



# Building the Belfast Agenda

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# The Belfast Agenda

Your future city  
Belfast's Community Plan



## Belfast's first community plan

- Partnership & engagement
- Building on existing work and structures
- Citywide but propose to develop locally
- Start of a process
- Focus: shared agenda for inclusive growth
- Long term aspiration & short-term intention



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# A new vision for Belfast in 2035

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**Belfast will be a city re-imagined and resurgent. A great place to live and work for everyone.**

Beautiful, well connected and culturally vibrant, a sustainable city shared and loved by all its citizens, free from the legacy of conflict.

A compassionate city offering opportunities for everyone. A confident and successful city energizing a dynamic and prosperous city region.

A magnet for talent and business and admired around the world. A city people dream to visit.



# Belfast 2035

## Outcomes

Belfast will be a city...



## Ambitions

Our economy supports  
**46,000**  
additional jobs.

Our city is home to an additional  
**66,000**  
people.

There will be a  
**33 per cent**  
reduction in the life expectancy gap between the most and least deprived neighbourhoods.

Every young person leaving school has a destination that fulfils their potential.

Supported by populations indicators

# Inclusive growth

Leaving no one behind

Our focus for the next four years:  
2017 – 2021

- Commitments
- Stretch goals
- Workstreams



# LINKS TO LEARNING

## LEARNING THROUGH EDUCATION

Learning is the foundation for life.  
Education and training gives us  
opportunities to shape our future.



## LEARNING FOR LIFE

Learning changes our lives for the better.  
Everyday there is the chance to  
learn something new.



## LEARNING TO LIVE TOGETHER

Learning brings us together.  
It develops respect and understanding about  
and within our communities.



## LEARNING FOR AND IN WORK

Learning creates routes to work,  
It generates opportunities, develops our careers  
and strengthens our communities and city.

## Address educational inequalities and increase skills attainment:

- Deliver an integrated city programme to address educational inequalities
- Maximise the benefits of our higher and further education offer
- Establish a city pledge for our young people and a commitment to being a learning city

## Enable, active, healthy and empowered citizens Reduce life inequalities

- Establish a city pledge for our young people and a commitment to being a learning city
- Design and deliver an integrated city programme to address health inequalities, including enhancing mental wellbeing and reducing social isolation

## Improve community relations

- Design and deliver Belfast City shared space, Peace IV and Interfaces programmes
- Bid for European Capital of Culture 2023

## Enhance and increase the skill levels of our residents and attract and retain even more skilled people

- Deliver an integrated approach to employment and skills
- Deliver a 'Belfast Works' employability programme

## Next steps

- November launch
- Focus now moves to delivering the Agenda
- Local area planning
- Monitoring & performance framework



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