



Trustees' Annual Report for the Period							
From	Period Start Date			To	Period End Date		
		01	April		2017		31

Charity Details

<i>Charity Name</i>	St Marys Altinure Youth Club
<i>Registered Charity Number</i>	NIC102134
<i>Charity's Principal Address</i>	Old School Lane 192 Learmount Road, Park Village, Co. Derry Northern Ireland BT47 4BA
	Postcode BT47 4BA

Names of Charity trustees who manage the charity		
Trustee Name	Office (If any)	Dates Acted if not for whole Year
TERESA MC CLOSKEY	Chair	
KEVIN HICKEY	Treasurer	
KAREN O'KANE	Secretary	
SEAMUS DONELLY KAREN MC ELHINNEY FIONA GORMLEY ORLA DEIGHAN DONNA O'KANE CATHERINE COOKE TERESA COLL DONNA KERLIN DELORES MC KEEVER	Committee	Joined Committee at January AGM Joined Committee at January AGM Joined Committee at January AGM Joined Committee at January AGM
KATIE MCLAUGHLIN SHARON MC LAUGHLIN	Committee	Resigned September 2017 Resigned at AGM 1 st Feb 2018
<i>NON TRUSTEES</i> Marie Gormley Cora Kerlin	Child Protection Officer Leader In Charge	

Name And Address of Advisors	
Danske Bank	46 Catherine Street, Limavady. Co. Derry BT49 9DH
Accountants	Claremount Accountants, Omagh



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Charity Structure, Governance and Management

Type of Governing Document

How the Charity is Constituted

Trustee Selection Methods

Constitution adopted January 2016
Association of paid up Members
Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting. This year we held this in January 2018

Additional Governance Issues

There is a Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy in place – updated, revised and adopted on February 2016.

Criminal record checks (Access NI) are carried out on commencement of volunteer and/or trustee appointment. These checks are carried out again every two years in line with statutory requirements.

St Mary's Altinure Youth Club is a member of Youth Action Northern Ireland which provides helpful advice and keeps us informed of opportunities for training and legislative changes. Our membership is renewed every April.

St Mary's Altinure Youth Club also works closely with Learmount Drop Inn for teenagers, and the local Learmount Community Development Group and the Rural Area Partnership in Derry to explore opportunities for joint programmes with other groups.

St Mary's Altinure Youth Club rents the use of a local hall (from the Park Hall Committee) to carry out its activities. Additionally, at the end of this reporting period it has taken on the former soccer club house in Park to use as a permanent Members Only Club House.

All trustees and leaders give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

The trustees are assisted by parents of members – who take turns in helping to supervise the children during their activities.

A Volunteer Policy, and Diversity Policy were adopted by the Trustees at the AGM 1st February 2018.



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Objectives and Activities

<p><i>Objects of the Charity as stated in our Constitution</i></p>	<p>1 - To provide opportunities for young people aged 8 - 13 to come together for play, to advance their social and personal skills and to explore issues that are relevant to this age group. These young people will be drawn from Park Village and its surrounding areas.</p> <p>2 - To provide a programme of social, spiritual, educational and recreational activities within a safe and secure environment which will meet the needs of young people aged 8 – 13</p>
<p><i>Main Activities Undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects.</i></p>	<p>In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our Trustee meetings.</p> <p>The focus of activities remains providing a safe and secure environment for a programme of youth events and activities. This benefits young people by developing their self-confidence and social skills alongside life skills such as our indoor games and swimming.</p> <p>We welcome all young people regardless of background, faith, gender or personal circumstances. This philosophy enhances and enriches everyone involved in the Club including volunteers, trustees and parents.</p>

Additional Notes
<p>A great contribution is made by our members parents/guardians who volunteer weekly to help with supervising activities. We are grateful for the many hours given listening and encouraging our young people, and to the volunteer trustees who help to run the club annually.</p> <p>Any surplus funds not needed to pay for activities are placed on deposit to earn interest. As our grants are less than expenditure we have been unable to do this during this time.</p> <p>Accidents during the year- None</p>



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Achievements and Performance

Summary of the Main achievements of the Charity during the Year

<p>Spring: For the Easter Trip we went to the Carromena Activity Centre outside Limavady. This was fantastic for the kids and they all loved it. Weekly hall games and activities, and bus to Foyle Arena in Derry for swimming continued during this period. Additional activities were assisted by the CHILD Project which we participated in.</p> <p>Summer Camp: We held a 2 week summer camp during July which included a range of outdoor activities and archery. The scheme ended with a trip to Creggan Country Park for water sport activities.</p> <p>Autumn: Weekly hall games and activities, and bus to Foyle Arena in Derry for swimming continued during this period. We held our annual Halloween disco, which was very well attended. No Christmas disco was held this year as the committee decided there was not enough demand. This will be reviewed next year.</p> <p>Winter: Annual New Year day trip to Cinema and bowling games Weekly hall games and activities, and bus to Foyle Arena in Derry for swimming continued during this period.</p>
<p>Fundraising –</p> <p>No additional fund raising activities took place during this period . The Trustees were focused on creating a new members facility by accessing additional grants (see below).</p> <p>In May 2017 the committee approved the appointment of S3 Solutions to assist with the identification and applications to new funding opportunities for a 12 month period.</p>
<p>New Policies</p> <p>A new Volunteer Policy, and Diversity Policy were developed and adopted by the committee.</p>
<p>New Club House</p> <p>In February 2017 we secured approval from the Learmount Community Development to use the former changing room facilities at Park Soccer Club. During March we carried out required maintenance works and installed new indoor play equipment purchased through additional grants received.</p>



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Financial Performance Review

<i>Statement of the charity's policy on reserves</i>	We hold cash at bank of £ 15,000, all of which is unrestricted funds. These funds are held in order to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur. The funds held in reserve have remained unchanged during the year and will remain so at year end.
<i>Details of any funds materially in Deficit</i>	Not Applicable
<i>Principal Source of Funds</i>	Our main source of funds for operations this year has been the grant funding received from the Educational Authority , annual membership fees, trip fees and discos. All of our income is used to cover the operating costs of the club. Insurance, rent, bus hire and activity costs.
<i>New Grant Sources</i>	We have additional grants from NIE Pensions, Acorn Fund, Awards For All, and the Community Foundation NI which have been used to create our new Club House, and for courses to be held. These are restricted funds.

Future Plans

As noted last year - The trustees acknowledge the important EA grant the Club is in receipt of and recognise that the entire grant is used to hire transport for swimming, hence leaving no scope for material investment.

It remains intention of the Trustees to continually review this over the coming years with an eye to increasing the benefits gained from spending the grant.

We will continue to monitor and develop our activities over the coming period and identify improvements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	<i>Teresa Mc Closkey</i>
Full Name	TERESA MC CLOSKEY
Position	CHAIR
Date	31 st March 2018