

**Charity Commission No. NIC100968**

**Friends of Stewartstown Primary School**

**Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 31 March 2023**

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**Trustees**

Mrs A Armstrong  
Mrs K McElhennon  
Mrs C Bell  
Mrs N Anderson  
Mrs S Dougherty

**Committee /Officers**

Mrs D Richardson	Joint Chairperson (appointed 10 October 2022)
Mrs S Watters	Joint Chairperson (appointed 10 October 2022)
Mrs D Abernethy	Joint Chairperson (resigned 10 October 2022)
Mrs E Walker	Joint Chairperson (resigned 10 October 2022)
Mrs K McElhennon	Vice-Chairperson
Mrs R Richardson	Secretary (appointed 10 October 2022)
Mrs N Anderson	Secretary (resigned 10 October 2022)
Mrs S Dougherty	Treasurer
Mrs H Kelly	
Mrs J Uprichard	
Mrs D Magill	
Mrs L Houston	
Mrs N Shannon	
Mrs J Mullan	
Mr A Shepherd	
Mrs E Watters	
Mrs J Montgomery	
Mrs S Donaghy	

**Bankers**

Ulster Bank  
20 William Street  
Cookstown  
Co Tyrone  
BT80 8ND

## **Report of the Trustees**

### **Trustees and Officers**

The trustees and officers who served during the period are noted on page 1. The trustees and officers did not receive any payments during the period.

### **Governance**

The Group is governed by its Constitution and Rules, copies of which are available from the Chairperson. The Group is constituted as an association. The Trustees were appointed by the Committee.

### **Objectives and Activities**

Friends of Stewartstown Primary School ("the Group") was formed in September 2013 to help the school staff by supporting them in organising activities and events, and raising funds to help the whole school community. The Group received charitable status in December 2014.

### **Objects**

1. To relieve poverty, sickness and the aged, and to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the district and surrounding area of Stewartstown and its environs, without distinction of age, gender, race, political, religious or other opinion
2. To provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.
3. To preserve our history and heritage for all.
4. To act as a charity, raise money for charity and organise events to raise funds for Stewartstown Primary School
5. To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre

### **Activities**

In the current financial period, the following fund-raising events have taken place;

- Fun Night
- Halloween disco
- Baked goods stall at the local Christmas Market
- Supper With Santa
- Table Quiz
- Sponsored Walk
- Circuits classes

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

## **Report of the Trustees (cont'd)**

### **Achievements and Performance**

The main achievement of the Group during the year was advancing the education of the children of Stewartstown PS, by making donations, so that resources can be purchased that aren't available otherwise.

### **Financial Review**

All monies raised by or on behalf of the Group shall be applied to further the objects of the Group, and for no other purpose, except for legitimate out-of-pocket expenses to members of the Group, engaged upon the approved business of the Group.

The Group raised £12,816 during the year to 31 March 2023 (2022: £3,702), and had associated expenses of £14,928 (2022: £2,719). Cash donations to the school were £1,632 during the period (2022: £963), and donations via equipment and other resources were £12,196 (2022: £1,682).

### **Preparation of Accounts**

The accounts were prepared using the cash basis. Accounts are for the 12 months to 31 March 2023. The comparatives are for the 12 months to 31 March 2022.

### **Approval of Report and Accounts**

The Report and Accounts, for the year ended 31 March 2023, were approved at the Annual General Meeting, held on 18 September 2023, and signed on behalf of the Group by;



Mrs Diane Richardson

Joint Chairperson



Mrs Kendra McElhennon

Vice Chairperson

# **Independent examiners' report to the charity trustees of Friends of Stewartstown Primary School Trust**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on page 5.

## **Respective responsibilities of charity 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 Commission under section 65 (9) (b) of the Charities Act
- 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.

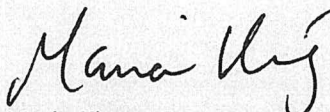
My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

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 you attention.



Maria King ACA

20 Brackenhill Avenue, Cairns Hill, Belfast BT8 6ZS

8<sup>th</sup> August 2023

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**Accounts**

<b>Income / receipts</b>	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Circuits classes	510	210
Disco	56	124
Christmas Market	402	-
Fun Night	1,146	-
Sponsored Walk	2,193	-
Supper With Santa	900	-
Table Quiz	1,404	-
Valentine's raffle	-	273
Name the Bear competition	-	73
Grants	3,115	1,680
Other	3,090	1,342
	<b>12,816</b>	<b>3,702</b>
<b>Expenses / payments</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fun Night	537	-
Sponsored Walk	80	-
Supper With Santa	407	-
Electronic equipment	6,336	-
Outdoor Classroom	4,395	-
After school Activities	1,390	-
Play resources	-	1,682
Cash donations to Stewartstown PS	1,632	963
Other	151	74
	<b>14,928</b>	<b>2,719</b>
Bank and cash as at 31 March	5,543	7,655

The accounts were approved at the Annual General Meeting, held on 18 September 2023, and signed on behalf of the Group by;



Mrs Diane Richardson

Joint Chairperson



Mrs Kendra McElhennon

Vice Chairperson