

# **Broughshane Playgroup Limited (previously known as Broughshane Community Centre of Early Learning)**

## **Trustees' Report**

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2023.

### **Objectives and activities**

#### ***Objects and aims***

To enhance the development and education of pre- school children in the local area.

#### ***Public benefit***

To enhance the development and education of pre-school children in the local area by encouraging parents/guardians to understand and provide for the needs of their children.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Northern Ireland Charities Commission.

### **Trustees and officers**

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:	Helen Foster
	Lexie Scott
	Kathleen Anderson
	Kathryn McClintock
	Debbie Rea
	Claire Smith

Secretary:	Helen Foster
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### **Structure, governance and management**

#### ***Nature of governing document***

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 17 November 2000, registered as a charity with HMRC, and registered with The Charities Commission for Northern Ireland on 10 August 2015. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

#### **Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Broughshane Playgroup Limited (previously known as Broughshane Community Centre of Early Learning) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

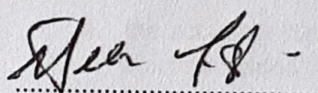
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**Small companies provision statement**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 2 October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



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Helen Foster  
Company Secretary and Trustee