  - Tour of Clifton House
  - Christmas Good Will Fun (Carol Service at the Interface)
- 230 people took part in Community bonding events such as Reminiscence Project and the Arts programme with senior citizens



## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:

### Economic Renewal Output Measures (Vine Centre Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Vine Centre	Lower Oldpark Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	3	2.9	Yes	Yes	5.9
ER3 Number of people accessing career's advice	20	0	Yes	Yes	20
ER6 Number of adults obtaining qualification through NR projects (non-accredited)/non-specific	43	8	Yes	Yes	51
ER13 Number of childcare places supported to facilitate training and /or employment	87	35	Yes	Yes	122
ER14 Number of adults obtaining qualification through NR projects (accredited)	64	3	No	No	67

### Community Renewal Output Measures (Vine Centre Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Vine Centre	Lower Oldpark Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
CR1 Number of people participating in community relations projects	355	435	Yes	Yes	790
CR8 Number of Community relations projects supported	2	8	Yes	Yes	10
CR2 Number of people participating in community bonding events	0	230	No – target (500) not met	No	230
CR4 Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work	9	21	Yes	Yes	30
CR9 Number of people involved in projects which promote shared space	0	50	Yes	Yes	50
CR12 Number of enquiries and clients by category	4542	611	Yes (in terms of joint objectives)	Yes (in terms of joint objectives)	
CR13 Number of beneficiaries (including family members)	2981	638	Yes	Yes	3619
CR14 Waiting times and numbers	2	0	Yes	Yes	2
CR16 Number of direct referrals to other support services	91	12	Yes	Yes	103
CR17 Value of benefits claimed as a result of the advice given	£1875377.71	0	Yes	Yes	£1875377.71



### Social Renewal Output Measures (Vine Centre Primary Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Vine Centre	Lower Oldpark Community Associatio	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting	Target Achieved within this Reporting	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
SR5 Number of people attending parenting skills/development programmes	375	20	Yes	Yes	395
SR8 Number of pupils benefiting from projects designed to improve attainment	26	0	Yes	Yes	26
SR (H) 1 Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects	65	12	Yes	Yes	77
SR(C)6 Number of pupils benefiting from projects designed to improve attainment	0	39	Yes	No	39

## **Ardoyne Youth Enterprise, Marrowbone Community Association and Westland Community Group:**

Ardoyne Youth Enterprise is the lead partner in a collaborative project with Marrowbone Community Association and Westland Community Group. The project aims to address the following themes in the Neighbourhood Action Plan: Youth, Health, Community Life, Education and Employability

The aims of this project are to deliver programmes and interventions across the Ardoyne, Marrowbone and Westland areas designed to complement the Neighbourhood Renewal priorities as set out in the Neighbourhood Action Plan. The main focus of this project are the delivery of youth services in these areas however it also combines some community development initiatives and interventions to enhance and create social, community, economic and physical renewal. These include advice services, a local newsletter, pensioner and resident's groups, afterschool clubs, youth clubs, transport services, volunteering and other evolving initiatives.

### **Highlights:**

#### **Ardoyne Youth Enterprises:**

- In the 2019-20 period AYE received the following funding;
  - £3,000 Urban Villages – Communication Support for UV 19/20
  - £12,000 Urban Villages – Community Transport Training 19/20
  - £5,700 – EA – Summer Interventions '19
  - £6,000 – TEO – Summer Intervention '19
  - CRC/TEO - £80,000 – North Belfast Strategic Good Relations Programme
  - BCC - £5,000 – URCity2 programme for Neighbourhood Renewal Areas
  - Halifax Foundation NI - £4,700 – Admin Support costs
- AYE had 66 participants on three separate Small Worlds Workshops on our Welcoming Newcomers programme (37 CNR 18 PUL, 11 others - immigration community or did not say). In addition we have had 42 participants on our days out and orientation tours for newcomers
- AYE have enjoyed three youth work volunteers during this period, offering occasional support to our street outreach team and five sports and community development volunteers assisting with our summer Marrowbone Park management scheme

