

# Women's Centre Derry Ltd

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100187

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2014-09-05

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The objects of the Company are, for the public benefit, to advance education, promote equality and diversity, protect and improve health, prevent and relieve poverty, and enhance the wellbeing and development of women, their families, children, and the wider community in Derry City and the Northwest of Northern Ireland, including the relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, and to advance citizenship and community development, in particular by: (i) Promoting educational opportunities and employability for women and members of their families, working with relevant stakeholders to support skills development, lifelong learning, digital inclusion, and access to sustainable employment. (ii) Promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion by eliminating discrimination on the grounds of gender, age, ethnicity, disability, religion or belief, sexual orientation, or socio-economic background, and fostering shared understanding and cooperation across the community. (iii) Promoting health and wellbeing for people of all ages, including tailored programmes for individuals, families, and children with additional needs or disabilities. (iv) Supporting children's development from early years through adolescence, including children with additional needs, through educational, social, and emotional programmes and by providing accessible childcare. (v) Relieving poverty and economic hardship by providing access to advice, training, resources, and practical support that address financial and social inequalities. (vi) Encouraging environmental awareness and sustainable practices within the organisation and the wider community, including projects addressing climate change, promoting green spaces, and protecting the local environment. (vii) Collaborating with community, statutory, and voluntary partners to achieve these objectives, strengthen community cohesion, and foster peacebuilding and social integration.

**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, The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

**How the charity works:** Advice/advocacy/information, Arts, Community development, Counselling/support, Cross-border/cross-community, Disability, Economic development, Education/training, Gender, Human rights/equality, Playgroup/after schools, Relief of poverty, Research/evaluation, Volunteer development, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training, Carers, Ethnic minorities, Ex-offenders and prisoners, General public, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Sexual orientation, Specific areas of deprivation, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£466,624	£459,018	£-31,604	16

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Clionagh Boyle		
Denise Doherty		
Geraldine Compton		
Kathy Colhoun		
Roisin Hegarty		
Saorla Boyle		

**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

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# Accounts

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**Charity registration number NIC100187 (Northern Ireland)**

**Company registration number NI033263**

**WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Denise Doherty (Chairperson) Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer) Dr Clionagh Boyle Geraldine Compton Roisin Hegarty Saorla Boyle	
<b>Secretary</b>	Sharon McLaughlin	
<b>Senior management</b>	Catherine Barr Sharon McLaughlin Joanne Karran	Centre Manager Finance administrator Head of Childcare Services
<b>Charity number (Northern Ireland)</b>	NIC100187	
<b>Company number</b>	NI033263	
<b>Registered office</b>	Beibhinn House 5 Guildhall Street Derry BT48 6BB	
<b>Auditor</b>	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Derry/Londonderry BT48 7EP	
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland 27 Culmore Road Londonderry BT48 8JB	
<b>Solicitors</b>	Babingtons Solicitors 9 Limavady Road Londonderry BT47 6JU	

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

### **Objectives and activities**

The principal activity of the company is to challenge the oppression and discrimination of women, as it exists, in all forms and it is committed to joining with other women, and women's groups, around positive initiatives for change. Through the activity of the centre, space is provided where women have the opportunity to explore their lives, make new choices and gain support to act on these choices.

The objects of the company as stated in the Memorandum & Articles of Association are to benefit the community in Derry ~ Londonderry and the Northwest, in particular women members of the community, by the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in matters relating to mental, physical and social welfare and in particular to provide centres for the supply of advice and guidance; arrange and provide the holding of meetings, lectures, workshops and classes; and do all things as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of the Company.

### *Strategies for achieving aims and objectives*

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are:

- Providing a holistic program of educational, recreational and life skills opportunities for individuals.
- Providing education to best suit the needs of women and families in the community.
- Providing on-site childcare to enable parents to access and participate in education activities
- Providing education and social welfare facilities and resources for the use of individuals in the community.

