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About Neighbourhood Renewal

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 as representative of local community interests together with appropriate Government Departments, public sector agencies, private sector interest and local elected representatives.

About Triax ~ Cityside Partnership

Triax ~ Cityside Partnership currently comprises 23 members, see Annex A, which includes representatives from local communities, voluntary organisations, elected representatives, private sector and local statutory organisations.

The Partnership has established 5 sub-groups to assist them in the identification, development and where appropriate, the delivery of projects which aim to address the Programme's 4 strategic objectives of community renewal, social renewal, economic renewal and physical renewal.

Triax is a Neighbourhood Partnership Board - it works with DfC North West Development Office on the delivery of the Department's Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal over a 7-10 year planning and implementation timeframe. The Partnership is located in the Southside of the city, which includes within its area of benefit Bogside/Brandywell/Gt. Bishop Street, Creggan and The Fountain, comprising a total population of approximately 16,200 residents.

This Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area comprises some of the most deprived wards in Northern Ireland as defined in the Multiple Deprivation Measures.

The overall aim of the Neighbourhood Partnership is to bring together a representative mix for the area comprising of key community, political, statutory and private sectors, to take the lead in local planning, identification and implementation of agreed priorities and actions as set out in the agreed action plan.

The detail of the roles and responsibilities of the Neighbourhood Partnership and its members is laid out in detail in the Neighbourhood Renewal Code of Practice and Guiding Principles, December 2012:-

Triax Neighbourhood Partnership will be responsible for:

- i. Analysing and prioritising the needs of their Neighbourhood Renewal Areas;
- ii. Engaging with and consulting local communities to drive and implement Neighbourhood Renewal;
- iii. Leading the process in the preparation of an Action Plan;
- iv. Overseeing the implementation of the Action Plan;
- v. Reviewing the Action Plan annually to ensure that it reflects the priority needs in the area;
- vi. Monitoring and evaluating progress against the priorities in the Action Plan quarterly; and
- vii. Publicising and building awareness of Neighbourhood Renewal by informing and updating their local communities of progress made on a regular basis.

Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Partnership will:

- i. Develop and agree the Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan with the Department. The Action Plan must seek to improve the social, economic and environmental conditions of the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area by:
 - Identifying evidence based needs;
 - detailing and prioritising the needs of the area that are to be met;
 - detailing and prioritising the activities to meet that need;
 - advising of the needs of the area that are to be met; and
 - Identifying how projects can be best delivered, i.e. by statutory, community/voluntary sector and private sector bodies.
- ii. Monitor the Action Plan on a quarterly basis against action plan targets and provide an update to the Department.

iii. Review the Action Plan annually and present to the Department for acceptance. In doing so the Partnership will:

- Secure a balanced representation in respect of the Neighbourhood Renewal area;
- Liaise with the Department, other Neighbourhood Partnerships and relevant bodies to ensure the interests of the local community are properly and fully reflected including promoting good community relations and avoiding duplication of services;
- Only make changes to the Code of Practice with the consent of or by instruction of the Department;
- Not have any direct funding responsibilities; the Partnership will focus on identifying local priorities and will work to influence and contribute to the determining of Government spending priorities for their neighbourhoods and act as a vehicle for local planning and implementation; and
- Consent to the publication by internet and other media of the details of the Partnership membership to ensure openness and transparency.

The Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership previously worked in line with the aims and objectives of the One Regeneration Plan for the City which had been agreed in response to the Ministerial call "to create and promote a deliverable vision for regeneration of the Derry City Council area, to secure the commitment of all stakeholders to that vision and to pursue single-mindedly its implementation". The One Regeneration Plan has been superseded by the current Community Planning process, as referenced further in this report.

It should be noted that Triax ~ Cityside 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.

Triax ~ Cityside Partnership Projects

The Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Fund in 2019/20 has supported 13 projects in the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area (NRA) and 8 Citywide projects which also deliver services in the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area, as follows:-

Community Renewal

1. Triax Ltd – Triax Neighbourhood Partnership Technical Assistance

This project provides the Technical Assistance required for the Triax Neighbourhood Partnership Board to take the lead in managing the Neighbourhood Renewal process in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA and to implement the Triax Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan, which addresses all 4 strategic objectives of Neighbourhood Renewal.

The Triax Action Plan is being delivered/developed as a working document and the action priorities are delivered to assist in closing the gap between those living in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA and the rest of society, where possible. The Triax ~ Cityside NRA now has a strong community and voluntary sector with many projects in place to actively improve the social, community, economic and physical renewal in this area and work through the Sub Groups is ongoing to address priorities that need developed.

Triax has been working very closely with Derry City & Strabane District Council to facilitate the development of the Community Planning process and the Local Strategic Growth Plan for the Moor DEA, giving people a greater say in how services are delivered in their local area. Triax are contributing to the emerging Strategic Community Plan and have been central to the development of the Moor DEA Locality Plan and helping to shape the long-term social, economic and environmental regeneration of the Council area. The Moor Local Growth Partnership was formally adopted and works alongside the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Board.

As the pandemic began to hit Ireland and Derry, Triax convened the Moor Covid-19 Community Response and first met on Thursday 11th March 2020 and began to develop a plan to support residents across the Moor DEA as they entered into an unprecedented crisis. There were over 25 community, sporting, political, youth and religious groups supporting and working on this issue. There were over 100 volunteers engaging on a range of programmes including the provision and distribution of food boxes/parcels to older and vulnerable residents on a weekly basis.

