

Lissan Cross Community Playgroup

**Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Payments
and Assets and Liabilities for the year ended
31st August 2024**

Charities Number:

NIC101456

Lissan Cross Community Playgroup Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st August 2024

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Lissan Cross Community Playgroup - Trustee's Annual Report for the year ended 31st August 2024

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for Lissan Cross Community Playgroup for the year 31st August 2024.

References and Administrative Details

Charity Name:	Lissan Cross Community Playgroup
Charity Registration Number:	NIC101456
Principal Address/Registered Office:	6 Claggan Road Cookstown Co Tyrone BT80 9XE

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are as follows:

Mr Barry Donnelly
Mrs Claire O'Hagan
Mrs Sinead Gildernew
Mrs Ciara McGlone
Mrs Eimer Nugent

Objectives & Activities

Our organisation provides preschool education to 3-4year olds. We follow a curriculum which is set by the Department of Education and covers six areas of learning. These include: Personal, Emotional, and Social development, Language Development, Physical Development, The Arts, The World Around Us, and Mathematical Development. We provide age appropriate learning opportunities which are tailored to meet the needs of each individual child. We are registered with Northern Health and Social Care Trust and we are inspected annually to ensure that we meet the "Minimum Standards 2012". We are also inspected by the Department of Education.

Compliance with Public Benefit

The Charity has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the Charity's objectives and activities, as well as providing public benefit.

Financial Review

Total receipts of £74,225 for the year ended 31st August 2024 exceeded total payments of £73,054 by £1,171 increasing the total cash funds held from £38,021 to £39,192. (Pages 6 & 7).

Charitable Purposes

The Group is established to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age, (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries) of the Lissan, Cookstown and its surrounding environs in County Londonderry (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit') without distinction of age, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and in particular: a) to advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and satisfying group play, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the group; and to promote the preservation of health of the beneficiaries; and b) to support the values and principles of Early Years.

Structure, Governance and Management

Lissan Cross Community Playgroup is a Registered Charity and is governed by the terms of its constitution, which was adopted by the membership in 1997. Lissan Cross Community Playgroup Association is registered with the Charity Commission and is placed on the Northern Ireland register of charities from 24th March 2015.

Approved by the trustees on 21 November 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Mr Barry Donnelly

Chair

9.1.25



Mrs Ciara McGlone

Secretary

9/1/25 .

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Lissan Cross Community Playgroup

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st August 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

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 preparation of the accounts from 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 the following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Signed: 
Name: Mr Bryan Martin FCA
Accountant

Date: 21 November 2024

Statement of Receipts & Payments - Year ended 31 August 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Receipts					
Voluntary Receipts:					
Grants	800	2,500	-	3,300	7,539
From Charitable Activities:					
Education Authority	59,118	-	-	59,118	55,305
Fees	11,504	-	-	11,504	8,282
Other	303	-	-	303	-
	71,725	2,500	-	74,225	71,126
Payments					
Cost of Charitable Activities:					
Wages and Salaries	58,034	-	-	58,034	50,485
Early Years	1,091	-	-	1,091	1,701
Heat & Light	1,772	-	-	1,772	2,956
Insurance	1,363	-	-	1,363	1,014
Repairs and Maintenance	774	-	-	774	857
Telephone & internet	715	-	-	715	797
Food & Supplies	5,048	-	-	5,048	9,983
Bank interest & fees	112	-	-	112	135
Training	1,210	-	-	1,210	-
Uniforms	234	-	-	234	68
Total Payments	70,354	-	-	70,354	67,996
Asset & Investment purchase	200	2,500	-	2,700	-
Net receipts/(payments)	1,171	-	-	1,171	3,130
Surplus/ (Deficit)/for the year	1,171	-	-	1,171	3,130
Reconciliation					
Cash at Bank & in hand 31.08.23	38,021	-	-	38,021	34,891
Surplus/ (Deficit)/for the year	1,171	-	-	1,171	3,130
Cash at bank & in hand 31.08.24	39,192	-	-	39,192	38,021

Statement of Assets & Liabilities - Year ended 31 August 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>Funds Reconciliation</u>					
Cash at Bank & in hand 31.08.23	38,021	-	-	38,021	34,891
Surplus/ (Deficit)/for the year	1,171	-	-	1,171	3,130
Cash at bank & in hand 31.08.24	39,192	-	-	39,192	38,021
 Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Current Account				39,192	38,021
				39,192	38,021
 <u>Other Assets (Unrestricted)</u>					
Building				14,801	13,446
Play Equipment				1,908	2,120
Furniture				972	1,080
				17,681	16,646
 Liabilities					
None				-	-
				-	-

Approved by the trustees on 21 November 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Barry Donnelly 9/11/25

Mr Barry Donnelly

Chair

Ciara McGlone

Mrs Ciara McGlone

Secretary

9/11/25.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st August 2024

1. Accounting Policies

Set out below are the principal accounting policies which have been adopted in the compilation of the Receipts and Payments Account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

- (a) **Receipts and Payments Account**
All items of income and expenditure included within the Receipts and payments Account have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.
- (b) **Statement of Assets and Liabilities**
 - (i) *Assets retained for the Playgroup's own use*

The assets of the Playgroup, retained for its own use comprise:-

- Building
- Playgroup Equipment
- Furniture

Assets have been valued on a current market value which is deemed to be lower than the original cost and are depreciated on a 10% straight line basis. Buildings are depreciated over a period of 20 years and Equipment/ Furniture over a period of 10 years.