

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100074

Details

Known as	Jigsaw NI
Status	Received
Registered	2014-04-07
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The Company's objects are specifically restricted to the preservation and protection of the health of persons with disabilities within Northern Ireland and to provide support to relieve their condition and in particular: a) to provide facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupations in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of said beneficiaries b) to provide therapy and support to disabled persons and their families and carers and to foster an atmosphere of mutual support and encouragement among the beneficiaries their families and carers

What the charity does: The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Arts, Community development, Disability, Sport/recreation

Who the charity helps: Carers, Learning disabilities, Mental health, Older people, Physical disabilities, Sensory disabilities

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£125,639	£135,244	£0	3

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Fionnuala Mccaughley		
George Briggs		
Mairead O'halloran		
Mrs Alison Moss		
Mrs Anita Deery		
Ms Sharon Gillespie		
Nora Harte		

Accounts

Recognised with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC100074

Recognised as a charity by HMRC

Company Registration Number: NI 35612

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

Trustees' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Status

Trustees

G Briggs
S Gillespie
A Moss
N Harte
M O'Halloran
T Woodside
F McCaughley
A Deery

Company Registration Number

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Independent Examiner

DMW Accountants (2011) Limited
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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Review of activities and achievements

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

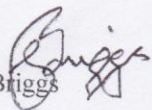
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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees recommend that DMW Accountants (2011) Limited remain in office until further notice.

This report was approved by the trustees on 2nd June 2025 and signed on its behalf by


G Briggs

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
JIGSAW(NORTHERN IRELAND)**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees of Jigsaw Northern Ireland

I report on the Accounts of the trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on Pages 6-10.

Respective Responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the Accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Commission under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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

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

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

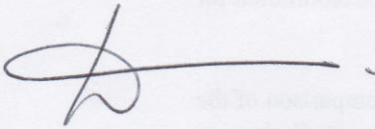
1. The accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 63 of the Charities Act.
2. That the Accounts do not accord with those accounting records.
3. That the Accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the Accounts to be reached.

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND) Continued

Independent Examiner's Statement

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



DMW Accountants (2011) Limited
Townsend Enterprise Park
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Date: 02/06/2025

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Incoming resources			
Donations	2	293	-
Grants- Service Level Agreements	3	108,560	101,311
Bank Interest	4	1,498	601
Taxi Contributions		7,174	7,728
Group Contributions		3,494	3,788
National Lottery		3,320	21,330
St Anne's Cathedral Sit-Out		1,300	880
Julia& Hans Rausing Trust		-	8,000
Total incoming resources		125,639	143,638
Resources expended			
Staff costs		69,509	60,556
Staff Pension (Including Employee contributions of £3,239.95)		6,480	5,728
Staff Cover		3,405	-
Training Costs		42	80
Rent and utilities		2,962	3,450
Electricity		549	608
Room Hire		3,858	3,528
Insurance		1,200	1,100
Catering		3,452	2,817
Printing, postage and stationery		2,087	1,016
Telephone & Internet		957	935
Computer costs		1,231	1,205
Materials		941	780
Uniforms		-	448
Staff Travel		1,728	1,437
Transport		17,165	19,548
Accountancy fees		720	720
Professional Fees		900	-
Group Tutors		17,063	18,770
Subscriptions		374	329
Gifts		200	140
Interest and charges		421	411
Total resources expended		(135,244)	(123,606)
Net movement in funds		(9,605)	20,032
Total funds brought forward		161,296	141,264
Total funds carried forward		151,691	161,296

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		152,411	160,467
Debtors		-	1,549
		<u>152,411</u>	<u>162,016</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(720)	(720)
Net current assets		<u>151,691</u>	<u>161,296</u>
Net assets		<u>151,691</u>	<u>161,296</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		89,691	101,296
Restricted funds		62,000	60,000
		<u>151,691</u>	<u>161,296</u>

For the Year Ended 31st March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The notes on pages 8 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements.

