



Shared Island Youth Forum

Vision and Values for a Shared Future
on the island of Ireland



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The Shared Island Youth Forum



Introduction

The Shared Island Youth Forum was convened in September 2023, bringing together over 80 young people from Ireland and Northern Ireland, all born since the Good Friday Agreement, to hear their perspectives on how best we can share the island in a future that their generation will ultimately lead.

Aged between 18 and 25, members of the Forum were nominated by community and civic organisations from North and South, reflecting the diversity of life on the island today. The Youth Forum was organised by the Shared Island Unit in the Department of the Taoiseach, in partnership with the National Youth Council of Ireland and Youth Action Northern Ireland.

The Forum met several times over the course of a year to deliberate on five key themes: Sustainability, Opportunity, Wellbeing, Culture and Identity, and Equality.

The Youth Forum heard from a wide range of contributors with expertise in each of these areas. Members spoke with the experts to explore issues of concern for people across the island, and to draw on their experience of building consensus and of effecting positive change. Forum members also learned and gained new insights from each other; developing friendships, sharing their own different lived experiences, and swapping views on challenges and opportunities for young people North and South today.

Over the course of their meetings, the Forum members worked together to develop a range of actions to improve life and outcomes across the island under each of the five themes. In May 2024, the Forum considered in full their work and discussions, deliberating on and agreeing a statement of their vision and values for a shared future.

This report sets out the Outcome Statement of the Shared Island Youth Forum. It includes underlying values that members agree should guide and inform how decisions are made, how conflict is resolved and how relationships are taken to a higher level across communities and borders on the island of Ireland in the years ahead. The statement also illustrates what members want that future to look like, through their visions for Sustainability, Opportunity, Wellbeing, Culture and Identity, and Equality for all.

This Outcome Statement will inform development of the Government's Shared Island initiative and contribute to broader discussions on creating a shared future for all communities, underpinned by the Good Friday Agreement.

The Shared Island Youth Forum's work exemplifies the power and potential of building connections, trust, friendship and common cause across all communities and political traditions on the island of Ireland.

Vision and Values for a Shared Future on the island of Ireland

Values for a Shared Future



Accountability,
transparency
and trust.



Compassion,
awareness and pure,
genuine curiosity in all
relationships.



Empowerment,
especially of young
people and marginalised
communities.



Valuing and learning
from different perspectives
and lived experiences.



Open dialogue
and authenticity in
policymaking.



Decision making being
rooted in equity, inclusion,
accessibility, and to include
non-economical evaluation.



Cooperation and
collaboration at all levels;
shared learning across and
beyond the island.



Meaningful
representation
and respectful
discussion.



Togetherness
and respect.



Altruism, empathy and kindness as drivers for policymaking.



Reconciliation and solidarity.



Open-mindedness and education; being evidence-based and research-informed.



Being human rights-based, and trauma-informed, in our approach.



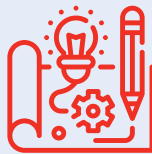
Housing policy informed by community ownership principles.



Connected and engaged communities; the power of collective action.



Environmental justice and a healthy ecosystem.



Creativity.



Ambition for the future.

Vision for a Shared Future

Vision of Sustainability

Our vision for a sustainable island is an island that functions on a net-zero circular economic system, which encourages regenerative agriculture and aquaculture practices through education, and upskilling of the labour force for sustainable job roles, while protecting the most vulnerable in society through a just transition. Developing renewable transport networks and connecting the island is a key priority.

- Net zero emissions have been achieved by 2050.
- There has been a just and fair transition to a carbon neutral economy that protects the most vulnerable in society.
- Maintaining climate neutrality is a political and social norm and guides all policymaking.
- The island is a global leader in generating wind energy, which is nationalised and used to power national transport systems, with the excess being sold to the European electrical grid.
- The island is connected by a fully integrated, localised and sustainable transport network, featuring:
 - a strong rail infrastructure, with a rail line to every county;
 - more trams, buses and commuter trains, and shared community cars;
 - safe walkways and improved cycling infrastructure;
 - a network of joined-up cycle paths and greenways that is a transformational amenity for residents and a driver for sustainable tourism.
- A circular economy has become the norm, underpinned by a circular labour force. Generational renewal is a priority, and supports for the agriculture, fishery and forestry sectors ensure that these are attractive and regenerative industries, that protect the island's natural habitats and support local food systems.
- The island is home to a flourishing biodiversity that has facilitated the reintroduction of key species of flora and fauna, and regenerated their native landscapes. The island's ecosystems are fully protected, and the rights of nature are recognised by all.
- The island's waterways are fully protected. Every beach and marina has achieved Blue Flag¹ status. The island has eliminated destructive and illegal fishing practices, and 30% of waters around the island are protected areas.
- Environmental education is seamlessly integrated into education systems across the island, at all levels.
- The island is a leader in the sustainable economy and utilising renewable energy, and supports and helps other countries as an international model of best practice.



