



Katesbridge Ladies' Rural Group

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Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

**For the year
1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024**

Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

The trustees of Katesbridge Ladies' Rural Group (KLRG) are pleased to present their report for the period 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024.

Community Programme

The Group's Community Programme is a vital tool, as we aim to reach more members and promote inclusiveness through social, educational and recreational programmes.

The Group would like to record their gratitude to all volunteers and members who work closely with them and give so generously of their time.

Membership

The membership of the Group, as at 31st March 2024, was :
5 Management Committee and 5 Volunteers.

Accommodation

KLRG have use of Shanaghan Orange Hall, 38 Katesbridge Road, Katesbridge, Banbridge, Co. Down BT32 5NQ.

Financial Review

INCOME

Income receipts for the year totalled £0.

EXPENDITURE

Expenditure for the year totalled £50.

Support in Kind

In assessing the finances of the Group, it must be noted that many members and trustees give a great deal of support in kind.

Members give generously of their time; without the many hours given to preparing and delivering talks, running events and managing the Group its growth and success could not be achieved.

The Trustees wish to place on record their recognition of and gratitude for all these contributions.

Major Risks

In our Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 we identified no major risks.

Financial Management Policies

The Group has a Fraud policy, an Anti-Corruption and Bribery policy and written procedures on Management and Financial Controls.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name

Katesbridge Ladies' Rural Group

Charity Number

Registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland
NIC101957

Principal Address

Shanaghan Orange Hall,
38 Katesbridge Road,
Katesbridge,
Banbridge,
Co. Down
BT32 5NQ

Charity Trustees

Mrs. R. McElroy, Chairperson
Mrs. C. Kennedy, Secretary
Mrs. E. McCann, Treasurer
Mrs. C. Bell, Committee Member
Mrs. L. McElroy, Committee Member

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document and Constitution

The Group is registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and works in the Community Development sector. We are governed by a Constitution adopted in February 2005 and amended in February 2016.

The Group is run by a management committee. They consult with their volunteers regularly.

Trustee Selection and Management

The Group is managed by a committee which consists of all the appointed trustees.

Committee meetings offer a forum to review recent activities within our programme and to plan forthcoming events.

Further ad hoc meetings are called, if required, for example to plan and manage special events or projects.

The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts are approved by the chairperson and independent examiner and then presented to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

The Group can appoint a sub-committee which would meet on an ad hoc basis to oversee and manage special projects if necessary.

Related Organisations

The Group is not a member of any related organisations.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objects

The object of our Group, as set out in our Constitution, is the relief of need and the advancement of education of the inhabitants of the Katesbridge area without distinction of age, sex, race, disability, political, religious or other opinion.

Public Benefit Statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities for the year the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

Summary of Main Activities

The main activities of our Group are to provide a good range of services and activities for our community in a rural area. We aim to provide social interaction and learning opportunities for all sections of the community and for all ages; to develop and enhance community spirit, community relations and civic pride; and encourage integration and reduce loneliness.

Through operating our social activities to the people living in this area the charity has benefited them by improving their health and well-being and reducing their social isolation. We promoted learning through our information, craft and exercise classes, etc; and inclusivity through opening our events to all local people.



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Ruth McElroy
Chairperson

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Coleen Kennedy
Secretary