



Markethill Community Festival

Charity no. 103138

Trustee Annual Report 1st Jan 2020 – 31st Dec 2020

The Markethill Festival Committee organises and oversees the running of the programme of Cross Community events which provide a range of social and cultural events during the festival. The committee hold planning and review meetings monthly throughout the year. The Main Festival events take place during the last week in July and the first week in August, followed by a concert in September and a Senior Citizen's dinner in early December.

Our vision is to increase participation by all inhabitants in the locality in community activities, to encourage social interaction without fear of discrimination and to join with those providing entertainment. It is also an opportunity for young people to gain some social education that will be of benefit to the whole community. Our purpose is to raise social awareness and funds for charitable causes as chosen by the committee.

Festival 2020

During January and February, the committee were busy planning events for our annual Festival. However, during March as restrictions due to Covid-19 emerged, the committee cancelled the festival, therefore no events were held. The Committee were pleased to be able to support the local Community appeals during periods of lockdown easements.

In non-pandemic times we are successful in bringing people together in the Community throughout all our events. The Committee are committed to continuing this good work once normality might return. Our objective is to promote good community relations for the benefit of Markethill and further afield in Northern Ireland through the organisation of cross-community events, promoting a neighbourly spirit and facilitating the constructive exchange of views between all communities.

In pursuit of our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees consider the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure our activities will help to achieve the Charity's purposes and provide benefit to the beneficiaries.



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Our Trustees for the 2020 Financial year were: -

Mrs Helen Graham	<u>Helen Graham</u>	15 / 02 / 2021
Mrs Roberta Barron	<u>Roberta Barron</u>	15 / 02 / 2021
Mrs Betty Stewart	<u>Betty Stewart</u>	15 / 02 / 2021
Mr Victor Houston	<u>V Houston</u>	15 / 02 / 2021

The Markethill Festival accounts closed the financial year with a balance of
£ 2144 credit

The Trustees confirm this report by their signatories above.