- AYE started their 19/20 welcoming newcomers programme (resourced through NBSGRP) delivering Small Worlds workshops in community groups across North Belfast. So far AYE have delivered three in 2 x PUL and 1 x CNR community groups. In addition they delivered one of two induction tours for the immigration community, and secured £12k for intensive mentoring programmes for marginalised young people across the Ardoyne & Shankill areas delivered by RCity. We are also collaborating with Ballysillan Community Forum on the development of Ballysillan Ardoyne Transport Services (BATS) – a shared community transport programme for North Belfast
- Approximately 414 young people attended our drop-in space during the evenings from 6 to 10pm. We would estimate that half were unique users (207). Transport users during the same period are estimated at 205 unique users across multiple hires. Yeha aspire project hires our main room two mornings a week and works with 12 unique users from Mercy College. The (Ashton) Breakthrough programme rent an office in our building and have delivered group work in our meeting room to 30 unique users during this period.
- Twenty young men are participating in regular outdoor pursuit's activities through our Monkstown Ardoyne Diversity and Empowerment programme. 35 young people engaged in weekend football matches throughout our Marrowbone Park Summer Management Programme

### **Marrowbone Community Association:**

- MCA received the following funding;
  - £5,000 additional funding Urban Villages Programme
  - £1,000 Asda Foundation
  - £20,000 TEO and Groundworks. Capital funding for community garden at MCA
- MCA worked with Sunningdale Community Centre to develop a cross community environmental project. Members from each organisation along with participants paid best practice visits to Resurgem in Lisburn and the Fermanagh Trust to better develop good relations. An application has been submitted to BCC for a cross community Men's health project. Young people participated in a community clean up over the Easter holidays.
- Active Communities Network cross community project 30 participants between Marrowbone and Sunningdale Community Centre.
- Ten people involved in good relations best practice visits with Resurgem Trust in Lisburn. Links are being developed for joint programmes between Men's Shed and Youth Projects.
- An application has been made to the Brian Mullen Foundation for £1,000 for a joint programme between Sunningdale and Marrowbone aimed at assisting pensioners with food hampers over the Xmas period. We are confident that this will be successful
- MCA are working with Active Communities Network to put 20 young people through a formal qualification in a 16 week programme to be delivered from the beginning of August.

- MCA: 8 people participated in a drug and alcohol awareness programme.
- Throughout our summer programme MCA provided over 1,000 healthy meals free of charge to young people who attended the programme. This was sponsored by Business In the Community
- MCA have transformed the boundary wall of our new community hub to include vegetable and grow patches for local young people. We have also commenced the demolition of the old porta cabins used as MCAs youth club in anticipation of the development of a play-space and Men's Shed on the same site.

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:



### Economic Renewal Output Measures (Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Project Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Forum	Marrowbone Community Association	Westland Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	3.7	2	0	Yes	Yes	5.7
ER2 Number of NR residents going into employment	3	4	0	Yes	Yes	7
ER4 Number of people receiving specific job training	0	6	0	Yes	Yes	6
ER6 Number of people receiving non-specific training	37	36	0	Yes	Yes	87
ER14 Number of people attaining a formal qualification through participation in adult education	0	6	0	Yes	Yes	6

### Community Renewal Output Measures (Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Project Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Forum	Marrowbone Community Association	Westland Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
CR1 Number of people participating in community relations projects	90	69	0	Yes	Yes	191
CR3 Number of people volunteering for community development activities	20	40	0	Yes	Yes	72
CR5 Number of people receiving training in community development skills	0	6	0	Yes	Yes	6
CR7 Number of community /voluntary supported	50	4	0	Yes	Yes	58
CR8 Number of Community Relations supported	7	4	0	Yes	Yes	14
CR9 Number of people involved in projects that promote shared spaces	15	6	0	Yes	Yes	58
CR10 Number of people using community facilities	224	398	0	Yes	Yes	772

### Social Renewal Output Measures (Ardoyne Youth Enterprise Project Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Forum	Marrowbone Community Association	Westland Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
SR22 Increased number of young people taking part in regular physical activity	207	183	0	Yes	Yes	465
SR2 Number of community safety initiatives implemented	5	4	0	Yes	Yes	10
SR3 Number of people participating/attending community safety initiatives	131	54	0	Yes	Yes	185
SR6 Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	183	103	0	Yes	Yes	286
SR10 Number of people involved in dealing with the impact of interface issues	0	25	0	No (just missed by one)	No	25
SR2 Number of people attending health/awareness initiatives	49	29	0	Yes	Yes	78
SR3 Number of people accessing intervention/treatment services	9	17	0	No ( due to training not been available)	No	26
SR4 Number of health education/awareness initiatives provided/delivered	1	1	0	No	Yes	2
SR6 Number of people participating in suicide prevention projects	0	41	0	No (training available but was not taken up)	No	41