### *Public benefit*

The trustees have considered the charity legislation which sets out the requirements for charities to demonstrate the aims and activities are for public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission NI guidance on public benefit.

The beneficiaries are socially excluded women and their families living in the area of benefit. The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include:

- Improved educational achievements, knowledge and resources to enable women and their families out of poverty.
- Increased empowerment and confidence to enable women to make positive changes to alleviate the effects of poverty.
- Increased capacity for gaining employment enabling women to create a better future.
- Improved life skills and abilities.
- Improved quality of life for individuals and families in the community.
- Increased social inclusion for women and families.

The benefits are evidenced through qualifications gained, employment secured and evaluation feedback from beneficiaries. There is no private benefit to trustees.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### **Achievements and performance**

#### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

During the year, the Centre supported a total of 1,465 women and their families through a broad programme of services and activities. These included:

- Accredited education and training
- Employment preparation and skills development
- One-to-one advocacy and support
- Health and wellbeing programmes
- Parenting and early years support
- Integration and multicultural activities
- Onsite crèche and childcare services

A total of 12 projects were delivered, providing 19,702 course places. 172 women achieved accredited qualifications, and 27 women progressed into employment.

Our crèche and early years services supported 556 individual children, delivering a total of 8,989 hours of childcare.

Multicultural projects reached 202 Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) families, supporting community integration and promoting equality.

To deliver services during the year, the Centre employed 20 staff members and contracted 40 part-time tutors and facilitators. Staff training and continuing professional development were prioritised throughout the period, ensuring the delivery of high-quality, person-centred services.

The Centre worked in partnership with 147 organisations and statutory agencies, including the Women's Regional Consortium, Women's Resource Development Agency, and Triax. These partnerships enabled effective service delivery to women in both urban and rural isolated areas.

### **Financial review**

Total income for the year was £466,624, of which £362,507 was received from grant aid funding. £11,448 represents enrolment fees in respect of lectures, workshops and classes. £88,256 was generated in respect of donations received.

Total expenditure was £459,018, all of which was expended on direct charitable activities.

The balance on total funds at the year-end was £819,498, of which £324,680 were unrestricted income funds, £425,066 were designated funds and £69,752 were restricted funds.

#### *Reserves policy*

The Trustees consider it prudent to hold monies in reserve in the event that unforeseen circumstances should lead to financial difficulties which might put the future of its employment capacity, general charitable work and property in jeopardy.

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves considering the main risks to the organisation and established a formal policy which stipulates that free reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty. Free reserves are defined by the Trustees as unrestricted income funds freely available for use as the charity so determines and thereby excludes any funds committed, invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted or designated funds.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Based on the year ended 31 March 2025 expenditure (excluding depreciation and non-recurring costs) of £379,900, the target level of reserves is £94,960 to £189,900. Free reserves of the charity as at 31st March 2025 are £321,268, therefore the Trustees are pleased to confirm that the charity is compliant with its reserves policy. The Trustees continue to strive to maintain a general level of reserves in accordance with their policy so that they will be able to continue the current activities of the charity.

Within unrestricted funds, a designation of £425,066 has been set aside represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an on-going basis for charitable activities. The designated funds balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated each year to the designated fund, until it is fully amortised.

### *Major risks*

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees, in conjunction with the senior management team, are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised through the procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

Women's Centre is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by Charity Commission for NI under reference NIC100762 and by HMRC under reference XR 19291. The company was incorporated on 17th November 1997. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Denise Doherty (Chairperson)

Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)

Dr Clionagh Boyle

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Gomaa

Saorla Boyle

(Resigned 26 June 2024)

#### *Recruitment and appointment of trustees*

The Board of Trustees manages the process of recruitment and appointment of Trustees, and may admit to membership any person interested in promoting the objects (primary purpose) of the company.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### *Organisational structure*

The Centre is governed by a committed Board of Directors who bring a wide range of skills and expertise, including finance, youth work, management, early years education, learning support, translation, and community development. The Board met regularly throughout the year and maintained oversight of governance, strategy, and financial performance.

