



Markethill Community Festival

Charity no. 103138

Trustee Annual Report 1st Jan 2023 – 31st Dec 2023

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 festival events take place at various advertised dates from June to 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 2023

During January and February, the committee were busy planning these events for our 46th annual Festival.

Easter Bonny trail, Easter Wreath Making, Bar-b-que & Blues Musical event, Coronation High Tea Morning, Indoor pairs Bowling Tournament, Car Treasure Hunt, Colour run, it's a knockout competition, Gospel Music afternoon, Fancy dress Parade followed by a children's disco. Senior citizens bus outing. A car boot sale and Big Breakfast Morning. A Dance Nite with Music by Limavady Big Band, An Autumn flower arrangement evening. A Christmas Door Wreath workshop, Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch, Santas Grotto.

All took place apart from the Blues event which had to be cancelled due to very wet weather.





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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.

The Markethill Festival accounts closed the financial year with a balance of
£ 9769.00 credit

The Trustees confirm this report by their signatories below.

Mrs Helen Graham	<u>Helen Graham</u>	16/02/2024
Mrs Betty Stewart	<u>Betty Stewart</u>	16/02/2024
Mr Victor Houston	<u>V Houston</u>	16/02/2024