

Greater Ballyclare Youth For Christ

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Charity Number: NI102290
Company Number: NI616236**

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Greater Ballyclare Youth For Christ
Trustee's Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Register Charity Name Greater Ballyclare Youth For Christ

Registered Office address:

1 Granges Road
Ballyclare
BT39 9ZJ

Registered Charity Number: NI 102290

Company Number: NI616236

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

Names:

Mr A Blackwell	Resigned 30 November 2023
Miss C Craig	
Mr A S D Hamilton	
Mrs F M Marshall	Resigned 13 June 2024
Mrs S E R McLean	
Mr M H Spence	
Miss A L Wright	
Mr M Hull	
Mr M McMullan	Appointed 13 June 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Ian Cusick

BANKERS

CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

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Objectives and activities

The object of the charity is to advance the Christian religion for the public benefit in accordance with the Youth For Christ Statement of Faith and Doctrinal Basis and to promote for the benefit of young people, primarily, but not exclusively, within the Greater Ballyclare area of Northern Ireland by the provision of facilities and in the interests of social welfare and to educate such young people in accordance with Christian principle. In particular:

- (a) to assist young people through their leisure time activities to develop their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual capacities so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and so that their conditions of life may be improved;
- (b) to advance the Christian faith by encouraging participation of local Churches in the evangelism of young people and discipling of young people into local congregations;
- (c) to provide educational and religious resources, training and support to organisations such as schools and churches;
- (d) to advance any other exclusively charitable purpose anywhere in the World as the directors may, from time to time, decide in accordance with the law of the charity.

The main activities carried out by the charity to fulfill the purposes of the charity include: running a Drop In centre several times a week in Ballyclare for young people to spend time after school and in the evening; providing RE lessons, assemblies and running SU groups in local primary and secondary schools as well as co-ordinating Spark Ballyclare and trips to Summer Madness and YFCNI Summer camp. Greater Ballyclare Youth for Christ also run mentoring groups including a young leaders course for young people from local churches.

Achievements and performance

During the year, GBYFC ran our Senior Drop in programme for secondary school young people on Wednesday and Friday evenings each week. In this time over 100 young people have come through our doors. In April 2023 we finally relaunched our Junior drop in programme for the first time since 2020 welcoming P5-P7's into our Drop in centre. Throughout the year we ran numerous programmes and projects for the young people who attended. Once Summer approached, the regular running of our drop in was replaced by various trips and summer events. We brought 7 young people to Summer Madness at Portglenone Monastery, 12 young people to YFCNI Summer Camp at Ganaway Activity centre and coordinated Spark Ballyclare alongside local churches. GBYFC continued to run mentoring groups for both boys and girls groups during the year.

Structure, Governance and management

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital. The charitable company was incorporated on 9 January 2013 (Company no: NI616236) and is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Charity no: 102290) and with HMRC (Charity no: XR73253).

Trustees are elected from amongst the individual members and representatives of affiliate member organisations. The trustees have the power at any time to co-opt a person onto the board. Any trustee so appointed shall only hold office until the next following annual general meeting and shall then be eligible for election.

The charity is affiliated to Youth for Christ Northern Ireland and adheres to the charter of Youth for Christ Northern Ireland. Youth for Christ Northern Ireland are entitled to appoint one member of the board of trustees.

Financial review

The income of Greater Ballyclare Youth for Christ for the year ended 31 March 2024 was £77,578 (2023: £151,235), with the decrease in income largely due to the loss of funding received from Education Authority in 22/23. Expenditure for the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 was £100,472 (2023: £153,509) with the decrease in expenditure largely due to staffing changes and a grant repayment made in 22/23. Total funds of the charity at 31st March 2024 were £71,754, which were all unrestricted funds. The trustees consider it prudent to hold reserves to cover any statutory redundancy costs and costs of fulfilling any other contractual obligations in the event of the charity winding up, along with 6 months running costs of the organisation. The trustees consider the reserves held by charity at 31st March 2024 to be sufficient.

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Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Trustees report which incorporates the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Company law requires the directors to prepare the financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for the period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures

disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and Trustee's Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditors

In accordance with section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, the company is exempt from the provisions relating to an audit and consequently, no auditors have been appointed.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustee's annual report was approved on 13 June 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mark McMullan

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TRUSTEE