

1st Ballinamallard Scout Group
Charity No. 104113

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
For the financial year 23/24

The Charity is an unincorporated association established under a constitution. In fulfilling the public benefit requirement, the charity trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's statutory public benefit guidance.

The purpose of this charity continues to be:

Objectives and Activities

The Purpose of Scouting – Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Values of Scouting – as Scouts we are guided by these values:

- Integrity – we act with integrity, we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
- Respect – we have self-respect and respect for others.
- Care – we support others and take care of the world in which we live.
- Belief – we explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
- Co-operation – we make a positive difference, we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method – Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and

- Enjoy what they are doing and have fun.
- Take part in activities indoors and outdoors.
- Learn by doing.
- Share in spiritual reflection.
- Take responsibility and make choices
- Undertake new and challenging activities.
- Make and live by their Promise.

The information below sets out the activities we have carried out to further our purposes and fulfil the public benefit elements during the last 12 months.

Activities

The Group has been involved in a variety of events which included: Camping; Orienteering; Mountain biking; Hiking; Archery; trips away; visit to theatre.

Achievements

Our membership remains stable, but we are in competition with other youth activities which leads members to choose what to attend. The Group were successful in receiving a Grant for the purchase of a Defibrillator which was installed in our meeting Hall. Group members also visited the elderly at Christmas.

Our activities do not lead to any harm. The only private benefit arising from our purposes is that a trustee or family member may participate in the same manner as all other beneficiaries, this is purely incidental and necessary so that the benefit is available to all inhabitants of the area.

Finances

A review of the charities' financial position confirms an overspend for the year. The charity had receipts of £8,082 and payments of £9,542 giving a deficit for the year of £1,460. This is due to the Group purchasing several items of equipment during the year, and having to payback an underspend of £521 to EA which refers to previous year accounts.

We have received funding from the Education Authority and Fermanagh Omagh District Council, this is crucial to the charity's survival. The charity planned a fun run for children from the local area.

Accounts are prepared to comply with the requirements of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland

Trustees

The following trustees served during the financial period:
Kenneth Fisher, Nici Hazlett, Richard McBride

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by:

Kenneth Fisher

Date 29/1/25

Kenneth Fisher – Group Scout Leader