

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100015

Details

Known as	NWCN
Status	Received
Registered	2014-03-06
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The objects of the Network, which shall be established as a 'not for profit' body, are:- To promote, further or support any charitable purpose or purposes for the benefit of the community in the North West part of Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, herein after called the area of benefit, and in particular, the advancement of citizenship and community development, education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness and in furtherance of the said purposes to promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same to include bringing together in council representatives of the community and voluntary and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of citizenship or community development

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information, Community development, Community enterprise, Cross-border/cross-community, Education/training, General charitable purposes, Human rights/equality, Urban development, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: General public, Voluntary and community sector

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£141,913	£116,616	£0	3

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Donna Mcanneny		
Eliza Browning		
Mary Scally		
Mr Martin Mccartney		
Mrs Catriona Coyle		
Ms Patricia Bray		

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Accounts

Registration number NI039778

Charity number: NIC100015

The North West Community Network

(Company limited by guarantee)

Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Company information

Directors	Donna McAnney Patricia Rose Bray Mary Scally Martin McCartney Eliza Browning
Secretary	Roisin McLaughlin
Charity number	XR 21800 NIC100015
Company number	NI039778
Registered office	8-14 Bishop Street Derry BT48 6PW
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for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Directors and their interests

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Patricia Rose Bray
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Aims and objectives

Objective 1: Influence, Advocacy & Leadership - To be a representative voice of the Community and Voluntary sector in the North West

Key outputs for this year includes:

Our active participation on the following forums:

- DC Strategic Growth Partnership
- Healthy Cities Leadership Group
- Community Development Networks Forum
- NWCN is represented on the Department for Communities (DfC) Joint Forum (Government & Community & Voluntary Sector)
- NWCN Manager is on the NICVA Executive Committee
- Participation on the DfC Test & Learn initiative for the Moor DEA
- Participation in the Programme for Government consultation
- Participation in the Freeze The Cuts campaign
- Attendance at Anti-Racism Rallies
- Media work - Speaking up on Radio Foyle
- Civic Initiative Event - in partnership with Civic Initiative People's Forum - 25 participants

Objective 2: Build Capacity, Champion & Strengthen - To build capacity within the Community & Voluntary sector

Key outputs for this year includes:

- 17 groups received our support
- NWCN 30 Years Celebration Event - 41 participants
- Macmillan Coffee Morning - 22 participants
- Funding Fair - 59 participants
- Human Library sessions x 7 - 204 participants
- HOPE initiative - HOPE events and activities on 26th & 27th April - 134 participants
- Study Abroad Programme - Pacific Lutheran University students participated in a 4-week study programme in Derry - 15 participants
- Impact Framework Training - 8 participants- NWCN AGM - 11 participants
- Communities of Practice sessions (Ideas Fund) - 13 sessions

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Objective 3: Collaboration, Facilitation & Partnership - Greater collaboration between community and voluntary groups and across sectors

Key outputs for this year includes:

- Fulfilment of our Development Coordinator support role for the Ideas Fund - collaborative projects between community and researchers - 15 groups
- Community-led Research Showcase Event - Ideas Fund projects showcasing community-led research partnership projects - 38 participants
- Communities of Practice sessions (Ideas Fund) x 26
- Peace Process Dialogue - partnership event to explore where we are at as a society 28 years on from the Good Friday Agreement - 12 participants
- NWCN lead on the Community Research Collective with Ulster University - x 6 meetings
- Active participation in developing Community Benefits Framework Partnership with Ulster University
- Our active participation on the following forums:
 - o NI Equality Coalition
 - o North West Community Wealth Building Partnership
 - o Community Development Networks Forum

An inclusive community - Action to demonstrate minorities valued, equality of opportunity for women, young people, minority ethnic and other excluded groups.

Key outputs for this year includes:

- E-bulletins: 47 (Has a reach of 360 people/groups)
- Consultation Bulletins: 12 (Has a reach of 360 people/groups)
- Facebook: 111
- Twitter: 66
- Social media stats combined: 177

- Funding secured from National Lottery Community Fund - (Access to Resilience fund) to work in partnership with Kabalikat and African Caribbean Community Network to build capacity within minoritised ethnic communities over the next three years.

- NWCN 30 Year Celebration Event - 41 participants

- Our partnership work with Resilio on the HOPE initiative

- Our work with the Ideas Fund includes groups who support young people, people with a learning disability and people from rural communities.

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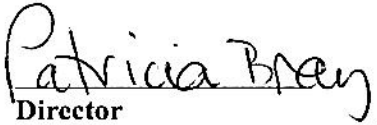
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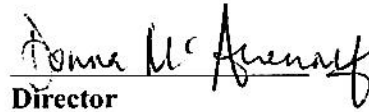
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This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 4 November 2025 and signed on its behalf by


Director


Director

The North West Community Network
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Independent examiner's report on the unaudited financial statements to the directors of
The North West Community Network

We report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of charity directors and examiner;

As the charity directors you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to;

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act 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 2008.
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity directors concerning any such matters.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

- that accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- that the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
- that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and the methods and principles of the 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;
- that there is further information needed for proper understanding.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed above and, in connection with following the directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

McGroarty McCafferty & Company Ltd
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Accountants & Tax Consultants

2 Carlisle Terrace

Derry

BT48 6JX

Date: 4 November 2025

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income and Expenditure					
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary Income		49,407	-	49,407	42,312
Incoming resources from charitable activities		-	92,506	92,506	99,755
Total Incoming Resources	2.1	<u>49,407</u>	<u>92,506</u>	<u>141,913</u>	<u>142,067</u>
Resources Expended					
Management & Administration		23,932	92,684	116,616	115,454
Total Resources Expended	2.2	<u>23,932</u>	<u>92,684</u>	<u>116,616</u>	<u>115,454</u>
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	9	25,475	(178)	25,297	26,613
Balances brought forward 1 April 2024		66,444	11,076	77,520	50,907
Balances carried forward 31 March 2025		<u>91,919</u>	<u>10,898</u>	<u>102,817</u>	<u>77,520</u>

The above amounts relate to continuing operations of the charity.

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented. There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

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**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2025**

		2025		2024	
Notes	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		824	987	
Current assets					
Debtors	7	4,773		6,012	
Cash at bank and in hand		172,900		105,506	
		<u>177,673</u>		<u>111,518</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(75,680)</u>		<u>(34,985)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>101,993</u>	<u>76,533</u>	
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>102,817</u>	<u>77,520</u>	
Net assets			<u><u>102,817</u></u>	<u><u>77,520</u></u>	
Funds					
Unrestricted			91,919	66,444	
Restricted			10,898	11,076	
	9		<u><u>102,817</u></u>	<u><u>77,520</u></u>	

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet (continued)

**Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with SORP FRS102.


Director

Date: 4 November 2025


Director

Date: 4 November 2025

Registration No: NI039778

The North West Community Network
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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 8-14 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6PW.

1.1. Statement of compliance

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 published in October 2019 (SORP 2019) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

1.2 Income

(i) Grants

Grants represents all amounts received and receivable during the year.

Capital grants are released to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are received in line with the SORP Accounting & Reporting by Charities 2019.

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are received.

(ii) Donations & administration income.

This comprises amounts received during the year.

1.3 Expenditure

(i) Direct Charitable Expenditure

This represents all expenditure directly attributable to charitable causes.

(ii) Management & Administration

This includes all other expenditure not directly allocated above and a portion of the overhead costs attributable to management and administration.

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1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	15% Straight line
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2.1 Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Income 2025 £	Restricted Income 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
<u>Incoming resources from charitable activities</u>				
Department for Communities	-	56,051	56,051	52,631
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	380	380	4,000
Awards for All	-	5,312	5,312	1,385
Halifax	-	586	586	126
British Science Association-Infrastructure Project	-	30,033	30,033	41,469
John Moores Foundation	-	144	144	144
	-	92,506	92,506	99,755
<u>Voluntary Income</u>				
British Science Association	22,115	-	22,115	22,627
Pacific Lutheran University	6,331	-	6,331	-
Gasyard Wall Feile	-	-	-	760
Membership Fees	-	-	-	675
Other income and management fees	20,961	-	20,961	18,250
	49,407	-	49,407	42,312
Total	49,407	92,506	141,913	142,067

(i) Restricted Funds

Funds received which are earmarked by the Funder for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the organisation.