### Physical Renewal Output Measures (Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Project Lead)

Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Ardoyne Youth Enterprises Forum	Marrowbone Community Association	Westland Community Association	Target Achieved within the previous Reporting Period	Target Achieved within this Reporting Period	Cumulative Outputs - 2019-2020
PR1 Area of land improved and reclaimed for open space	3	4	0	Yes	Yes	6
PR11 Number of people/volunteers involved in physical development and/or environmental improvement projects	19	35	0	Yes	Yes	54



## **Community Restorative Justice (North Belfast)**

Our Community Safety work primarily involved organising and chairing of the Upper North Belfast Inter-Agency Meetings. CRJI operated these fortnightly meetings on behalf of the community to provide local forums to address crime, community safety and other resident concerns in a collective fashion with relevant agencies and individuals. Attendees included MLAs, Councillors, PSNI, and NIHE, YJA, EA, community groups, residents, NIFRS, various BCC depts., Dublin govt and local housing providers. Other community safety work included our operation of an Auricular Acupuncture Clinic and long term client support which saw us maintain contact throughout the year with our most vulnerable clients

North Belfast CRJI had a very successful year from 2019-20 and worked tirelessly with our community, voluntary and statutory partners to make Crumlin-Ardoyne a safer place to live.

Over a decade's experience of serving the community in Crumlin-Ardoyne meant that timely crime prevention initiatives were initiated by CRJI in response to specific local issues that arose from 2019-20. Among the work undertaken in this reporting period was an Under-Threat project for those placed under an alleged paramilitary threat. We also provided mediations (The Table Project) to resolve local disputes in a restorative, lawful and positive manner and operated a specific project to support the Traveller community in this part of the city. In response to deeply concerning crime statistics CRJI worked to support residents experiencing domestic violence and those in abusive relationships. We also used our criminal justice accreditation and relationship with the local Neighbourhood Policing Team to ensure the local community's policing concerns and priorities were articulated and responded to.

Our specific, primary community safety remit further enabled us to support nearly 400 victims within the year, help divert young people away from ASB and criminality, secure a number of local homes and support the work of Wardens in Crumlin-Ardoyne

### **Highlights:**

- The project engaged with 186 people in their crime prevention despite operating in a very hostile environment to this type of work
- 36 Community Safety Initiatives implemented
- 372 victims of crime supported
- 58 homes with increased security
- Hosted Inter-Agency every 2 weeks



## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:

### Social Renewal Output Measures

Community Restorative Justice Neighbourhood Renewal Output	Output Targets 2019/20	Cumulative Outputs Achieved 2019/20
SR1 Numbers receiving advice on crime prevention	186	186
SR2 Number of community safety initiatives implemented	36	36
SR4 Number of crime prevention initiatives implemented	29	29
SR6 Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	80	80
SR18 Number of victims of crime supported	372	372
SR19 Number of homes with increased security	80	80
SR10 Number of people involved in dealing with the impact of interface issues	4	4
SR9 Number of Neighbourhood Wardens supported	8	8
<b>Total Outputs</b>		795

## **Wishing Well Family Centre:**

Wishing Well Family Centre, based in Alliance Crescent, was established in 1989 and is a locally based integrated community organisation that offers support to families, responding in a caring and open way to social, educational, economic and environmental needs within our community. Its current services include Day Nursery (49 places) which incorporates a baby and toddler unit, a junior playgroup and a senior playgroup, a pre-school group (16 places) and an out of schools group (24 places). Other activities include a volunteer environmental project where the team maintain the centre and its grounds as well as assisting with gardening in the local community, Sure Start services and courses, seasonal holiday schemes, a local bus service, a Mother and Toddler Group, volunteering and training opportunities as well as educational support to students and trainees.

