

Hillsborough Community Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 June 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Hillsborough Community Centre Ltd facilitates and proactively develops a diverse range of community activities and interests within Hillsborough Village Centre and makes them open and accessible to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. Almost 100 diverse user groups are accommodated at present. The company also works in partnership with a range of service providers, local churches, schools and voluntary organisations for the benefit of the community as a whole.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The regular schedule of groups, societies and classes continued to recover from the impact of the pandemic but footfall and class numbers were significantly lower than pre-COVID years.

The Centre once again benefitted from Lisburn and Castlereagh City Councils support through an employment grant and also through help with essential maintenance, support and guidance. Further grant assistance was gratefully received to provide essential funds during this difficult year.

FUTURE PLANS

In direct response to user feedback, some investment was made in equipment for the Centre as well as essential repairs and renewals - this was limited while income generation continues to recover from the pandemic.

Plans are still in place for an extension to our facilities but funding for such projects is difficult to find currently.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The company was formed in 2002 as a company limited by guarantee. The board of directors represents a cross section of interested parties from the local area. Day to day management is the responsibility of the Centre Manager but key decisions such as those on employment, large capital spend, legal issues and matters of strategic importance are deferred to bi-monthly board meetings.

Feedback and control mechanisms exist in the form of an annual user forum and annual user satisfaction survey. These mechanisms are used to ensure that the company is meeting the needs of the whole community as far as possible and redirect operations where necessary.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

NI043401 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number

100156

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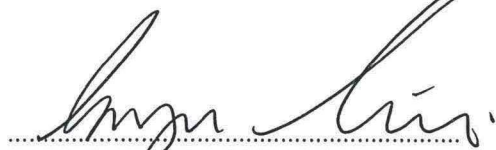
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29/3/25 and signed on its behalf by:



Mrs E Erwin - Trustee