The Trustees have ultimate legal and financial responsibility for the affairs of the Women's Centre and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Centre Director, who is responsible for the day to day operational management of the charity. Trustees ensured compliance with statutory responsibilities and monitored risk management processes. The Board also supported staff development and the implementation of effective policies and procedures.

The Trustees remain satisfied that the Women's Centre is compliant with good governance practices in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.

### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Womens Centre Derry Ltd for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the 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.

### **Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Moore (NI) LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

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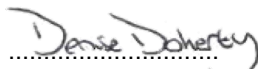
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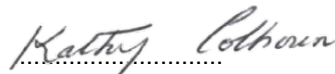
### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
**Trustee**



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
**Trustee**

Date: 17/06/2025

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Audit response to risks identified

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

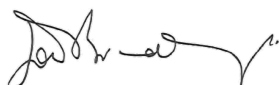
- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**

For and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

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Date: 17/06/2025

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes					
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	88,256	-	-	88,256	72,522
Charitable activities	4	11,448	-	362,507	373,955	335,864
Investments	5	3	-	-	3	8
Other income	6	4,410	-	-	4,410	-
<b>Total income</b>		<b>104,117</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>362,507</b>	<b>466,624</b>	<b>408,394</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	7	58,209	17,149	383,660	459,018	402,806
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>58,209</b>	<b>17,149</b>	<b>383,660</b>	<b>459,018</b>	<b>402,806</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>45,908</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(21,153)</b>	<b>7,606</b>	<b>5,588</b>
Transfers between funds		(17,233)	-	17,233	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	9	<b>28,675</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(3,920)</b>	<b>7,606</b>	<b>5,588</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		296,005	442,215	73,672	811,892	806,304
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2025</b>		<b>324,680</b>	<b>425,066</b>	<b>69,752</b>	<b>819,498</b>	<b>811,892</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Prior financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes				
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	72,522	-	-	72,522
Charitable activities	4	6,724	-	329,140	335,864
Investments	5	8	-	-	8
<b>Total income</b>		79,254	-	329,140	408,394
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	7	64,879	17,149	320,778	402,806
<b>Total expenditure</b>		64,879	17,149	320,778	402,806
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		14,375	(17,149)	8,362	5,588
Transfers between funds		(11,754)	-	11,754	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	9	2,621	(17,149)	20,116	5,588
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2024</b>		296,005	442,215	73,672	811,892

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

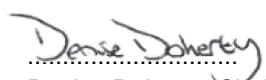
## BALANCE SHEET

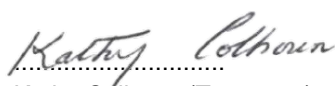
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	13		435,956		446,231
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	14	60,728		35,507	
Cash at bank and in hand		354,418		350,696	
		415,146		386,203	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	(31,604)		(20,542)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			383,542		365,661
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			819,498		811,892
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	18	69,752		73,672	
Unrestricted funds - general	20	324,680		296,005	
Unrestricted funds - designated	19	425,066		442,215	
		819,498		811,892	

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 17/06/2025.

  
Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee

  
Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### 1 Accounting policies

##### Charity information

Womens Centre Derry Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is Beibhinn House, 5 Guildhall Street, Derry, BT48 6BB.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of childcare and educational services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 8.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.10 Taxation

The company is a charity and is recognised as such by HM Revenue & Customs under the charity tax reference XR 19291. As a result there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

#### 1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

#### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

#### 3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	<u>88,256</u>	<u>72,522</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 3 Income from donations and legacies (Continued)

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
<b>Donations and gifts</b>		
GROW Fund	38,700	36,000
WISER NI CIC	45,494	25,992
The Community Foundation - Kingsbridge Foundation	-	5,000
Other	4,062	5,530
	<u>88,256</u>	<u>72,522</u>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Courses and craft income	11,448	-	11,448	6,724	-	6,724
Grant funding	-	362,507	362,507	-	329,140	329,140
	<u>11,448</u>	<u>362,507</u>	<u>373,955</u>	<u>6,724</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>335,864</u>

