

10TH ANTRIM (ST ANNE'S) SCOUT GROUP TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 23/24

1. Charity Name as listed on the Charity Register	10 th Antrim (St Anne's) Scouting Ireland
2. Financial year the report is for	1 st September 2023 to 31 st August 2024
3. CCNI Charity Registration Number	NIC106009
4. The address from which the Charity Operates	<p>The Crypt, St Anne's Church, Kingsway, Finaghy, Belfast, BT10 0NE</p> <hr/>
5. The names of all our Trustees at the date of this report plus any who stepped down as a trustee during the year	<p>Current Trustees</p> <p>Jim McIllduff</p> <hr/> <p>Barry Mageean</p> <hr/> <p>Roisin McCabe</p> <hr/> <p>Jim McCreesh</p> <hr/>
<p>6. A summary description of the purposes of the charity</p> <p>The Aim of Scouting Ireland is to encourage the physical, intellectual, character, emotional, social and spiritual development of young people so that they may achieve their full potential and as responsible citizens, to improve society.</p> <p><i>The Charity's purposes are:</i></p> <p>The advancement of education. The advancement of citizenship or community development.</p>	
<p>7. The name of any person, or body of persons, permitted by the trusts of the charity to appoint one or more new charity trustees and a description of the method used to make such appointments</p> <p><i>If there is any individual or organisation with the power to appoint charity trustees, such as another charity or a government department, provide their details, the relevant powers, and methods of appointment.</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>8. Include details of any funds held by the charity as a custodian trustee</p> <p><i>This is mandatory for charities preparing accruals accounts.</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>

9. Charity's Main Activities and Achievements during the year.

At the outset of the Scout Year, 1st September 2023 through to 31st August 2024, the Scout Group had a youth membership of 55 supported by an adult leader team of 28.

The Group operates 4 active Programme Sections who met each week throughout the year as follows:

Cub Scouts – Tuesday night 7.00 – 8.30

Scouts – Friday night 7.30 – 9.30

Venture Scouts and Rover Scouts – Sunday night 7.00 – 9.30

Throughout the year the Group took part in a range of activities that were organized as part of the Down and Connor Scout County Programme of events in addition to the following events and activities that were organized by each of the individual sections within the Group:

Cub Scouts

October – indoor residential weekend at Ballyhornan Scout Centre

February – indoor residential weekend at Ballyhornan Scout Centre

April – weekend camp at Moira Lakes

June – weekend camp at the Wild Atlantic Centre in Donegal

Scouts

September – weekend camp in Crawfordsburn

October – weekend hike in Donegal

November – indoor residential weekend at Ballyhornan Scout Centre

December – ice skating at Dundonald Ice Bowl

January – night hikes on Black Mountain and in the Mourne Mountains

May – weekend hike in the Wicklow Mountains

June – weekend camp in Gosford Forest Park

July – week long Summer Camp in Lough Dan, County Wicklow

Venture Scouts and Rover Scouts

September – weekend camp at Moira Lakes

January – indoor residential weekend at Ballyhornan Scout Centre

February – indoor residential weekend at Ballyhornan Scout Centre

March – took part in the County Venture Formal Ball

July – week long Summer Camp in Lough Dan, County Wicklow

Collectively, the Group also raised in excess of £1000 for the Mourne Mountain Rescue Team and assisted the local community by running a fund raising stall at the parish Xmas Fair.

10. How is the Group doing financially?

At the opening of the financial year on 1st September 2023 the Group held a balance of £6,915.65.

The Group income for the year amounted to £16,809.40 consisting of £3,040.00 by way of membership fees, £5,684.40 by way of grant income and £8,085.00 by way of other fund raising activities including payments for events and activities undertaken by the membership.

The Group expenditure for the year amounted to £17,401.12 consisting of £4,606.50 by way of membership fees to National Office, £12,260.00 by way of payments for events and activities undertaken by the membership and £534.62 by way of administrative costs.

This left the Group with a closing balance at the end of the financial year on 31st August 2024 of £6,323.93.

11. How has the Group ensured members have not come to harm?

All volunteers receive training in Safeguarding, Programme (youth work) Skills and Adventure Skills. There is oversight of all activities by the Group Leader and the Group Council. Parents are regularly communicated with. All activities are carefully planned and the appropriate equipment used.

12. How has your Group ensured that any private benefit to your volunteers has been incidental to the public benefit of your work?

Volunteers gain additional transferrable skills but this is incidental to the work that they do and are the skills that they require to undertake that work.

13. A statement that the Trustees have had regard to the CCNIs guidance on Public Benefit.

We the Trustees of 10th Antrim (St Anne's) Scout Group, Scouting Ireland can confirm that in setting our objectives and planning for the year that we 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 purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

14. This report was approved by the Trustees (Group Council) on 13th November 2024.

15. Signature of Trustees.

Trustee 1: Jim McIlduff Date: 13th November 2024

Trustee 2: Barry Mageean Date: 13th November 2024

Trustee 3: Roisin McCabe Date: 13th November 2024

Trustee 4: Jim McCreesh Date: 13th November 2024