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

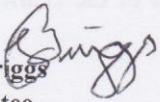
TRUSTEES' STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 257B(4)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

- (a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by Article 257A(1) of the Companies Act 2006;
- (b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to Article 257B(2) requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 March 2025 and
- (c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:
 - (1) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Article 229, and
 - (2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Article 234 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 2nd June 2025 and signed on its behalf by


G Briggs
Trustee

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and follow the recommendations in 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice' issued in October 2000.

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is a small charity.

1.2. Incoming resources

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated assets are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.3. Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.

Management and administration costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

2. Donations

2025	2024
£	£

Donations from Service Users and Friends of Jigsaw NI	293	-
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3. Grant income- Service Level Agreements

2025	2024
£	£

South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust	19,889	18,584
Belfast Health & Social Care Trust	88,671	82,727

108,560	101,311
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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

4. Investment income

	2025	2024
	£	£
Interest received	1,498	601
	<u>1,498</u>	<u>601</u>

5. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were:

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

Employment costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	69,509	60,556
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6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	720	720
	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

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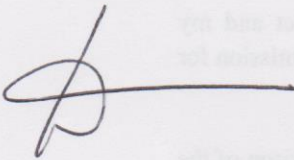
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Date:

3/6/24

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Incoming resources			
Donations	2	-	200
Grants- Service Level Agreements	3	101,311	97,871
Bank Interest	4	601	19
Taxi Contributions		7,728	6,160
Group Contributions		3,788	3,215
National Lottery		21,330	13,788
St Anne's Cathedral Sit-Out		880	850
Julia& Hans Rausing Trust		8,000	-
Total incoming resources		143,638	122,103
Resources expended			
Staff costs		60,556	56,998
Staff Pension (Including Employee contributions of £2,863.85)		5,728	7,053
Training Costs		80	684
Rent and utilities		3,450	3,007
Electricity		608	265
Room Hire		3,528	3,167
Insurance		1,100	900
Catering		2,817	2,159
Printing, postage and stationery		1,016	1,931
Telephone & Internet		935	1,106
Computer costs		1,205	754
Materials		780	327
Unifroms		448	-
Office Equipment		-	-
Staff Travel		1,437	1,532
Transport		19,548	19,270
Accountancy fees		720	720
Group Tutors		18,770	16,830
Assistant Tutors		-	380
Subscriptions		329	314
Gifts		140	120
Interest and charges		411	412
Total resources expended		(123,606)	(117,929)
Net movement in funds		20,032	4,174
Total funds brought forward		141,264	137,090
Total funds carried forward		161,296	141,264

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		160,467	140,545
Debtors		1,549	1,439
		<u>162,016</u>	<u>141,984</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(720)	(720)
Net current assets		<u>161,296</u>	<u>141,264</u>
Net assets		<u>161,296</u>	<u>141,264</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		101,296	86,264
Restricted funds		60,000	55,000
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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

TRUSTEES' STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 257B(4)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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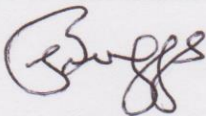
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Trustee



JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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2. Donations

	2024 £	2023 £
Donations from Service Users and Friends of Jigsaw NI	-	200

3. Grant income- Service Level Agreements

	2024 £	2023 £
South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust	18,584	17,948
Belfast Health & Social Care Trust	82,727	79,923
	<u>101,311</u>	<u>97,871</u>

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

4. Investment income

	2024	2023
	£	£
Interest received	601	19
	<u>601</u>	<u>19</u>

5. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were:

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

Employment costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	60,556	56,998
	<u>60,556</u>	<u>56,998</u>

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	720	720
	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100074

Annual report



JIGSAW

Northern Ireland

Annual Report

2023-2024



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Jigsaw (Northern Ireland) is a company limited by guarantee

Board of Directors

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Treasurer
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Director
Director
Director
Director

*George Briggs
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Nora Harte
Fionnuala McCaughley
Terry Woodside
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Mairéad O'Halloran
Anita Deery*

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Introduction

Jigsaw NI began working as ACORN in 1990, providing a range of services to its service users who are adults with varying disabilities including brain injury, sensory impairment, physical disability etc. Quite often, our service users have experienced social exclusion and may have spent many years at home with little or no daytime activity outside the house. ACORN became Jigsaw NI, a company limited by guarantee with charitable status accorded by the Inland Revenue in February 1999. In 2002 the work of Jigsaw NI was recognised with an MBE for its manager at that time, in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Jigsaw NI's range of services for its users are: Community Art and Physical Activity classes, including Exercise in water, Fitness, Boccia and Swimming. Most service users live in the greater Belfast and North Down area. The activities are held in local leisure centres and community centres. Many of our activities take place in areas of urban deprivation.

