

G.G.W.G.
Greater Glen Women's Group

Annual Report

April 2022 to March 2023



Charity Number: 101706

Introduction:

Glenview Community Centre
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Registered Charity: No XR97367, NI Charity Commission NIC101706

GGWG was established in 2006. The group has a management committee with a Chairperson, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Greater Glen Women's Group work in an area of high deprivation to promote and encourage the health and well-being of women in the Glen and Rosemount areas. They encourage empowerment of local women and strive to provide programmes that will enhance their lives mentally and physically. GGWG encourages its members to become involved in a range of community activities and work closely with the young people of the area and share their skills and experiences. We offer support to all members and signpost them to relevant agencies when help and advice is needed.

Officer Board:

Ann Orr – Chairperson

Pat McAnaney – Secretary

Bronagh McCallion - Treasurer

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Chairperson's Report

I would like to welcome you all here to the Annual General Meeting of the Greater Glen Women's Group.

The group was formed in June 2006 and since then local women have participated in a range of courses and initiatives all delivered locally.

With continued funding from DfC (Department for Communities), Glen Development Initiative is able to continue the valued support to Greater Glen Women's Group.

I would like to acknowledge the roles of the Committee for their continuing support and reiterate the importance of your roles in the promotion and function of the organisation over the last year so thank you so much for all your support because you are the backbone of our Women's Group.

Our charitable purposes include: the advancement of citizenship or community development, the relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, the prevention or relief of poverty, the advancement of education and the advancement of health or the saving of lives.

We have now expanded our group and we have a young women's group who meet every Tuesday from 11am to 1pm. They have been taking part in a number of holistic programmes including art therapy, relaxation techniques and Bach's remedies. This group is always open to new members.

We would like to say a special thank you to all our members who for their help and commitment to our group, without you we would be lost.

I would like to thank the following funders; without their continued support we would be unable to run programmes within the area.

- DCSDC
- WHSCT



Treasurer's Report

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I would like to thank all the members of Greater Glen Women's Group for their continued support throughout the financial year.

I would also like to thank the staff of Glen Development Initiative for their continued support and assistance in the sustainability of our group. GDI also received funding from Big Lottery Fund NI and this allowed us to expand our programmes and events.

Income and Expenditure Report – April 2022 to March 2023

Income	Total
DCSDC	£2,935.80
Unrestricted	£3,061.10
WHSCT	£475.00
Total	£6,471.90
Expenditure	Total
Awards for All	£730.99
DCSDC	£3,011.10
Unrestricted	£3,079.05
WHSCT	£455.00
Total	£7,276.14
surplus/deficit	-£804.24
opening bank	£1,957.11
closing bank	£1,152.87

Debtors and Creditors Report

Debtors

Total	£0.00
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Creditors

GDI	£1,500.00
Total	£1,500.00

Successful Funding

DCSDC **£2,935.80**

This funding allowed us to run a few programmes for all members of the family. We offered family trips to Rosepark Fun Farm. The young families

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from our local area had a wonderful time feeding the animals, playing in the lagoon beach, the enchanted forest and the many play areas.

We also ran a day trip for the older members of our community. We visited Ulster American Folk Park then had dinner in a local hotel. This trip offered members of our group and various others who attend different groups within the community centre to interact, mix and share experiences.



WHSCT

Thanks to funding from Western Health and Social Care Trust we were able to run a holistic programme for our ladies. This included alternative therapies, physical exercise, cooking, and crafts.



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Ongoing Programmes:

GGWG drop-in: Wednesday 6-7.30pm

A variety of programmes will be scheduled including craft, health awareness and alternative therapies.

Parent & Toddlers

Meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Open to all members of the community who care for a child. If anyone knows of anyone who cares for a grandchild etc they are welcome to join the group.

Glenview Bowling Club

The bowling club meets every Wednesday night from 7.30pm and is open to new members of all abilities.

Glen Golden Years Club

The Glen Golden Years Club meet every Thursday 1.30-3.30pm and offer a variety of programmes such as chair-based exercise, chair-based yoga, dance, bingo etc. It costs £2 per person and includes a light lunch.

Glen Development Initiative Hen's Shed.

The Hen's Shed meet every Tuesday morning and Wednesday evening.

Challenges for the year ahead:

- What can we do – is there new programmes we should focus on that meets the needs of the local community and not only our group? How can this be achieved and what resources are need to make this happen?
- How do we sustain the funding for future programmes? Do we need to do more fundraising events? Are there other funds out there that we haven't been accessing? How can we help ourselves to grow and develop financially?



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