

Castle Leslie Estate staff sleep out rough for homelessness



Some of the staff and management of the **Castle Leslie Estate**, at their sleepout on Sunday night last, which was held in aid of the homeless charity Focus Ireland. The sleepout is part of the "Shine A Light" for homelessness campaign that is ongoing at the Castle Leslie Estate for the month of October. The group took part in the sleepout to raise awareness on the issue of homelessness in Ireland and joined other Irish companies to raise much needed funds to support the vital work of Focus Ireland and their aim to end homelessness in Ireland.

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They were joining Focus Ireland and their peers to help shine a light of hope on Ireland's changing landscape of homelessness. They asked that people please lend their support by sponsoring their journey and give what they can at www.shine-a-light-night-2017.everydayhero.com/ie/castle-leslie ©Rory Geary/The Northern Standard

On Sunday 15th October, some of the staff at Castle Leslie Estate took part in Focus Ireland's 'Shine a Light Night'. Shine a Light Night is a truly touching event where people

come together for one night every year to raise vital funds and to stand in solidarity with people experiencing homelessness in Ireland today. Family homelessness has reached historic propor-

tions with 2,777 children currently living in emergency accommodation in Ireland, often unable to get to school, rarely getting a home cooked meal and sinking into darkness.

The staff rolled out their sleeping bags and slept rough for the night to help raise money to prevent homelessness in Ireland. Thank you to all those who supported them.