Triax is also heavily involved in the Urban Village Programme for the Fountain/Bogside area and the Communities in Transition Programme in the Creggan and Brandywell areas.



Head of Civil Service meets Creggan Community Forum



Head of Civil Service at Meenan Square

2. Bogside & Brandywell Initiative – Triax Neighbourhood Management Team

The aim of the Bogside & Brandywell Initiative – Triax Neighbourhood Management Team (TNMT) is to provide a strategic development team within the Triax ~ Cityside NRA as an integrated unit designed to plan, develop, implement, monitor and review key activities and programmes that will facilitate the achievement of the strategic objectives of Neighbourhood Renewal (NR). This team co-ordinates and facilitates the inclusion and participation of local residents, community groups and statutory agencies to address and resolve community issues, to promote NR and to assist in the delivery of the Neighbourhood Action Plan (NAP) priorities, therefore improving the quality of life for residents living in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA.

TNMT has been to the forefront in developing new and innovative environmental regeneration and social economy initiatives across the Triax area for many years. Tus Maith, the Ballymagowan Allotments, Turning Triax Green, the Bogside Residents Parking Scheme and various interface projects, have and will continue to make a difference to the lives of local people. TNMT has been working alongside residents and community groups to eradicate problems of fly-tipping, overgrown weeds and bushes, graffiti and general mess in communal spaces and in particular, in Mews Lanes within. TNMT, working closely with Gasyard Development Trust

and the Flippit Project are in the process of developing an Equine Therapy Centre at the Ballymagowan Urban Park.



Residents get their Flower Boxes



Growers at Ballymagowan

3. Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd – Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project

The aim of Creggan Country Park (CCP) – Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project is to assist in the provision of a key environmental and social economy organisation - Country Park & Activity Centre within the Triax ~ Cityside NRA with the core function of delivering a range of services and activities, such as, provision of outdoor activities and facilities to promote active lifestyles and healthy living, provision of volunteering and training projects to enhance skills and employability including placement based training, environmental improvement projects to enhance local green space, environmental projects and programmes including environmental education to promote volunteering and to deliver youth initiatives linking education with activity all of which advocate community involvement, healthy lifestyles and environmental friendly initiatives to improve the quality of life within the Triax ~ Cityside NRA.

Creggan Country Park is a key outdoor education facility in this community and continues to build on the number of visitors, year on year. In April of last year, CCP in partnership with local youth clubs, hosted a family fun day in response to the killing of Lyra McKee a few hundred yards from the site. This is a prime example of CCP promoting community cohesion at a time of awful tragedy - some 1,542 visitors were counted in. Activities included watersports, water slides, archery and family picnics.



Family fun day at Creggan Country Park



Young people getting ready for Pier Jump

4. Gasyard Development Trust – Salaries and Running Costs

The aim of the Gasyard Development Trust (GDT) – Core Salaries Project is to work directly with early years, youth and older people in providing learning and programme activities. GDT manages the Gasyard Centre which is a facility that delivers services to the community ranging from Arts & Culture, health, education, children's services, volunteering, community safety and a community cafe that targets all generations of the community. The project addresses community safety, health & wellbeing, education & skills and employment & economy within the Triax Neighbourhood Action Plan.

The Gasyard Development Trust, who manage and run the Gasyard Centre - one of the key community facilities in this area, provided a wide range of services and activities with over 110,000 people in attendance throughout the year. They run and facilitate in excess of 70 weekly programmes - there is something for everyone to enjoy in arts, wellbeing, community safety, volunteering, training, social gatherings among others. GDT were awarded funding by The Executive Office - Urban Village Programme to extend the building to house a new Multi Media Exhibition Space that will tell the history of this community from Bloody Sunday 1972 until the Good Friday Agreement in April 1998 and the important role of some of the key personalities from this community, including the late Martin McGuinness, John Hume and Mitchel McLaughlin. The building work will begin in the 2020/21 financial year.



Zumba at Gasyard



Festival of Fire at Gasyard

5. Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust – Family Support Project

Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust (CPTT) is a neighbourhood based project offering family support services, designed to enhance the lives and well-being of residents in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA. This year they have continued to work in partnership with the residents, statutory agencies and community & voluntary organisations to provide accessible and effective services addressing social, educational and health inequalities. With the vital funding bodies continuing to support the project they have been able to offer a range of childcare, youth and family initiatives and also a full programme of educational activities addressing adults and the older generation's needs.

Creggan Pre-School Training Trust deliver a wide range of health, training and education projects to parents, carers and families across the Triax ~ Cityside NR area. CPTT hosted the Small Worlds event in October 2019 as part of Good Relations week. There were 5 hosts from different parts of the world who told of their experiences and issues they faced as refugees and settlers to Northern Ireland. CPTT celebrated its 30th Anniversary at the Maldron Hotel in December 2019. 160 guests celebrated with a sit down meal, followed by a slideshow depicting the history of CPTT and the Creggan area.



Workshop at CPTT



Small Worlds Event

6. Dove House Community Trust – Core Salaries

The aim of the Dove House Community Trust – Core Project is to manage the delivery of key areas of work that include Neighbourhood Assist, Youth First and Adult Education & Training Programmes. It offers a comprehensive package of services designed to meet the needs of local residents of all age groups living in the Bogside and neighbouring areas. The project provides initiatives to address crime and anti-social behaviour, health and wellbeing and provides training to address worklessness and education.