### **Highlights:**

- 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 Best of the North – Winners for Best Crèche
- 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019 – Family First Awards - Winners – Best Outdoor Learning Environment
- 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019 – Family First Awards – Winners – Best Day-care – Inner City
- 3 local residents going into employment through Wishing Well, 2 seconded to Glenbrook Surestart and 1 seconded to Smile Surestart.
- People placed with us 2 days a week over 6-10 months receiving on the job childcare training.
- Increase in employment, better trained and qualified people, and quality childcare places to allow people to work and on the job training for both pupils and volunteers.

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year:



### Economic Renewal Output Measures

Wishing Well Family Centre Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Output Targets 2019/20	Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	2	2
ER2 Number of NR residents going into	3	3
ER4 Number of people receiving job specific	10	6
ER14 Number of people attaining a formal qualification from participation in adult education	10	6

### Social Renewal Output Measures

Wishing Well Family Centre Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Output Targets 2019/20	Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20
SR1 Number of childcare created / safeguarded	119	119
SR5 Number of people engaging in parenting skills/development programmes (secondary)	8	9
SR6 Number of pupils directly benefiting from the	6	6

## Community Renewal Output Measures

<b>Wishing Well Family Centre Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures</b>	<b>Output Targets 2019/20</b>	<b>Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20</b>
CR3 Number of people volunteering in community development activities	10	2
CR4 Number of people involved in unpaid voluntary work	10	5

## **Cancer Lifeline:**

The purpose of this project is to reduce health inequalities in North Belfast through the delivery of a range of information and support services for those affected by cancer which are not available through mainstream health providers. The services provided include, community led cancer awareness prevention programmes, support and information services that include counselling, complementary therapies, library services, welfare benefits advice, support group sessions and 24-hour telephone support. Cancer Lifeline works with individuals from a range of community backgrounds to support people through their cancer journey.

Ongoing work with Belfast City Council re finalisation of the redevelopment of Cancer Lifeline's base in Alliance Avenue. Funding to the value of £850,000 was received via the Belfast City Council and Department of Communities for the purchase of 42 Alliance Avenue and the full redevelopment of 42-44 Alliance Avenue as a new fit for purpose base for cancer support services in North Belfast.

Cancer Lifeline also received £183,748 from the National Lottery over a 4 year period to provide tailored support services to cancer carers

Cancer Lifeline offers a unique response model of practice in addressing health improvement. It has established a strong focus on promoting positive mental, physical and emotional wellbeing by supporting those coping with a cancer diagnosis. Throughout the year the project has been working with other cancer charities, health professionals and community organisations to deliver a range of health and wellbeing programmes.

### **These have included:**

- “Feel Good Factor Wellbeing workshops”.
- Bereavement workshops.
- Support Group sessions. One of these was a newly established Male Support Group.
- Peer Support sessions.
- Family Support sessions in conjunction with Cancer Focus NI.

Sessions included Aromatherapy, Bach Flower Remedies, Body in Balance, Breathing for Reducing Anxiety, Cervical Screening information, Coping with Stress, Meditation, Positive Thinking, and Self-care after Breast Cancer, Coping with Stoma and Bladder Bags. Also an information session was held on the services provided by the Cancer Fund for Children.

In addition to the above Cancer Lifeline has also been engaged in a range of outreach Health Education / Awareness Initiatives during this reporting period. (These are not included in the above targets). These were as follows;

- Outreach information stall provided at Grove Library Health Fair giving details of Cancer Lifeline services.
- Outreach stall provided at “No More January Blues” event in Duncairn Arts Centre
- Information stall provided at Ashton Family Services Information and Fun day held in North Queen Street Community Centre.
- Information stand provided at Care Zone in conjunction with YEHA “On your door step” event held at Sacred Heart Primary School.
- Information stall provided at disability / carers awareness health event organised by Abbey Allsorts (Newtownabbey based disability group). The event was held in Inniscoole Day Centre.
- Two presence mornings facilitated in the Cancer Centre, Belfast City Hospital
- Visit to Bradbury Health and Wellbeing Centre 100 information packs delivered for inclusion in packs for individuals newly diagnosed with breast cancer