Vision of Opportunity

Our vision for an island of opportunity is one where every person has access to free, public and inclusive education, equitable opportunities in employment, and safe, secure housing. A fully integrated and reliable transport network enables individuals, especially young people, to travel without barriers in order to pursue opportunities across all corners of the island.

- Everyone has equal access to free, public education, which:
 - is fully inclusive (including of all cultures, identities, disabilities, religions, genders, ethnicities and classes);
 - includes vocational and non-formal education and training; and
 - is constantly evolving to meet the needs of the time.
- Through school, every student is automatically registered to vote via an opt-out system, and schools teach practical life skills.
- Everyone has an equitable opportunity to pursue their ambitions through further study, apprenticeship programmes, internships, graduate and trainee roles and entrepreneurship.
- There is no poverty gap.
- No employee experiences workplace discrimination along any lines (including, but not limited to, gender, disability, race, religion, age).
- Employees have decent and fulfilling work with fair terms, equal pay, and safe working conditions.
- People can move easily throughout the island for work and education, using an integrated and decentralised public transport network that is reliable, sustainable, accessible, and free for young people.
- Ease of travel across the island is supported by a universal North-South travel card that is compatible on all modes of public transport.
- Every person has the right to affordable, safe and secure housing.
- Investment is made into research initiatives to better understand the root causes of crime, anti-social behaviour and violence, to underpin future policymaking.



Vision of Wellbeing

Our vision for the wellbeing of the island is that every person receives high quality, free healthcare. Services are provided in an inclusive, targeted, accessible, equitable and local manner. Ireland sets the benchmark, delivering an international model of best practice in healthcare provision.

- Every person has free access to the health services they need regardless of income, identity, class or ability.
- Health services are joined up and resources at every level are shared across the island, in order to maximise efficiency and service delivery.
- Every person has the necessary information and support to make decisions about their own personal health and wellbeing.
- No one faces barriers to accessing the mental health supports they need, when they need them.
- Everyone's gender identity is fully respected and legally recognised.
- All buildings and public spaces are fully accessible, and disability access is mandatory for every planning decision.
- Every school provides comprehensive, inclusive and evidence-based relationship and sexuality education, which recognises the complexity of this subject, and is standardised and consistent in its application.
- There is intercultural awareness, education and integrated practice for the provision of healthcare (inclusive of ethnic minorities, LGBTQIA+, the Traveller and Roma communities, and minority groups).
- Healthcare staff and providers enjoy a quality working environment and a valued career.
- There is provision for conscientious objection for healthcare workers.



Vision of Culture and Identity

Our vision for culture and identity is that the island's diversity of identities and cultures is valued, celebrated and protected by people, in our politics and public life. Arts, sports and civic events are resourced and supported to bring different communities together to build a shared island.

- The inherent dignity of all people is respected and upheld, and our diversity as individuals and communities is valued, protected and actively celebrated.
- Every person can express their identity and culture with confidence and respect.
- Cultural awareness and anti-racism are taught from an early age, and remain an ongoing training requirement in all education facilities, State services and workplaces, with an aim to acknowledge stigma and minimise bias.
- The community and voluntary sector is resourced and supported to provide intercultural learning opportunities in public and private life via arts, sports and civic events.
- Education is inclusive of all voices and experiences.
- History is taught recognising the perspectives and experiences of all cultures and political traditions on the island, as well as underrepresented and minority voices.
- There is zero tolerance of racism or hate in society.
- Minority participation in politics and public life is the norm, not the exception.
- Diverse communities promote a culture of integration and support each other.
- Visitors and newcomers to the island feel welcomed and accepted.



Vision of Equality

Our vision for an equal island is one where every individual's human rights are fully understood, respected and upheld, and everyone is guaranteed equal treatment and protection.