Dove House Community Trust is situated in the heart of the Bogside in Meenan Square, adjacent to the near derelict Meenan Park Shops. Dove House management are working very closely with Iona Enterprises, TEO and SIB to redevelop this site. All throughout this arduous process Dove House has engaged and kept residents up to date on any developments. This project will see the redevelopment of the shops with a mixed use site of housing, community facilities and retail and office accommodation. Alongside this, Dove House has seen thousands of residents avail of benefits advice and support at information events, at advice clinics and in their homes.



Key Stakeholders at Meenan Square



Community Education Class at Dove House

7. Gasyard Wall Feile – Volunteer Investment Project

The aim of the Gasyard Wall Feile – Volunteer Investment Project (VIP) is to promote active citizenship through engagement with individuals living in the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area. This project professionalises volunteering through a structured recruitment process, provides accredited training, policies and procedures for volunteers and a clear definition of roles and responsibilities. Volunteers are given the opportunity to participate in the Millennium Volunteers Programme where they can obtain a nationally recognised Award of Excellence.

The Volunteer Investment Project was central to recruiting and managing volunteers in the early part of the Moor Covid-19 Community Response to the pandemic. This came after a hectic year in which the VIP recruited and supported over 200 local volunteers. The VIP is a vital asset to many groups and organisations in this area as it provides fully trained and vetted volunteers for a range of community events and activities including Feile, Big Bog Barbecue, Jog in the Bog, Halloween, Christmas, St Patrick's Day and the Wan Big Street Party.



Volunteer Certificate Presentation



Volunteers at Feile Launch

8. Bogside & Brandywell Initiative – Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith

The aim of BBI – Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith Project is to deliver an immediate rapid response team to remove graffiti, fly-tipping and litter to prevent areas becoming run down. The project delivers environmental awareness programmes, workplace training opportunities and volunteering opportunities as well as being the core workforce for Community Improvement Schemes. Working with residents and statutory agencies, this project tackles long term derelict community hotspots to address and resolve community issues, promote Neighbourhood Renewal and assist in the delivery of the Neighbourhood Action Plan priorities, therefore improving the quality of life for residents living in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA.

Tús Maith provides invaluable support and assistance to older, isolated and vulnerable residents across this community with a range of services including home assistance, painting, grass cutting and power-washing. This work has been complemented by the communal works, graffiti removal and educational campaigns that they carry out all year round. Tús Maith has worked in every part of this community and has engaged with thousands of residents and young people. How the area looks and feels is very important to ensure that residents feel pride in their community and are happy to live there. The broken window philosophy is central to the work of Triax and the delivery of the Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan.



Staff working in workshop



Community Clean Up

9. Cathedral Youth Club – Investing in Young People, Families & the Community

The aim of the Cathedral Youth Club – Investing in Young People, Families and the Community is to provide positive projects and programmes dealing with issues in the community and interface, engage young people in positive activities thus reducing the level of anti-social behaviour, provide a forum to develop and deliver cross community activities, promote the development of personal and social skills to achieve higher levels of education and employment and to assist young adults in job search and interview skills.

Cathedral Youth Club organised a Triathlon event on Saturday 21st September which involved Cross Border/Cross Community participants. The event finished with a presentation of medals to the winning team which was shared by Cavan Youth Group and Cathedral Youth Club. The Island of Ireland Peace Choir gave a memorable Christmas concert in St Columb's Cathedral on 5th December. CYC appreciated the choir giving their time and dedication, travelling from Dublin and Belfast to make this Christmas event an annual occasion special for everyone. CYC are now looking at the changing face of Cathedral Youth Club as the renovations and extension work continues. This is an exciting time for the community living in the Fountain and will give CYC the opportunity to deliver additional programmes and events in the club which will be seen as a Centre of Excellence for all.



Young People at MUGA in Fountain



Jeanette in Youth Club

10. Derry City & Strabane District Council - Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme

The funding provided was used to provide Generalist Advice Services to residents of the NR Areas. The funding was dispersed to a number of advice service providers in accordance with Derry City & Strabane District Council's funding mechanisms. This process ensured that all DfC NR Funding would be targeted at the NR Areas. Alongside this, Derry City & Strabane District Council matched this funding to add to the level of service. Dove House Community Trust is the main community based Advice Service in the Triax ~ Cityside NRA while Advice North West (previously known as CAB) provides a Citywide Service which is used by many residents from NR areas.

Derry City and Strabane District Council manage funding from a number of sources for Generalist and Specialist Advice. Dove House Community Trust and Advice North West both work across this area with Dove House being the main support. These are vital services in this community as it faces ongoing welfare cuts due to the Welfare Reform policies pursued by the Tory Government as part of their austerity agenda. Last year Dove House Advice seen 3,268 people and dealt with 8,572 issues.



Staff at Advice Information Session



Staff demonstrating online benefits portal

Social Renewal – Education

1. Education Authority-Western Region – Youth Engagement Plus

Youth Engagement Plus is a partnership project developed by the Neighbourhood Partnership Boards and delivered by the Education Authority across 9 locations in the NR Areas. This project targets young people in the most deprived neighbourhoods between the ages of 10-18. Youth Engagement Plus has built on the work of a number of independent youth providers who have been providing services funded by DfC for a number of years.

Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership, Youthfirst and Cathedral Youth Club are delivery partners for the Youth Engagement Plus project funded by the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund in the Triax ~ Cityside NR Area. The youth sector in this area, including the Youth Engagement Partners, worked tirelessly last year to keep the young people engaged in positive activities during times of high tension. They are working closely with EA and Youth Work Alliance to develop new ways of working and engaging with young people.



Conference facilitated by Youth Engagement Project



Youthfirst Mural

Social Renewal – Health

1. The Old Library Trust – The Healthy Living Centre

The Old Library Trust (OLT), Healthy Living Centre provides neighbourhood-based social & health care programmes and services designed to improve health and wellbeing within Creggan and surrounding areas. OLT works in partnership with local residents, community groups, public health and social care providers. Over 50 programmes and services are delivered annually across identified key areas of delivery which include Support for Older People and providing access to Primary Care Services at Neighbourhood Level.

OLT is central to community regeneration and promotion of Community Health Based initiatives in Creggan. Following the murder of Lyra McKee in April 2019, the Old Library Trust, working closely with Triax, established the Creggan Community Forum. One of the key tasks of this group was to counter the negative image Creggan often gets in the media. They launched a very successful social media campaign #ProudCreggan. Neighbourhood Renewal Funding enables OLT to draw close to £500,000 per annum from a wide range of other funders. Last year, OLT was successful in securing a major tender from The Executive Office to roll out a Community Health engagement project as part of the Communities in Transition Programme.



OLT Management and Staff



OLT Men's Health Group

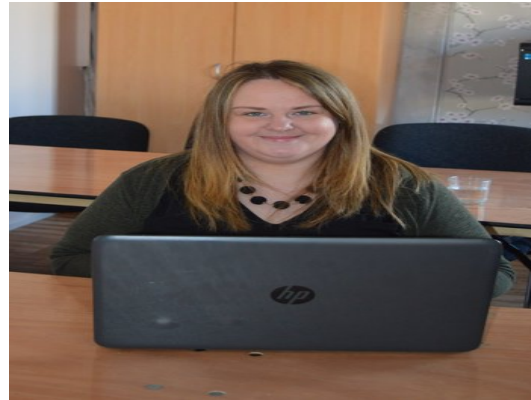
2. Dove House Community Trust – Advocacy Project

The need for this project was identified through local knowledge and discussion at the Triax Health Sub-group and was developed in partnership with WHSCT, DfC and PSNI. The project has engaged and supported women and families affected by domestic abuse and addiction. A vital aftercare service is also provided for women who have received specialised interventions, to ensure positive integration back to family life and into the community, promoting increased cohesion and participation.

The Advocacy Project, based at Dove House, ran their campaign “16 Days of Action against Domestic Abuse”. The campaign wanted to raise awareness of the new Coercive Control Bill currently being legislated at Stormont. Several information sessions were held throughout the Triax ~ Cityside NR area and the project worked in partnership with local women’s groups. The finale event was held in Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership and saw over one hundred attendees including The Mayor Cllr Michaela Boyle as the key-note speaker. DHCT – Advocacy Project also launched their coercive control poster which was supported by Derry City and Strabane District Council.



Local Councillors at Advocacy Campaign Launch



Niamh, Advocacy Worker

3. Western Health & Social Care Trust – Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project

The project is developing a process to enable communities in each Neighbourhood Renewal Area to improve their health and well-being and recognises that each NRA is at a different level of capacity, development, population size, etc. and as a result the project seeks to provide appropriate support to each NRA. The project aims to add value to existing work by developing a new way of addressing health improvement in NRAs through a collaborative and integrated approach.

Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project (NHIP) had a busy year in 2019/2020. There were many programmes facilitated throughout the year including over 400 pupils taking part in the Daily Mile from Triax Primary Schools and 187 individuals taking part in local “Thrive” gardening workshops based in the Triax ~ Cityside NR area. The programme also seen young people and women participating in Mental Health programmes to improve their well-being with outdoor activities and sewing groups. NHIP continued its popular GP Exercise Referral Programme with 68 adults participating on a 12-session tailored exercise programme and 150 children engaged on a Busy Bodies Programme in Triax Primary Schools.



Youth Cycle out the line



Family Cycle

4. Derry City and Strabane District Council – Active Citizenship Through Sport

This project delivers a skills building programme that will enable people from groups with few qualifications, young people, the long-term unemployed, disabled people, women, local coaches and community volunteers to take part in an integrated range of accredited training opportunities alongside non-accredited training opportunities in sport and physical activity, accredited coaches/volunteers, increasing community involvement & community self-esteem.

Derry City and Strabane District Council is the lead partner in this programme with the Bogside and Brandywell Health Forum, The Old Library Trust, Long Tower Youth Club, St Mary's Youth Club and Cathedral Youth Club delivering this programme throughout the Triax – Cityside NR Area. The key targets for this programme are Older People, Health Programmes and Summer Activity Programmes for Children & Young People. Over 1,100 residents took part in these programmes which are vital as they provide some of the key organisations with key programme funding that opens doors to wider programmes and engagements with some of the most isolated and vulnerable residents.



