
Lenadoon Women's Group

Management committee report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Management Committee Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

The management committee present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and the "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019".

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Lenadoon Women's Group

Business Address: 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Committee of Management

Renee Crawford (Chairperson)

Bernadette Farrelly (Secretary)

Sharon McCullough (Treasurer)

Angela Mc Ilkenney

Louise O Neill

Auditors

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Bankers

First Trust Bank, University Road , Belfast

Bank of Ireland, Andersontown Road , Belfast

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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Lenadoon Womens Group is governed by rules and is constituted as an unincorporated body.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee

The management committee of the group are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the management committee hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as management committee on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

Management committee Induction and Training

The management committee have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Organisational Structure

At present Lenadoon Women's Group has a management committee of 5 members who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the manager.

Objectives and Activities

The Lenadoon Women's Group will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the Group shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly, people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

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Achievements and Performance

The last twelve months have again been extremely demanding for the women's group Staff, Volunteers and Management Committee with an increasing number of referrals made to the Project, which in turn led to an increased overall workload over the past year. The Women's Group continued to have an increasing number of Individuals and Families seeking advice and also support from Food Banks which has significantly increased in this last year due to a number of factors including the continued legacy of the Covid 19 Pandemic and the current Cost of Living Crisis that has and is impacting severely on a large number of Families and Individuals.

- Women's Empowerment Project, 11 weeks focusing on women's health and overall well-being (funded by the MDT seed fund)
- Summerhill Program, 3 week program focusing on Children's challenging Behaviours, strengths and challenges (Parenting Focus)
- Therapy through Art, 7 week program, focusing on expression through colour mixing
- Children's Emotional Health, 4 week program focusing on managing emotions and behaviours, setting routines and boundaries (Parenting Focus)
- Nourish, Flourish and Thrive, 12 week program focusing on women's health and well-being (funded by CRJI)
- Incredible Years Programme 6-12
- Connecting with Your Family 5-15
- Emotional Wellbeing Programmes
- Mindfulness
- Parenting Apart
- Drug and Alcohol Misuse Personal Development and Capacity Building
- Menopause Awareness
- Health Courses/Workshops

The past year has again witnessed an increased number of referrals to the Women's Group from Outer West Family Support Hub, Social Workers, Health Visitors, GP's Counsellors, Women's Aid, Health and Social Care Professional, Housing Bodies, Community Groups and Self-Referrals. This resulted in an increase number of home visitations and Outreach Family Support Interventions. The Women's Group In-House One to One Support and Group Support has also increased over the past year.

Staff and Volunteers have worked in the evenings and weekends and supported Individuals and Families in Medical, Legal and other situations where they required support. A significant amount of time was spent supporting Individuals at Court, Providing Family Mediation and facilitating Contact Sessions directed by the Court. Staff actively participated in Case Conferences, Looked After Reviews and Case Reviews and have worked with a number of Children on the "At Risk" Register. Over the past year they have succeeded in getting a number of these children of the Register.

The Women's Group Families Appeal in December proved very successful with over 260 Families and Individuals receiving Food Hampers, Toiletries, Toys, and Utility Vouchers. Additionally, during the year Food Parcels and Utility Vouchers continued to be provided to a number of vulnerable Families and Individuals living in poverty/financial stress.

The Women's Group have identified a significant increase in the issue of Illegal Drug Misuse over the past year and in addition to providing support/signposting services to Individuals/Families affected/impacted by these issues, the Women's Group organised a number of Health Awareness Classes, hosted Drug and Alcohol Awareness classes and Self-Care classes. Staff and volunteers completed a number of Training Courses including: Incredible Years Training, Stress Management, Family Support, Women and Alcohol, Understanding Drugs, Neglect Awareness, Harm Reduction, Suicide Prevention, Debt and Budget Training.

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Again, insecurity and lack of secured long-term Funding continued to have an impact on the work of the Women's Group but Lenadoon Women's Group are grateful to those Organisations who have funded the Group including The Department of Communities (Neighbourhood Renewal), Belfast Health and Social Care Trust, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Apex Common Fund and the GP Federation.

