

Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association

Accounts For the Year ended 31st March 2025

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Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of The Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
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7 July 2025

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees of The Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Purposes of the Charity

The Association is established to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lincoln Courts, Brigade and Rosstown areas of Londonderry in Northern Ireland (hereinafter called the “area of benefit”) without distinction of age, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnic origin, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for the recreation of other leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants

Main Activities to further the Charity’s purposes for the public benefit

Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association manage a purpose-built local authority community centre within the Lincoln Courts estate. Our group is a grass-roots community group set up to try and improve the life for the residents within the area and the surrounding areas.

The main activities of our group include running the youth club which is run 5 days a week for 3 different age groups, up to eighteen years old. Activities also include the Senior Citizens luncheon club, the Parent & Toddlers group, older peoples programme and the Women’s group. We try to encourage the older residents to participate in various activities within the community. There are also a number of clinics available which include Welfare rights, Housing Executive and other relevant statutory bodies.

The main focus of our activities has been through the youth club which has reached out to all young people within the estate and the surrounding areas to provide them with new opportunities and experiences, to divert them from the ongoing temptation to get involved with anti-social behaviour.

Main Achievements in the year

Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association (LCYCA) have delivered a wide range of programmes and activities for residents over the course of the past year. We have also been proactive in providing hot meals, food parcels, fuel vouchers and general assistance to all elderly and vulnerable people within the Lincoln Courts and surrounding areas.

Since the relaxation of Covid regulations LCYCA have provided the following activities to the following groups:

Pre-School Positive Parenting (6 months - 3 years)

- Messy Play — Interactive, Stimulating sensory programme. (14 weeks)
- Jo-Jingles — Singing, Rhyming and Phonetic programme. (Ongoing)
- Stay & Play — Parent & Child interaction. (Ongoing)

- Crafty Teddies — Teddy bear building, Child coordination.
- Gymnastics — Child Gymnastics. (Ongoing)
- Baby Bakers – (Intermittent programme)
- Socatots – (Intermittent programme)
- Debu-tots – (Intermittent programme)
- Music & Me – (Intermittent programme)
- Art – Attack – (Arts & Crafts for pre schools)
- Reading Fairy – (Intermittent programme)

Junior Youth / Children's Club (4 years - 9 years)

- 3 times per week — 4pm — 5.30pm (Ongoing)
- Junior Summer Scheme —2 weeks (July)

Intermediate Youth Club (10 years - 12 years)

- 3 times per week — 4pm — 5.30pm (Ongoing)
- Senior Summer Scheme —2 weeks (August)

Senior Youth Club

- 3 times per week — 4pm — 5.30pm (Ongoing)
- Junior Summer Scheme — 2 weeks (August)

Older Peoples Programme

- Flower Arranging
- Cooking on a Budget
- Alternative Therapies
- Horticulture Programme (Window Boxes, Hanging Baskets).
- Quarterly Tea dances
- Easter Bunny building
- Upcycling Course
- Cross Community Programme(s) – Greggan Enterprises, Skeoge Community Hub
- Holistic treatments
- Community Barber (Monthly)

Additional Activities –

Winter hot meals – To provide hot meals in the colder winter months and thus help to ease the impact of cost-of-living Crisis (12 weeks).

Women's Group - Sewing, Knitting, Crochet,

Warm Spaces - To provide anyone, who wishes, with a warm space, tea, coffee and company which has been necessary due to the ongoing cost-of-living crisis.

- Annual Community Funday – Summer
- Monthly Community Dinner(s)
- Community Christmas Dinner
- Seasonal Community Bus trips

- Annual Community Health Checks – for all residents

Available training last year included:

AQEs – Transfer test tuition (for presecondary school age)

GCSEs –

Essential Skills – Maths

Essential Skills - English

Food Hygiene level 2 Course –

OCN Peer leadership –

OCN Youth Leadership –

Child protection -

First Aid –

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees of The Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 (5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the Society in the year to 31 March 2025.

Review of Financial position as at 31 March 2025

The Charity had surplus receipts over payments for the year to 31 March 2025 of £9,970 (2024: deficit £26,180).

As at 31 March 2025 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

The Charity was formed on 30 December 1979, and is governed by its Constitution dated at that time.

No funds are held by the charity as a custodian trustee

Trustee Selection and Management

The Charity is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees, and the selection of any new Trustees is dealt with by that Committee.

