

GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA

REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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TRUSTEES REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Good Morning Ballymena was set up in August 2013. It was developed as a charitable group in Partnership with Mid and East Antrim Agewell Partnership.

Good Morning Ballymena was registered with The Charity Commission N.I. on September 2020.

Charity Number: NIC 107761

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1.0 The Management Committee:

The GMB AGM was held in June 2023 with the re-election of Office Bearers.

The current Management Committee is made up as follows:

Stuart Lloyd	(Chairperson)
Lynda Bell	(Vice Chair)
Mary Thompson	(Secretary)
William McKean	(Treasurer)
Trevor Halliday	
Donna McCurdy	
Jackie Neill	
Colin Crawford	
Ian McKay	
Eugene Reid	
Hazel Leetch	
Sadie Peachey	

2.0 Banker: Barclays Bank

3.0 Accountant: D.T. Carson. 51-53 Thomas Street, Ballymena. BT43 6AZ
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4.0 GMB Objectives

The objective of the project is to provide a friendly, befriending support telephone call to the registered GMB members (all whom are vulnerable and /or elderly people) at the agreed day and times of their choice. We aim to make them feel more socially included by reducing isolation and increase their mental health and to keep them in their homes longer.

5.0 Policies

We have a number of policies as detailed below:

- Health & Safety Policy
- Volunteer Policy
- Confidentiality Policy
- Vulnerable Adults Policy
- Befriending Visitation Policy
- Lone Worker Policy
- Data Protection Policy
- Complaints Procedure Policy
- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Volunteers Expense Policy
- Code of Conduct Policy
- Pay Policy

6.0 Finance & Funding

In total, funding was received in the year to 31 March 2022 of £77,642.75 (2022 : £24,495.88). There was a surplus of receipts over payments in the year to 31 March 2023 of £19,872.42 (2022 : Deficit £18,714.18). Cash reserves at the year end amounted to £54,266.78 (2022 : £34,400.21)

GMB is currently funded by Mid and East Antrim Council (2022-2023) for our core business. Funding was also received from Mid and East Antrim grants scheme PCSP, Other funding was made by Awards for All, Community Foundation, The Rotary Club of Ballymena, McCall foundation, Radius Housing, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Enkalon, Soil Association and Groundwork.

Voluntary donations were received from various members of the public.

7.0 Registration

Referrals come from the following; please note this is not an exhaustive list:

- Northern Trust
- Social Services
- Self
- Friends & family
- Community Groups
- NIHE
- IMPACT
- MEAAP
- Housing
- PSNI
- Fire Service
- Age NI
- Connect North
- GMB
- Home Carer
- Floating Support
- Women's Aid
- Occupational Therapy

8.0 Review of year (2022-2023)

Staff and Volunteers

- 1 Co-ordinator (20hr)
- 1 Assistant Co-ordinator (5hr)
- Telephone Volunteers
- Volunteer Drivers
- Visiting Befrienders
- Management Committee

9.0 History of Membership

At the outset of the project in August 2012, 25 members were receiving phone calls from 5 volunteers. At the time of writing this report, we now support 285 members with 38 volunteers.

Staff and volunteers make 775 telephone calls to members between one and seven mornings each week depending on their individual needs. Monday – Sunday (9.30am-12.30pm)

Over the course of the 11 years history of the project, 532 members have benefited from the services of Good Morning Ballymena.

See find a detailed profile report of Members/ Referrals/Areas in Appendix (1)

Good Morning Ballymena made 325,228 free befriending telephone calls from August 2012 until the time of writing this report.

In the first year 2012-2013, – 2418 telephone calls were made

Year 2 2013-2014, – 7405 telephone calls were made

Pre Covid 2019 -2020, -21081 telephone calls were made

Post Covid 2021-2022, March 2021 -April 2022, 61929 calls were made.