Without this Funding Lenadoon Women's Group would have found it impossible to deliver their extensive wide range of support services. Lenadoon Women's Group have found themselves inundated with request for support from local people who have been particularly impacted by a number of factors Welfare Changes/Legacy impact of the Covid Pandemic and the current Cost of Living Crisis. The women's group have signposted individuals affected to additional specialist support. The support provided to the women's group over the past year by the Lenadoon Community Counselling Service has undoubtedly saved the lives of some of the most vulnerable people the group we are working with.

Financial Review

The Lenadoon Women's Group had a successful year and increased the reserves . The results are set out in full in the audited accounts.

Principal Funding Sources

The principle source of funding was the DFC and the BHSCT.

Investment policy

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment.

Reserves Policy

The committee retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

Volunteers

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

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**Management Committee Report
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

We approve the financial statements

We confirm that:-

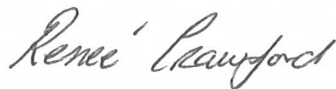
The management committee are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and of the income and expenditure of the group for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the management committee is required to:

--- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

--- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

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

The management committee are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the group and that help ensure that the financial statements comply with generally accepted standards and the SORP recommendations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



For and on behalf of Committee
Renee Crawford Chairperson

4th September 2025

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Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Women's Group

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Women's Group for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Summary Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charities affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charities ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Charity will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the

(Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees remuneration specified by law are not made; and
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of committee

As explained more fully in the Statement of committee' Responsibilities, the committee, who are also the Trustees of the charity for the purpose of charity law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the committee are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

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A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors
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4th September 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds		
		2025	2025	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
<i>Activities to further the charity's objectives:</i>					
Grants received and events	2	-	102,824	102,824	90,694
Total incoming resources		-	102,824	102,824	90,694
Charitable expenditure					
Management and administration	3	-	(98,996)	(98,996)	(85,641)
Total resources expended		-	(98,996)	(98,996)	(85,641)
Net income before transfers		-	3,828	3,828	5,053
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net incoming resources		-	3,828	3,828	5,053
Fund balances brought forward		-	48,399	48,399	43,346
Fund balances carried forward		-	52,227	52,227	48,399

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.


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**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2025**

		2025		2024	
Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		53,874		49,059	
		53,874		49,059	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,647)		(660)	
Net current assets			52,227		48,399
Net assets			52,227		48,399
Capital and reserves					
Restricted funds	5		52,227		48,399
General funds			52,227		48,399

The financial statements were approved by the Committee on 4 September 2025 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by

Chairperson 

Treasurer 

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and the "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal

1.3. Resources

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations are included as income when they are received. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

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	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
2. Total income received				
DFC	-	60,348	60,348	55,682
BHSCT	-	29,182	29,182	12,402
Sundry income and donations	-	10,494	10,494	16,823
Pathway	-	1,800	1,800	1,800
Apex Common Fund	-	1,000	1,000	-
NIHE	-	-	-	3,987
	-	102,824	102,824	90,694
	-	102,824	102,824	90,694

	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
3. Total resources expended				
Wages and salaries	-	58,447	58,447	56,277
Room hire	-	4,340	4,340	5,160
Audit	-	660	660	660
Telephone, postage, insurance and stationary	-	8,265	8,265	6,317
Bank fees	-	215	215	220
Family outreach	-	20,620	20,620	6,000
Projects	-	6,449	6,449	11,007
	-	98,996	98,996	85,641
	-	98,996	98,996	85,641

	2025 £	2024 £
4. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Other taxes and social security costs	987	-
Accruals and deferred income	660	660
	1,647	660
	1,647	660

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5. Statement of funds	Restricted reserve account £	Total £
Total reserves at 1 April 2024	48,399	48,399
Total income for the year	102,824	102,824
Total expenditure for the year	(98,996)	(98,996)
Total reserves at 31 March 2025	<u>52,227</u>	<u>52,227</u>