

Annual review of the Erdodi Trust September 2023

Charity Status:

Erdodi Trust is registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. The charity number is NIC104191.

Trustees:

Trevor Patton

Eva Brown

Neil McCartney

Lynn McCartney

Barbara Patton

No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees during the year.

The Trust supports the Erdodi Children's Centre in Zalau, Romania.

The centre continues to provide a secure, safe home environment for those in their care.

The family have recently moved to a smaller and more sustainable home which they have renovated and made suitable for the family of 8. This is a much more sustainable property with reduced running costs. They still intend to continue with food preparation and distribution. They also have enough space to keep chickens and grow their own vegetables. This ensures that they have a regular supply of food and provides work for some of the family.

The group are now all over 18 with varying health conditions. The charity is aware of its responsibilities relating to vulnerable adults and one of the Trustees is in regular contact with Julia and Bela Erdodi.

For over 20 years the Trust has been supporting Julia and Bela and the family. The commitment and sacrifice that Julia and Bela have shown to the group of children they made a home for is truly remarkable. Many of the young people have moved abroad and have families and careers across Europe.

As the family circumstances have changed over time and their costs have been significantly reduced the Erdodi Trust committee have reflected on its current commitment to the group and feel that it is time to wind up the trust. This decision was not taken lightly and we are acutely aware that we have had long term commitment from the trust supporters which we value. Taking this all into consideration the Trust proposes to cease operations from the end of March 2024 and transfer all remaining funds to the family.