- No child grows up in poverty, and the basic needs of all children are guaranteed. Every child on the island has the opportunity to fulfil their full potential.
- No person's potential and pathway in life is adversely affected by their gender, ethnicity, identity, income, socio-economic background or disability.
- All schools, public buildings and workplaces accommodate each individual's needs and are safe, inclusive and accessible for disabled people, members of the LGBTQIA+ community, Traveller and Roma community, and ethnic minorities.
- Through adopting a social model of disability, disabled people are valued, respected and given equal access to representation and opportunities.
- Disability supports are indexed to the cost of living, in particular the cost of medical equipment, care and related costs, to enable people with disabilities to live full, independent lives.
- All people in Ireland have access to quality and evidence-based health and social care, including trans healthcare. Investment is made into research on healthcare, in particular in relation to women's health and minority groups.
- The island is a safe place for all women and girls. The culture that enables and perpetuates domestic and gender-based violence is actively addressed through education, policy and law, and domestic and gender-based violence is eradicated.
- The gender pay gap and glass ceiling for women are consigned to the past and caring roles and responsibilities are valued and equally shared. Women have access to equal opportunities in education and employment.
- There is meaningful and equitable representation across sectors in politics and decision making, including of women, the LGBTQIA+ community, and minority groups.
- All refugees and asylum seekers are guaranteed fair and equal treatment and are supported and integrated into communities across the island.





Inspiring Actions for a Shared Future

Inspiring Actions for a Shared Future

Sustainability

1. Invest in renewable energy technologies and supporting infrastructure to facilitate the transition to carbon neutral transport networks.
2. Ensure transparent manufacturing processes for renewable energy transport vehicles, to prevent greenwashing.
3. Scale up investment in local accessible public transport, roads and cycling infrastructure for all; campaign to encourage more sustainable local tourism, through visiting and holidaying across the island.
4. Seize opportunity of offshore wind energy for the island; strengthen and nationalise existing onshore capacity to develop an indigenous industry that powers local communities, and sells surplus energy.
5. More financial supports to communities and the agriculture, fishery and forestry sectors to enable just transition and the adoption of regenerative practices.
6. National retrofitting plan that is accessible to all, including renters and the Traveller and Roma community.
7. Establishment of an independent environmental agency in Northern Ireland; resource environmental agencies North and South to cooperate in order to fully protect native wildlife, and to hold government and businesses to account on climate targets.
8. Stronger North/South cooperation and pooling of resources between environment and energy Departments.
9. More inclusive, all-island civic dialogue to inform climate action policy through existing channels and a new all-island forum.
10. Targeted and accessible plain language initiatives to explain policy and to raise awareness of sustainability, biodiversity and climate justice concerns.
11. Primary and secondary schools to teach classes on sustainability, and environmental science, as separate and dedicated subjects.
12. Requirement for participatory grassroots consultation throughout planning processes, that engages directly with all impacted groups, and considers tailored solutions for different needs.
13. Introduce proposed constitutional rights of nature, and environmental rights.
14. Promote more local food systems through building cooperative and community-led schemes, such as shared community gardens.
15. Planning designs for social housing to include a focus on increasing access to green spaces.
16. Promote and incentivise the adoption of innovative waste management solutions, supporting the transition to a circular economy.



Opportunity

1. Enhance revenue and social security systems to facilitate cross-border working; jobs portal hub for Northern Irish and Irish public and civil service opportunities.
2. All-island travel scheme and increased transport connectivity between existing rail and bus services, with a focus on accessibility; more accessible commuting sites for the Traveller and Roma community.
3. Student mobility programme and an all-island Erasmus+ programme.
4. More integration of schools to multi-denominational or non-denominational; removal of religious patronage; no selective schools; transfer of all grammar schools to high schools.
5. Reform school curricula and teacher training to create greater consistency; access to wide subject choice in all schools; stronger media and social media literacy in schools.
6. Equality of access for education systems North-South through the adoption of fluid, inclusive and accessible procedures e.g. between CAO and UCAS systemsⁱⁱ.
7. Increased funding for youth work across the island, to facilitate greater provision of programmes and targeted interventions to support young people.
8. Increased resourcing for education and financial supports to ensure everyone can access higher and further education, including part-time students, and the extension and increase of supports to students in Direct Provision.
9. The promotion of, and opportunities for, apprenticeship, with a focus on minority groups.
10. Abolish unpaid internships and significantly increase the number of entry-level roles for graduates to build career experience.
11. Citizens' Assembly on Housing to consider constitutional rights and policy priorities, including all-island opportunities for integration of housing policy and ending homelessness.
12. Raise the vacant home tax to a minimum of 10%, with the proceeds allocated towards homelessness services.
13. More purpose-built affordable student accommodation, with the cost capped at one third of monthly minimum wage.
14. Ease planning requirements for modular housing (taking account of sustainability); increase supply and ease access to social housing across the island; increase cooperative communities and community ownership housing models, with specific consideration for single person housing.
15. A conflict of interest declaration for housing policymakers.
16. Ensure a percentage of proceeds recovered from crime are allocated towards rehabilitation for people within the prison system, and communities where crime and anti-social behaviour are prevalent.



