

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR
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CHARITY NAME Sarsfields Community Hall Management Group

CHARITY REGISTRATION NIC103220

REGISTERED ADDRESS Hall Rampart,
Derrytrasna
Co. Armagh
BT66 6QN

TRUSTEES

The following served as charity trustees during the year and up to the date of this report:

Paula McStay
Gregory Breen
Helen McMahon
Leeanne McCusker
Eileen McAlinden
Francis Lennon
Orla McCann
Una Stevenson

BUILDING SOCIETY Santander

CHARITABLE PURPOSES

Sarsfields Community Hall Management Group is a charity established to relieve poverty, sickness and the aged and to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Derrytrasna and district area of Co. Armagh by associating the statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and inhabitants in a common effort to:

- advance education
- 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:
- to maintain and manage Sarsfields Community Hall or to co-operate with any local statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a Centre for activities promoted by the Association and its constituent bodies in furtherance of the above objects.

The Association is governed by its constitution. The management committee is also the Charity Trustees for the purpose of charity law and all give their time voluntarily.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR ENDING 1ST FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31ST JANUARY 2024

The Sarsfields Community Hall Management Group has now completed fourteen years of running Sarsfields Hall and maximising use of the hall for the local community.

December 2023 saw the Christmas Tree switch on event with Santa and Craft Fayre and the Senior Citizens' Christmas dinner took place.

Out St. Patrick's Day event also took place and was a great success with collaboration from the Youth Club Leaders. A number of activities took place in the Hall over the year including a 6-week pilates course, local history book launch, baby café, line dancing classes, Senior Citizens' Club, Youth Club, Irish dancing classes. The Hall was also available for birthday party bookings. The Hall continues to be well used by the whole community for a range of activities.

Electrical work was completed, firefighting equipment checked and a fire risk assessment carried out. We are working towards additional improvements to the Hall, particularly in relation to energy efficiency.

Thank you to all who have supported the Hall over the year including Armagh, Banbridge and Criagavon Borough Council and to our local community. Thanks are also due to the committee members for their dedication and hard work. We ask you all for your continued support.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees believe that the public continue to benefit from the activities outlined above in accordance with our purposes and objects. Through our work the beneficiaries i.e. those living in the area of benefit of Derrytrasna and its environs, have accessed a variety of activities and classes therefore reducing rural and social isolation, increase usage of a vital community resource out of which community activity is focussed, increase in active citizenship and volunteering, increase in new skills and interests and improvement in quality of life.

FINANCES

Our financial performance has been sound. Income has been obtained through grants from Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council and through hall rental and donations. Costs have been managed carefully to ensure we have a small surplus for the year.

This Report was approved by the Trustees on 18th November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed: Paula McStay

Name: PAULA · MC STAY ·