

BELLANALECK COMMUNITY GROUP
Registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NI106758
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
for the year ended 31st March, 2024

The Trustees present their Trustees Annual Report prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (effective January, 2015) and the independently examined statements for the year ended 31st March, 2024.

Structure, Governance and Management

Bellanaleck Community Group is governed by its Constitution that was adopted on 3rd November, 2004. The Trustees at the date of this report and those who served during the Financial Year together with the dates of any changes are set out are listed below.

Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year are as follows:-

George Thornton
Raymond Melanaphy
Owen Wilson
Derrick Graham
Sharon Elliott
Caroline Nicholson
Fiona Acheson
George Cathcart
Janet Dowson

The Bellanaleck Community Group has been Registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland since 16th November, 2017, under reference number NI106758.

Public address

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Objectives

The Group is established to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bellanaleck and its surrounding area (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") without distinction of age, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnic identity, disability, political or religious opinion, by association with the statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to alleviate poverty and disadvantage, advance education, promote social inclusion and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life of the aid inhabitants.

Key activities of the Year

The Bellanaleck Community Group continued to deliver actions which are positively benefitting our local area and community; key activities over the Year have included the following:-

- 1) Bellanaleck Community Garden – managing the allotments and maintaining the wildflower meadow, native apple tree orchard, native tree copse and bird and bat boxes;
- 2) making representations to or considering the following matters coming within the purview of the statutory bodies stated:-
 - a) Fermanagh & Omagh District Council – dog fouling, Community Garden grasscutting and car park fencing repairs, townland signs repainting, car parking on section of the Loughshore Path and representations regarding planning applications L/2007/1339/F (79 unites on land bordering Waterhen Lane) and LA10/2022/1288/F (82 dwellings on land bordering Waterhen Lane);
 - b) Department of Infrastructure – Waterhen Lane (extension of footpath) and surface water on A509 verge, and
 - c) Police Service of Northern Ireland – sponsorship of permanent speed indicators and meeting with Community Police Officer (discussed action to prevent anti-social behaviour and drug use, and lighting of Multi Unit Games Area).
- 3) organizing watering of hanging baskets provided by Fermanagh & Omagh District Council;
- 4) review of the Group’s email distribution list in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations, and
- 5) amendment of the Constitution to reduce the annual number of regular Committee meetings from six to three.

The Bellanaleck Community Group Trustees have considered the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland’s general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Group’s objectives and plans for future activities to ensure these achieve the Group’s purposes and provide a benefit to beneficiaries.

Financial Review

The Bellanaleck Community Group is non-profit making. The total receipts for the Year were £1,811 and the total payments £508, giving a net credit of £1,303. The Trustees continue to manage resources in an efficient and sustainable manner.

Reserves Policy

The Bellanaleck Community Group have a Reserves Policy which requires that reserves are built or maintained at a level which ensures that the organisation’s core activities could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty, and that the organisation’s known liabilities would be paid should the organisation cease to trade.

Future Plans

The Bellanaleck Community Group plan to focus on maintaining the high standards of service to our beneficiaries.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

For the year ended 31st March, 2024

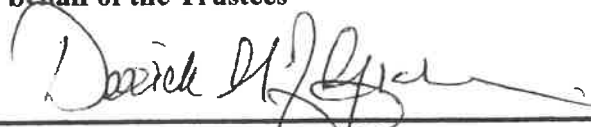
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with appropriate regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Trustees are aware:-

- there is no relevant information (information needed by the Charity's Independent Examiner in connection with preparing the Independent Examiner's Report) of which the Charity's Independent Examiner is unaware, and
- the Trustees have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant Independent Examiner information and to establish that the Independent Examiner is aware of that information

On behalf of the Trustees



Derrick Graham – Trustee & Deputy Chairman



Owen Wilson – Trustee & Secretary