We currently have 11 groups running throughout Belfast and 2 groups running in the North Down area on a weekly basis over forty weeks of the year. Jigsaw NI groups are made up of 8-14 members (depending on ability/assistance required) with different forms of disabilities and each activity is accompanied by a communal lunch/tea break. We feel that this "personal touch" distinguishes Jigsaw NI from many other providers in this field. Physical Activity classes are provided for approximately 110 people every week. Approx 55 service users currently participate in Community Art classes on a weekly basis.

Thankfully, following a couple of very strange and disruptive years, our services have been running at full capacity for a third year running, with no lockdowns or circuit breakers required. We are hoping this will continue moving forward.

Jigsaw NI places great importance on the quality of relationship between Jigsaw NI staff and our service users. Service users are contacted before the class they attend, to remind them of their upcoming class and to confirm travel arrangements. Conversations very often develop and give service users the opportunity to talk about matters of importance to them. A sense of group belonging is always encouraged, and Jigsaw NI emphasise the need for social inclusion as well as the need for activity.

Service users have reported the following benefits from participating in Jigsaw NI's activities:

- Greater social inclusion and the chance to participate in local community life
- Learning new skills
- Increased self esteem
- Forming friendships
- Improvement in physical and mental health
- Feeling valued and listened to
- Sense of isolation is reduced by feeling part of a group
- Respite for carers and forming relationships between carers

Mission Statement, Aims & Objectives

Mission Statement:

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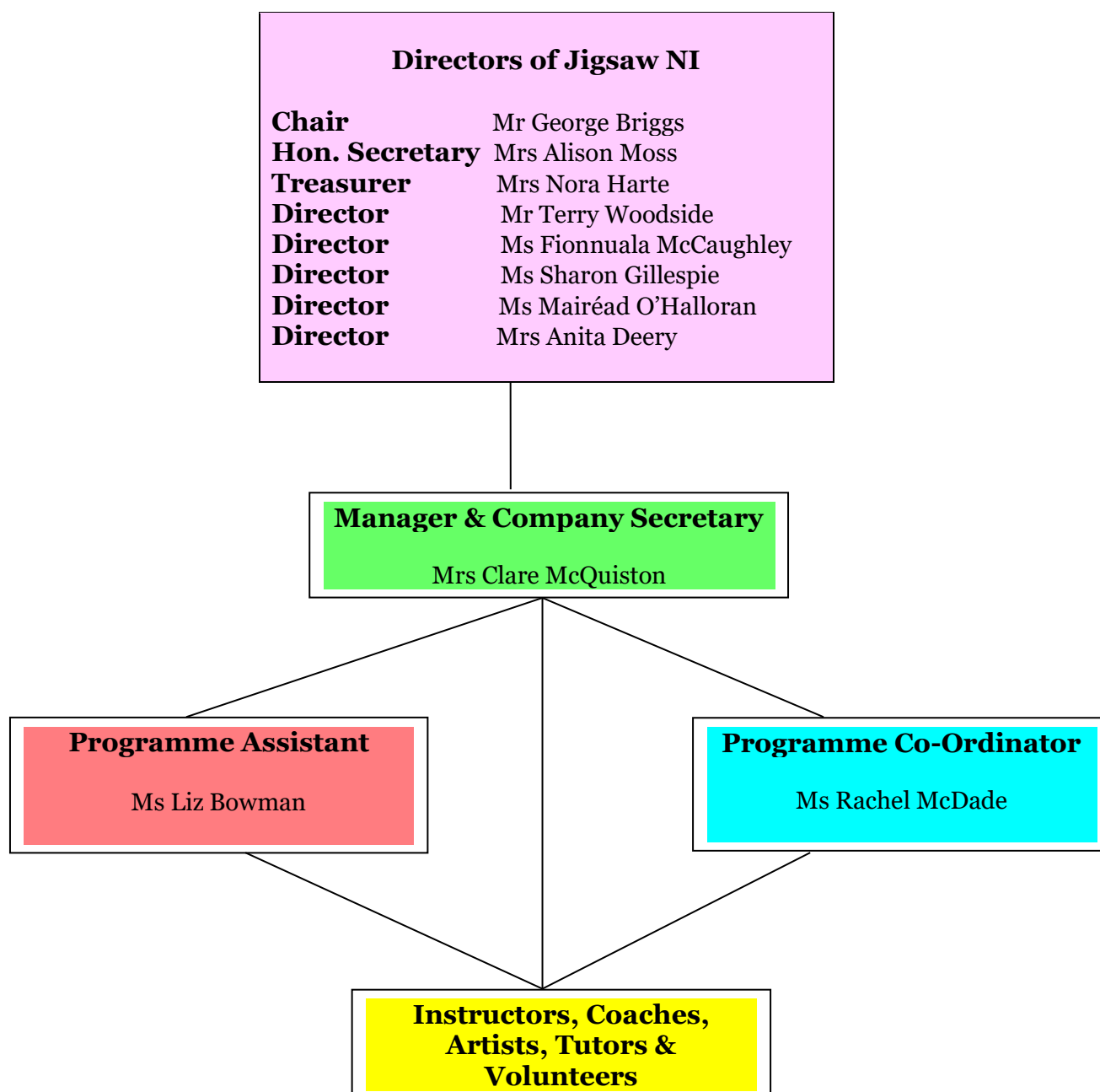
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*Service user - Collette showing her beautiful canvas