(ii) Unrestricted Funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the company in furtherance of the aims of the charity. In addition funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

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2.2 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Management & Administration				
Wages & salaries	7,694	50,537	58,231	57,652
Pension costs	-	3,068	3,068	3,068
Rent & Utilities	-	5,520	5,520	5,520
Insurance	-	1,437	1,437	1,104
Computer Costs	240	-	240	970
Programmes, meetings & seminars	11,954	260	12,214	15,292
Programme costs - John Moore	-	144	144	144
Programme costs - Awards for all	-	5,312	5,312	1,350
Programme costs - PLU	3,687	-	3,687	-
Programme costs - Infrastructure Fund	-	24,697	24,697	28,366
Programme costs - Halifax	-	586	586	126
Accountancy	-	960	960	960
Bank charges	248	-	248	275
Subscriptions	75	-	75	60
Sundry	34	-	34	15
Depreciation	-	163	163	552
	<u>23,932</u>	<u>92,684</u>	<u>116,616</u>	<u>115,454</u>
Total	<u>23,932</u>	<u>92,684</u>	<u>116,616</u>	<u>115,454</u>

3. Operating profit	2025	2024
	£	£
Operating profit is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	<u>163</u>	<u>552</u>

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4. Employees

Employment costs	Year ended 2025 £	Year ended 2024 £
Wages and salaries	58,231	57,652
Pension costs	3,068	3,068
	<u>61,299</u>	<u>60,720</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were
was as follows:

2025 Number	2024 Number
<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

5. Taxation

There is no charge to taxation as the company has charitable status.

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6. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	34,886	34,886
At 31 March 2025	<u>34,886</u>	<u>34,886</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2024	33,899	33,899
Charge for the year	163	163
At 31 March 2025	<u>34,062</u>	<u>34,062</u>
Net book values		
At 31 March 2025	<u>824</u>	<u>824</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>987</u>	<u>987</u>
7. Debtors	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants Due	<u>4,773</u>	<u>6,012</u>
8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred Income	74,764	30,570
Accruals	916	4,415
	<u>75,680</u>	<u>34,985</u>

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9. Movements in Funds	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At 31 March 2025 £
Restricted funds:	11,076	92,506	(92,684)	10,898
Total restricted funds	<u>11,076</u>	<u>92,506</u>	<u>(92,684)</u>	<u>10,898</u>
Unrestricted funds:	66,444	49,407	(23,932)	91,919
Total unrestricted funds	<u>66,444</u>	<u>49,407</u>	<u>(23,932)</u>	<u>91,919</u>
	<u><u>77,520</u></u>	<u><u>141,913</u></u>	<u><u>(116,616)</u></u>	<u><u>102,817</u></u>

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Restricted grants awarded to the charity is provided to cover the core objects as explained in directors report.

10. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year under review.

11. Controlling interest

Controlling interest rests with the board of directors.

12. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

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Objectives and activities

NWCN provides community development support and leadership to community organisations across the North-West area. NWCN moves on a continuum stretching from operational and practical inputs to those more strategic in nature. NWCN is active on many fronts ensuring that communities are supported in what they do, able to provide community perspective and influence at decision-making level, and competently represented by NWCN through the strategic linkages it has built. The most recognisable feature of NWCN is its range of information services functioning on the premise that information supports engagement which facilitates lobbying and influencing activity. These include:

- A weekly ebulletin.
- Monthly consultation e-bulletins.
- Website & social networking updates and notifications.

These communications rely heavily on a database amounting to over 300 regular recipients (and contributors), primarily from the community and voluntary sector though with an increasing proportion of statutory associates. This is recognised as the most comprehensive database for the community and voluntary sector in the area, constantly being refined and evolved. The other pillar that supports these services is solid and skilful research on sectoral issues. NWCN also supports the learning, inclusion and activism of sectoral colleagues through:

- Sub-regional and networking events on themes relevant to the sector.
- Customised training to develop lobbying & influencing skills.
- Working with seldom-heard groups on community development practice.
- Engaging with cross-sectoral fora to improve communications & relationships.
- Participating in stakeholder groups to deliver more co-ordinated activity on matters of engagement and influence.
- Supporting all networking activity in the area.
- Leading through good practice on e.g. governance & user involvement.
- Developing collective activity on policy issues relevant to the North West.
- Promoting social partnership.

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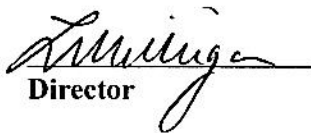
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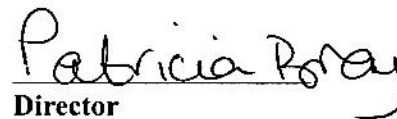
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Independent Examiner

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This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 26 November 2024 and signed on its behalf by


Director


Director

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Independent examiner's report on the unaudited financial statements to the directors of
The North West Community Network**

We report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of charity directors and examiner;

As the charity directors you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to;

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act 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 2008.
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

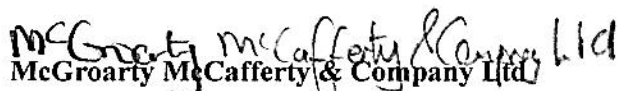
We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity directors concerning any such matters.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

- that accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- that the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
- that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and the methods and principles of the 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;
- that there is further information needed for proper understanding.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed above and, in connection with following the directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


McGroarty McCafferty & Company Ltd
Accountants & Tax Consultants
2 Carlisle Terrace
Derry
BT48 6JX

Date: 26 November 2024

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income and Expenditure					
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary Income		42,312	-	42,312	40,681
Incoming resources from charitable activities		-	99,755	99,755	71,707
Total Incoming Resources	2.1	<u>42,312</u>	<u>99,755</u>	<u>142,067</u>	<u>112,388</u>
Resources Expended					
Management & Administration		16,052	99,402	115,454	91,614
Total Resources Expended	2.2	<u>16,052</u>	<u>99,402</u>	<u>115,454</u>	<u>91,614</u>
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	9	26,260	353	26,613	20,774
Balances brought forward 1 April 2023		40,184	10,723	50,907	30,133
Balances carried forward 31 March 2024		<u>66,444</u>	<u>11,076</u>	<u>77,520</u>	<u>50,907</u>

The above amounts relate to continuing operations of the charity.

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented. There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

**The North West Community Network
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**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2024**

		2024		2023	
Notes	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		987	890	
Current assets					
Debtors	7	6,012		6,555	
Cash at bank and in hand		105,506		46,582	
		<u>111,518</u>		<u>53,137</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(34,985)</u>		<u>(3,120)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>76,533</u>	<u>50,017</u>	
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>77,520</u>	<u>50,907</u>	
Net assets			<u><u>77,520</u></u>	<u><u>50,907</u></u>	
Funds					
Unrestricted			66,444	40,184	
Restricted			<u>11,076</u>	<u>10,723</u>	
			<u><u>77,520</u></u>	<u><u>50,907</u></u>	

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**The North West Community Network
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Balance sheet (continued)

**Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

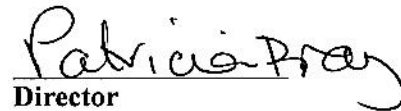
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with SORP FRS102.



Director

Date: 26 November 2024



Director

Date: 26 November 2024

Registration No: NI039778

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 8-14 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6PW.

1.1. Statement of compliance

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 published in October 2019 (SORP 2019) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

1.2 Income

(i) Grants

Grants represents all amounts received and receivable during the year.

Capital grants are released to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are received in line with the SORP Accounting & Reporting by Charities 2019.

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are received.

(ii) Donations & administration income.

This comprises amounts received during the year.