### Analysis of grant funding

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities 2024 £
Dept for Communities - VCD	109,062	102,615
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	31,562	29,498
Connect Peace	21,950	-
UKSPF - Success NW project	60,156	32,999
Derry City & Strabane District Council	9,930	4,000
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	23,369	20,835
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	77,105	108,585
Magill Family Trust	12,000	-
BBC Children in Need	13,384	23,538
Other	3,989	7,070
	<u>362,507</u>	<u>329,140</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Interest receivable	3	8

### 6 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Management charge	4,410	-

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities 2024 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	276,277	239,003
Depreciation and impairment	20,246	19,483
Project expenses	47,627	39,304
Property costs	9,231	11,098
Repairs and maintenance	11,682	6,401
Office costs	17,891	16,629
Advertising, marketing and publicity	-	456
Travel expenses	-	707
Staff training	929	33
Insurance	6,356	7,698
Consumables	2,530	1,883
Bank charges	787	579
General expenses	6,546	3,581
	<u>400,102</u>	<u>346,855</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)</b>		
Support	54,116	51,151
Governance	4,800	4,800
	<u>459,018</u>	<u>402,806</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	58,209	64,879
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	383,660	320,778
	<u>459,018</u>	<u>402,806</u>

### 8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs	54,116	51,151
Governance costs	4,800	4,800
	<u>58,916</u>	<u>55,951</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>58,916</u>	<u>55,951</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 8 Support costs allocated to activities (Continued)

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs represent time spent by staff on back office work, finance, personnel, payroll and governance matters which are necessary to plan, direct and monitor the charity's programmes and activities.

9 Net movement in funds	2025 £	2024 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements	4,800	4,800
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	20,246	19,483
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

### 10 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
	16	13
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

#### Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	288,957	254,174
Social security costs	21,821	19,071
Other pension costs	19,615	16,909
	<u>330,393</u>	<u>290,154</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

#### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Aggregate compensation	128,625	121,018
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### 12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 13 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2024	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
Additions	-	9,970	9,970
At 31 March 2025	857,438	214,556	1,071,994
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 April 2024	415,221	200,571	615,792
Depreciation charged in the year	17,149	3,097	20,246
At 31 March 2025	432,370	203,668	636,038
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 March 2025	<b>425,068</b>	<b>10,888</b>	<b>435,956</b>
At 31 March 2024	442,217	4,014	446,231

### 14 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Amounts owed by WISER NI CIC	45,820	26,318
Grant claims receivable	14,908	9,189
	<b>60,728</b>	35,507

### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Bank overdrafts	16	26,804	8,056
Accruals		4,800	12,486
		<b>31,604</b>	<b>20,542</b>

### 16 Loans and overdrafts

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank overdrafts	26,804	8,056
Payable within one year	26,804	8,056

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 17 Retirement benefit schemes

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Defined contribution schemes</b>		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	<b>35,985</b>	30,321

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

### 18 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	109,062	(126,295)	17,233	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	-	31,562	(31,562)	-	-
UKSPF - Success NW project	-	60,156	(60,156)	-	-
Connect Peace	-	21,950	(8,303)	-	13,647
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	9,930	(9,930)	-	-
Magill Family Trust	-	12,000	(4,522)	-	7,478
WHST - SEEDS	6,944	-	(6,944)	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	6,243	-	(6,243)	-	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	44,141	77,105	(86,110)	-	35,136
BBC Children in Need	9,180	13,384	(18,580)	-	3,984
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	7,164	23,369	(21,026)	-	9,507
Dept of Justice D&S Abuse	-	3,626	(3,626)	-	-
Other restricted funds	-	363	(363)	-	-
	<b>73,672</b>	<b>362,507</b>	<b>(383,660)</b>	<b>17,233</b>	<b>69,752</b>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 18 Restricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	102,615	(113,015)	10,400	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	914	29,498	(31,429)	1,017	-
UKSPF - Success NW project Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	32,999	(32,999)	-	-
WHSC - SEEDS	-	4,000	(4,282)	282	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	9,400	360	(2,816)	-	6,944
OCN NI	3,588	3,740	(1,085)	-	6,243
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	-	2,970	(3,025)	55	-
BBC Children in Need	13,085	108,585	(77,529)	-	44,141
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	20,502	23,538	(34,860)	-	9,180
	6,067	20,835	(19,738)	-	7,164
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>(320,778)</u>	<u>11,754</u>	<u>73,672</u>