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Weekly sessions of boccia take place in Divis CC, Glen CC and Connswater CC in Belfast and in Skipperstone CC, Bangor. The boccia groups are very popular with our service users. The boccia sessions are good fun with a lot of playful banter with service users really enjoying the activity, which is shown by the great attendance records throughout the year.



*Service users enjoying games of boccia.

Thankfully our annual boccia tournament was able to be held this year again and we had 9 teams competing in it. It was a great day's fun and we had teams from all four of our groups competing on the day with 'Mary's Mates' from Glen CC group coming out on top to win the coveted shield.



*Action shot from this year's Jigsaw NI boccia tournament



*Winning Team – Mary's Mates, Glen CC with coaches

We also had teams that entered The Andy & Nessie Ross Memorial tournament, The Dedication tournament, and the Sam Hunter Memorial boccia tournament organised by Boccia NI. The teams unfortunately didn't win any of these tournaments but played really well in them, making the semi-final in the Sam Hunter Memorial boccia tournament. This is a great achievement as teams come from all over Belfast, Newtownabbey and Antrim to participate in these tournaments and they are always competitive. The consistency and improvement of the service users is evident. The groups are coached by a qualified boccia leader on a weekly basis and service users really enjoy this activity.

Fitness/Boccia Class

The Bangor boccia/fitness class which takes place in Skipperstone CC is very much a user-led group, with the group discussing ideas of what activities they will do. This year the group mostly played boccia, board games, chair-based activity, baking, quizzes and circuits. The weekly class is on a Tuesday and is enjoyed by all the participants. It is hoped that this class will continue to grow, and more people will benefit from this group.



2024 Summer Activities

We provided a four-week summer scheme again this year for our service users in Belfast and in Bangor. We are very grateful again to have received funding from the “Black Santa sit-out fund” to help cover the costs of the summer scheme this year.

The Belfast summer schemes consisted of all South and East Belfast groups coming together on a Tuesday in Connswater Community Centre, North and West Belfast groups coming together on a Wednesday in Divis Community Centre and Bangor groups coming together on a Thursday in Skipperstone Community Centre to participate in a range of different activities, i.e. bingo, quiz, warm ups, boccia, target games etc. The summer scheme was a great success, with those attending enjoying the activities and a day out of the house. There was very positive feedback from service users at the end of the summer schemes.