1.3 Expenditure

(i) Direct Charitable Expenditure

This represents all expenditure directly attributable to charitable causes.

(ii) Management & Administration

This includes all other expenditure not directly allocated above and a portion of the overhead costs attributable to management and administration.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	15% Straight line
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**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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2.1 Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Income 2024 £	Restricted Income 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
<u>Incoming resources from charitable activities</u>				
Department for Communities	-	52,631	52,631	60,394
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	4,000	4,000	3,677
Awards for All	-	1,385	1,385	7,107
Halifax	-	126	126	-
British Science Association-Infrastructure Project	-	41,469	41,469	-
John Moores Foundation	-	144	144	529
	-	99,755	99,755	71,707
	-	99,755	99,755	71,707
<u>Voluntary Income</u>				
British Science Association	22,627	-	22,627	26,613
Pacific Lutheran University	-	-	-	7,100
Gasyard Wall Feile	760	-	760	-
Membership Fees	675	-	675	96
Other income and management fees	18,250	-	18,250	6,872
	42,312	-	42,312	40,681
	42,312	-	42,312	40,681
Total	42,312	99,755	142,067	112,388

(i) Restricted Funds

Funds received which are earmarked by the Funder for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the organisation.

(ii) Unrestricted Funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the company in furtherance of the aims of the charity. In addition funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

..... continued

2.2 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Management & Administration				
Wages & salaries	-	57,652	57,652	49,626
Pension costs	-	3,068	3,068	3,068
Rent & Utilities	-	5,520	5,520	5,520
Insurance	-	1,104	1,104	1,018
Printing, postage & stationery	-	-	-	211
Computer Costs	738	232	970	324
Programmes, meetings & seminars	14,964	328	15,292	1,815
Programme costs - John Moore	-	144	144	529
Programme costs - Awards for all	-	1,350	1,350	7,107
Programme costs - PLU	-	-	-	7,100
Programme costs - Infrastructure Fund	-	28,366	28,366	13,037
Programme costs - Halifax	-	126	126	-
Accountancy	-	960	960	960
Bank charges	275	-	275	395
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	15	-	15	187
Depreciation	-	552	552	657
	<u>16,052</u>	<u>99,402</u>	<u>115,454</u>	<u>91,614</u>

3. Operating profit		2024	2023
		£	£
Operating profit is stated after charging:			
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets		<u>552</u>	<u>657</u>

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

..... continued

4. Employees

Employment costs	Year ended 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Wages and salaries	57,652	48,626
Pension costs	3,068	3,068
	<u>60,720</u>	<u>51,694</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were as follows:

2024 Number	2023 Number
<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

5. Taxation

There is no charge to taxation as the company has charitable status.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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6. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	34,237	34,237
Additions	649	649
At 31 March 2024	<u>34,886</u>	<u>34,886</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	33,347	33,347
Charge for the year	552	552
At 31 March 2024	<u>33,899</u>	<u>33,899</u>
Net book values		
At 31 March 2024	<u>987</u>	<u>987</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>890</u>	<u>890</u>
7. Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Other Debtors	-	761
Grants Due	6,012	5,794
	<u>6,012</u>	<u>6,555</u>
8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred Income	30,570	387
Accruals	4,415	2,733
	<u>34,985</u>	<u>3,120</u>

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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9. Movements in Funds	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At 31 March 2024 £
Restricted funds:	10,723	99,755	(99,402)	11,076
Total restricted funds	<u>10,723</u>	<u>99,755</u>	<u>(99,402)</u>	<u>11,076</u>
Unrestricted funds:	40,184	42,312	(16,052)	66,444
Total unrestricted funds	<u>40,184</u>	<u>42,312</u>	<u>(16,052)</u>	<u>66,444</u>
	<u>50,907</u>	<u>142,067</u>	<u>(115,454)</u>	<u>77,520</u>

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Restricted grants awarded to the charity is provided to cover the core objects as explained in directors report.

10. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year under review.

11. Controlling interest

Controlling interest rests with the board of directors.

12. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by gurantee and does not have a share capital.

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100015

Annual report



ANNUAL REPORT

Dec 2023 – Dec 2024



Chairperson's Message

As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the resilience and commitment demonstrated by our team, our partners, and the community. This year has presented us with both challenges and opportunities that have strengthened our resolve to lobby and advocate for our members and the sector. I am excited to share our achievements with you in this report.

One of the highlights this year was our 30 Years celebration event. This was such a lovely opportunity to bring our members together to celebrate the work of the last 30 years and to engage with our members on our future priorities.

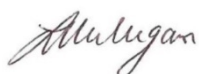
Another highlight from 2024 was our Funding Fair. This was in response to our engagement with members which highlighted the ongoing challenge of sourcing funding. This year we have frequently lobbied for the sector on our local media channels for better terms and conditions and acknowledgement for the incredible work carried out within the sector. We have continued to represent the sector on a wide range of cross-sectoral forums, local and regional.

At the core of all of our work is our collaborative approach. This has been very evident over the last year particularly in strengthening our relationship with the University through our Ideas Fund work and our Community Research Collective. We have continued to fulfil our development coordinator role with the Ideas Fund in partnership with Developing Healthy Communities. Many of these projects are having life-changing impacts in the Derry & Strabane area and communities have told us they feel valued and welcome the community-led collaboration. This type of work is at the core of the ethos of NWCN, community-led approaches and by starting with what matters to them. We had two very successful events this year in March and December to showcase the projects. We are excited as we embark on a new Evidence Building phase with this work.

We continue to deliver our Human Library sessions. This work continues to challenge stigma and our unconscious bias. It helps to widen perspectives on relevant societal issues and has a significantly positive impact on both participants and our Human Books. We have delivered many of these sessions this year in partnership with others.

Another triumph during 2024 was the work on our HOPE project in partnership with Resilio. Our year long planning culminated in a week of HOPE events at the end of April. Many community groups joined our campaign and organised their own Hope events. We ended the week with a major event in the Guildhall on Saturday 27th April, opened by the Mayor with the young people of Leap Lessons performing stage, as well as Ardnashee Choir. This was then followed by our biggest Human Library session ever!

Thank you to the Board of Management for all your hard work over the last year. Particular thanks also to our funders - Department for Communities, National Lottery Community Fund and Halifax Foundation whose valuable support enables us to work in the way we do. And thanks to our members and partners for their invaluable collaboration. Finally and importantly, I wish to thank our staff Roisin and Neola for their hard work, energy, and commitment over the last year. Let us move forward with determination and enthusiasm for this coming year.



Liam Milligan, Chairperson NWCN

Dec 2023 – Dec 2024

Top Achievements

‘Our vision is of a vibrant, inclusive and sustainable community and voluntary sector in the North West region’

- ❖ 437 participants benefiting from NWCN activities
- ❖ 10 x NWCN (stand-alone & partnership) events delivered
- ❖ 8 x Human Library Sessions
- ❖ 48 x E-bulletins disseminated
- ❖ 11 x Consultation bulletins disseminated
- ❖ 30 x groups received 1:1 support
- ❖ 14 x NWCN attendance/representation on public bodies & Cross/Sectoral forums
- ❖ Continuing to fulfil the role of Development Coordinator, in partnership with Developing Healthy Communities for the Ideas Fund (16 groups receiving support)
- ❖ Development of Derry/Strabane as a District of HOPE, week-long community events and cross-sector collaboration

NWCN ACTIVITIES DEC 23-DEC 24

This period saw Network involvement in the following range of activities:

Engagement events:

- AGM
- Civic Initiative People's Forum
- ComKit Workshop
- Community Leadership Forum
- Day of Hope
- Factcheck NI Workshop
- Funding Fair
- Human Library Events
- MacMillian Coffee Morning
- NW Transport Plan Session
- 30th Birthday Celebration

NWCN has productively engaged with:

- British Science Association - The Ideas Fund
- CHOICE
- Collaboration for Change
- Community Development Health Network
- Community Development Networks Forum (CDNF)
- Community Dialogue
- Community Places
- Derry City & Strabane District Council: *Strategic Growth Partnership*
- Developing Healthy Communities
- NI Equality Coalition
- Forum for Ageing Better (FAB!)
- Healthy Cities Leadership Group
- Northern Ireland Office
- NI Anti-Poverty Network
- NICVA
- Northern Ireland Public Health Research Network
- NWRC

- Rainbow Project
- REACH Across
- Red Cross
- RNIB
- St Columb's Park House
- The Junction
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- Ulster University
- Waterside Theatre
- Western Trust Local Planning Group
- Youth Action NI

Group Support:

Below are some examples of local groups that NWCN has supported, this includes:

- African Caribbean Community Network
- Clarendon Group Committee
- Fountain Street Community Association, Strabane
- Foyle Women's Information Network
- FUSE Art
- Men's Health Improvement Project
- Strabane Health Improvement Project
- Habitat Housing, Farland Way

Through the Ideas Fund:

- ARC Fitness
- Dennett Valley She Shed
- In Your Space Circus
- Informing Choices NI
- Parenting Focus
- Sion Mills Community Forum
- The Yellow Wood Group
- YMCA

Policy/Surveys Submissions & Workshops:

- NICVA – Concordat Framework Consultation
- Urban Villages and DfC Test & Learn involvement
- Draft Programme for Government 2024-2027 input
- DfC survey on Infrastructure Funding

NWCN PUBLIC BENEFITS:

The public benefit requirement is defined in the Charities Act and states that purposes must be for the public benefit to be charitable.

Below are some examples of how NWCN met the Public Benefit 2023/2024

The advancement of citizenship or community development

- Advice such as Governance, Setting up a charity for the first time, Constitutions etc.
- Advice on sourcing funding
- Assistance with Interview Panels
- Monthly Consultation Bulletins
- Signposting
- Sharing of relevant information on social media
- Sharing of information such as providing Policies, Articles of Association etc. to member groups
- Member of DC&SDC Strategic Growth Partnership
- Weekly E-bulletins

The advancement of health or the saving of lives

- British Science Association – The Ideas Fund
- Promoting groups that provide health support on a regular basis
- Providing Networking opportunities through our

The advancement of education

- Consulting with members & wider sector regarding training they require
- Good Governance Training
- HOPE Project
- FactCheck NI Training
- Human Library Events
- Staff Attendance at training/seminars & workshops so that our knowledge, understanding and skills can be developed & shared where needed, such as First Aid Training

The prevention or relief of poverty

- Assisting groups with funding applications
- The Ideas Fund
- Funding Fair
- Pathways out of Poverty event attendance
- Freeze the Cuts Campaign Group

NWCN INCOME & EXPENDITURE (as at 31 March 2024)

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Other Income	6,872	-	6,872	2,125
	18,250	-	18,250	6,872
Totals	42,312	-	42,312	40,681
	42,312	99,755	142,067	112,388

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
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Programmes, Meetings & Seminars	14,964	328	15,292	1,815
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Bank Charges	275	-	275	395
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	15	-	15	187
Depreciation	-	552	552	657
	16,052	99,402	115,454	91,614

Current Liabilities

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Debtors		761
Grants Due	6,012	5,794
	6,012	6,555
Creditors		
Deferred Income	30,570	387
Accruals	4,415	2,733
	34,985	3,120

NWCN BALANCE SHEET

(as at 31 March 2024)

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
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Current Assets				
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		111,518	53,137	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(34,985)		(3,120)	
Net current assets		<u>76,533</u>		<u>50,017</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		77,520		50,907
Net assets		<u>77,520</u>		<u>50,907</u>
Funds				
Restricted		11,076		10,723
Unrestricted		<u>66,444</u>		<u>40,184</u>
		<u>77,520</u>		<u>50,907</u>

NWCN Membership 2023 - 2024

ALLY Foyle	Lettershandoney & District Dev Group
ARC Fitness	International School for Peace Studies Ltd
AWARE Defeat Depression	Lifestart Foundation Ltd
Bogside & Brandywell Health Forum	Mary O'Dwyer
Bridge Accessible Transport	Maydown Community Assoc
Cathedral Youth Club	North West Disability Forum
CAUSE NI Ltd	North West Forum for Older People
Clarendon Community Committee	North West Methodist Mission
Derry Youth & Community Workshop	North West Volunteer Centre
Eden Place Arts Centre	Oban on the Foyle
Eliza Browning	Parenting Focus
Far and Wild	Shelter NI
Focus on Family	St Columb's Park House
Foyle Friends of Ukraine	The Churches Trust
Foyle Hospice	The Playhouse
Guildhall Press	Waterside Women's Centre
Hillcrest Trust	Women's Centre Derry
HURT	YMCA
Institute Football Club	Youth Action NI
Kinship Care	Zero Waste North West

*Thanks to all our signed-up members, we appreciate your support!
Interested in becoming a Network Member? Email info@nwcn.org*

Acknowledgements

Many thanks to our Management Committee for their continued support of the organisation:

- Liam Milligan – North West Methodist Mission (Chair)
- Patricia Bray – NW Disability Forum (Treasurer)
- Donna McAnney – John Moore’s Foundation
- Martin McCartney – Maydown Community Association
- Mary Scally – NW Forum For Older People
- Eliza Browning – Committee on the Administration of Justice
- Nuala Crilly – Waterside Women’s Centre

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Executive Committee members for their hard work for another year, we really appreciate all the help and support they provide guiding us in our work.

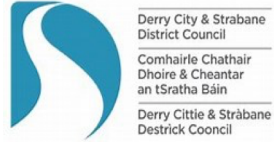
We were delighted to welcome a new member of staff to the NWCN team last year, Ian Lennox. Ian was a student placement who was working with us on our Infrastructure work with Ulster University. We would also like to thank our recent intern – Jacob Martinez, who was placed with us through the HECUA programme. We valued their work and help immensely.

We would also like to thank all of our funders who make the work we do possible!

During this period NWCN received core & project funding from:



Community Investment Fund



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Strand Road

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A registered Charity with The Charity Commission NI: 100015

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100015

Annual return

Registration number NI039778

Charity number: NIC100015

The North West Community Network

(Company limited by guarantee)

Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2024

**The North West Community Network
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**The North West Community Network
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Company information

Directors	Donna McAnney Patricia Rose Bray Liam Milligan Mary Scally Martin McCartney Eliza Browning Nuala Crilly
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for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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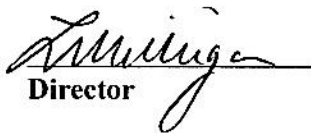
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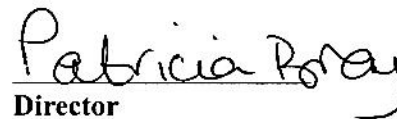
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We report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of charity directors and examiner;

As the charity directors you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to;

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act 2008;
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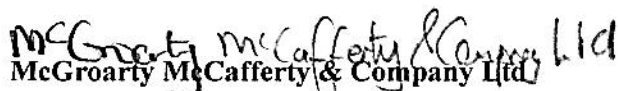
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Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed above and, in connection with following the directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


McGroarty McCafferty & Company Ltd
Accountants & Tax Consultants
2 Carlisle Terrace
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Date: 26 November 2024

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income and Expenditure					
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary Income		42,312	-	42,312	40,681
Incoming resources from charitable activities		-	99,755	99,755	71,707
Total Incoming Resources	2.1	<u>42,312</u>	<u>99,755</u>	<u>142,067</u>	<u>112,388</u>
Resources Expended					
Management & Administration		16,052	99,402	115,454	91,614
Total Resources Expended	2.2	<u>16,052</u>	<u>99,402</u>	<u>115,454</u>	<u>91,614</u>
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	9	26,260	353	26,613	20,774
Balances brought forward 1 April 2023		40,184	10,723	50,907	30,133
Balances carried forward 31 March 2024		<u>66,444</u>	<u>11,076</u>	<u>77,520</u>	<u>50,907</u>

The above amounts relate to continuing operations of the charity.

