

Charity Registration Number: 103526

Rasharkin Womens Group

Report and Accounts for the Year End:

31 March 2024

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Rasharkin Womens Group - Trustees Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for Rasharkin Womens Group for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees of Rasharkin Womens Group confirm that they have had due regard for the guidance on Public Benefit by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and are pleased to report that during the period the group continued to provide the Public Benefits through the programmes and services we offer. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Public Benefit

The direct benefits which flow from our purpose include enhanced health and wellbeing and access to services and facilities, increased skills and opportunities for rurally isolated women and older people and therefore reduction in social isolation, relief of poverty through provision of affordable and accessible childcare to allow women to seek employment, improved linking and collaboration with other organisations for the benefit of the women of Rasharkin and surrounding area.

The Charity's beneficiaries are women and older people living in the Rasharkin and surrounding area. Any private benefit is incidental in terms of enhanced health and wellbeing, enhanced skills and knowledge and access to services and facilities to relieve poverty and rural isolation.

Achievements and Performance

During the year Rasharkin Women's Group continued to operate the Registered After Schools Club each week day for a maximum of 16 children. The Club maintained a full capacity for the whole year with a waiting list of additional children to attend. The Group also caters for the Club during the summer holidays and wish to recognise the support from NHSC Early Years Team and funding from HSCB, Playboard, each year and from Community Foundation NI/Long Mountain Community Benefit Fund in 2023-24.

The Luncheon Club continues to operate weekly providing a two course lunch for 25 to 30 people. The Club also invites a range of health and wellbeing speakers for sessions including physical activities, health awareness, Tai Chi dancing and Bingo. This has been a lifeline for our elderly population who often feel isolated from the community.

Building on the DAERA funding in 2023, our sewing classes continued utilising the 10 sewing machines helping people cope with the cost of living crisis and enabling participants to sew and mend.

Rasharkin Women's Group is a non-profit making organisation. Total income for the year amounted to £41,050 (2023: £36,702). Income derived from donations and legacies amounted to £28,411 (2023: £30,203) and other income from grant bodies and charitable activities amounted to £12,639 (2023: £6,499).

Total expenditure for the year amounted to £39,278 (2023: £44,467).

The net income for the year amounted to £1,772, (2023: (£7,765)) with net assets of £23,471 (2023: £21,699) at 31 March 2024. The Trustees consider that the Association is in a satisfactory position to carry on its charitable activities.

Veronica McKinley

Ms Veronica McKinley

Trustee

Rasharkin Womens Group

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Rasharkin Womens Group

I report on the accounts of Rasharkin Womens Group for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 2 to 4.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's 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 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act 2008;
- 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.

My 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.

Kevin Higgins
Kevin Higgins (Jan 13, 2025 18:34 GMT)

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Chartered Accountant

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This report was signed on 10 January 2025

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Statement of Receipts & Payments for Year End:

31 March 2024

	Current Year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current Year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current Year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
RECEIPTS				
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Donations & Legacies				
Parent fees & EFCV	28,411		28,411	30,203
Grants Received				
<i>Revenue grants from government and public bodies</i>				
DEARA		1,097	1,097	
Causeway Coast & Glens BC		2,840	2,840	425
Long Mountain CBF CFNI				
<i>Revenue grants and donations from non public bodies</i>				
HSCB Playboard		3,047	3,047	1,583
CLEAR		198	198	792
RCA	1,800		1,800	1,800
Income from Charitable Activity				
Fundraising	3,658		3,658	1,699
Other income			-	200
	33,868	7,181	41,050	36,702
PAYMENTS				
Salaries	27,804		27,804	28,948
Utilities/Running costs	2,244		2,244	3,727
Programme costs & Equipment	2,183	380	2,563	4,210
Hall hire		2,100	2,100	1,844
Accountancy			-	360
Hospitality	2,569		2,569	3,471
Insurances	1,473		1,473	1,425
Staff Training	60		60	48
Bank fees	309		309	326
Miscellaneous	156		156	109
	36,797	2,480	39,278	44,467
Asset / Investment Purchases	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year	(2,929)	4,701	1,772	(7,765)

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities - Year Ended:

31 March 2024

FUNDS RECONCILIATION	Current Year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current Year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current Year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Total Funds brought forward 01.04.23	10,680	11,019	21,699	29,464
Surplus / Deficit this Year:	(2,929)	4,701	1,772	(7,765)
Total Funds carried forward 31.03.24	7,751	15,720	23,471	21,699
Bank & Cash Balances				
Bank of Ireland			23,471	21,699
			23,471	21,699
Other Assets (Unrestricted Fund)			-	-
Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)			-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS			23,471	21,699

This report was approved by the Trustees on 10 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Veronica McKinley

Ms Veronica McKinley
Trustee

Rasharkin Womens Group

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The Accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 which are applicable to the financial years of registered charities beginning on or after 1 January 2016 or their date of registration with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland.

Going Concern

The charitable activities are entirely dependent on continuing grant aid and voluntary donations as well as trading revenues. As a consequence, the going concern basis is dependent on the future flow of these uncertain funding streams. Accordingly, the Trustees, after reviewing the financial forecasts for future periods, are satisfied that, at the time of approving the financial statements, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Other than these matters, the Trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal or as implied by law.

Liability to taxation

The Trustees consider that the charity satisfies the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received.

Winding up or dissolution of the charity

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.






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