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year



### Community Renewal Output Measures

Cancer Lifeline Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Cumulative Outputs Achieved 2019/20
CR3 Number of people volunteering for community development activities	24
CRC5 Number of people receiving training in community development skills-capacity training	25
CR12 Number of enquiries for advice	368
CR17 Value of benefits claimed as result of the advice given	£6,2007.00

### Economic Renewal Output Measures

Cancer Lifeline Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures	Cumulative Outputs Achieved 2019/20
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	5.1



## Social Renewal Health Output Measures

<b>Cancer Lifeline Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures</b>	<b>Cumulative Outputs Achieved 2019/20</b>
SR(H)1 Number of people benefiting from Healthy Lifestyle Projects	163
SR(H)2 Number of people attending health education/awareness initiatives	130
SR(H)3 Number of people accessing Intervention Treatment Services	410
SR(H)4 Number of health education/awareness initiatives provided/delivered	10
<b>Total Outputs</b>	<b>1135.10</b>



## **New Life Counselling:**

This purpose of this project is to offer high quality counselling services to meet the needs of children, young people, adults and families. Referrals to the organisation are received from those affected by stress, anxiety, depression, relationship breakdown, and drug/ alcohol issues, bullying, self-harm and suicidal ideation. One to one counselling is offered at their premises at 25 Ardoyne Road. In addition, counselling services are offered at 12 outreach centres across the city and in many post primary schools across Northern Ireland.

This year New Life Counselling joined with Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre, New Lodge and Duncairn Health Partnership, Ardoyne and Shankill Health Partnership and Women in Sport and Physical Activity (WISPA) to deliver an integrated care pathway for individuals and families across Tier 1 – 3 of the Hardiker Model of Intervention. Within this partnership New Life Counselling are offering Time Together, a Parent and Child group-work programme (Tier 2), individual counselling for children between 5 and 11 years as well as adults, and family therapy for families (Tier 3)

## **Highlights;**

- Funding
  - £2000 was received from the George Best City Airport Fund for music therapy
  - £10000 is currently pending from Children In Need

- Over 2000 people used community facilities
- 16 volunteer counsellors have been support & 9 new voluntary committee members also involved in New Life Counselling
- 58 Primary school children received 1:1 counselling support and participated in Group work
- 108 children and young people accessed specialist support to address assessed needs

## Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 2019/2020 Financial Year

### Community Renewal Output Measures

<b>New Life Counselling Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures</b>	<b>Output Targets 2019/20</b>	<b>Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20</b>
CR4 Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work	No	25
CR10 Number of people using new or improved community facilities	Yes	163

### Economic Renewal Output Measures

<b>New Life Counselling Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures</b>	<b>Output Targets 2019/20</b>	<b>Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20</b>
ER15 Number of FTE jobs safeguarded	Yes	4.8

## Social Renewal Output Measures

<b>New Life Counselling Neighbourhood Renewal Output Measures</b>	<b>Output Targets 2019/20</b>	<b>Cumulative Outputs achieved 2019/20</b>
SR(Ed)5 Number of people attending parenting skills/development programmes	Yes	24
SR(H)6 Number of people benefiting from suicide prevention projects	Yes	23
SR(Ed)14 Number of young people directly benefitting from the project	Yes	54
SR(Ed)16 Number of young people having access to specialist support to address assessed needs	Yes	472
SR(C)7 Number of victims of crime supported	Yes	8
<b>Total Outputs</b>		<b>773.8</b>

## **Action Plan for Neighbourhood Renewal:**

Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership continues to progress its Action Plan for Neighbourhood Renewal:

### **CANR Partnership- Future Plans:**

CANR Partnership is in the process of revamping and developing an Action Plan to ensure it fits in with the Programme for Government and the Belfast Agenda. It will focus on a couple of outcomes per sub group with an evidence based report. This report has again taken cognisance of both the Measurement of Outcomes report 2015/2016 and NINIS relevant date and other statutory and voluntary and community sector organisations input, for example Cancer Lifeline, New Life and Surestart. This is a work in progress document and will change the structure of the action plans in moving forward with the various changes within council and government. CANP is the 1<sup>st</sup> group to change the process of their work by focussing on indicators to ensure that they move forward in a more positive and beneficial way and to make extensive practical adoption of the O.B.A. tools and concept. We have started to collate our action plan with the 5 main themes; we have been successful in receiving funding to produce a booklet incorporated and designed by a graphic designer with a view to officially launch it.