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented. There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2024**

		2024		2023	
Notes	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		987	890	
Current assets					
Debtors	7	6,012		6,555	
Cash at bank and in hand		105,506		46,582	
		111,518		53,137	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(34,985)		(3,120)	
Net current assets			76,533	50,017	
Total assets less current liabilities			77,520	50,907	
Net assets			77,520	50,907	
Funds					
Unrestricted			66,444	40,184	
Restricted			11,076	10,723	
			77,520	50,907	

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

Balance sheet (continued)

**Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

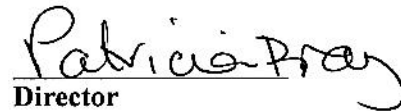
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with SORP FRS102.


Director

Date: 26 November 2024


Director

Date: 26 November 2024

Registration No: NI039778

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 8-14 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6PW.

1.1. Statement of compliance

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 published in October 2019 (SORP 2019) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

1.2 Income

(i) Grants

Grants represents all amounts received and receivable during the year.

Capital grants are released to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are received in line with the SORP Accounting & Reporting by Charities 2019.

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are received.

(ii) Donations & administration income.

This comprises amounts received during the year.

1.3 Expenditure

(i) Direct Charitable Expenditure

This represents all expenditure directly attributable to charitable causes.

(ii) Management & Administration

This includes all other expenditure not directly allocated above and a portion of the overhead costs attributable to management and administration.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	15% Straight line
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**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
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2.1 Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Income 2024 £	Restricted Income 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
<u>Incoming resources from charitable activities</u>				
Department for Communities	-	52,631	52,631	60,394
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	4,000	4,000	3,677
Awards for All	-	1,385	1,385	7,107
Halifax	-	126	126	-
British Science Association-Infrastructure Project	-	41,469	41,469	-
John Moores Foundation	-	144	144	529
	-	99,755	99,755	71,707
	-	99,755	99,755	71,707
<u>Voluntary Income</u>				
British Science Association	22,627	-	22,627	26,613
Pacific Lutheran University	-	-	-	7,100
Gasyard Wall Feile	760	-	760	-
Membership Fees	675	-	675	96
Other income and management fees	18,250	-	18,250	6,872
	42,312	-	42,312	40,681
	42,312	-	42,312	40,681
Total	42,312	99,755	142,067	112,388

(i) Restricted Funds

Funds received which are earmarked by the Funder for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the organisation.

(ii) Unrestricted Funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the company in furtherance of the aims of the charity. In addition funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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2.2 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Management & Administration				
Wages & salaries	-	57,652	57,652	49,626
Pension costs	-	3,068	3,068	3,068
Rent & Utilities	-	5,520	5,520	5,520
Insurance	-	1,104	1,104	1,018
Printing, postage & stationery	-	-	-	211
Computer Costs	738	232	970	324
Programmes, meetings & seminars	14,964	328	15,292	1,815
Programme costs - John Moore	-	144	144	529
Programme costs - Awards for all	-	1,350	1,350	7,107
Programme costs - PLU	-	-	-	7,100
Programme costs - Infrastructure Fund	-	28,366	28,366	13,037
Programme costs - Halifax	-	126	126	-
Accountancy	-	960	960	960
Bank charges	275	-	275	395
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	15	-	15	187
Depreciation	-	552	552	657
	<u>16,052</u>	<u>99,402</u>	<u>115,454</u>	<u>91,614</u>

3. Operating profit		2024	2023
		£	£
Operating profit is stated after charging:			
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets		<u>552</u>	<u>657</u>

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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4. Employees

Employment costs	Year ended 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Wages and salaries	57,652	48,626
Pension costs	3,068	3,068
	<u>60,720</u>	<u>51,694</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were
was as follows:

2024 Number	2023 Number
<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

5. Taxation

There is no charge to taxation as the company has charitable status.

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
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6. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	34,237	34,237
Additions	649	649
At 31 March 2024	<u>34,886</u>	<u>34,886</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	33,347	33,347
Charge for the year	552	552
At 31 March 2024	<u>33,899</u>	<u>33,899</u>
Net book values		
At 31 March 2024	<u>987</u>	<u>987</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>890</u>	<u>890</u>
7. Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Other Debtors	-	761
Grants Due	6,012	5,794
	<u>6,012</u>	<u>6,555</u>
8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred Income	30,570	387
Accruals	4,415	2,733
	<u>34,985</u>	<u>3,120</u>

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
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10. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year under review.

11. Controlling interest

Controlling interest rests with the board of directors.

12. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by gurantee and does not have a share capital.

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100015

Accounts

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The North West Community Network

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Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2023

**The North West Community Network
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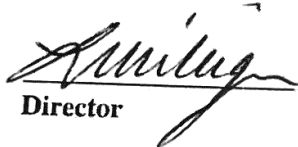
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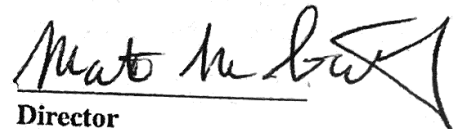
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Date: 11 December 2023

**The North West Community Network
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Income and Expenditure		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
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Balances carried forward 31 March 2023		<u>40,184</u>	<u>10,723</u>	<u>50,907</u>	<u>30,133</u>

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The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented. There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2023**

		2023		2022	
Notes	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		890	1,547	
Current assets					
Debtors	7	6,555		9,184	
Cash at bank and in hand		46,582		32,810	
		53,137		41,994	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(3,120)		(13,408)	
Net current assets			50,017	28,586	
Total assets less current liabilities			50,907	30,133	
Net assets			50,907	30,133	
Funds					
Unrestricted			40,184	22,609	
Restricted			10,723	7,524	
			50,907	30,133	

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet (continued)

**Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

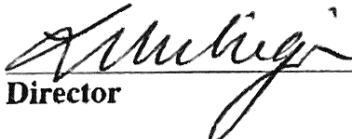
In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

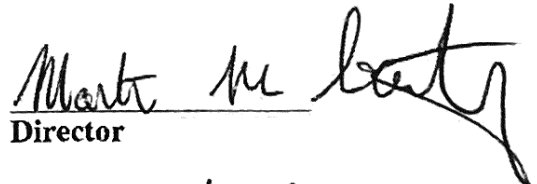
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with SORP FRS102.



Director

Date: 06/12/23



Director

Date: 06/12/23

Registration No: NI039778

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 8-14 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6PW.

1.1. Statement of compliance

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 published in October 2019 (SORP 2019) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

1.2 Income

(i) Grants

Grants represents all amounts received and receivable during the year.

Capital grants are released to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are received in line with the SORP Accounting & Reporting by Charities 2019.

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are received.

(ii) Donations & administration income.

This comprises amounts received during the year.

1.3 Expenditure

(i) Direct Charitable Expenditure

This represents all expenditure directly attributable to charitable causes.

(ii) Management & Administration

This includes all other expenditure not directly allocated above and a portion of the overhead costs attributable to management and administration.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 15% Straight line
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**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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2.1 Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Income 2023 £	Restricted Income 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<u>Incoming resources from charitable activities</u>				
Department for Communities	-	60,394	60,394	54,830
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	3,677	3,677	2,862
Awards for All	-	7,107	7,107	1,270
British Science Association	-	-	-	13,057
Big Lottery Fund	-	-	-	620
John Moores Foundation	-	529	529	568
	-	71,707	71,707	73,207
<u>Voluntary Income</u>				
British Science Association	26,613	-	26,613	-
Pacific Lutheran University	7,100	-	7,100	-
Membership Fees	96	-	96	475
Other Income	6,872	-	6,872	2,125
	40,681	-	40,681	2,600
Total	40,681	71,707	112,388	75,807

(i) Restricted Funds

Funds received which are earmarked by the Funder for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the organisation.