Comments

'I am very happy with my experience of Jigsaw. There are always prompt responses and there are a good variety of different groups and locations to suit everyone'

Síofra (Referral agent)

'Service is very good, and I would like to thank everybody'

Margaret (Service user)

'The water exercise with Keira has made a huge impact on my health & wellbeing. It has improved my balance, strength, mood & confidence. I really look forward to Thursdays. Absolutely love it!'

Grainne (Service user)

'I'd like to thank everyone involved in Jigsaw NI, they have done a lot for my husband over the years and he has met so many good friends, thank you'

Moira (Relative of Service user)

'When I first went to exercise in the water I had no strength in my arms and legs. Now for the first time I was able to get out of pool by the steps. Six months ago I only dreamed of being able to do that again. So proud of myself, thank you'

Alison (Service user)

'Anyone I have going to Jigsaw really enjoy it and have made great connections and friends'

Andrea (Referral agent)

Highlights for 2023 – 2024

- ***All of our groups and summer scheme continued to run at full capacity safely.***



- ***Glen CC boccia team “Mary’s Mates” win Jigsaw NI annual boccia tournament – June 2024***

This year has been a good success with a total of 156 individual participants (72 male 46.2% and 84 female 53.8%) taking part in 520 sessions (1’040 hrs). Jigsaw NI activities are held throughout Greater Belfast and North Down and Ards areas.

Through continuous monitoring and evaluation, we continue to improve our services, giving our service users, working partners and funders the opportunity to contribute their observations and ideas for improvement of our existing programmes and possible suggestions for future activities that may enhance the work of Jigsaw NI.

Acknowledgements

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following organisations for their help and support throughout the year.

Belfast HSCT



South Eastern HSCT



Black Santa sit-out Fund



BCC – Support for Sport



*National Lottery Community Fund
People and Communities*



The Julia and Hans Rausing Trust



Jigsaw NI also wishes to thank Connswater Community Centre, Glen Community Centre, Divis Community Centre and Townsend Enterprise Park for their on-going support and assistance and for any donations received throughout the year.

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100074

Annual return

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
JIGSAW(NORTHERN IRELAND)**

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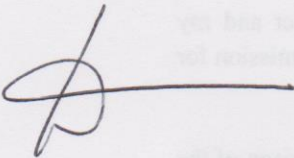
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DMW Accountants (2011) Limited
Townsend Enterprise Park
28 Townsend Street
Belfast
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Date:

3/6/24

Accounts

Recognised with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC100074
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Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

Trustees' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2023

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Status

Trustees	G Briggs	T Woodside
	M O'Halloran	N Harte
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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Review of activities and achievements

The charity provides a range of activities on a weekly basis for approximately 130 members. Activities include community arts, exercise in water, keep fit, swimming and boccia.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

Company and charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees recommend that DMW Accountants (2011) Limited remain in office until further notice.

This report was approved by the trustees on 4th September 2023 and signed on its behalf by

G Briggs



JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

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DMW Accountants (2011) Limited
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JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Incoming resources			
Donations	2	200	150
Grants- Service Level Agreements	3	97,871	93,919
Bank Interest	4	19	132
Taxi Contributions		6,160	4,772
Group Contributions		3,215	2,717
National Lottery		13,788	7,687
St Anne's Cathedral Sit-Out		850	750
Total incoming resources		122,103	110,127
Resources expended			
Staff costs		56,998	48,203
Staff Pension (Including Employee contributions of £3,688.88)		7,053	6,734
Training Costs		684	127
Rent and utilities		3,007	3,209
Electricity		265	178
Room Hire		3,167	1,961
Insurance		900	820
Catering		2,159	2,866
Printing, postage and stationery		1,931	593
Telephone & Internet		1,106	1,504
Computer costs		754	1,483
Materials		327	822
Office Equipment		-	-
Staff Travel		1,532	1,513
Transport		19,270	14,687
Accountancy fees		720	720
Group Tutors		16,830	13,108
Assistant Tutors		380	720
Subscriptions		314	284
Gifts		120	337
Interest and charges		412	323
Total resources expended		(117,929)	(100,192)
Net movement in funds		4,174	9,935
Total funds brought forward		137,090	127,155
Total funds carried forward		141,264	137,090

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		140,545	137,932
Debtors		1,439	
		<u>141,984</u>	<u>137,932</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(720)	(842)
Net current assets		<u>141,264</u>	<u>137,090</u>
Net assets		<u>141,264</u>	<u>137,090</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		86,264	-
Restricted funds		55,000	137,090
		<u>141,264</u>	<u>137,090</u>

For the Year Ended 31st March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The notes on pages 8 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements.