G.P. Exercise Referral Programme



Jog in the Bog participants

5. The Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group – The Pink Ladies Community Cancer Project

This project is focused on delivering counselling, complimentary therapies, listening ear services, individual and group support, sign posting, positive living programmes, health promotion and education, awareness campaigns, accredited counselling training for residents, etc. for cancer support. The project will be delivered in community settings in each of the NR areas across the City and will address the implementation of Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plans across the City.

The Pink Ladies has been expanding and developing their services over the past years, thanks to the funding they received from the Big Lottery Fund. They opened a drop-in Centre at the Old Library Trust on Central Drive in Creggan in the heart of the Triax ~ Cityside NR Area. This has allowed for residents to drop in to get information and news on the services provided but also much needed advice if they or a family member has any worries about cancer, a diagnosis or treatment. A highlight of the year was the Pink Ladies were awarded an All Pride of Place award in December 2019.



Pink Ladies receive award



Pink Ladies at information session

Social Renewal – Crime

1. Derry City & Strabane District Council – Community Safety Wardens Programme

This project is focused on responding to the individual needs of residents living in local communities by promoting community cohesion and improving the levels of cleanliness and attractiveness by reducing signal crime such as graffiti, damaged street lighting and fly tipping by reporting such matters to the relevant agencies, including the City Council – (enforcement of council byelaws), Department for Infrastructure, the Northern Ireland Housing Executive and other Housing Agencies. The project also focuses on reducing the fear of crime and implementing crime prevention initiatives in order to reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour within each of the four Neighbourhood Renewal Areas (Triax~Cityside, Outer West, Outer North & Waterside).

This project worked in partnership with statutory and community partners to encourage greater community confidence, tackle isolation, especially among their most vulnerable residents, improve environmental satisfaction and reduce fear of crime. The scheme focuses on responding to individual needs and the Community Safety Wardens act as a conduit between residents and statutory partners. During 2019/20, the Community Safety Wardens carried out 1,302 'hotspot' patrols in the Triax ~ Cityside NR area and dealt with 161 referrals of which 91 (56%) came from residents.



Community Safety Wardens with partners at YES Project



Community Safety Warden engaging with pupils at Long Tower YC

2. Community Restorative Justice – NR Community Mediation Service

This project, Community Restorative Justice (Ireland) – NW Region (CRJ) - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service is focused on the Community Based Crime Prevention Policy which outlines that the organisation primarily focuses on interventions at Level 1 (general needs associated with preventing the risk of crime) and Level 2 (specific needs directly associated with crime). This project does not work with Level 3 interventions (interventions targeted at specific individuals involved in crime either as a victim or as an offender).

CRJ (Triax) plays a leading role in this community in many issues involving community safety and resilience from bonfire management, to bomb alerts, adverse weather and ongoing anti-social behaviour. Working with CRJ Central and funding from Communities in Transition Tackling Paramilitarism, Criminality and Organised Crime Programme they have recruited community workers, teachers and residents to take part in a programme that will look at embedding Restorative Practices across the Triax ~ Cityside NR area.



CRJI Campaign Launch



CRJI Management

3. Shantallow Community Residents Association – Youth Educated in Safety Project

This project provides young people with interactive workshops on health & safety issues and personal development programmes based on physical and mental health as well as personal safety and community safety issues. These workshops and programmes include drug, alcohol and substance awareness, sexual awareness, anti-bullying, cultural & community relations, mediation & conflict resolution, building intergenerational relationships and hoax calls/attacks on emergency services. Project activities also include environmental improvements e.g. alternatives to bonfires, community murals etc. and health & fitness initiatives (e.g. inclusive games, yoga & midnight street soccer).

The Youth Educated in Safety (YES) Project brought together a range of agencies and schools to deliver the multi-agency Youth Educated in Safety Project for Primary Schools in or adjacent to the Triax ~ Cityside NR Area. The project took place over two days in Long Tower Youth & Community Centre. Senior students from St Joseph's Boys School volunteered to assist in the project by guiding the groups of younger pupils through the range of interactive workshops. 8 Primary Schools took part with over 280 Primary 6 pupils taking part in 13 Interactive Workshops.



CRJI at YES Project



YES Project at Long Tower

Physical Renewal

1. The Old Library Trust – Community Health & Wellbeing Investment

The Old Library Trust (OLT) Healthy Living Centre received £29,800 investment to improve its community facility on Central Drive. The funding enabled the construction of two new upper floor programme and service delivery spaces, promoting positive mental health whilst also undergoing a complete renovation of its lower floor community showering and changing facility for local people that attend any of the health and wellbeing programmes and services delivered by the organisation. Both phases of work will ensure that the organisation can increase the number of opportunities for local people to become engaged, receive support and ultimately improve their general health and mental wellbeing.

Project Director, George McGowan commented – ‘Thank you to the Department for Communities for understanding the need for these adaptations. This funding will enable OLT to provide additional opportunities for wellness to local people, particularly around mental health and the link between the importance of exercise in the pursuit of a healthy body and healthy mind.’



Before construction at OLT



New facilities at OLT

2. Creggan Enterprises Ltd – Rath Mor Community Health Hub

This purpose built state-of-the-art medical facility is the result of almost a decade of planning, negotiation and delivery – culminating in an innovative partnership between Creggan Enterprises Ltd (CEL), Health & Social Care (HSC) & Bayview Medical Practice. March 2020 saw completion of the £600K (+VAT) facility – which was a key priority for both CEL and Triax for a significant number of years. CEL welcomed a grant of approx. £30k from DfC to outfit/furnish some areas of the surgery – which was very helpful given the significant investment CEL made in this project.