(ii) Unrestricted Funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the company in furtherance of the aims of the charity. In addition funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

..... continued

2.2 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Management & Administration				
Wages & salaries	1,000	48,626	49,626	47,748
Pension costs	-	3,068	3,068	2,286
Rent & Utilities	-	5,520	5,520	3,950
Insurance	7	1,011	1,018	895
Printing, postage & stationery	211	-	211	251
Conferences, meetings & seminars	785	-	785	1,223
Computer Costs	324	-	324	757
Programme costs	-	1,030	1,030	13,057
Programme costs - John Moore		529	529	-
Programme costs - Awards for all		7,107	7,107	-
Programme costs - PLU	7,100	-	7,100	-
Programme costs - BSA	13,037	-	13,037	-
Accountancy	-	960	960	840
Training & course fees	-	-	-	895
Bank charges	395	-	395	305
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	187	-	187	105
Depreciation	-	657	657	673
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Total	23,106	68,508	91,614	73,045
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3. Operating profit

**2023
£**

**2022
£**

Operating profit is stated after charging:

Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets

657

673

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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4. Employees

Employment costs

Wages and salaries
Pension costs

Year ended 2023 £	Year ended 2022 £
49,626	47,748
3,068	2,286
<u>52,694</u>	<u>50,034</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were
was as follows:

2023 Number	2022 Number
<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

5. Taxation

There is no charge to taxation as the company has charitable status.

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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6. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	34,237	34,237
At 31 March 2023	<u>34,237</u>	<u>34,237</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	32,690	32,690
Charge for the year	657	657
At 31 March 2023	<u>33,347</u>	<u>33,347</u>
Net book values		
At 31 March 2023	<u>890</u>	<u>890</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,547</u>	<u>1,547</u>
7. Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Debtors	761	-
Grants Due	5,794	9,184
	<u>6,555</u>	<u>9,184</u>
8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Deferred Income	387	11,751
Accruals	2,733	1,657
	<u>3,120</u>	<u>13,408</u>

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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9. Movements in Funds	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted funds:	7,524	71,707	(68,508)	10,723
Total restricted funds	<u>7,524</u>	<u>71,707</u>	<u>(68,508)</u>	<u>10,723</u>
Unrestricted funds:	22,609	40,681	(23,106)	40,184
Total unrestricted funds	<u>22,609</u>	<u>40,681</u>	<u>(23,106)</u>	<u>40,184</u>
	<u>30,133</u>	<u>112,388</u>	<u>(91,614)</u>	<u>50,907</u>

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Restricted grants awarded to the charity is provided to cover the core objects as explained in directors report.

10. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year under review.

11. Controlling interest

Controlling interest rests with the board of directors.

12. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100015

Annual report



**NORTH WEST
COMMUNITY
NETWORK**

ANNUAL REPORT

Dec 2022 – Dec 2023

Chairperson's Message

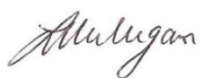
I am delighted to report on another year of achievement for North West Community Network (NWCN). The challenges for the community and voluntary sector over the last year have been significant and the environment within which we work and deliver our programmes is constantly changing. Our collaborative work and partnership approaches are needed more than ever.

To amplify the voices of our members with regard to the funding crisis for the sector we facilitated conversations with our local MLA's as well as highlighting challenges in the local media. This work is set to continue into 2024. We worked in partnership with NICVA to highlight the impact of the cost of living crisis on community and community organisations.

One of the highlights this year for NWCN was to secure £90K in partnership with Developing Healthy Communities and Ulster University to focus on strengthening collaborations between communities and researchers for the benefit of local communities. This work has come about from the learning through the Ideas Fund which highlighted the deeper, structural issues and barriers that often prevent community/research partnerships from developing. This work will contribute to change and the enablement of an improved system to shift and challenge traditional hierarchies around research. We continue to deliver our development coordinator role within the Ideas Fund. Many of these projects are having life-changing impacts in the Derry & Strabane area and communities have told us they feel valued and welcome the community-led collaboration. This type of work is at the core of the ethos of NWCN, community-led approaches and by starting with what matters to them.

We secured Awards for All (NLCF) funding this year to continue our Human Library project. This work continues to challenge stigma and our unconscious bias. It helps to widen perspectives on relevant societal issues and has a significantly positive impact on both participants and our Human Books.

Thank you to the Board of Management for all your hard work over the last year. Particular thanks also to our funders - Department for Communities, DC & SDC Community Support Fund, National Lottery Community Fund and Halifax Foundation whose valuable support enables us to work in the way we do. And thanks to our members and partners for their invaluable collaboration. Finally and importantly, I wish to thank our staff Roisin and Neola for their hard work, commitment and resilience over the last year.



Liam Milligan, Chairperson NWCN

Dec 2022 – Dec 2023

Top Achievements

‘Our vision is of a vibrant, inclusive and sustainable community and voluntary sector in the North West region’

- ❖ 371 participants benefiting from NWCN activities
- ❖ 9 x NWCN (stand-alone & partnership) events delivered
- ❖ 10 x Human Library Sessions
- ❖ 46 x E-bulletins disseminated
- ❖ 11 x Consultation bulletins disseminated
- ❖ 17 x groups received 1:1 support
- ❖ 6 x NWCN attendance/representation on public bodies & Cross/Sectoral forums
- ❖ Fulfilling role of Development Coordinator, in partnership with Developing Healthy Communities for the Ideas Fund (15 groups receiving support)
- ❖ Securing £90K funding from British Science Association for Infrastructure Project in partnership with Ulster University & Developing Healthy Communities

NWCN ACTIVITIES DEC 22-DEC 23

This period saw Network involvement in the following range of activities:

Engagement events:

- AGM & Hope Workshop
- Cost of Living Crisis Workshop
- Financial Training Workshop
- Funding Fair with Supp Comm's
- Good Friday Agreement Session
- Human Library Events
- Hustings Event
- MLA Funding Crisis meeting
- PHA Integrated Care Partnership Focus Workshop
- Red Cross & NW Volunteer Centre Volunteering Event

NWCN has productively engaged with:

- British Science Association - The Ideas Fund
- CHOICE
- Community Development Networks Forum (CDNF)
- Collaboration for Change
- Community Dialogue
- Community Places
- Derry City & Strabane District Council: *Strategic Growth Partnership*
- Developing Healthy Communities
- DiverseCity Community Partnership
- Equality Coalition
- Forum for Ageing Better (FAB!)
- Holywell Trust
- Northern Ireland Office
- NI Anti-Poverty Network
- NICVA
- Northern Ireland Public Health Research Network
- Pacific Lutheran University (PLU) – Study Abroad Programme
-

- REACH Across
- Red Cross
- St Columb's Park House
- The Junction
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- Ulster University
- Western Trust Local Planning Group
- Youth Action NI

Group Support:

Below are some examples of local groups that NWCN has supported, this includes:

- Clarendon Medical Community
- Compassionate Communities
- Forum for Ageing Better (FAB!)
- Fountain Street Community Association, Strabane
- Foyle Friends of Ukraine
- Foyle Women's Information Network
- Lawrence Hill Residents Association
- Strabane Health Improvement Project
- The Big Lunch

Through the Ideas Fund:

- ARC Fitness
- Dennett Valley She Shed
- In Your Space Circus
- Informing Choices NI
- Parenting NI
- Sion Mills Community Forum
- The Yellow Wood Group
- YMCA

Policy/Surveys Submissions & Workshops:

- DfC Infrastructure Review
- DfC People & Place Review
- EQIA Planning Advice Service
- NIPSO – Improvement & Engagement Consultation
- Response to NICVA's Cost of Living Survey

NWCN PUBLIC BENEFITS:

The public benefit requirement is defined in the Charities Act and states that purposes must be for the public benefit to be charitable.

