

DAA Team Supporting Community

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Daa team turn garden into peaceful paradise

PROJECT TO HELP CARMONA SERVICES RESIDENTS

JOHN MANNING

A HARD working team from the **Dublin Airport Authority (daa)** have transformed the lives of six people with intellectual disabilities by creating an idyllic outdoor space for them.

Following weeks of planning, designing and building, a team of **daa** staff have created an idyllic, comfortable area at the home of six adults with an intellectual disability in a house supported by Carmona staff.

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Denis O'Reilly from Difference Days, thanked the crew, saying: 'You have made Tommy, Anne, Hilary, Emer and Emma's home special - I had the pleasure of being there at the event and they had BIG smiles on their faces as they made plans to eat their dinner in their new pergola/patio area that night.'



■ The **daa** team that built an idyllic outdoor space for six people with intellectual disabilities.