

12th Bangor Brownie Unit

Charity NIC 105950 registered in Northern Ireland

Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

For the year to 31st August 2023

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The trustees of 12th Bangor Brownies report on the period September 1st 2022 to 31st August 2023.

Trustees

Trustees in the period were:

Mrs Jennifer Leonard

Mrs Helen Jennifer Robinson

Mrs Vanya Campbell

Purpose

Educating girls and young women to help them develop emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually so that they can make a positive contribution to their community and the wider world.

Statement on Public Benefit of activities

12th Bangor Brownie Unit is part of the wider Girl Guiding movement.

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 to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purpose and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries

The direct benefits which flow from the purpose of 12th Bangor Brownie Unit are to promote the education of girls and young women to help them develop, emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually so they can make a positive contribution to their community and the wider world and develop their full potential. Girlguiding is a girl-led charity, taking its direction from the evolving needs of our young members. We give girls a voice – in the charity, in their communities and in the world. Young people are actively involved in shaping their own programme of activities, both locally and regionally within our youth participation framework.

The benefit to girls and young women is that they will have increased confidence, they will learn new life skills, will gain leadership skills and learn how to work as a team. The wider benefit to the community at large is enhanced social education and responsible citizenship that flows from the purpose.

These benefits are demonstrated through the feedback provided by young people and the voluntary leaders in the unit, reviews by youth council, statutory youth services, government departments and independent evaluations of training, programmes and events.

Beneficiaries

The charity's beneficiaries are girls. Membership of 12th Bangor Brownie Unit is available to all girls aged 7-10 through our informal education programme.

Restrictions

Any girl aged 7-10 years may benefit from the activities of the charity.

Activities and benefit to beneficiaries

Girlguiding believes in the value of learning by doing. This is put into practice through a Method with five interlinking elements, known as the Five Essentials of guiding:

- working together in small groups
- encouraging self-government and decision making
- a balanced and varied programme
- caring for the individual
- sharing a commitment to a common standard

The Guiding Method is delivered to young members of Brownie Guides. Its principles apply to all members, including adults.

Specifically, 12th Bangor Brownie Unit:

- Held 28 weekly meetings for 33 girls. These involved a wide variety of activities such as games, crafts and cooking, and special guests.
- Cinema visit to IMC Newtownards.
- Activity visit to Ards Leisure Centre mini-golf and climbing wall.
- Brownie Activity day in Comber.
- Guide dogs for the Blind visit.
- Storehouse visit.
- Visit from Claycrazy.
- Visit to Crawfordsburn play park.

These activities were organised and run by the Trustees in a volunteer capacity.

Volunteer leaders attended the Child Protection Safe Space training course.

The specific activities carried out have met the purpose of the charity during this period and provided a clear benefit to the girls.

Harm

There is no harm flowing from the purpose of 12th Bangor Brownie Unit.

Private Benefit

There is no private benefit flowing from the purpose.

Risks

There are two main risks to the charity:

- Insufficient volunteer leaders.
- Insufficient girls to attend.

1 and 2 are forecast to be an issue at this time. Subsequent to this year end, Brownies has resumed for a limited number of girls, using Zoom.

Financial review

At the 31st of August 2023 the Account balance was **£678.65**.

The income for the year was **£2678.88**.

The expenditure for the year was **£2820.97**

The Unit has no other assets or liabilities.

The accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner, Mr Stephen Niblock, in line with legal requirements.

Declaration

Name: Jennifer Leonard

Position: Chairperson

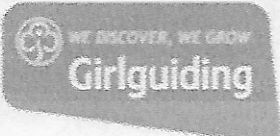
Date: 1st April 2024

Signature: *Jennifer Leonard* 15/4/24

Summary of Accounts for the year ended August 31st 2023

Receipts and Payment Account – Unrestricted funds

All funds are unrestricted.

		12th Bangor Brownies	
		1st Sept 22	to 31st Aug 23
		This Year	Last Year
Receipts (In)			
Subs - Local giving		£2,074.73	£960.00
Subs - direct payment		£100.00	£120.00
Gift Aid received (noted)		£0.00	£198.61
outings		£459.12	£165.00
fundraiser		£0.00	£402.50
donation		£45.00	£280.00
Details 7		£0.00	£0.00
Details 8		£0.00	£0.00
Details 9		£0.00	£0.00
Details 10		£0.00	£0.00
2nd Bank account (Manual)		£0.00	£0.00
Totals		£2,678.85	£2,116.11
Payments (Out)			
localgiving fee		£96.00	£0.00
Materials		£71.72	£160.97
Fund Raising		£0.00	£0.00
Camps / Outings / Events		£754.92	£218.13
subs		£1,580.00	£924.00
badges		£119.33	£100.00
donatin		£199.00	£38.00
Details 8		£0.00	£0.00
Details 9		£0.00	£0.00
Details 10		£0.00	£0.00
Details 11		£0.00	£0.00
Details 12		£0.00	£0.00
2nd Bank account (Manual)		£0.00	£0.00
Totals		£2,820.97	£1,441.10
Surplus or (deficit) for the year		£142.00	£675.01
Balances brought forward	Bank - 1	£688.00	£144.21
	Bank - 2	£0.00	£0.00
	Cash	£192.71	£152
		£920.74	£145.73
Balances in hand at	Bank - 1	-£1,799.00	-£984.79
gear-end	Bank - 2	£0.00	£0.00
	Cash	£2,477.65	£1,805.53
		£678.65	£820.74

Receipts and Payment Account – Restricted funds

There are no restricted funds.

Statement of liabilities and assets

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Ulster Bank Limited Current Account	£678.65	0	£678.65