Wellbeing

1. Create transitional mental health services for young adults (18-25) as a feeder service from youth mental health services.
2. More funding of community based mental health services to focus on early intervention.
3. State-funded, accredited mental health services in schools, to include: extended service hours for mental health monitoring and youth support services; increased capacity for staff; group supervision; intercultural training for service providers.
4. More focus on wellbeing and mental health in policy and practice for workplaces, schools and other settings; a legal requirement to provide workplace mental health services and support for the right to disconnect.
5. Disability access requirements for all buildings, to include accommodations for people who are neurodiverse.
6. Government-funded support services for physical, hidden and other disabilities and mental health needs, to supplement the public sector.
7. Full implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), and ratification of the Optional Protocolⁱⁱⁱ.
8. Tailored and needs-based approach to designing community and health services, based on local service provision and informed by the community and impacted groups.
9. Develop an informed consent model for trans healthcare, informed by lived trans experience, recognising that it is a unique decision for each individual; trans healthcare to be provided by GPs as well as specialists.
10. Remove barriers to legal gender recognition.
11. Evidence-based and standardised relationship and sexuality education, which is inclusive of LGBTQIA+, recognises complexity and acknowledges lived reality.
12. More intercultural and intergenerational community dialogue, drawing on examples in the North, such as arts and educational projects that aim to reduce tensions and stigma and to promote inclusive, cohesive communities.
13. Planning frameworks for social housing to prioritise active community life and promote wellbeing e.g. including sheltered event spaces, green areas, safe spaces for young people to socialise.
14. More joined-up services and sharing of healthcare resources North/South.
15. Improve access and implement technology to enhance and deliver healthcare and other services collaboratively across the island e.g. a digital health data system for information sharing and joined-up thinking.
16. Mandate public-private collaborations on healthcare research and create a condition on the private sector to support public healthcare.



Culture and Identity

1. Meaningful representation of ethnic and gender minorities, the LGBTQIA+ community, people with disabilities and working class backgrounds in politics and policymaking, to include a programme to build capacity, such as an all-island mentorship programme.
2. Anti-hate crime legislation in Ireland and in Northern Ireland.
3. Increase cultural awareness and mandatory anti-racism training across all public services on the island and in all workplaces and schools.
4. Full implementation of the National Action Plan Against Racism^{iv}.
5. Establish integration supports for refugees and asylum seekers, including:
 - providing key informational resource packs to new arrivals in communities;
 - more arts programmes to promote marginalised minority voices;
 - more opportunities for student exchanges.
6. More intercultural and cross-cultural civic events, arts and sporting activities to increase awareness of all cultures and political traditions on the island, in order to foster connections and bring communities together.
7. Demilitarise mural culture in Northern Ireland and across the island and encourage a spirit of cross-community artistic outputs; develop a strategy to educate the public on the history of murals, and to preserve and promote mural art.
8. More safe and shared spaces for expressing cultural identity at a grassroots level; these spaces should be used to celebrate commonalities and reclaim civic and community ownership founded on diversity and inclusion.
9. Reform the history syllabus North and South to create a better understanding of our shared history; include perspectives of nationalist, unionist and other traditions of the island, and underrepresented voices of women, migrants, the Traveller and Roma community and other minority groups.



