

Strabane & District Playclub

Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment & appointment of new trustees

There has been an average of 8 trustees throughout the period. Any new appointments are at the recommendation of the board, but after consultation with the members.

Induction & training of new trustees

All new trustees are given, in the view of the board, sufficient training and have enough knowledge of their specific field to understand the nature of the charity and fully comply with the charities current views of its progression.

Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the running of the organisation and guides the strategic direction of it. They meet regularly on a formal basis to discuss the activities of the organisation. They delegate the day to day management of the organisation to their manager.

Risk Management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide a reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and activities

Objectives and aims

The Main objectives of the Charity are to provide affordable childcare to those in the Strabane & the surrounding area.

Achievements and performance

Numbers of Children

There were 27 children being looked after during the course of the year.

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Financial review

During the year to 31 March 2023 we had a deficit of £19,075 (2022: £4,009 deficit). We ended the year with cash reserves of £49,009.

It has been our policy to bring the Charity to a position where it can continue financially without external grants. The aim is that parents' fees plus small local donations plus the donated labour of trustees and other local volunteers will cover the charity running costs. Thankfully this has now been achieved as the external funding has ceased at present.

We have prepared the accounts using the Receipts & Payments basis.

Going Concern

We consider it reasonable that the Charity can operate on a going concern basis and has sufficient funds and an income stream to allow it to continue for the foreseeable future.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the statement of receipts and payments and statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with Income of less than £250,000 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain Strabane & District Playclub's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of Strabane & District Playclub. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of Strabane & District Playclub and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board on 23 January 2024 by



Gregory Gillespie (Chairperson)
Trustee