

Shamrock Youth Club

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Shamrock Youth Club
Charity registration number	106680
Principal office	Pairc Esler Ballinacraig Way Newry Co Down BT34 2QX

The trustees

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Mrs Marie Fox
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Independent examiner

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Objectives and activities

The aim of the charity is to advance education of young people in the Newry area, by providing a programme of social, educational, and recreational activities within a safe and secure environment.

The organisation will be guided by the following objectives:

- To encourage young people to participate in a wide range of activities appropriate to their age and stage of development
- To assist young people in their personal and social development, so as to encourage growth in self esteem and confidence, and help young people to learn from their experiences and cope with positive and critical feedback
- To help young people to participate in the life of the club, to express their views and play an active part in their planning and management of their own activities
- To help young people to gain a greater understanding and respect for their own traditions and those of others, by engaging in programmes that reflect the principles of equality, diversity and interdependence
- To assist young people to become aware of their rights and responsibilities as active citizens
- To promote the welfare and safety of young people at all times.

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Achievements and performance

Young people have completed hours of volunteering, recognised by Volunteer Now. They have worked with younger children in the club and developed their own awareness of working with others and receiving positive and critical feedback. Some of our young people have been provided with the opportunity to complete their OCN level 2 in youth work. As a result, their time spent in the club has enabled the development of core skills and qualities that those young people can carry through wherever their career leads. Young volunteers organise the indoor activities that take place weekly in the youth club. This includes sports, group games, art activities and individual play activities.

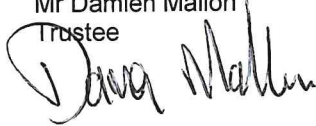
We have a system of support stemming from our volunteers, to younger staff members, older staff members and volunteer representatives, enabling our young people to express their views in confidence. We have worked with local council to improve our local area. We have organised 'cleaning the streets' nights whereby we clear the litter dropped on the streets. We encourage our young people to speak their minds at every opportunity and to listen and try to understand the opinions and viewpoints of others. We have provided numerous demonstrations on cooking, welfare of animals, sports etc. We have worked with the PSNI and community safety projects. We constantly work as a committee to ensure the safety development of our facilities.

Financial position

During the year we obtained £19,125 in grant income, generated sales from the shop of £4,685, received donations of £2,630, received membership fees of £960 and £205 from members for trips. The club had no other income and had a surplus in the year of £14,222.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 7th November 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mr Damien Mallon
Trustee



Mrs Marie Fox
Treasurer