The new state-of-the-art facility (which hosts/provides not only general practitioners, but also a full Multi-Disciplinary Team and minor surgery capabilities) has become highly significant now, in 2020, as a result of not only the continued widening of health inequalities in this area but also crucially the effects of this 'once-in-a-lifetime' public health crisis. This facility, Bayview Medical Practice, will become a vital lifeline for the Creggan community, and further afield, in the difficult and uncertain times ahead.



Before construction at Rath Mor



Completion of Medical Centre at Rath Mor

Annex A –Triax~Cityside Neighbourhood Partnership Board Members

Name	Organisation	Sector
Gerry Quinn – Chairperson	Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership	Voluntary & Community Representative
Charles Lamberton	Triax Strategy Manager	-
Kyle Thompson	Fountain Representative	Voluntary & Community Representative
Derek Moore	Fountain Representative	Voluntary & Community Representative
Dáirine McGarrigle	Department for Communities (DfC)	Statutory Representative
Josie Lynch	Department for Communities (DfC)	Statutory Representative
Donna McCloskey	Bogside and Brandywell Initiative	Voluntary & Community Representative
Kevin Hipsley	Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership	Voluntary & Community Representative
Donncha MacNiallais	Bogside and Brandywell Initiative	Voluntary & Community Representative
Helen Harley	Derry City and Strabane District Council	Statutory Representative
Jeanette Warke	Fountain Representative	Voluntary & Community Representative
John Boyle	SDLP	Local Government Councillor
David Ramsey	DUP	Local Government Councillor
Paul O'Hagan	Department for the Economy	Statutory Representative
Gary Donnelly	Independent	Local Government Councillor
Patricia Logue	Sinn Fein	Local Government Councillor
Eddie Breslin	NIHE	Statutory Representative
Leanne Doherty	Business in the Community	Rep of Private Sector/Business Community
Eamon McCann	People Before Profit	Local Government Councillor
Tina Burke	Sinn Fein	Local Government Councillor
Catrina Sweeney	North West Regional College	Statutory Representative
George McGowan	Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership	Voluntary & Community Representative
Sheena Funston	Western Health and Social Care Trust	Statutory Representative

Triax~Cityside Partnership 19/20 Expenditure (by Strategic Objective)

The following table details current projects funded via the Neighbourhood Renewal Investment fund. It also details the 2019/20 individual spend for each project, the total amount of expenditure by strategic objective and the overall 2019/20 total expenditure in the Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

Community Renewal Expenditure

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	67,879	67,365
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Triax Neighbourhood Management Team	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	148,692	147,559
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	36,125	32,471
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	60,247	60,157
Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust Ltd - Family Support Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	117,787	112,974
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme 2019-2020 (Facilitated through Voluntary & Community Division)	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	239,201	218,814* (*Allocation-Expenditure Figures Not Available)
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	76,069	75,430
Gasyard Development Trust - Salaries & Running Costs	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	44,935	43,629

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Gasyard Wall Feile - Volunteer Investment Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	28,735	27,572
Triax Ltd - Triax Neighbourhood Partnership Technical Assistance	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	61,439	60,295
Total Community Renewal Expenditure			£846,266

Social Renewal Education Expenditure

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth Engagement Plus	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	174,538	53,136
Total Social Renewal Education Expenditure			£53,136

Social Renewal Health Expenditure

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	49,588	13,429
Dove House Community Trust - Advocacy Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	25,527	25,336
The Old Library Trust - The Healthy Living Centre - Part-time Caretaker's Salary/ENIC/EPC and Running Costs	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	50,873	50,794
The Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group - The Pink Ladies Community Cancer Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	32,486	10,482
Western Health & Social Care Trust - Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	165,134	33,830
Total Social Renewal – Health Expenditure			£133,871

Social Renewal Crime Expenditure

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	152,568	59,827
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Community Safety Wardens Programme	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	40,011	12,924
Shantallow Community Residents Association - Youth Educated in Safety Project	1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	20,974	6,775
Total Social Renewal – Crime Expenditure			£79,526

Physical Renewal Expenditure

Organisation/Project	Contract for Funding (CFF) Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project allocation) £	19/20 Spend £
Creggan Enterprises Ltd – Rath Mor Community Health Hub	23 March 2020 to 31 March 2020	28,700	28,700
The Old Library Trust – Community Health & Wellbeing Investment	23 March 2020 to 31 March 2020	29,800	29,800
Total Physical Renewal Expenditure			£58,500
Totals			£1,171,299

Note: For Citywide projects, spend figures have been apportioned to each of the 4 Neighbourhood Renewal areas on a population apportionment basis.