Below are some examples of how NWCN met the Public Benefit 2022/2023

The advancement of citizenship or community development

- Advice such as Governance, Setting up a charity for the first time, Constitutions etc.
- Advice & hands-on assistance on writing funding applications
- Assistance with Interview Panels
- Monthly Consultation Bulletins
- Signposting
- Sharing of relevant information on social media
- Sharing of information such as providing Policies, Articles of Association etc. to member groups
- Strategic Growth Partnership: DCSDC
- Weekly E-bulletins

The advancement of health or the saving of lives

- British Science Association – The Ideas Fund
- Ongoing assistance with the Forum for Ageing Better
- Promoting groups such as HURT & Macmillan etc. regularly
- Providing Networking opportunities through our events

The advancement of education

- Consulting with members regarding training they require
- Future Leaders Mentor
- Good Governance Training
- Hope Project
- Human Library Events
- Staff Attendance at training/seminars & workshops so that our knowledge, understanding and skills can be developed & shared where needed, such as First Aid Training

The prevention or relief of poverty

- Assisting groups with funding applications
- The Ideas Fund
- Active response to the Cost of Living Crisis
- Participation in the Cost of Living Reference Group
- Funding Crisis Response

NWCN INCOME & EXPENDITURE (as at 31 March 2023)

	Unrestricted Income 2023	Restricted Income 2023	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
<u>Restricted Income</u>				
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Other Income	6,872	-	6,872	2,125
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Totals	40,681	71,707	112,388	75,807

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
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Programme Costs: John Moore	-	529	529	-
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Accountancy	60	900	960	840
Training and Course Fees	-	-	-	895
Computer Costs	324	-	324	757
Bank Charges	395	-	395	305
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	187	-	187	105
Depreciation	-	657	657	673
	23,166	68,448	91,614	73,045

Current Liabilities	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Debtors	761	-
Grants Due	5,794	9,184
	6,555	9,184
Creditors		
Deferred Income	387	11,751
Accruals	2,733	1,657
	3,120	13,408

NWCN BALANCE SHEET

(as at 31 March 2023)

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets		890		1,547
Current Assets		6,555		9,184
Debtors				
Cash at bank and in hand		46,582		32,810
		53,137		41,994
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,120)		(13,408)	
Net current assets		<u>50,017</u>		<u>28,586</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		50,907		30,133
Net assets		<u>50,907</u>		<u>30,133</u>
Funds				
Restricted		10,783		7,524
Unrestricted		<u>40,124</u>		<u>22,609</u>
		<u>50,907</u>		<u>30,133</u>

NWCN Membership 2022-2023

Ally Foyle	Lettershandoney & District Dev Gp
ARC Fitness	Lifestart Foundation Ltd
AWARE Defeat Depression	Mary O'Dwyer
Bogside & Brandywell Health Forum	Maydown Community Assoc
Bridge Accessible Transport	North West Disability Forum
Cathedral Youth Club	North West Forum for Older People
CAUSE NI Ltd	North West Methodist Mission
Derry Youth & Community Workshop	North West Volunteer Centre
Eden Place Arts Centre	Oban on the Foyle
Eliza Browning	Parenting NI
Far and Wild	Shelter NI
Focus on Family	St Columb's Park House
Foyle Friends of Ukraine	The Churches Trust
Foyle Hospice	The Playhouse
Guildhall Press	Waterside Women's Centre
Hillcrest Trust	Women's Centre Derry
HURT	YMCA
Institute Football Club	Youth Action NI
Kinship Care	Zero Waste North West

We recently began a new membership drive, and we would like to express our gratitude to the above groups for renewing membership with us. We would of course like to expand our membership so that our voice and reach can be further.

Acknowledgements

Many thanks to our Management Committee for their continued support of the organisation:

- Liam Milligan – North West Methodist Mission (Chair)
- Patricia Bray – NW Disability Forum (Treasurer)
- Donna McAnney – John Moore’s Foundation
- Martin McCartney – Maydown Community Association
- Mary Scally – NW Forum For Older People
- Eliza Browning – CAJ
- Nuala Crilly – Waterside Women’s Centre

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Vice Chair Emma Johnston for her years of service to NWCN as she moves on. Emma brought a lot of sunshine to our Committee, hard work, and support, we all miss her.

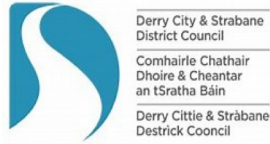
We would also like to welcome on board Eliza Browning and Nuala Crilly as recent Committee members.

We were delighted to welcome a new member of staff to the NWCN team, Ian Lennox. Ian is a student placement who is working hard with us on our new Infrastructure Project, we would also like to thank our recent intern from Denison University, Ohio through the HECUA programme, INCORE – Ricky Gutierrez who was a great help to the work of NWCN.

During this period NWCN received core & project funding from:



Community Investment Fund



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BT48 6PW

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Administrator

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2 Carlisle Terrace

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AIB (NI)

Strand Road

Derry

North-West Community Network

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100015

Annual return

Registration number NI039778
Charity number: NIC100015

The North West Community Network

(Company limited by guarantee)

Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2023

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

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**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

Company information

Directors	Donna McAnney Patricia Rose Bray Liam Milligan Emma Johnston (Resigned 10th July 2023) Mary Scally Martin McCartney Eliza Browning (Appointed 4th September 2023) Nuala Crilly (Appointed 4th September 2023)
Secretary	Roisin McLaughlin
Charity number	XR 21800 NIC100015
Company number	NI039778
Registered office	8-14 Bishop Street Derry BT48 6PW
Accountants	McGroarty McCafferty & Company Ltd Accountants & Tax Consultants 2 Carlisle Terrace Derry BT48 6JX
Business address	8-14 Bishop Street Derry BT48 6PW
Bankers	AIB (NI) Meadowbank Strand Road Derry BT48 7TN

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Directors' report
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Directors and their interests

The directors of the charity for the purposes of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the directors.

The directors serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Patricia Rose Bray

Liam Milligan

Emma Johnston (Resigned 10th July 2023)

Donna McAnneny

Mary Scally

Martin McCartney

Eliza Browning (Appointed 4th September 2023)

Nuala Crilly (Appointed 4th September 2023)

Objectives and activities

NWCN provides community development support and leadership to community organisations across the North-West area. NWCN moves on a continuum stretching from operational and practical inputs to those more strategic in nature. NWCN is active on many fronts ensuring that communities are supported in what they do, able to provide community perspective and influence at decision-making level, and competently represented by NWCN through the strategic linkages it has built. The most recognisable feature of NWCN is its range of information services functioning on the premise that information supports engagement which facilitates lobbying and influencing activity. These include:

- A weekly ebulletin.
- Monthly consultation e-bulletins.
- Website & social networking updates and notifications.

These communications rely heavily on a database amounting to over 300 regular recipients (and contributors), primarily from the community and voluntary sector though with an increasing proportion of statutory associates. This is recognised as the most comprehensive database for the community and voluntary sector in the area, constantly being refined and evolved. The other pillar that supports these services is solid and skilful research on sectoral issues. NWCN also supports the learning, inclusion and activism of sectoral colleagues through:

- Sub-regional and networking events on themes relevant to the sector.
- Customised training to develop lobbying & influencing skills.
- Working with seldom-heard groups on community development practice.
- Engaging with cross-sectoral fora to improve communications & relationships.
- Participating in stakeholder groups to deliver more co-ordinated activity on matters of engagement and influence.
- Supporting all networking activity in the area.
- Leading through good practice on e.g. governance & user involvement.
- Developing collective activity on policy issues relevant to the North West.
- Promoting social partnership.

**The North West Community Network
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**Directors' report
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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Public Benefit

The main benefit is to promote citizenship and community development within the community and voluntary sector, meaning charities and voluntary organisations, for the benefit of the public through providing advice and information, training, conferences and seminars on subjects relevant to the efficiency of the voluntary sector, and representation on matters relating to government policy and legislation, leading to a more active, engaged and participative society. Health liaising with statutory agencies to influence those with decision making powers in the sector so that Health & Social Care policy and provision is more directly influenced by public experience, needs and creativity. Reaching out to the seldom heard groups in society (e.g. carers) thus facilitating increased inclusion and influence for these sections of the public. Education through delivering community education and training, bringing about an increase in public learning, knowledge and community activism. Relief of poverty by attending relevant training workshops seminars meetings and sharing knowledge with wider sector to create more informed, connected and active communities and advocates within these.

