



### Trustee Annual Report Form

This template is to provide guidance to units who are completing a Trustee Annual Report for the NI Charity Commission. If you do not wish to use this form please ensure that the headings in this guidance are followed when completing a Trustee Annual Report.

All Girlguiding Ulster Charities are governed by the Royal Charter and Bye-laws.

The Purpose of each of these Charities is to educate girls and young women to help them develop emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually so that they can make a positive contribution to their Community and the wider world.

Name of Charity as it appears on the Register and any other names it may be known by

5<sup>th</sup> Larne Guide Unit

NI Charity Commission Number

106986

The principal address of the Charity- this should be the address that was used at the time of registration with the Charity Commission

7 Dunboyne Avenue, Larne, BT40 1PS

The names of all Charity Trustees on the date the report was approved and all individuals who served as Charity Trustees during the year

Mrs Jennifer Warnock  
Miss Danielle Cole



The financial year the report relates to – for example, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**A summary of the Charity's main activities to further its purposes for the public benefit and the main achievements in the year**

Thankfully we have been able to return full time to face to face meetings post Covid pandemic. We are delighted that the unit has grown post pandemic so that we now have 30 girls in the unit, and over the past year they have completed a wide variety of activities, both from the Girlguiding Programme, and also activities they themselves wanted to complete.

We celebrated Earth Day 2022 by looking at what we can do to help save bees, and making wax food wraps and we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with our very own Tea Party. We also enjoyed the outdoors as much as possible when the weather was good, with visits to the beach, the park and an end of term BBQ at Carnfunnock with the Rainbows, Brownies, Rangers and families.

Thanks to funding from the National Lottery, Summer 2022 saw the return of our Annual Camp at Lorne, for the first time post Covid, when a large cohort of our girls spent a fun filled weekend completing Guiding Skill Builder activities; team building activities; crafts; as well as a trip to Craigavon Watersports Centre where they participated in kayaking, banana boating, paddle boarding and the aquapark; and the crate challenge and abseiling at Lorne-a busy and rewarding weekend was had by all!

Thanks to funding from the Public Health Authority, facilitated by Northern Area Community Network, the girls completed activities promoting positive mental health which is especially pertinent in the aftermath of the Covid pandemic. This funding enabled us to run an art/painting workshop, chill skills sessions, multisports & games sessions, hold a rollerdisco and complete a Mental Health Matters challenge.

Also, during our autumn term our unit participated in an Army Skills Day run by Girlguiding Ulster, where the girls learnt vital First Aid skills, survival skills and skills for their futures. We also ran our own overnight trip where the girls completed crafts and took part in a self-defence workshop.

The term finished with some Christmas Crafts and a Chinese & Christmas movie.

Thanks to funding from the Education Authority's small grant programme, we were able to purchase some cooking equipment which helped teach the girls vital life skills, cooking up dishes such as chicken curry & pasta Bolognese, and of course some pancakes in February! The girls also completed their First Aid badge and enjoyed some crafts and games & dance evenings.

During the spring term, the girls also took over W5, attending a fun day organised & run by Girlguiding Ulster in W5, Belfast, with girls from across the province, encouraging girls to explore the world of STEM activities further .

Throughout the year, they participated in a District Thinking Day event in February, coming together with all the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Rangers in Larne District to take part in a session of DDMix dance, based on a wide range of different dance styles, developed by Darcey Bussell.

The leaders took part in training for First Aid, Child Protection and running unit activities throughout the year.

The Guides were involved in the running and organisation of activities throughout the year, as Girlguiding is a girl led organisation. There was no private benefit or harm flowing from the charity's purposes.



**A statement that the Trustees have had regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance**

In planning the activities for the year, the trustees of 5<sup>th</sup> Larne Guide Unit have had regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance. This enables us to achieve our purposes and provide a benefit to the girls in the unit.

**A review of the Charity's financial position at the end of the year**

The income for 5<sup>th</sup> Larne Guide Unit for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was £15,134.40. Included in this were grants from the Education Authority, the National Lottery Fund and donations from Amazon Smile Fundraising. The expenditure for the year was £14,096.69. The unit were also in receipt of a grant from the Public Health Authority, which was facilitated and managed by the Northern Area Community Network.

**Details of any fund held by the Charity that was materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken by the Charity Trustees to eliminate the deficit**

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**One or more of the Charity Trustees must sign and date the box below.**

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