### **Examples of work the Crumlin Ardoyne Working Groups are have been involved in:**

#### **Economic, Employability and Education Working Group**

The Economic, Employability and Education Working Group (known as the EEE Working Group) have continued to run 'One Stop Shop' in the area over the past financial year bringing together a range of training providers on a monthly basis in Crumlin and Ardoyne area. These included Prince's Trust, Ashton Centre, North Belfast Partnership, North City Business Centre, Bryson Future Skills, and Department of Employment & Learning. This was successful and will be continued in the next financial year however the group is looking at a more positive way of promoting these to ensure they reach the target audience and new ways of marketing and recruiting potential clients.

The Cliftonville Community Centre & CCRF continue to work towards our OBA outcome which relates to this working group.

The community centre provides quality work placements for trainees, school pupils, university students, young people placed with us by the Prince's Trust and adults with various levels of ability on a variety of training, apprenticeship and work placement schemes, working towards qualifications such as childcare, play work, 39 administration, IT, community facilitation, ILM in leadership, youth development etc.

Since the centre opened in 2001, we have provided placements for 300+ young people and adults. 5 out of the current 6 centre staff (who all live locally) started with the centre as centre users, progressing on to becoming trainees and ultimately paid employees. We feel that this is a clear example of how we have encouraged local residents to play an active part in economic life as well as making an invaluable contribution to the life of the local community. These staff are now very positive role models for others in the community, encouraging them to follow the path that they have taken, especially those who might otherwise feel that there is no possibility of their ever getting paid employment in their community.

Recently one of our youth volunteers was able to step in to the role of youth development worker, at very short notice, to cover a member of staff who was off sick, thus ensuring continuity of service to our young people and affording her an opportunity to experience the benefits of employment. This experience will then encourage her to continue to train and gain the qualifications that she will need to work as a youth worker in the future.

CCRF; as the chairperson of the Crumlin Ardoyne NRP, our project helps drive forward the economic outcome with other partners. We attend all meetings of the Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership a key element of the work of CCRF is economic regeneration. We have purchased a site at Cliftonpark Avenue, have secured planning permission to construct a 7000 square foot enterprise centre with business/office and workspace units. During this reporting period we have submitted a funding application to the DfC for a portion of the capital funds required. We seeking additional funding from other sources. One potential source is the Dormant Accounts Fund which we will explore. We attended the Dormant Accounts consultation on 13th November 2019. However, the Big Lottery who will administer the funds do not see capital funding as a priority. We are working with local women who have undergone enterprise training. In the next few months we hope to be able to establish a small micro-enterprise with them selling t-shirts, pencils and other merchandising material for a positive message for young women.

### **Health & Wellbeing Working Group – CCC, CCRF & NBSCF**

The Health & Wellbeing Working Group – CCC, CCRF & NBSCF and other partners continue to work towards the health outcome which pertains to this working group. Examples of work that has happened throughout 19/20 is as follows;

### **NBSCF**

Is the lead organisation for Dementia Friendly North Belfast. This is an initiative aspiring to make North Belfast a more comfortable place for people with dementia and their carers. We have trained 29 people to become ‘Dementia Friends’ through 2 hour Dementia Awareness courses. We hope to increase this number substantially over the next year. We have also made contact with local businesses and voluntary

groups to spread awareness of dementia. We have placed 8 information hubs with a wide variety of leaflets in local health, community and business centres.

### **CCC**

The centre actively promotes health enhancing activities such as physical activity for children and adults and Cook It – basic cookery skills for parents. We have a floodlit 3G pitch which is available to children, young people and adults attending the centre and to local residents. The centre has a Healthy Living Co-ordinator for the under 12s who promotes activities to develop emotional literacy and resilience in the under 12s throughout the year. Also the under 12s programmes have a large element given over to 38 physical activity which has been proven to have a positive effect on children's mental health and self-esteem. Children attending our afterschool's and toddlers attending our carer and tots groups receive a healthy snack, including fruit, each session thus encouraging healthy eating habits from an early age.