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

TRUSTEES' STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 257B(4)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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

(a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by Article 257A(1) of the Companies Act 2006;

(b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to Article 257B(2) requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 March 2023 and

(c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:

(1) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Article 229, and

(2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Article 234 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 4th September 2023 and signed on its behalf by

G Briggs
Trustee



JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and follow the recommendations in 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice' issued in October 2000.

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is a small charity.

1.2. Incoming resources

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated assets are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.3. Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.

Management and administration costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

2. Donations	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations from Service Users and Friends of Jigsaw NI	200	150
3. Grant income- Service Level Agreements	2023	2022
	£	£
South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust	17,948	17,268
Belfast Health & Social Care Trust	79,923	76,651
	97,871	93,919

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

4. Investment income

	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest received	19	132
	<u>19</u>	<u>132</u>

5. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were:

2023	2022
Number	Number
3	3
<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Employment costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	56,998	48,203
	<u>56,998</u>	<u>48,203</u>

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	720	720
Credit Card	-	122
	<u>720</u>	<u>842</u>

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

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Introduction

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Jigsaw NI's range of services for its users are: Community Art and Physical Activity classes, including Exercise in water, Fitness, Boccia and Swimming. Most service users live in the greater Belfast and North Down area. The activities are held in local leisure centres and community centres. Many of our activities take place in areas of urban deprivation.

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Thankfully, following a couple of very strange and disruptive years, our services have been running at full capacity for a second year running, with no lockdowns or circuit breakers required. We are hoping this will continue moving forward.

Jigsaw NI places great importance on the quality of relationship between Jigsaw NI staff and our service users. Service users are contacted before the class they attend, and the ensuing conversation often refers to their feelings and matters of importance to the service user. A sense of group belonging is always encouraged, and Jigsaw NI emphasise the need for social inclusion as well as the need for activity.

Service users have reported the following benefits from participating in Jigsaw NI's activities:

