

**Tandem Walking Group Plus**

**Annual Report and Receipts and Payments Account**

**For the year ended  
31st March 2025**

**Northern Ireland Charities Number: 100046**

## **Tandem Walking Group Plus**

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## **Tandem Walking Group Plus**

### **References and administrative details**

Charity Name: Tandem Walking Group Plus

Charity Registration Number: 100046

Trustees:

- Mrs Doreen McFarlane
- Mr William Lough (Chairman)
- Ms Carol Ferry
- Mr Paul Thompson (Treasurer resigned 19/10/24)
- Ms Doreen Brown (Acting Treasurer from 19/10/24)
- Mrs Milworth Jamieson
- Ms Margaret Davidson (Vice Chair)
- Mr Sammy Wilson
- Mrs Heather Whiteside (Secretary)

Independent Examiner:

- S.M. Vint & Co
- 8 Newry Road
- Banbridge
- BT32 3HN

Bankers: Ulster Bank

## Secretary's Report TWG 2024/25

April 24:- Saw the start of the Monday night tandem and walking group in Lurgan Park

April 24:- We enjoyed our walk at Tannaghmore Gardens in bright sunshine before heading to the Ashburn Hotel for lunch.

May:- The highlight this month was our surprise day out to a delightful wee spot in the Mourne. We had a lovely lunch in the beautiful surroundings of the Mourne Mountains at Mary Kate's cottage where we were entertained by music and banter.

June:- Using grant money secured by the committee we had our annual day out to The Argory. A tour of the house was enjoyed by the group along with coffee and scones. The weather was bright and sunny and a great day was had by all. This was followed by lunch at the Head O' The Road in Portadown.

July:- We held our AGM in Gilford Hall followed by a walk and lunch at Shepherds in Banbridge

August:- We enjoyed a walk along the towpath at Scarva followed by lunch at Sintons on the Bridge.

September:- This was the annual get away. This year we went to the Bushtown Hotel in Coleraine. A great time was had by all and a varied programme was provided by the organising committee. The food was a particular highlight of the stay here. We look forward to a return visit

October:- This month we had our annual outing to Newcastle. We enjoyed lovely weather and this was followed by a delightful lunch in the Enniskeen Country House Hotel.

November:- We enjoyed our annual Christmas Party at the Whistledown Hotel in Warrenpoint. Many enjoyed the delights of the shops in Warrenpoint returning home laden with parcels.

December:- Last minute Christmas shopping was caught up on in our trip to Rushmere in Craigavon. This was followed by a lovely lunch in Brownlow House, Lurgan

January 25:- We got the new year off to a start with an enjoyable walk around Lurgan Park followed by lunch in Lurgan Golf Club.

February 25:- We had a lovely day for our walk in Poyntzpass followed by a delightful lunch in Rice's Hotel

March 25:- We met at Banbridge Leisure Centre for a walk along the Bann followed by lunch at the Bannville Hotel.

On a sad note the club lost three friends and members of the club that have sadly passed away. Linda and Paul Thompson and Stephen Liggett. Linda was a regular attender of the club and helped out on many occasions. Paul was the club treasurer for many years a role which he carried out with great efficiency. Stephen, who was a great friend to many, helped out with the group on its Monday night walks and events. All will be sadly missed.

A donation in lieu of flowers was made in memory of Paul to the Southern Hospice Services. A donation in memory of Stephen was made to Marie Curie and Macmillan Cancer Support.

The club received a donation of £1,000 in memory of Linda from her family.

In March 25 Sammy and I attended a meeting of the Macan Trust for the Blind to receive, on behalf of the club, a grant of £1,500. As the presentation was being made by the Archbishop both Sammy and I were on our best behaviour.

Meanwhile, in the background the committee have been tirelessly working, and continue to, promote the objectives of the group and work to secure much needed funding to help deliver a varied and interesting programme for all its members.



Carol Ferry (Acting Secretary)

23/7/25

## **Independent Examiner's Report to Tandem Walking Group Plus**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 5-6.

### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



**Thomas Vint FCCA**  
**For and behalf of S.M. Vint & Co**  
**Chartered Certified Accountants & Registered Auditors**  
**8 Newry Road**  
**Banbridge**  
**BT32 3HN**

**4th August 2025**

**Tandem Walking Group Plus**  
**Statement of Receipts & Payments for the year ended 31st March 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations	2	1000	0	1000	5915
Grants	2	0	2300	2300	2707
Raffle Proceeds	2	0	0	0	0
Other Fundraising	2	1778	0	1778	3055
<b>Total income</b>		<u>2778</u>	<u>2300</u>	<u>5078</u>	<u>11677</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising Funds	3	0	0	0	0
Charitable Activities	3	1857	2240	4097	6084
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>1857</u>	<u>2240</u>	<u>4097</u>	<u>6084</u>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources</b>		<u>921</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>981</u>	<u>5593</u>

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### Statement of Assets & Liabilities- Year Ended 31st March 2025

	2025	2024
<b>Reconciliation of funds at 31/03/25</b>		
Total funds brought forward	9,353	3,760
Surplus/(deficit) this year end	981	5,593
Total funds carried forward	<u>10,334</u>	<u>9,353</u>
<b>Bank &amp; Cash Balances</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>10,334</u>	<u>9,353</u>
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<b>Represented by</b>		
Unrestricted funds	10,274	9,353
Restricted funds	60	0
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>10,334</u>	<u>9,353</u>
<b>Other Assets (Unrestricted funds)</b>		
Tandem Bikes	4,750	4,750
Trailer	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>5,750</u>	<u>5,750</u>

Notes on pages 7 to 8 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 6 were approved by the Board of Trustees on 23rd July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr William Lough

*William Lough*

## Tandem Walking Group Plus

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

#### 1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

##### a) Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis

The charity generally meets its day to day working capital requirements from its annual income. The Trustees have obtained and reviewed cash flow forecasts for the coming year and based on these are satisfied that the charity has resources to provide a reasonable expectation that it can continue to meet its financial obligations as they fall due for the foreseeable future. Therefore these financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis

##### b) Income

Income is accounted for on a cash receipts basis as the amount is collected and are allocated as either restricted or unrestricted funds according to the terms of the donation.

##### c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on a cash payments basis.

##### d) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts.

##### e) Funds

Funds are classified as either restricted funds or unrestricted funds, defined as follows:

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific requirements as to their use which may be declared by the donor or with their authority or created through legal processes, but still within the wider objects of the Club.

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. If parts of the unrestricted funds are earmarked at the discretion of the trustees for a particular purpose, they are designated as a separate fund. This designation has an administrative purpose only and does not legally restrict the trustees' discretion to apply the fund.

#### 2. Fundraising

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Donations	1,000	0	1,000	5,915
Raffle Proceeds	0	0	0	0
Grants		2,300	2,300	2,707
Other Fundraising	1,778	0	1,778	3,055
	<u>2,778</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>5,078</u>	<u>11,677</u>

**Tandem Walking Group Plus****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025 (continued)****3. Analysis of Expenditure**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
<b>Raising Funds</b>	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Charitable Activities</b>				
Holiday & Club Outing Expenses	0	2,240	2,240	2,902
Insurance	587	0	587	536
Printing	244	0	244	403
Training Expenses	0	0	0	525
Volunteers Meals	306	0	306	278
Petty Cash	150	0	150	250
Accountancy	420	0	420	420
Donations	87	0	87	180
Tea Expenses	63	0	63	100
Holiday Refund	0	0	0	400
Tandem Sold	0	0	0	0
Vouchers	0	0	0	90
	<u>1,857</u>	<u>2,240</u>	<u>4,097</u>	<u>6,084</u>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<u>1,857</u>	<u>2,240</u>	<u>4,097</u>	<u>6,084</u>

**4. Analysis of trustee remuneration and expenses.**

No Trustee received any payments other than for out of pocket expenses incurred.