#### CONNECT

The project is funded by PEACEPLUS, a programme managed by Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB). Administered by Derry City and Strabane District Council. This programme is dedicated to building peaceful, prosperous, and thriving communities by fostering strong local connections, encouraging cultural appreciation, and supporting community-led transformation.

#### Dept for Communities - VCD

Core support for the organisation to maintain and support the delivery of community development activities, education, childcare, information, signposting and support services for women and children from disadvantaged communities.

#### Dept for Communities - Regional Support

This project supports WCD as part of a Consortium of seven established Women's Sector organisations. This organisation works to support frontline women's organisations ensuring the delivery of identified specialist functions on a regional basis, rural and urban across Northern Ireland.

#### UKSPF - Success NW

Shared Prosperity Fund- Success Northwest (SNW) project is an ambitious, collaborative, consortium approach, with community-based, partners in eight community hubs across the DCSDC area. The project provides intensive and tailored interventions to those economically inactive residents. The project uses a range of holistic approaches to address barriers and support individuals to secure sustainable, good quality employment.

#### Derry City & Strabane District Council

Good Relations Fund which delivered the (ESOL) English Speakers Other Languages project to women arriving new to the City.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

#### 18 Restricted funds

(Continued)

##### WHSCCT - SEEDS

Funding for the provision of therapeutic and self-care support for vulnerable women and children.

##### HFNI Halifax Foundation

Funding for the delivery of conversational English classes at the Centre.

##### National Lottery Community Fund

Funding for People and Communities RECOVER REBUILD RENEW project.

##### BBC Children in Need

This project will provide advocacy support and activities for Black and minority ethnic, resettled, and refugee children and young people. It will reduce isolation, improve English skills, and increase health and wellbeing.

##### National Lottery Community Fund – Women’s Regional MAS programme

Peri-Natal Peer support programme. Advocacy & Mental Health Well-Being.

#### 19 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
Designated property funds	442,215	(17,149)	425,066
	<u>442,215</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>425,066</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2023 £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2024 £</b>
Designated property funds	459,364	(17,149)	442,215
	<u>459,364</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>442,215</u>

Designated funds is the value of unrestricted funds represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an ongoing basis for charitable activities. The period end balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated to the designated fund each period, until it is fully amortised.

#### 20 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	296,005	104,117	(58,209)	(17,233)	324,680
	<u>296,005</u>	<u>104,117</u>	<u>(58,209)</u>	<u>(17,233)</u>	<u>324,680</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 20 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	293,384	79,254	(64,879)	(11,754)	296,005

### 21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
<b>At 31 March 2025:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,412	425,066	7,478	435,956
Current assets/(liabilities)	321,268	-	62,274	383,542
	<u>324,680</u>	<u>425,066</u>	<u>69,752</u>	<u>819,498</u>

	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
<b>At 31 March 2024:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,149	442,215	867	446,231
Current assets/(liabilities)	292,856	-	72,805	365,661
	<u>296,005</u>	<u>442,215</u>	<u>73,672</u>	<u>811,892</u>

### 22 Contingent Liabilities

Certain grants received and receivable may become repayable to the funder if the charity is no longer able to meet the conditions under which they were awarded. Due to the nature of these contingencies it may not be possible to quantify the potential financial effect or give an indication of the timing as to the liabilities that may arise.

