

Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

The trustees of St Patrick's Community Centre Portaferry are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

Achievements and Performance

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| Surplus for the year | Members of public served. |
| £12,696.85 | 2000 |

Financial Review

Financial Performance

Financial performance in the year to 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 has been consistent with the trustee's forecasts and expectations; this has been due to the Centre being quite busy, also a few grants had been applied for and was forthcoming with money. These Grants came from Micro Communities Fund, for Well Being, Making Life Better, Take Five, Heritage Fund, Events and Festivals, Fibrus Community for Internet Café, Rural Micro Capital Grant to purchase Basketball stands and Table tennis tables. There was a small decrease of income over expenditure of £2,604 in comparison to the loss of £135 in the year to 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. This is due to some grants now being paid to us.

The year ended with a bank balance of £12,696.85 (compared £15,296.87 for the same date last year). There were a number of large maintenance bills this year.

Income

Income receipts for the year totalled £33,581.59 – an apparent decrease of £1964.01 this decrease is due to Grant money not being lodged into our account.

Expenditure

Expenditure for the year totalled £36,185.61 – an increase of £14,928.13 on the previous year (£21,257.48). This was due to consultation fees and maintenance.

Accounts for the Year ended 31 December 2024

Receipts & Payments Account

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Last Year |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Receipts | | | | |
| Hire of Hall | 19,359.74 | | 19,359.74 | 18,070.84 |
| Bank Interest | 14.61 | | 14.61 | 11.41 |
| Electric | 545.62 | | 545.62 | 569.80 |
| Grant | 10,095.51 | | 10,095.51 | 15,460.20 |
| O/S Cheques | 0 | | 0 | 1433.35 |
| Events | 2714.50 | | 2714.50 | 0 |
| Halloween | 698.22 | | 698.22 | 0 |
| Refunds | 153.39 | | 153.39 | 0 |
| Total Receipts | 33,581.59 | | 33,581.59 | 35,545.60 |
| Payments | | | | |
| Electric | 3546.13 | | 3546.13 | 2838.82 |
| Heating | 2541.03 | | 2541.03 | 3205.95 |
| Maintenance | 4144.63 | | 4144.63 | 5332.93 |
| Cleaning Materials | 950.80 | | 950.80 | 811.15 |
| Water Rates | 1376.83 | | 1376.83 | 1047.39 |
| Bank Fees | 101.60 | | 101.60 | 58.11 |
| Licence | 1606.53 | | 1606.53 | 498.40 |
| Consultation | 8970.00 | | 8970.00 | 3300.00 |
| Halloween | 4279.61 | | 4279.61 | 3490.23 |
| Tuition | 2909.53 | | 2909.53 | 600.00 |
| Insurance | 1321.19 | | 1321.19 | 0 |
| Equipment | 1436.17 | | 1436.17 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous | 2846.88 | | 2846.88 | 0 |
| Office | 154.68 | | 154.68 | 0 |
| Total Payments | 36,185.61 | | 36,185.61 | 21,257.48 |
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| Net of Receipts | | | | |
| Cash Funds Last Year | -2604.02 | | -2604.02 | 14288.12 |

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| Cash Funds for this year | -2604.02 | -2604.02 | -2604.02 |
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Statements of Assets

Cash Assets

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Danske Bank | 6627.10 | 8669.77 | 15296.87 |

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name

St Patrick's Community Centre, Portaferry

Charity Number

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland, No.106700

Principal Address

26 Steel Dickson Avenue Portaferry BT22 1LE

Charity Trustees as of 31 December 2024

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| James Magee | Chairman |
| Caroline Mahon | Vice Chairperson |
| Isobel Lennon | Secretary |
| Susan Moreland | Treasurer |
| Philip Moreland | Trustee |
| Dympna Curran | Trustee |
| Moira Ritchie | Trustee |
| Madeline Dynes | Trustee |

Structure, Governance, and Management

Governing Document and Constitution

The Centre is governed by a constitution adopted January 1996.

The Centre is run entirely by the Trustees and are not eligible for reimbursement of any out-of-pocket expenses. As of 31 December 2020.

Trustee Selection and Management

The Centre is managed by the Trustees. A number of the trustees also hold offices within the centre, for example the Treasurer. These officers are noted in the list of current trustees above.

The Trustees meets typically once per month; in the year to 31 December 2024 a total of 11 formal meeting took place.

At each meeting the Treasurer presents the latest accounts, spending is discussed and approved. Officers may authorise some spending, between meetings, within set limits but must ensure such spending is reported at the next meeting.

The meetings also offer a forum to review recent activities within our programme and to plan for the coming events. Further ad hoc meetings are called if required, for example to plan and manage special events or projects.

The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts are approved by the trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objects

The object of the Centre set out in our Constitution is to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Portaferry, and the surrounding neighbourhood, hereinafter called the area of benefit, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions, to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and entertainment with the object of improving condition of health and well-being of the said inhabitants. Improve understanding and increase acceptance between different groups within the community. Maintain a financially sustainable organization that will remain active in the community for many years to come.

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on 19 May 2025 and signed on their behalf.

Madeline Dynes
Trustee