

Hope North West Temperance / Hope North West / HopeNW

Report of the Trustees

Financial Year 01 Jan '24 – 31 Dec '24

The trustees who are also directors of the charity, for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31st December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial standard applicable in the UK and RoI (FRS 102) (effective 1 Jan 2015).

Objectives and Activities

The Charity's purpose as set out in the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association may be summarised as the advancement of religion, education; and, the health the saving of lives adults and young people by, from a Christian perspective, promoting a drug-free lifestyle thereby preventing self-harm from drugs.

The following are the key elements of the programme to achieve this:

- Through the promotion of the evangelical Christian faith to equip children and young people in North West Ulster with the understanding of their uniqueness as God's special creation and value in God's eyes.
- To inform children and young people in North West Ulster of the dangers associated with alcohol and drugs and provide relevant information on these subjects to enable them to make informed choices; and,
- To promote a healthy drug-free lifestyle among children and young people in North West Ulster and positively impact these groups by reducing the harmful abuse of alcohol and drugs

The Objectives have been carried out in accordance with the Statement of Faith and through the fostering of links with, and supporting and co-operating with, other persons and organisations across the UK/ROI with similar aims.

The Trustees, in setting objectives and planning activities for the year, have aligned activities to seek to achieve the public benefit as described within our MA&A's in accordance to the CCNIs guidance.

Achievements and Performance

HopeNW exists to promote the benefits of a drug-free lifestyle from a Christian perspective seeking to prevent self-harm by drug abuse through education. HopeNW has developed Workbooks aligned to the Northern Ireland Year 6 & Year 7 curriculum, both in Irish and English, as a tool to assist in accomplishing this primarily through educating Year 6 & Year 7 about the dangers of drugs before they come under pressure to get involved. An Education Officer is employed to teach lessons on the dangers of drugs in primary schools throughout the North-West.

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During the financial year the Education Officer for HopeNW has had the privilege to teach some 1,247 primary school pupils in over 26 schools with workbooks going into 28 schools.

Positive responses on both the workbooks and teaching have been received: from both teachers and pupils.

There was great response to the Annual E-Poster Competition showing the knowledge gained demonstrated so enthusiastically in both the presentation and quality of work produced at the year-end competitions with some 87 entries from 15 schools. The judges were extremely impressed by the quality of the young people's work commenting on the quality and high standards of entries.

Excellent feedback of the Educational Officer's work has been received both in terms of content, his enthusiasm and how he relates to both the staff and children.

In addition there were some 60 workbooks supplied to other Youth Organisations/Schools.

Workbooks are now produced in both English and Irish languages.

Financial review

The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000. See detailed Independent Auditors Report which stated identified no concerns; and, found no matters requiring attention.

Structure, Governance and Management

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Trustees

Rev Knox Jones – Chairman

Rev Jonathan Campbell

Mr David Canning

Mr Walter Hoy – Treasurer

Mr John McCormick – Secretary

Mr Stephen McCormick

Rev Stephen Neilly

Rev Olly Roebuck

Mrs Anne Smith

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Charity Number NIC100297

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Independent Auditor: Mr David Douglas

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