



Longstone Parent/Staff Association- NIC104228



The Trustees' Annual Report and Public Benefit Reporting

Public benefits

Purpose 1: Improved relationships between home and school. The benefit which flows from this purpose includes funding for additional resources for the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through having an active PSA that works in partnership with the school and engages parental support. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Longstone Special School Dundonald. Charity trustees (PSA committee members) are usually also parents at the school which their children attend or have attended and hence gain benefit in the same way as all other beneficiaries. This benefit is incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to all beneficiaries. Purpose 2: Advancing the education of pupils in the school. The benefit which flows from this purpose includes increased educational progress and attainment of pupils in the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through pupils having access to resources, events, activities and links with the local community which are not available through direct school funding. This purpose does not lead to harm. The benefit is for children at Longstone Special School Dundonald. Charity trustees (PSA committee members) are usually also parents at the school which their children attend or have attended and hence gain benefit in the same way as all other beneficiaries. This benefit is incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to all beneficiaries.

What Our Organisation Does:

We are an active Parent/Staff Association which organises social fundraising events for the families and children of the school and we actively volunteer for the school regularly such as; helping at school sports day, annual book fair, refreshments at Christmas performance, leavers day and carol service, organising and volunteering at the regular events held each year to assist with social fundraising throughout the school, together with any other events or matters to which we can support the school and the families of the pupils with in the school.

Private Benefit

No one has received private benefit.

Statement of Compliance

In setting our objectives and planning our activities for the year the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit. We ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purpose and provide a benefit to the pupils of Longstone Special School.

Trustees

Jerome Starrs (Treasurer), Stephen McCauley (Chairman), Alison McArthur (Secretary),

Ashleigh Cowan, Deborah White, Barbara Scott, Jim Melin.

Objectives and Activities.

The objective of Longstone PSA is to advance the education of pupils in the school, in particular by developing effective relationships between staff, parents and others associated with the school and engaging in activities or supporting the school to provide facilities or equipment which advances the education of the pupils.

As a school and indeed a Parent Staff Association we are slowly returning to pre pandemic fundraising.

We did run a car boot sale towards the end of the school year and the money raised at this event was lodged in the next financial period (10/10/2022).

This year we did support a lot of school initiatives for our pupils including new reading books, outdoor furniture, the surface for our new numeracy garden, team teach bean bags and a celebration day for our whole school when our Vice-Principal was awarded an MBE.



The Charities financial position on the 30th June 2022 is £2555.63 (cr)

Jerome Starrs (Treasurer)