Achievements of Triax ~ Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Funding In 19/20 Year

Community Renewal Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	CR 2 – Number of people participating in community bonding projects.	CR 3 – Number of people volunteering for community development activities.	CR 4 – Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work.	CR 5 – Number of people receiving training in community development skills/capacity building.	CR 7 – Number of community/voluntary groups supported.	CR 9 – Number of people involved in projects that promote shared space.	CR 10 – Number of people using existing community facilities.	CR 11 – Percentage of residents who say they are aware of community facilities/services in their area.
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith		60		1,600				
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Triax Neighbourhood Management Team		129		431		8,834		9.16%
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community	127	31					395	
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project			252					
Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust Ltd - Family Support Project	663	26						
Dove House Community Trust - Advocacy Project			6					
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	1,000	57						
Gasyard Development Trust - Salaries & Running Costs	4,305				65		4,401	
Gasyard Wall Feile - Volunteer Investment Project		142	64		13			

Project (Cityside)	CR 2 – Number of people participating in community bonding projects.	CR 3 – Number of people volunteering for community development activities.	CR 4 – Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work.	CR 5 – Number of people receiving training in community development skills/capacity building.	CR 7 – Number of community/voluntary groups supported.	CR 9 – Number of people involved in projects that promote shared space.	CR 10 – Number of people using existing community facilities.	CR 11 – Percentage of residents who say they are aware of community facilities/services in their area.
The Old Library Trust - The Healthy Living Centre - Part-time Caretaker's Salary/ENIC/EPC and Running Costs		30					6,496	

Community Renewal – Advice Projects Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	CR 12 – Number of enquiries and clients by category.
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	445

Economic Renewal Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	ER 2 – Number of residents going into employment.	ER 3 – Number of people accessing careers advice.	ER 4 – Number of people receiving job specific training.	ER 6 – Number of people receiving non job specific training	ER 13 – Number of new/existing childcare places supported to facilitate training and/or employment.	ER 14 – Number of people attaining a formal qualification from participation in Adult Education.	ER 15 – Number of FTE jobs safeguarded.
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith			13				4
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Triax Neighbourhood Management Team							5.1
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community				20			1
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project							2
Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust Ltd - Family Support Project				134	16	35	5.4
Dove House Community Trust - Advocacy Project							1
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	11	38		249			3.1
Gasyard Development Trust - Salaries & Running Costs				255		81	2
Gasyard Wall Feile - Volunteer Investment Project	7			48		33	1
The Old Library Trust - The Healthy Living Centre - Part-time Caretaker's Salary/ENIC/EPC and Running Costs							1
Triax Ltd - Triax Neighbourhood Partnership Technical Assistance							1

Social Renewal (Crime) Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	SR (C) 2 – Number of community safety initiatives implemented.	SR (C) 3 – Number of people participating/ attending community safety initiatives.	SR (C) 4 – Number of crime prevention initiatives implemented.	SR (C) 5 – Number of people participating/ attending crime prevention initiatives.	SR (C) 6 – Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/ diversionary projects.
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Triax Neighbourhood Management Team	9	1,703	4	759	
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community		53			
Dove House Community Trust - Advocacy Project	2				
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	14	1,922			1,087
Gasyard Development Trust - Salaries & Running Costs	2	4,900			

Social Renewal (Education) Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	SR (ED) 1 – Number of child-care/nursery school places created/safeguarded.	SR (ED) 4 – Number of pupils whose behaviour is measurably enhanced/improved.	SR (ED) 5 – Number of people engaged in parenting skills/development programmes.	SR (ED) 14 – Number of young people directly benefiting from the project.	SR (ED) 33 – Number of young people involved in shared activity.
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community			26	52	
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project		29		544	
Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust Ltd - Family Support Project	97		35		12

Social Renewal (Health) Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	SR (H) 1 – Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects.	SR (H) 2 – Number of people attending health education/awareness initiatives.	SR (H) 3 – Number of people accessing intervention/treatment services.	SR (H) 4 – Number of health education/awareness initiatives provided/delivered.
Cathedral Youth Club - Investing in Young People, Families & The Community		44		
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project	6,545			
Creggan Pre-School & Training Trust Ltd - Family Support Project	215			14
Dove House Community Trust - Advocacy Project	46	392	154	
Dove House Community Trust - Core Salaries	118	323	42	
Gasyard Development Trust - Salaries & Running Costs	871			34
The Old Library Trust - The Healthy Living Centre - Part-time Caretaker's Salary/ENIC/EPC and Running Costs		2,982	922	
Triax Ltd - Triax Neighbourhood Partnership Technical Assistance	77			

Physical Renewal Output Measures

Project (Cityside)	PR 3 – Area of land improved and made ready for development.	PR 5 – Number of building(s) improved.	PR 6 – Number of community facilities improved.	PR 11 – Number of people/volunteers involved in physical development and/or environmental improvement
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Operation Fresh Start/Tús Maith		988		1,660
Bogside & Brandywell Initiative - Triax Neighbourhood Management Team	17,250m ²			51
Creggan Country Park Enterprises Ltd - Neighbourhood Renewal Support Project				232
Creggan Enterprises Ltd – Rath Mor Community Health Hub			1	
The Old Library Trust – Community Health & Wellbeing Investment			1	

Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding Citywide In 19/20 Year

The Projects below are Citywide Projects covering Triax~Cityside, Outer North, Outer West, and Waterside NRAs. The Projects are reflective of the whole of the Citywide area (with the following exceptions): Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service covers Triax~Cityside, Outer North and Outer West NRAs only Derry City & Strabane District Council – Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme 2019-2020 includes Strabane Derry City & Strabane District Council – Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme includes Strabane Western Health and Social Care Trust – Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project includes Strabane and Limavady Education Authority – Western Division – Youth Engagement Plus records Citywide Achievement only – no delivery in Strabane in 2019-2020 as there was no Youth Worker employed during this period in the Strabane NRA