April 22- March 2023 – 57960 calls were made

In addition to the calls Good Morning Ballymena also delivered 1140+ 'Happy bags' 300+ Food Parcels, Lunch clubs, a trip to Portrush and a big breakfast.

The Happy Bags contained items like Word Search books, pens, plants, food items etc. as well as our quarterly newsletters.

10. Calendar of Events 2022 -2023

Our events are as follows:

April: Goodie Bags

May: 23RD Kings Coronation Lunch Club –

June: 20th AGM Lunch Club

July: Tesco Collection – Fri 7& Sat 8 July from 10-4

Aug: Trip to Portrush,

September: 16th September 2023 for the 'Big Breakfast'

Oct; 24th Lunch Club with DJ

Nov: 14th Lunch Club with DJ

Dec: 12th Christmas Lunch for members

Dec: Volunteers Lunch – 4th

Dec: Goodie Bag with Christmas Lunch 14th Thursday


11. Statement of Account

Accounts for year 2022-2023 were prepared by D.T. Carson

12. Public Benefit Requirement

The Trustees have had regard to the Public Benefit Requirement statutory guidance.

Approved by the Trustees on *4th September 2023* and signed on their behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stuart Lloyd". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Stuart Lloyd Chair person

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For the year ended 31 March 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Good Morning Ballymena

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Good Morning Ballymena for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Mr James Wallace
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Date *4th September 2023*

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	2023		2022	
	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
RECEIPTS				
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Core Funding	33,278.70		33,278.70	12,558.00
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Impact Funding	1,500.00		1,500.00	305.75
Co-operation North Grant			0.00	1,999.22
Triangle Grant			0.00	1,000.00
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council - Covid Funding			0.00	749.70
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council - BGC Funding			0.00	999.00
Arnold Clarke Fund Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
MEA Council Grants	5,680.34		5,680.34	0.00
CFNI	7,900.00		7,900.00	0.00
Groundwork UK Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Clear Development Grant	800.00		800.00	0.00
Black Santa		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Enkalon Grant		500.00	500.00	0.00
Raffle		36.00	36.00	0.00
Tesco Refund		4.50	4.50	0.00
Power NI Refund		3,663.62	3,663.62	0.00
Donations		21,279.59	21,279.59	5,884.21
	<u>49,159.04</u>	<u>28,483.71</u>	<u>77,642.75</u>	<u>24,495.88</u>
PAYMENTS				
Wages & Salaries/HMRC	13,840.44	2,392.14	16,232.58	15116.91
Staff & volunteer travel expenses		3,099.85	3,099.85	2220.05
Rent	3,899.97		3,899.97	5166.62
Hire of Facilities		400.00	400.00	0.00
Insurance			0.00	1167.23
Water Rates		193.50	193.50	193.96
Heat & Light		2,556.00	2,556.00	1788.00
Stationery & Postage		953.30	953.30	1086.42
Telephone, Internet & Security inc Zoom	4,292.33		4,292.33	3964.58
Volunteer lunches & certificates		1,543.42	1,543.42	584.85
Professional Fees		670.00	670.00	75.00
Accountancy fees		900.00	900.00	1200.00
IT Equipment		1,545.97	1,545.97	0.00
Project costs including goody bags	10,276.74	10,891.39	21,168.13	9802.89
Misc		315.28	315.28	843.55
	<u>32,309.48</u>	<u>25,460.85</u>	<u>57,770.33</u>	<u>43,210.06</u>
NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS	<u>16,849.56</u>	<u>3,022.86</u>	<u>19,872.42</u>	<u>-18,714.18</u>
Reconciliation at 31 March 2023				
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	16,849.56	3,022.86	19,872.42	-18,714.18
Transfer of funds				
Bank balance at 31 March 2022			34,390.67	53,104.85
Petty cash balance at 31 March 2022			3.69	9.54
Cash balances at 31 March 2023			<u>54,266.78</u>	<u>34,400.21</u>