Governing Document

The organisation is a company with charitable status. The charity was incorporated on 4 December 2000. The company was established under Memorandum & Articles of Association which outlined the area of benefit and the objects of the charitable organisation.

Risk Management

The directors have a risk management strategy which consists of establishing a system of identifying risks and mitigating such risks.

Results & Performance

The results and performance for the year of The North West Community Network are summarised in the enclosed accounts.

Directors Responsibilities In Relation To The Financial Statements

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

**The North West Community Network
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**Directors' report
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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The directors are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The directors 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.

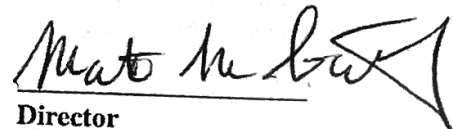
This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Independent Examiner

A resolution to re-appoint McGroarty, McCafferty & Company Ltd as independent examiners will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board on and signed on its behalf by


Director


Director

**The North West Community Network
Company limited by guarantee**

**Independent examiner's report on the unaudited financial statements to the directors of
The North West Community Network**

We report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of charity directors and examiner;

As the charity directors you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to;

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act 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 2008.
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report


We have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity directors concerning any such matters.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us cause to believe:

- that accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- that the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
- that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and the methods and principles of the 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;
- that there is further information needed for proper understanding.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed above and, in connection with following the directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


McGroarty McCafferty & Company Ltd
Accountants & Tax Consultants
2 Carlisle Terrace
Derry
BT48 6JX

Date: 11 December 2023

**The North West Community Network
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Income and Expenditure		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary Income		40,681	-	40,681	2,600
Incoming resources from charitable activities		-	71,707	71,707	73,207
Total Incoming Resources	2.1	<u>40,681</u>	<u>71,707</u>	<u>112,388</u>	<u>75,807</u>
Resources Expended					
Management & Administration		23,106	68,508	91,614	73,045
Total Resources Expended	2.2	<u>23,106</u>	<u>68,508</u>	<u>91,614</u>	<u>73,045</u>
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	9	17,575	3,199	20,774	2,762
Balances brought forward 1 April 2022		22,609	7,524	30,133	27,371
Balances carried forward 31 March 2023		<u>40,184</u>	<u>10,723</u>	<u>50,907</u>	<u>30,133</u>

The above amounts relate to continuing operations of the charity.

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented. There is no difference between the net incoming resources for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

**The North West Community Network
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**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2023**

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		890		1,547
Current assets					
Debtors	7	6,555		9,184	
Cash at bank and in hand		46,582		32,810	
		<u>53,137</u>		<u>41,994</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(3,120)</u>		<u>(13,408)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>50,017</u>		<u>28,586</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>50,907</u>		<u>30,133</u>
Net assets			<u><u>50,907</u></u>		<u><u>30,133</u></u>
Funds					
Unrestricted			40,184		22,609
Restricted			10,723		7,524
			<u><u>50,907</u></u>		<u><u>30,133</u></u>

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet (continued)

**Directors' statements required by Sections 475(2) and (3)
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

In approving these financial statements as directors of the company we hereby confirm:

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

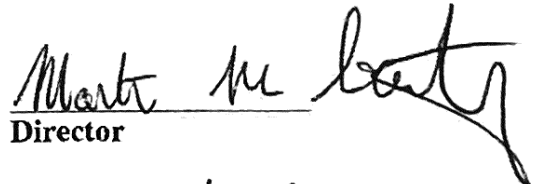
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with SORP FRS102.



Director

Date: 06/12/23



Director

Date: 06/12/23

Registration No: NI039778

**The North West Community Network
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**Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

1. General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 8-14 Bishop Street, Derry, BT48 6PW.

1.1. Statement of compliance

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 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 published in October 2019 (SORP 2019) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

1.2 Income

(i) Grants

Grants represents all amounts received and receivable during the year.

Capital grants are released to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are received in line with the SORP Accounting & Reporting by Charities 2019.

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year they are received.

(ii) Donations & administration income.

This comprises amounts received during the year.

1.3 Expenditure

(i) Direct Charitable Expenditure

This represents all expenditure directly attributable to charitable causes.

(ii) Management & Administration

This includes all other expenditure not directly allocated above and a portion of the overhead costs attributable to management and administration.

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**Notes to the financial statements
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1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	15% Straight line
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2.1 Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Income 2023 £	Restricted Income 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<u>Incoming resources from charitable activities</u>				
Department for Communities	-	60,394	60,394	54,830
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	3,677	3,677	2,862
Awards for All	-	7,107	7,107	1,270
British Science Association	-	-	-	13,057
Big Lottery Fund	-	-	-	620
John Moores Foundation	-	529	529	568
	-	71,707	71,707	73,207
<u>Voluntary Income</u>				
British Science Association	26,613	-	26,613	-
Pacific Lutheran University	7,100	-	7,100	-
Membership Fees	96	-	96	475
Other Income	6,872	-	6,872	2,125
	40,681	-	40,681	2,600
Total	40,681	71,707	112,388	75,807

(i) Restricted Funds

Funds received which are earmarked by the Funder for specific purposes. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the organisation.

(ii) Unrestricted Funds

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the company in furtherance of the aims of the charity. In addition funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

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**Notes to the financial statements
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2.2 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Management & Administration				
Wages & salaries	1,000	48,626	49,626	47,748
Pension costs	-	3,068	3,068	2,286
Rent & Utilities	-	5,520	5,520	3,950
Insurance	7	1,011	1,018	895
Printing, postage & stationery	211	-	211	251
Conferences, meetings & seminars	785	-	785	1,223
Computer Costs	324	-	324	757
Programme costs	-	1,030	1,030	13,057
Programme costs - John Moore		529	529	-
Programme costs - Awards for all		7,107	7,107	-
Programme costs - PLU	7,100	-	7,100	-
Programme costs - BSA	13,037	-	13,037	-
Accountancy	-	960	960	840
Training & course fees	-	-	-	895
Bank charges	395	-	395	305
Subscriptions	60	-	60	60
Sundry	187	-	187	105
Depreciation	-	657	657	673
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Total	23,106	68,508	91,614	73,045
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3. Operating profit

**2023
£**

**2022
£**

Operating profit is stated after charging:

Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets

657

673

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**Notes to the financial statements
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4. Employees

Employment costs

Wages and salaries
Pension costs

Year ended 2023 £	Year ended 2022 £
49,626	47,748
3,068	2,286
<u>52,694</u>	<u>50,034</u>

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were
was as follows:

2023 Number	2022 Number
<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

5. Taxation

There is no charge to taxation as the company has charitable status.

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6. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	34,237	34,237
At 31 March 2023	<u>34,237</u>	<u>34,237</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	32,690	32,690
Charge for the year	657	657
At 31 March 2023	<u>33,347</u>	<u>33,347</u>
Net book values		
At 31 March 2023	<u>890</u>	<u>890</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,547</u>	<u>1,547</u>
7. Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Debtors	761	-
Grants Due	5,794	9,184
	<u>6,555</u>	<u>9,184</u>
8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Deferred Income	387	11,751
Accruals	2,733	1,657
	<u>3,120</u>	<u>13,408</u>

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**Notes to the financial statements
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9. Movements in Funds	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted funds:	7,524	71,707	(68,508)	10,723
Total restricted funds	<u>7,524</u>	<u>71,707</u>	<u>(68,508)</u>	<u>10,723</u>
Unrestricted funds:	22,609	40,681	(23,106)	40,184
Total unrestricted funds	<u>22,609</u>	<u>40,681</u>	<u>(23,106)</u>	<u>40,184</u>
	<u>30,133</u>	<u>112,388</u>	<u>(91,614)</u>	<u>50,907</u>

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Restricted grants awarded to the charity is provided to cover the core objects as explained in directors report.

10. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year under review.

11. Controlling interest

Controlling interest rests with the board of directors.

12. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by gurantee and does not have a share capital.