### 23 Transfers between funds

During the year there have been net transfers between funds in the amount of £17,233 from unrestricted general funds to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted general funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

### 24 Related party transactions

#### Transactions with related parties

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### 24 Related party transactions

(Continued)

The Women's Centre has a close working relationship with WISER (NI) CIC, a community interest company which provides private childcare services and non-funded courses and workshops. The Board of Trustees of the Women's Centre are also Board members of WISER (NI) CIC therefore both entities are under common control.

During the year, the Women's Centre had the following transactions with WISER (NI) CIC:

- secondment of a childcare staff member to WISER for the provision of childcare services. The total amount invoiced to WISER was £3,000 (2024: £3,000). This amount was paid in full before the year end and no amount was outstanding.
- management charge invoiced to WISER in the amount of £4,410 (2024: nil). This amount was paid in full before the year end and no amount was outstanding.
- gift aid covenant income from WISER in the amount of £45,494 (2024: £25,992). This amount is included within donations and legacies and remains outstanding at the year end (2024: £25,992).

### 25 Auditors' Ethical Standards

In common with many businesses of its size and nature, the charity uses its auditors to assist with the compilation of the statutory financial statements.

**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number NIC100187

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

**WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD**  
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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Denise Doherty (Chairperson) Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer) Dr Clionagh Boyle Geraldine Compton Roisin Hegarty Dina Gomaa Saorla Boyle	(Appointed 28 June 2023)
<b>Secretary</b>	Sharon McLaughlin	
<b>Charity number</b>	NIC100187	
<b>Company number</b>	NI033263	
<b>Registered office</b>	Beibhinn House 5 Guildhall Street Derry BT48 6BB	
<b>Auditor</b>	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Derry/Londonderry BT48 7EP	
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland 27 Culmore Road Londonderry BT48 8JB	
<b>Solicitors</b>	Babingtons Solicitors 9 Limavady Road Londonderry BT47 6JU	

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal activity of the company is to challenge the oppression and discrimination of women, as it exists, in all forms and it is committed to joining with other women, and women's groups, around positive initiatives for change. Through the activity of the centre, space is provided where women have the opportunity to explore their lives, make new choices and gain support to act on these choices.

The objects of the company as stated in the Memorandum & Articles of Association are to benefit the community in Derry ~ Londonderry and the Northwest, in particular women members of the community, by the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in matters relating to mental, physical and social welfare and in particular to provide centres for the supply of advice and guidance; arrange and provide the holding of meetings, lectures, workshops and classes; and do all things as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of the Company.

#### *Strategies for achieving aims and objectives*

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are:

- Providing a holistic program of educational, recreational and life skills opportunities for individuals.
- Providing education to best suit the needs of women and families in the community.
- Providing on-site childcare to enable parents to access and participate in education activities
- Providing education and social welfare facilities and resources for the use of individuals in the community.

#### *Public benefit*

The trustees have considered the charity legislation which sets out the requirements for charities to demonstrate the aims and activities are for public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission NI guidance on public benefit.

The beneficiaries are socially excluded women and their families living in the area of benefit. The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include:

- Improved educational achievements, knowledge and resources to enable women and their families out of poverty.
- Increased empowerment and confidence to enable women to make positive changes to alleviate the effects of poverty.
- Increased capacity for gaining employment enabling women to create a better future.
- Improved life skills and abilities.
- Improved quality of life for individuals and families in the community.
- Increased social inclusion for women and families.

The benefits are evidenced through qualifications gained, employment secured and evaluation feedback from beneficiaries. There is no private benefit to trustees.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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### Achievements and performance

#### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

In 23/24 Women Centre Derry responded to the needs of the community to ensure Women and children were supported through the cost of living crisis. The start of the year was challenging with funding cuts across the women sector and wider community. This resulted in the Women Centre losing key funding, a reduction in services and loss of valued staff members. As we progressed through the first quarter we were already making great progress with services back on track, positions reinstated and funding streams increasing. The Centre continued its work embedding women's empowerment and equality.