Equality

1. Review existing interactive deprivation maps North and South; establish an integrated all-island deprivation map and allocate funding accordingly.
2. Remove the child benefit cap in Northern Ireland and base social welfare payments on maintaining an all-island minimum standard of living for children.
3. Introduce universal early years education and after-school childcare systems.
4. More devolved powers for local authorities and increased community-led development and disbursement of funding streams.
5. Educate and engage young people on politics from an early age in school; extend voting rights to over-16's and all residents.
6. Encourage public education as a social good for everyone in the community and resource public schools accordingly. Ensure a level playing field for schools' funding.
7. Rapidly improve accessibility to all modes of transport for people with disabilities.
8. Increase weekly disability allowance to reflect inflationary pressures, and ensure disability supports keep pace with the real cost of living for people with disabilities through targeted, ongoing research.
9. Increase legislative protections for LGBTQIA+ rights e.g. a complete all-island ban on conversion practices.
10. All-island STI/STD and HIV education campaign; zero new HIV transmissions by 2030.
11. Make school uniform policies more inclusive, including through development of an anti-poverty strategy to support low-income households.
12. Introduce 'Rainbow Award'TM model for LGBTQ+ inclusivity across all organisations.





13. North/South collaboration between LGBTQIA+ providers to share information, knowledge and resources.
14. Full implementation of the Traveller and Roma Education Strategy^{vi} to address the educational disadvantage of Travellers and Roma at all levels.
15. Set Traveller and Roma specific targets in both targeted policy measures (National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy^{vii}) and mainstream policy measures, to reduce poverty, homelessness and health inequalities, including among children.
16. Funding for peer-led programmes to promote female empowerment within the Traveller and Roma community.
17. Ensure all children, including Roma children, can access Child Benefit payments regardless of the legal or administrative status of their parents.
18. All-island body to lead and coordinate actions to tackle domestic, sexual and gender-based violence as an urgent societal goal, including access to social housing (in the South).
19. Implement existing strategies to address gender-based violence; compulsory education on gender-based violence in schools, and public awareness campaign.
20. Improve working conditions for childcare and care workers; more flexible employment conditions.
21. End stigma and improve women's healthcare via targeted research, education and public awareness campaigns, and a new standalone women's health strategy.
22. Gender quotas in politics and for company boards to achieve meaningful equality of representation.
23. End Direct Provision, and two-tiered treatment of refugees and asylum seekers.
24. Community-led programmes to counter misinformation and engage with minority communities.



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Appendix 1

Glossary of Terms

- i The [Blue Flag](#) is an international environmental award made by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) to beaches and marinas that demonstrate good environmental standards and have good sanitary and safety facilities. The Blue Flag is operated by [An Taisce](#) in Ireland and by [Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful](#) in Northern Ireland.
- ii The [Central Applications Office \(CAO\)](#) processes applications for undergraduate courses in Higher Education Institutions in Ireland. The [Universities and Colleges Admissions Service \(UCAS\)](#) is the UK's shared admissions service for higher education.
- iii The [Optional Protocol](#) to the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) is a side-agreement to the Convention which establishes an individual complaints mechanism for the UNCRPD.
- iv [The National Action Plan Against Racism](#) is Ireland's national level, state-led, co-ordinated approach to eliminating racism in all its forms in Ireland. It is intended to be implemented over a five-year period, from the beginning of 2023 to the end of 2027.
- v Belong To's [Rainbow Award](#) is an accreditation programme that supports youth services to become fully inclusive of LGBTQ+ young people. [Belong To](#) is the national organisation supporting LGBTQ+ young people in Ireland.
- vi The [Traveller and Roma Education Strategy 2024-2030](#) sets out the Irish Government's strategic approach to Traveller and Roma Education, [with the aim of enhancing the educational experience and outcomes](#) for Travellers and Roma across the whole education system.
- vii [The National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy II 2024-2028](#) sets out the Irish Government's [approach to improving the lives of Travellers and Roma in Ireland and ensuring the full inclusion of Traveller and Roma communities in Irish society](#). It encompasses actions on key issues such as Accommodation, Education, Employment, Culture, Heritage and Identity, Combating Discrimination, and Health and Well-being, amongst others.

Appendix 2

List of Nominating Organisations

Organisations that nominated a member(s) to the Shared Island Youth Forum are listed below.