### **Youth Working Group continues to work**

The Youth Working Group continues to work with young people from the NRA to address issues that are specific to young people living in interface areas. The Working Group seeks to explore and develop the potential for a large shared first class youth facility accessible to all North Belfast Communities. The Youth Working Group continues to develop work with young people from across the six CANP neighbourhood renewal areas to enable them to participate in community planning and regeneration issues.

The Youth Working Group continue with their project 'Time for Change' which is a cross-community project that has provided local communities and young people with real hope for the future. The group continue to support and train local young people in the area and develop the trust and a relationship to encourage new friendships and develop new initiatives for the project. Future activities for the group include workshops on the difference between faiths, youth governance training, production of a DVD covering their collaborations, North Belfast youth conferences for their peers, community research projects and much more.

### **Community Life Working Group**

The Community Life Working Group have been working to improve community safety in the NRA. They have worked to increase community participation and engagement between community, voluntary/. Statutory and private sectors in NRA. The Community Life Working Group has completed another Community Safety Event in March 2016 to help promote relationships with local youth, residents and PSNI in the Crumlin/ Ardoyne area and this work will be built upon.



CRJ facilitates fortnightly multi-agency meetings to address anti-social behaviour in the Crumlin Ardoyne Area. These are well attended by local community organisations and statutory agencies including the PSNI.

CANP NRC, CRJI North Belfast Co-ordinator and Ligoniel Community Enterprises were awarded funding of £4999.20 to purchase alarms to ensure vulnerable residents felt safe in their homes by providing door alarms and window alarms, residents were also given personal alarms so that they can bring them out in to the community should they feel unsafe. This initiative was officially launched Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December by the 3 organisations with the PSNI in attendance.

All those who have received a pack will have had a referrals form filled out and all information is held on a secure server within the CRJI office. We will follow up in 3-6 months' time to see if those residents are feeling any safer since the alarms have been installed in their homes (we had hoped to follow up within a month; however due to a lack of referrals and most recently because of Covid-19 we will extend the evaluation/assessment time). This will allow us to use the OBA framework of 'how much did we do' 'how well did we do it' and 'is anyone better off'

## Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Partnership Expenditure (by Strategic Objective)

March 2019 to March 2020

The following table details current projects funded via the Neighbourhood Renewal Investment fund. It also details the 2019/2020 individual spend for each project, the total amount of expenditure by strategic objective and the overall 2019/2020 total expenditure in the Crumlin/Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

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### Community Renewal Expenditure 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2020

Programme/Project	CFF Funding Per Group	CFF Funding Amount	2019/2020 Spend (as at 31/03/20)
1.Cliftonville Community Regeneration Forum (Lead Partner)	£51,085.37	£215,917.44	£213,120.47
Manor Street Cliftonville Community Group	£114,802.94		
North Belfast Senior Citizens Forum	£47,232.16		
2.Grace Women's Development Ltd (Lead Partner)	£48,242.01	£61,851.19	£61,875.21
Ardoyne Association	£13,633.20		
Yeha	0		
3.Vine Centre (Lead Partner)	£78,692.75	£142,169.64	£142,900.88
Lower Oldpark Community Association	£64,208.13		
4. Ardoyne Youth Enterprises (Lead Partner)	£90,444.15	£168,903.66	£133,344.38
Marrowbone Community Association	£42,900.23		
Westland Community Group			

## Social Renewal Expenditure 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2020

Programme/Project	CFF Funding Per Group	CFF Funding Amount	2019/2020 Spend (as at 31/03/20)
5. Community Restorative Justice (North Belfast)			
6. Wishing Well Family Centre	£47,942.03	£47,942.03	£47,708.70
7. Cancer Lifeline	£73,828.90	£73,828.90	£73,560.09
8. New Life Counselling	£115,496.55	£115,496.55	£116,754.42
<b>Total Renewal Expenditure</b>		<b>£826,109.41</b>	<b>£789,264.15</b>

## Conclusion:

In the 2019/2020 financial year, Crumlin Ardoyne Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership total overall spend was £789,264.15

This can be further broken down into Strategic Objective spend as follows: -

Community Renewal        **£551,240.94**

Social Renewal            **£238,023.21**

## Breakdown of actual achievements for total expenditure:

The actual achievements against Key Output Measures for the financial year 2019/2020 are detailed in the tables outlined for each funded project.



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