- Greater social inclusion and the chance to participate in local community life
- Learning new skills
- Increased self esteem
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- Improvement in physical and mental health
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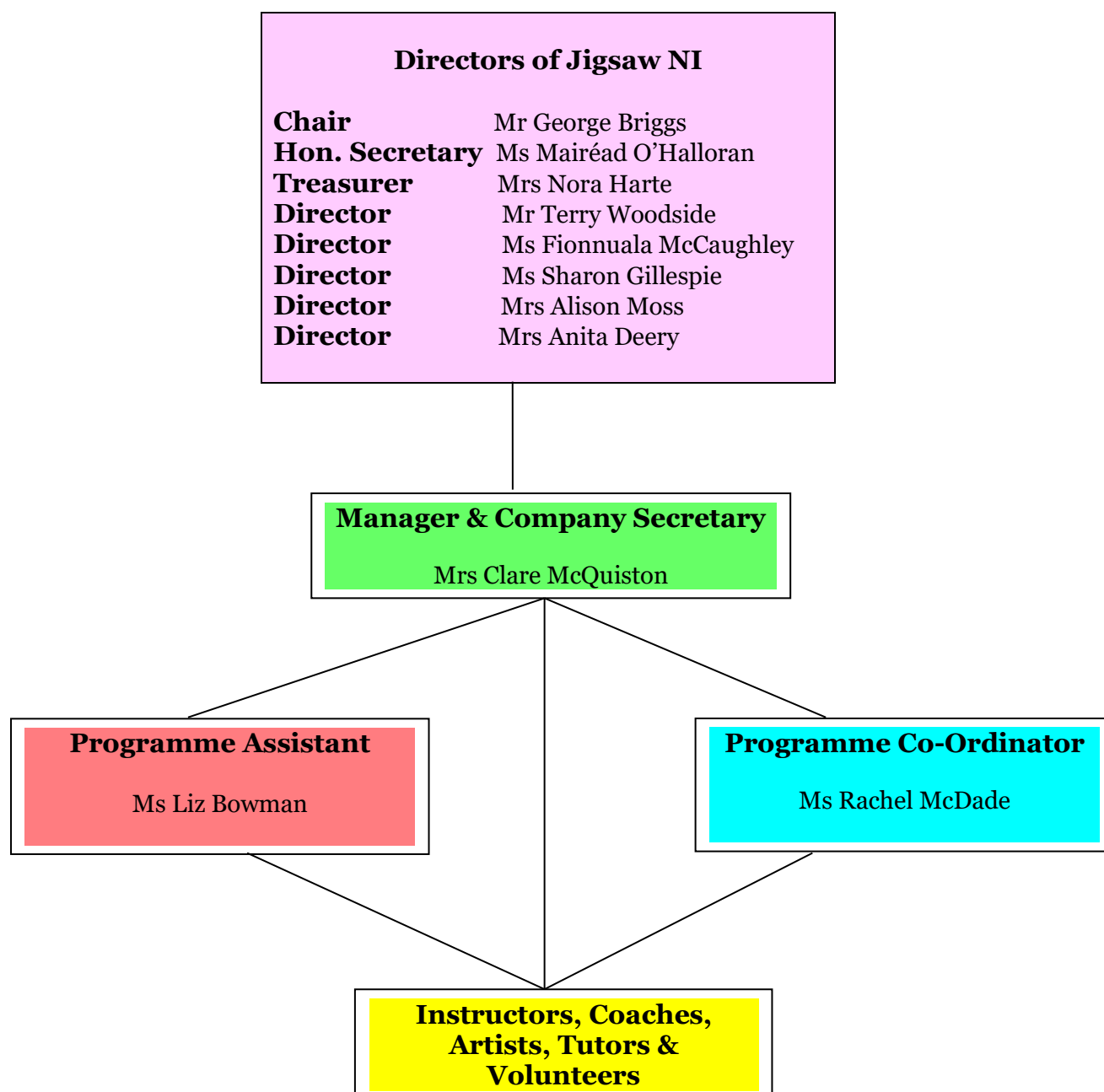
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Boccia

Boccia is an inclusive sport that can be tailored to suit children and adults of all abilities. It is a Paralympic sport and has some similarities with indoor bowls. The aim of the game is for each team to propel and land their boccia balls closer to the white jack than their opposing team. Boccia is a great way of getting people active, while adding a little competitive edge when playing games.

Weekly sessions of boccia take place in Divis CC, Glen CC and Connswater C&L in Belfast and in Skipperstone CC, Bangor. The boccia groups are very popular with our service users. The boccia sessions are good fun with a lot of playful banter with service users really enjoying the activity, which is shown by the great attendance records throughout the year.



*Service user - Ruben delivering his shot using a shute.

Thankfully our annual boccia tournament was able to be held this year again and we had 11 teams competing in it. It was a great day's fun and we had teams from all four of our groups competing on the day with 'Denis the Menace' from Connswater CC group coming out on top to win the coveted shield.



*Action shot from this year's Jigsaw NI boccia tournament



*Winning Team – Denis the Menace, Connswater with coaches

We also had teams that entered The Andy & Nessie Ross Memorial tournament, The Dedication tournament, and the Sam Hunter Memorial boccia tournament organised by Boccia NI. The teams unfortunately didn't win any of these tournaments but played really well in them, making the semi-final in the Dedication tournament. This is a great achievement as teams come from all over Belfast, Newtownabbey and Antrim to participate in these tournaments and they are always competitive. This year the Dedication tournament was dedicated to our very own Monica Leydon, one of our service users that had played boccia with us on a weekly basis for a long time who sadly passed away last year. Monica was a great character and enjoyed the craic playing, was fond of a wee sing song and the group miss her very much. The consistency and improvement of the service users is evident. The groups are coached by a qualified boccia leader on a weekly basis and service users really enjoy this activity.

Fitness/Boccia Class

The Bangor boccia/fitness class which takes place in Skipperstone CC is very much a user-led group, with the group discussing ideas and planning out a timetable of activities in advance. This year the group mostly played boccia, board games, chair based activity, quizzes and circuits. The weekly class is on a Tuesday and is enjoyed by all the participants. It is hoped that this class will continue to grow, and more people will benefit from this group.