The following served as Trustees of the Charity throughout the year to 31 March 2025, and were also Trustees as at the date of approval of this Report

Mrs. E. Dunn
Mr. R. Hutchman
Mrs. V. Skeet
Mr. R. Robb
Ms. A. Peoples
Mrs. N. McMorris
Ms. C. Cooke
Mrs. E. McGarrigle
Mr. D. Guy

This Report was approved on 7 July 2025 and signed on behalf of the Trustees by



Mr. R. Hutchman, Trustee

The Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association

Principal Address and Registered Office Address:

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Londonderry, BT47 5NX

Northern Ireland Charity Number: 103123

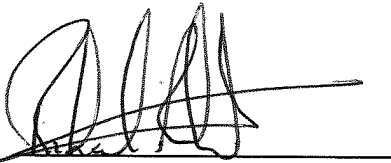
Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association
Receipts & Payments Account
Year ended 31 March 2025

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>			
Big Lottery		116,360.50	116,360.50
DC & SDC Grants & Keyholder fees		6,624.54	6,624.54
Room Hire	15,875.00		15,875.00
Education Authority		25,449.14	25,449.14
Income from Christmas, Easter & Halloween Activities	6,988.44		6,988.44
Dept of Foreign Affairs & Trade (Recociliation Fund)		8,189.38	8,189.38
Waterside Neighbourhood P'Ship		17,646.10	17,646.10
The Bytes Project		4,195.00	4,195.00
Halifax Foundation		5,000.00	5,000.00
John Moores Foundation		4,240.00	4,240.00
Peter Harrison		4,250.00	4,250.00
Sundry Grants		8,972.00	8,972.00
NIHE Grant		2,000.00	2,000.00
Donation from Pennyburn Credit Union	500.00		500.00
	23,363.44	202,926.66	226,290.10
<u>Payments</u>			
Salaries & Pension costs		109,491.42	109,491.42
Together Building United Communities		8,294.74	8,294.74
Strengthening Futures Programme costs		3,150.00	3,150.00
Facilitator Fees		22,680.07	22,680.07
Evide Impact Tracking		2,520.00	2,520.00
Bank Charges	318.10		318.10
Telephone	202.15		202.15
Stationery & Printing	1,591.46		1,591.46
Accountancy Fees	660.00		660.00
Relay For Life		874.80	874.80
VE Mugs	390.00		390.00
Community Dinner	134.30		134.30
Christmas, Easter & Halloween Activities		8,260.95	8,260.95
Summer Scheme Expenditure		29,091.28	29,091.28
Transport		11,430.00	11,430.00
Donations	115.00		115.00
Repairs & Maintenance	258.00		258.00
Older Peoples Programme Costs		3,529.51	3,529.51
Insurance		1,122.20	1,122.20
Refreshments	80.00		80.00
IT Equipment		5,344.16	5,344.16
Sports Equipment		1,650.00	1,650.00
John Moores running costs		500.00	500.00
Education Authority Programme Costs		900.00	900.00
Winter Hot Meals		510.27	510.27
Junior Trips	1,380.00		1,380.00
Sundry Programme costs	1,781.50		1,781.50
Youth Action Membership Fee	60.00		60.00
	6,970.51	209,349.40	216,319.91
Surplus receipts over payments	16,392.93	-6,422.74	9,970.19

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Receipts & Payments Account
Year ended 31 March 2025

Reconciliation

Cash at Bank and on Hand	31/03/2024	36,591.78	93,566.25	130,158.03
Surplus / (Deficit) this year		16,392.93	-6,422.74	9,970.19
Cash at Bank and on Hand	31/03/2025	52,984.71	87,143.51	140,128.22



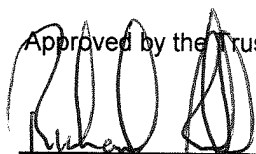
Richard Robb, Treasurer
Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association

07/07/2025

Lincoln Courts Youth & Community Association
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
As at 31 March 2025

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
Funds Reconciliation				
Cash at Bank & in Hand 31 03 24	36,591.78	93,566.25	130,158.03	156,337.89
Surplus / (deficit) this year end	16,392.93	-6,422.74	9,970.19	-26,179.86
Cash at Bank & in Hand 31 03 25	<u>52,984.71</u>	<u>87,143.51</u>	<u>140,128.22</u>	<u>130,158.03</u>
Debtors				
Amounts due from Funders			<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bank & Cash Balances				
Ulster Bank Main Account			64,879.40	65,585.72
Ulster No. 3 Account			75,248.82	64,572.31
			<u>140,128.22</u>	<u>130,158.03</u>
Other Assets (Unrestricted Fund)				
Play & Sports Equipment			1,237.50	1,013.25
Tables & chairs			2,940.00	3,430.00
IT Equipment			4,008.12	2,273.50
IT Furniture			720.00	840.00
Kitchen Equipment			660.00	770.00
Office Equipment			107.50	123.50
Sewing Machine			209.10	239.10
			<u>9,882.22</u>	<u>8,689.35</u>
Liabilities				
			0.00	0.00
			<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 7 July 2025 and signed on their behalf by



Richard Robb
Treasurer

07-Jul-25