

SPORTS ASSOCIATION NEWRY, DOWN AND SOUTH ARMAGH

(A Company Limited By Guarantee)

TRUSTEES REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

Registered with Charities Commission for Northern Ireland NIC 106704

Company Number NI 47153

Charity Number XR60559

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The trustees, who are also the directors of the charity submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 30th June 2023.

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and was incorporated in July 2003.

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Objectives

To promote membership and registration of SANDSA.

To promote, process and administer applications for 'Recognition of Achievement for High Performance Levels in Sport.'

To promote and advance education of those working or volunteering with sporting organisations through the provision of training, mentoring, coaching, resources and by any other charitable means as the directors shall consider appropriate.

To promote the development of amateur sports and physical activity by the provision, or assistance in the provision, of facilities, training, coaching, forums and other opportunities for the playing of amateur sports including amateur sports and physical activity for disabled people in the area of benefit.

To make applications and procure funding for sport and physical activity and by that, promote increased levels of health and wellbeing within the environs of NMDDC and further to ensure that on successful application, all terms of funding are adhered to.

To create a strong sporting community base to improve empowerment and develop capacity within the NMDDC area and in so doing, make links with NMDDC and other agencies in order to develop partnerships and collaborations.

To promote the facilities and services offered by NMDDC and encourage use by SANDSA members.

To assist with the administration of the annual NMDDC/SANDSA Sports Awards Ceremony and to seek funding for same.

To promote independent accreditation for Clubs through their Governing Body or Sport Northern Ireland (Clubmark N.I.)

Achievements

The following courses were offered during the year (twenty two in total)

Strength & Conditioning in Sport, First Aid & Defibrillator Training, Nutrition for Sport, Reaching Out Through Sport "Mental Health Course", Safeguarding Children & Young People in Sport, Disability Sport NI Inclusion Course, how to Recognise & Treat Concussion in Sport.

A total of 207 people from various sports clubs attended this diverse range of generic training throughout the year.

Public Benefits

The charity has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the charity's objectives and activities as providing public benefit.

Membership

Membership Guarantee

In accordance with the Company's Memorandum of Association each member guarantees to contribute up to one pound sterling (£1) to the Charity's debts, liabilities and costs in the event of the Charity being wound up and for one year after ceasing to be a member.

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Board of Trustees

Except as provided otherwise in the constitution the policy and general management of the charity shall be directed by the Board which shall not be less than five but shall not be more than twelve (unless three further directors are co-opted under the provisions of article(68)).

Appointment of Trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association, the Charity may by ordinary resolution appoint a person who is willing to act to be a Trustee.

Trustee Induction and Training

New Trustees are invited to an induction meeting to familiarise themselves with the Charity and the context within which it operates. These are facilitated by the Chairperson and Senior Management Team and cover:

- The obligations of the Board of Trustees;
- The content of the Articles of Association;
- The Committee and decision-making processes;
- Current financial position;
- Future plans and objectives.

Risk Management and Uncertainties

The ultimate responsibility for the management and control of the Charity resides with the Board of Trustees and as such their involvement in the key aspects of the risk management process is essential, particularly in setting the parameters of the process and in the review and consideration of the results. This should not be interpreted as meaning that the Board must undertake each aspect of the process themselves.

Reserve Policy

The charity does not maintain a formal reserves policy however the Board of Trustees continue to monitor the level of reserves held by the charity and are satisfied that these are adequate to meet any unforeseen expenditure incurred.

Governance and Management

Sports Association Newry, Down and South Armagh has appropriate governance structures and procedures in place to ensure correct decision-making and the implementation of decisions. All organisational change initiatives and projects are regularly reviewed by senior management.

Operational

The Board recognises that a sound internal control system that can respond to significant risks, is embedded in operational activities, is capable of reacting to external and internal changes and will immediately report major control weaknesses, is a key and essential component of risk management.

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Compliance and Regulation

Key controls used by the Charity include:

- Formal agendas, minutes and action plans for staff and Board meetings;
- Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management accounting;
- Established organisational structure, lines of reporting and delegation duties;
- Formal written policies and protocols for Human Resources, Finance, Risk Management, Health and Safety etc;
- Establishment and regular reporting on Key Performance Indicators and targets;
- Clear authorisation and approval.

Going Concern

It is recognised by the Board that the Charity is operating in politically uncertain and financially challenging times and that these conditions will remain for the foreseeable future. The Charity has an excellent management team and very strong people and governance protocols.

The trustees are confident that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Board believe there are no material uncertainties that cast significant doubt on the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern and the financial accounts have been prepared on that basis.

Financial Review

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Total Incoming Resources	2,090	-	2,090	-
Total Resources Expended	3,037	-	3,037	346
Net Incoming Resources for the Year	-	-	-	-
Net (Outgoing) Resources for the Year	(947)	-	(947)	(947)
Net Unrealised (Losses) on Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Unrealised Gains on Investments	-	-	-	-
Transfer From Unrestricted to Restricted	-	-	-	-
Balance of Funds At Start of Year	20,443	-	20,443	20,789
Balance of Funds At End of Year	19,496	-	19,496	19,842

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Registered Office and Operational Address

Downshire Civic Centre

Downshire Estate

Ardglass Road

Downpatrick

BT30 6RA

Chairperson Oonagh Murray

Honorary Secretary Lawrence Murphy

Directors and Trustees:

Oonagh Murray	Chairperson
Declan McAteer	Honorary Secretary
Lawrence Murphy	
Michael O'Neill	
Thomas Reilly	
Gareth Sharvin	

Accountants

J H McShane & Co, Ulster Bank House, 9 Irish Street,
Downpatrick, BT30 6BN

Principal Bankers

Santander
41-45 Market Street, Downpatrick, BT30 9EA

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities in Respect of the Financial Statements

The trustees (who are also directors of Sports Association Newry, Down and South Armagh for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- 1 Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- 2 Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102) ;
- 3 Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 4 State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 5 Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small Companies Exemption

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under part 15 of the companies Act 2006.

By Order of the Board

Oonagh Murray

Date: 10th June 2024

Oonagh Murray
Chairperson