



TRANSFORM

BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE

Transform Mencap

At the beginning of March 2021, we concluded with our previous cohorts, both in Co. Down and Co. Fermanagh. We had a fantastic celebration week with the delivery of a care package which included pizza for each participant. The group took part in lots of games and activities chosen by the young people and arranged for their final week. It was an emotional time but everyone thoroughly enjoyed the programme over the previous few months and have gained new skills and made lifelong friendships with the two groups working so close together during the delivery phase. We are still hopeful that we can deliver a face to face celebration event once restrictions ease. The group would love one last trip all together to meet up one final time.

Due to one of the groups commencing face to face delivery and the other online engagement, the Mencap groups are working separately for the first time in over a year. Both groups who previously worked in Co. Fermanagh and Belfast/Co. Down have moved into new areas. This provides a fresh start in a new area for both groups with a new exciting challenge ahead for all.

Fermanagh Mencap has relocated into the Omagh area to work closely with young people in the surrounding areas. This group has commenced online engagement twice a week and so far have been enjoying getting to know you activities between the staff and young people and producing a group agreement. So far the group is engaging very well and we are hoping by the time we are able to deliver face to face sessions, that the young people will have already made connections with one another.

The Belfast/Co. Down group has now relocated to Portadown working in partnership with Goal Line Youth Centre. Sessions are currently being delivered face to face as agreed by the EA Youth Service. The group have been engaging in team building and getting to know you activities as well as fun music and sports sessions.

The two groups are hoping to organise a trip together in the near future. We are both very excited about these new groups in these new areas.

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