2023 Summer Activities

We provided a four-week summer scheme again this year for our service users in Belfast and in Bangor. We are very grateful again to have received funding from the “Black Santa sit-out fund” to help cover the costs of the summer scheme this year.

The Belfast summer schemes consisted of all South and East Belfast groups coming together on a Tuesday in Connswater Community and Leisure, North and West Belfast groups coming together on a Wednesday in Divis Community Centre and Bangor groups coming together on a Thursday in Skipperstone Community Centre to participate in a range of different activities, i.e. bingo, quiz, warm ups, boccia, target games etc. The summer scheme was a great success, with those attending enjoying the activities and a day out of the house. There was very positive feedback from service users at the end of the summer schemes.



* Quiz time at summer scheme



* Boccia action shot at summer scheme



* Happy facilitator James at summer scheme



* Service user – Laura playing bingo

Comments

'I am really enjoying my exercise in the water group. It particularly helps my balance. I missed a few weeks, and I really noticed the difference and couldn't wait to get back.'

Grainne (Service user)

'I really enjoy going to the art class. I now look at art and murals differently and take more of an interest when I'm out and about.'

Bonnie (Service user)

'I could not fault Liz, Clare, Martina or Carly in any way. Each one has gone above beyond with help when needed. Many thanks for giving me the opportunity to socialise with great people.'

Jean (Service user)

'Jigsaw continues to be a great source of encouragement and support. It provides us with both social and physical outlets which helps with my mental and physical health also.'

Sharon (Service user)

'I love going to my art group on Friday mornings. It really helps me mentally and I just love it.'

Bernard (Service user)

'I can't thank Jigsaw enough for giving me this opportunity to get back into the pool after my brain injury. It is the third happiest time of my life, the other two was when I had my two children.'

Ann (Service user)

'The Jigsaw service is very helpful, both physically and socially and it gives Geoffrey the support he needs to be able to go into the swimming pool again. Geoffrey looks forward to it each week.'

Moira (Relative of service user)

Highlights for 2022 – 2023

- ***All of our groups continued to run at full capacity safely, with no lockdowns or circuit breakers required.***



- ***Connswater CC boccia team “Denis the Menace” win Jigsaw NI annual boccia tournament – June 2023***

This year has seen our services running at full capacity again in a safe way. Referrals are coming in at pre-covid rates and service users are happy to get back to some form of normality after what has been a very unsettling time for all.

This year has been a great success with a total of 172 individual participants (82 male 47.7% and 90 female 52.3%) taking part in 520 sessions (1'040 hrs). Jigsaw NI activities are held throughout Greater Belfast and North Down and Ards areas.

Through continuous monitoring and evaluation, we continue to improve our services, giving our service users, working partners and funders the opportunity to contribute their observations and ideas for improvement of our existing programmes and possible suggestions for future activities that may enhance the work of Jigsaw NI.

Acknowledgements

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following organisations for their help and support throughout the year.

Belfast HSCT



South Eastern HSCT



Black Santa sit-out Fund



BCC – Support for Sport



*National Lottery Community Fund
People and Communities*



The Julia and Hans Rausing Trust



Jigsaw NI also wishes to thank Connswater Community and Leisure, Glen Community Centre, Divis Community Centre and Townsend Enterprise Park for their on-going support and assistance and for any donations received throughout the year.

Jigsaw (Northern Ireland)

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Annual return

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
JIGSAW(NORTHERN IRELAND)

Independent Examiner's Report to the Charity Trustees of Jigsaw Northern Ireland

I report on the Accounts of the trust for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on Pages 6-10.

Respective Responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the Accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Commission under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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

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

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

1. The accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 63 of the Charities Act.
2. That the Accounts do not accord with those accounting records.
3. That the Accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the Accounts to be reached.

JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE CHARITY TRUSTEES OF
JIGSAW (NORTHERN IRELAND) Continued

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'D' or 'S' shape followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

DMW Accountants (2011) Limited
Townsend Enterprise Park
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Date: 4th September 2023