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PPG Completes COLORFUL COMMUNITIES Project in Birstall, United Kingdom

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PITTSBURGH--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- PPG (NYSE:PPG) today announced the completion of a COLORFUL COMMUNITIES™ project in Birstall, United Kingdom, that helped revitalize two schools that are part of the Focus-Trust family of schools – Fieldhead Primary Academy and Birstall Primary Academy. The *Colorful Communities* program provides PPG volunteers and products along with financial contributions to bring color and vitality to communities where the company operates around the world, such as in Birstall, where PPG has an architectural coatings facility.

The project brought together more than 50 PPG volunteers, who spent in excess of 500 hours revitalizing the playgrounds and outdoor learning spaces at both schools. PPG provided more than \$30,000 to assist with the project and around 330 liters of its JOHNSTONE'S® Trade paint products.

"We are grateful to PPG for completely refreshing and recolouring our outdoor play and learning areas," said Allison Simpson, project manager, Focus Trust. "Vibrant, colourful outdoor spaces have a profound impact on children's attainment, behaviour, self-esteem and health. More than 500 children, their families, neighbours, employees and possible future PPG employees will benefit from this project."

Veronica Horsfall, PPG communications manager based in Birstall, said many of the volunteers attended the schools, which are located close to the PPG site, or have family who are currently studying there. "We are proud of our employees' efforts to help revitalize these two schools to provide an engaging educational environment for the youth in our community," she said.

The *Colorful Communities* program is PPG's signature initiative for community engagement efforts, with the aim to protect and beautify the neighborhoods where PPG operates around the world. The program increases PPG's commitment to invest in communities and supports projects that transform community assets, providing PPG volunteers and donated PPG products. In 2015 and 2016 combined, PPG completed nearly 60 *Colorful Communities* projects, and it expects to complete about 75 more this year.

PPG and the PPG Foundation aim to bring color and brightness to PPG communities around the world. We donated nearly \$9.8 million in 2016, supporting hundreds of community organizations across 25 countries. By investing in educational opportunities, we help grow today's skilled workforce and develop tomorrow's innovators in fields related to coatings and manufacturing. Plus, we empower PPG employees to multiply their impact for causes that are important to them by supporting their volunteer efforts and charitable giving. Learn more at www.ppgcommunities.com and follow [@PPG_Communities](https://twitter.com/PPG_Communities) on Twitter.

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