

**Strathfoyle Community Association Limited
Company Limited by Guarantee**

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st March 2024

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

The directors present their annual report together with the financial statements of the organisation for the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' Report and Accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and accounting and reporting by charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015.)

The company is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 11th December 1989. The company number is NI023366 and the registered office is 31-33 Bawnmore Street, Strathfoyle, Derry, BT47 1XP.

Directors and Trustees

The directors of the company are the trustees for the purpose of charity law. The Directors during the period and as at 31st March 2024 were as follows:

Hugh Hastings
Philomena Coyle
Martina Jenkins
Raymond Whorisky

CHAIRPERSONS MESSAGE

I would like to acknowledge and value the contribution of our external partners, especially our main funder Strathfoyle Village Centre Ltd. We are also very grateful for the funds awarded to us by Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Halifax, Apex Housing Association, Derry City and Strabane District Council, Western Health and Social Care Trust, Rural Area Partnership in Derry and Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs. These funds are vital to ensure we can continue to provide and extend our programme of work for our community.

I wish to commend the work of our staff, management committee, Directors, Trustees and volunteers for their support and commitment during the past year.

I would like to thank all the residents for their continued support and dedication to this community and its development.

Our summer festival was our best to date. Our fun day brought in the biggest attendance we've ever had with almost 500 residents attending on the day. This brought smiles to the faces of children throughout the area. We also held a party for children with additional needs making this year's festival our most inclusive yet. Our festival would not have been possible without the support from NIHE Cohesion Unit who once again awarded funding towards the costs of our events.

We continue to provide our meals on wheels service to the elderly and vulnerable within the community 5 days per week for a subsidised rate. Our Advice Northwest outreach service is available in our premises every Thursday from 14:00 – 16:00, by appointment only.

Local groups came together at Christmas to hold several events including a children's party, a visit from Santa to turn on the Christmas Tree lights and our annual Older Peoples Dinner Dance at The Belfray Country Inn. These events would not have been possible without the help of Apex Housing Association who covered the costs of the events. We also organised a Christmas Craft Fair in Strathfoyle Youth Centre. This was a great event with a variety of Christmas items on offer at great prices.

I am looking forward to another successful year as Chairperson of Strathfoyle Community Association Ltd and the further development of this community in the coming years.

Alex Duffy

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. DUFFY". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Chairperson

12th September 2024

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Statement of Directors Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company Law requires the directors to prepare financial statement for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year.

In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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

The report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The report was approved by the board on the 4th September 2024 and signed on it's behalf by:



**Hugh Hastings
Director**

4th September 2024