AslAm	Islamic Cultural Centre Ireland
Belfast YMCA	Jewish Representative Council of Ireland
Belong To	Lagmore Youth Project
Black & Irish	National Women's Council
Cathedral Youth Club	National Youth Council of Ireland
Citywise Education	North West Cultural Partnership
Conradh na Gaeilge	Northern Ireland Rural Women's Network
Co-operation Ireland	Northern Ireland Youth Forum
Corrymeela	NOW Group
Crisis Cafe	NUS-USI
Development Trusts Northern Ireland	Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre
Disability Action	Politics in Action
Donegal Travellers Project	Presbyterian Church in Ireland
East Africa Youth NI	Queen's Students' Union
Emerging Young Leaders/Rethinking Conflict	Scotch Street Youth & Community Centre
Eurobug, International Youth Work and Collaboration Limited	Scouting Ireland
Féile an Phobail	Scouts Northern Ireland
Fighting Words NI	Secondary Students' Union of Northern Ireland
Foróige	SpunOut
Fórsa Youth	St. Peter's Immaculata Youth Centre
Foyle Women's Information Network	SWAN Youth Service
GAA	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award
Holywell Trust	The Rainbow Project
Hollywood Family Trust	Ulster University
Inspire Mentoring Programme, Innovate Communities	Ulster University Students' Union
Irish Association of Youth Orchestras	Ulster Wildlife
Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference	Union of Students in Ireland
Irish Council of Churches	Washington Ireland Program
Irish Development Education Association	WheelWorks
Irish League of Credit Unions	YMCA Ireland
Irish Rural Link	YouthAction Northern Ireland
Irish Second-Level Students' Union	Youth Link NI
Irish Wheelchair Association	Youth Work Ireland

Appendix 3

Meetings of the Shared Island Youth Forum

8 September 2023, Printworks Event and Exhibition Centre, Dublin Castle.

- Launch of the Shared Island Youth Forum by then Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science, Simon Harris TD.
- Welcoming address from Mary Cunningham, CEO of the National Youth Council of Ireland.

15-17 September 2023, Corrymeela Centre, Ballycastle, County Antrim.

- Residential meeting to consider the historic context of the Troubles and path to the Good Friday Agreement, as well as contemporary concerns related to the Peace Process, with guest contributors:
 - Avila Kilmurray (Social Change Initiative)
 - Dominic Bonner (YouthAction Northern Ireland)
 - Paul Smyth (Politics in Action)

20 October 2023, Aviva Stadium, Dublin.

- Thematic meeting on Sustainability, with guest contributors:
 - Alexander McMaster (Writer and marine ecologist)
 - Dr. Amanda Slevin (Queen's University Belfast)
 - Andrew McClean (Cycling UK)
 - Brendan Dunford (Burrenbeo, Farming for Nature)
 - Dr. Damien Ó Tuama (Irish Cycling Advocacy Network)
 - Eimear Manning (National Youth Council of Ireland)
 - Dr. Jeanne Moore (National Economic and Social Council)
 - Malachy Campbell (Northern Ireland Environment Link)
 - Rosalind Skillen (Birdwatch Ireland)
 - Sumaya Mohammed (Climate advocate)

17 November 2023, Duncairn Arts Centre, Belfast.

- Thematic meeting on Opportunity, with guest contributors:
 - Ann Watt (Pivotal)
 - Ann-Marie O'Reilly (Threshold)
 - Emma Shaw (Phoenix Education Centre)
 - Dr. Seamus McGuinness (Economic and Social Research Council)

7 December 2023, Smock Alley Theatre, Dublin.

- Youth Forum meeting with then Taoiseach Leo Varadkar TD.

26 January 2024, Aviva Stadium, Dublin.

- Thematic meeting on Wellbeing, with guest contributors:
 - Danielle McKenna (Rialto Youth Project)
 - Dermot Devlin (My Way Access)
 - Dr. Helen Johnston (National Economic and Social Council)
 - Dr. Joseph Morning (Spunout)

1 March 2024, Duncairn Arts Centre, Belfast.

- Thematic meeting on Culture and Identity, with guest contributors:
 - David Robinson (Belfast City Council)
 - Jessica Taggart (Shared Island Youth Forum)
 - Maureen Hamblin
 - Sarah Kay (Belfast Won't Always Be Like This)
 - Will Pollard (Student and SDLP parliamentary aide)

26 April 2024, Titanic Hotel, Belfast.

- Thematic meeting on Equality, with guest contributors:
 - Alexa Moore (The Rainbow Project)
 - Ellen Finlay (Policy 360: Unplugged)
 - Martin Collins (Pavee Point Traveller and Roma Centre)
 - Rachel Coyle (National Women's Council)

24-25 May 2024, Castleknock Hotel, Dublin.

- Residential workshop to deliberate and agree a statement of the Youth Forum's vision and values.





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