

Open Doors Club  
Report of the Trustees  
Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

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The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The trustees present their Trustees' Annual Report prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity considers that under applicable law they are entitled to adopt receipts and payments basis for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Trustees**

Elizabeth Whitaker  
Oliver Kearney  
Pauline McKeefry  
Teeny Quinn  
Maura Quinn  
Rosemary McAtamney  
Margaret McFlynn

The Trustees are reviewed on an annual basis.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, AND MANAGEMENT**

The Open Doors Club is an unincorporated charity, which was registered with the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland on 22 December 2022. The charity number is 109272.

The charity is governed by its constitution and water is managed by the Trustees as noted above. The charity's principal address is: Granaghan Resource Centre, 15C Main Street, Swatragh, Maghera, BT46 5QB.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form that complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, the organisation has implemented its recommendations that were relevant in these financial statements.

**MISSION, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGY**

**Objectives**

We aim to offer an inclusive environment in which parents/carers of children, young people and vulnerable adults with learning disabilities or complex needs are encouraged and supported to overcome barriers to access support both for themselves and their families/carers in an inclusive and empowering manner by encouraging self-care, mutual support and providing activities both recreational and educational for both parents/carers, children, young people, and vulnerable adults.

**Achievements and Performance**

The Charity has very successfully organised and offered a wide range of activities to its members ranging from musical movement including dance and sing along, art and craft classes, fitness classes incorporating games, sporting activities and dance. These classes have brought together members of the wider community with a sense of inclusion and developing self-esteem and confidence.

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### Financial Review

Total receipts for the year ended 31 March 2024 are £24,113 (2023 £26,030) . Payments in the same period are £12,617 (2023 £10,406). The charity had a bank and cash balance of £27,120 (2023 £15,624).

### Reserves Policy

The reserves are held for the benefit of Open Doors Club. The policy is reviewed on an annual basis by the Trustees.

### Results and Dividends

At the end of the year, the charity has assets of £27,120 (2023 £15,624) and liabilities of £0.00 The net assets of the charity have increased by £11,496. (2023 £15,624).

The charity engages proactively with legislation, standards, and codes that are developed for the sector.

Open Doors Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:

### Public Benefit

The members of Open Doors are vulnerable and often disadvantaged people suffering from a range of disabilities and coping with these in a rural area of Mid Ulster.

The group organises a range of activities and the direct benefits are that people feel that they are not alone, feel less isolated, build friendships, use the talents that they have and avail of such services and employment opportunities as exist given their disability.

The benefits can be demonstrated by the numbers attending specific activities by the feedback that the group gets when we hold review sessions and by the comments that we get from member's families on how we have helped build clients self-esteem, self-confidence, and improved wellbeing.

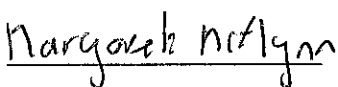
We also take feedback from the Tutors and adapt our programme accordingly.

There is no harm arising from the activities organised by the Open Doors Club or from its objectives.

The Charity beneficiaries are individuals from 13 to 60 plus from the Swatragh area who suffer from a range of specific educational health and social issues related to their special needs. Member's families also benefit from our activities.

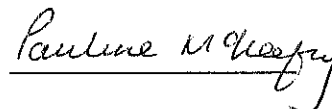
There is no private benefit flowing from the purposes. The only people who gain financially are the Tutors whose fees we pay.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 08 November 2024 and signed on behalf by



Margaret McFlynn

Chairperson



Pauline McKeefry

Secretary

## TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustee's report and the financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in the UK & Ireland including the accounting standards issued by the Accounting Standards Board and published by Chartered Accountants Ireland.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

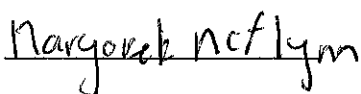
In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102);
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, and the provisions of the trust deed.

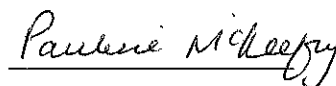
They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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