



**Naíscoil Ghreanacháin**  
37 Bóthar Gharbhachaidh  
An Suaitreach  
Co. Dhoire  
BT46 5QE

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT: 1.9.23 - 31.8.24

**Name:** Naíscoil Ghreanacháin

**Charity Reg:** NIC108527

**Trustees:** Fiona Kearney, Nuala O'Hagan, Malacháí OhAgáin, PJ McQuillan.

**Governing Document:** The Charity is an unincorporated association, governed by a Constitution, last agreed on 6.9.23.

**Trustee Selection Method:** Trustees are volunteers and are appointed at the AGM (Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 2023).

On leaving the Coiste, members are removed from the list of Trustees.

### **Objectives, Activities and Achievements.**

The aims of the group shall be to: (a) Advance the education of children below compulsory school age, irrespective of religious or ethnic background. (b) Facilitate the education and upbringing of children through the medium of the IRISH language. (c) To provide after-schools extra-circular educational activities for children of school age. (d) To support educational development and personal self development of parents and guardians of children under the age of 18 years. (e) Prepare all children for life in a plural society.

### **Summary of the charity's main activities to further its purpose for the public benefit.**

The direct benefits which flow from this purpose include improved early educational experiences and preparation for transition to primary school for children in the local and wider community. This has a secondary benefit in allowing young mothers and fathers to free up some time to commit to part-time work. It relieves some expenses of childcare for those in work. Children attending will increase their socialisation and community participation. The benefits are evidenced by the way that the children settle into their first year in primary school, according to teachers there. In addition, parents have verified benefits outlined in their responses to local surveys to gauge demand and ways to improve the service. There are no identifiable elements of harm or risk to families who engage with the setting. The charity's beneficiaries are people living in the Swatragh/ Maghera/ Kilrea districts who have a need for a pre-school place for their child in cases where other settings are oversubscribed or where their preference is for education through the medium of Irish. There is no private benefit flowing from this purpose.

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### **Summary of the charity's main achievements in the year.**

In addition to maintaining the numbers on role and the quality of provision as evidenced by the high standard inspection outcomes, there were a number of specific achievements. The main one includes the acquisition and development of the second room for the service. The work in accessing grants, local workmen, committee volunteer hours and whole raft of goodwill, has meant that the children and families have a much improved space, toilets and facility.

### **Financial Review**

In addition to EA funding for some children, we continue to rely on fundraising and grant applications. The accounts show a good balance and we adhere to our Reserves Policy to assist in the event of any unforeseen financial pressures. We have no debts.

**Details of any funds 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:** Not applicable.

**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others:** Not applicable.

**Declarations:** The Coiste (management committee) confirms that it has regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

**Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees:**

**Fiona Kearney (Chair)**

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