

Trustees Report for Tobermore Primary School PTA

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC 107171

Reporting Period 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023

Chairperson:- Lois Kane

Secretary:- Judy Smyth

Treasurer:- Pamela McGeagh

PURPOSES

Tobermore Primary School PTA is run by a group of volunteer parents and staff to organise social events that develops and strengthens home-school relationships as well as occasionally raising funds to purchase educational resources for the children at Tobermore Primary School.

The PTA also supports the school by providing hospitality at school events and volunteering for roles in school such as gardening and after schools clubs.

PUBLIC BENEFITS

The benefits that flow from this purpose include the better understanding and general advancement of education, enhanced knowledge and understanding of young people through receiving an education. The ultimate benefit is to see an increase in the activities provided for the children and in their learning capability. These benefits are evidenced through the children being able to avail of better facilities for the enhancement of their education and also through feedback from the public following events we have run.

BENEFICIARIES

The beneficiaries are primarily the children who attend the school and their families and the wider local community of Tobermore.

ACTIVITIES

During the year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, Tobermore Primary School PTA have organised and ran several fundraising events such as Supper with Santa in December 2022, Summer Fair and Duck Race in June 2023 and also smaller fundraisers such as Smartie Tubes.

These events were well supported by the parents and school community and enabled the PTA to raise the funds to support the school in various projects during that year such as new whiteboards for the school, new picnic tables and football nets for the school playground, a portable speaker for use at school events, electronics for the school hall. There were also smaller contributions such as assistance with payment of the bus for the pupils trip to the Pantomime, contribution to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at the school and provision of Ice Cream at school sports day in June 2023.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AT END OF YEAR

FINANCIAL POSITION AT END OF YEAR: The organisation continues to operate for the local community.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS OR LIABILITIES: There were no debts or outstanding debts or liabilities.

RESERVES POLICY: A small reserve of money is retained in the group's account to ensure the group can continue to operate.

FUNDS IN MATERIAL DEFICIT & STEPS TAKEN TO MITIGATE: There were no funds in material deficit.

FINANCIAL MITIGATION: None – Not applicable

FUNDS HELD BY THE CHARITY AS A CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE: None – Not applicable.

RESTRICTIONS ON WHO CAN BENEFIT

There are no restrictions on who can benefit.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include funding of additional educational resources and contributions towards events provided for the pupils of Tobermore Primary School. This improves their educational experience and also benefits the parents provided assistance with funding to some events such as the Pantomime trip thus making it more affordable for families from all different social backgrounds. .

PRIVATE BENEFIT

There is no private benefit to any individual.

HARM

No harm has flowed from any of our Purposes.

SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORTING

There are no serious incidents to report.

VULNERABLE BENEFICIARIES

Appropriate Policies, Procedures and Training are in place such as Church of Ireland Safeguarding Trust Policy & Procedures.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission NI's Public Benefit Guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Signed:- Lois Kane Chairperson

Date:- 8th February 2024