Community Renewal Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	CR 1 – Number of people participating in community relations projects.	CR 2 – Number of people participating in community bonding projects.	CR 3 – Number of people volunteering for community development activities.	CR 4 – Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work.	CR 8 – Number of community relations projects supported.	CR 10 – Number of people using existing community facilities.
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service				15	37	
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme				106		
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme 2019-20				8		
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth Engagement Plus – Citywide	160			82		

Project (Citywide)	CR 1 – Number of people participating in community relations projects.	CR 2 – Number of people participating in community bonding projects.	CR 3 – Number of people volunteering for community development activities.	CR 4 – Number of people engaged/involved in unpaid voluntary work.	CR 8 – Number of community relations projects supported.	CR 10 – Number of people using existing community facilities.
Shantallow Community Residents Association - Shantallow Renewal *YES Elements*	2,174	1,653		211		2,108
The Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group - The Pink Ladies Community Cancer Project			67			

Community Renewal – Advice Projects Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	CR 12 – Number of enquiries and clients by category.	CR 13 – Total number of beneficiaries (including family members).	CR 14 – Waiting list times and numbers.	CR 16 – Number of direct referrals to other support services.
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service				352
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme 2019-20	61,748	87,681	95%	

Economic Renewal Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	ER 2 – Number of residents going into employment.	ER 4 – Number of people receiving job specific training.	ER 6 – Number of people receiving non job specific training.	ER 10 – Number of people becoming self-employed.	ER 11 – Number of social economy/enterprises created/supported.	ER 14 – Number of people attaining a formal qualification from participation in Adult Education.	ER 15 – Number of FTE jobs safeguarded.
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service							5
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme				70		159	
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Community Safety Wardens Programme							2
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Generalist Voluntary Advice Services Support Programme 2019-20		34					
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth Engagement Plus – Citywide	29		428				10
Shantallow Community Residents Association - Shantallow Renewal *YES Elements*					1		3.6
The Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group - The Pink Ladies Community Cancer Project			13				1
Western Health & Social Care Trust - Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project							3

Social Renewal (Crime) Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	SR (C) 1 – Number of people receiving advice on crime prevention.	SR (C) 2 – Number of community safety initiatives implemented.	SR (C) 3 – Number of people participating/attending community safety initiatives.	SR (C) 4 – Number of crime prevention initiatives implemented.	SR (C) 5 – Number of people participating/attending crime prevention initiatives.	SR (C) 6 – Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects.	SR (C) 7 – Number of victims of crime supported.	SR (C) 8 – Number of homes with increased security.
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service		19	720	20	107		63	
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Community Safety Wardens Programme	1,170	2	2,780				39	727
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth Engagement Plus – Citywide		42	785			179		
Shantallow Community Residents Association - Shantallow Renewal *YES Elements*		14	2,573			802		

Social Renewal (Education) Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	SR (ED) 14 – Number of young people directly benefiting from the project.	SR (ED) 15 – Number of young people experiencing improvements against baseline position of assessed needs.	SR (ED) 17 – Type and number of accredited qualifications completed.
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth Engagement Plus – Citywide	2,054	364	162

Social Renewal (Health) Output Measures

Project (Citywide)	SR (H) 1 – Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects.	SR (H) 2 – Number of people attending health education/awareness initiatives.	SR (H) 3 – Number of people accessing intervention/treatment services.	SR (H) 4 – Number of health education/awareness initiatives provided/delivered.
Community Restorative Justice - Neighbourhood Renewal Community Mediation Service			14	
Derry City & Strabane District Council - Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme	2,108			
Education Authority-Western Region - Youth		711		53

Project (Citywide)	SR (H) 1 – Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects.	SR (H) 2 – Number of people attending health education/awareness initiatives.	SR (H) 3 – Number of people accessing intervention/treatment services.	SR (H) 4 – Number of health education/awareness initiatives provided/delivered.
Engagement Plus – Citywide				
The Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group - The Pink Ladies Community Cancer Project		3,999	428	13
Western Health & Social Care Trust - Neighbourhood Health Improvement Project		1,253		26

TRIAX ~ CITYSIDE Partnership Conclusion

In the 19/20 financial year, *Triax ~ Cityside* Partnership total overall spend was £1,171,299.

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

Community Renewal	£846,266
Physical Renewal	£58,500
Social Renewal	£266,533

Neighbourhood Renewal has provided specific revenue funding to a range of service providers, primarily from the local community and voluntary sector. These monies have met salary, overhead and programme costs and in many instances have acted as a catalyst to secure financial resources from other funding bodies. This funding has helped the quality of life for people living in the most deprived neighbourhoods and has ensured that they have had better access to the best possible services and opportunities which make for a better quality of life for themselves and their families and has made neighbourhoods more attractive places to live in. Over the past year the Neighbourhood Partnership Board has worked in partnership with various community & voluntary and statutory organisations to develop and deliver programmes - these have included Western Health & Social Care Trust – Neighbourhood Health Improvement Programme (NHIP), Education Authority-Western Region – Youth Engagement Plus Project, DCSDC – Generalist Voluntary Advice Services, Active Citizenship Through Sport Programme and Community Safety Warden Project, etc. to address priority actions in the Triax~Cityside Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan.



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