

Annual Report & Report on Public Benefit

Carricklongfield Cultural Group (CCG)

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Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC102891

REPORTING PERIOD **1 January 2023 - 31 December 2023**

TRUSTEES

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Pauline Marshall	<i>Secretary</i>
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PURPOSES:

(a) The Group is established to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Carricklongfield, Aughnacloy and surrounding area, particularly the rural people, without distinction of gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

BENEFICIARIES

The charity's beneficiaries are primarily the people living in and around the Carricklongfield / Aughnacloy area of Mid Ulster District who have been identified as being rurally isolated and / or socially excluded.

ACTIVITIES

- o Treasure Hunts
- o BBQs
- o Beetle Drives
- o History Talks
- o Presentations Charity
- o Social outings / Bus Trips

ACHIEVEMENTS

HOW MAIN ACTIVITIES HAVE BENEFITED BENEFICIARIES

The overall aim of the project is to improve the health and wellbeing of people living in rural deprived areas, thus supporting those rural dwellers living in or at risk of poverty and social exclusion.

- 1 Group trained first aid.
- 1 Group trained Child protection course.
- Days out bus trips.
- Events treasure hunts, beetle drives, opportunities for community participation.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AT END OF YEAR

FINANCIAL POSITION AT END OF YEAR: Despite cuts to funding programmes, the Cultural Group remains in a good financial position.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS OR LIABILITIES: There were no debts or outstanding debts or liabilities.

FUNDS IN MATERIAL DEFICIT & STEPS TAKEN TO MITIGATE: There were no funds in material deficit.

FUNDS HELD BY THE CHARITY AS A CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE: None – Not applicable.

RESTRICTIONS ON WHO CAN BENEFIT

~~There are no restrictions on who can benefit.~~

We do not charge any fees.

There are no charges to access any events or services.

There are no restrictions based on personal characteristics.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include improved: cooperation; good / community relations; networking; skills; confidence; governance in community group; increased capability in the management of community projects and facilities; increased access to funding to develop projects; better informed group representatives about the sector and opportunities; enhanced ability to participate in decision making on policies which affect rural areas; more access to equipment as and when the Cultural Group requires it; strengthened ability of the Cultural Group and individuals to avail of programmes which will improve their circumstances and opportunities.

PRIVATE BENEFIT

There is no private benefit to any individual.

HARM

No harm has flowed from any of our Purposes.

SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORTING

There are no serious incidents to report.

VULNERABLE BENEFICIARIES

Appropriate Policies, Procedures and Training are in place.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission NI's Public Benefit Guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Signed: S Williamson Chairperson Date: 7th October 2024