Women Centre Derry delivered our aims by providing access for women to a holistic range of activities including education and training, employment support, skills development, 1-1 advocacy support, wellbeing programmes, integration activities, parenting support, mother and baby joint activities and onsite creche facilities. The Board of Directors was diligent in carrying out their governance responsibilities and contributed a range of management skills and specialisms to the organization including:

- Finance
- Youthwork
- Learning Support
- Management
- Translation
- Community Development
- Early Years
- Education

Staff training and continuous personal development was encouraged and delivered throughout the period. To provide the programmes and activities we employed 15 staff and contracted the services of 38 part-time tutors and facilitators. Together with management, these teams worked alongside participants to change lives and place women's development, empowerment and equality at the core of our work.

In 2023/24 the centre delivered 12 projects, providing 14,339 course places. Participants on formal courses achieved 75 qualifications, 18 women secured employment and 40 women progressed onto further education.

Childcare services and children's programmes providing places for 433 individual children this year and our onsite creche provided 9023 childcare hours.

The impacts of the Centre's work will be benefitting our communities for years into the future. All credit to the staff teams and leaders who responded so well to the challenges with creativity and innovation.

We collaborated with 139 organisations and statutory agencies in the area to promote equality and access for women. We partnered with the Women's Regional Consortium, Women's Resource Development Agency and Triax to deliver essential front-line services in disadvantaged and rurally isolated communities.

We delivered several multicultural projects supporting 179 BME families. These services contributes to building a safe, diverse and equal community.

### Financial review

Total income for the year was £408,394, of which £329,140 was received from grant aid funding. £- represents enrolment fees in respect of lectures, workshops and classes. £72,522 was generated in respect of donations received.

Total expenditure was £402,806, all of which was expended on direct charitable activities.

The balance on total funds at the year-end was £811,892, of which £296,005 were unrestricted income funds, £442,215 were designated funds and £73,672 were restricted funds.

#### *Reserves policy*

The Trustees consider it prudent to hold monies in reserve in the event that unforeseen circumstances should lead to financial difficulties which might put the future of its employment capacity, general charitable work and property in jeopardy.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves considering the main risks to the organisation and established a formal policy which stipulates that free reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty. Free reserves are defined by the Trustees as unrestricted income funds freely available for use as the charity so determines and thereby excludes any funds committed, invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted or designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Based on the year ended 31 March 2024 expenditure (excluding depreciation and non-recurring costs) of £376,372, the target level of reserves is £94,100 to £125,500. Free reserves of the charity as at 31st March 2024 are £292,856, therefore the Trustees are pleased to confirm that the charity is compliant with its reserves policy. The Trustees continue to strive to maintain a general level of reserves in accordance with their policy so that they will be able to continue the current activities of the charity.

Within unrestricted funds, a designation of £442,215 has been set aside represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an on-going basis for charitable activities. The designated funds balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated each year to the designated fund, until it is fully amortised.

#### *Major risks*

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees, in conjunction with the senior management team, are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised through the procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Governing document**

Women's Centre is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by Charity Commission for NI under reference NIC100762 and by HMRC under reference XR 19291. The company was incorporated on 17th November 1997. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Denise Doherty (Chairperson)

Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)

Dr Clionagh Boyle

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Gooma

Leona McMenamin

Saorla Boyle

(Resigned 28 June 2023)

(Appointed 28 June 2023)

##### *Recruitment and appointment of trustees*

The Board of Trustees manages the process of recruitment and appointment of Trustees, and may admit to membership any person interested in promoting the objects (primary purpose) of the company.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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### *Organisational structure*

The Trustees have ultimate legal and financial responsibility for the affairs of the Women's Centre and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Centre Director, who is responsible for the day to day operational management of the charity.

The Trustees remain satisfied that the Women's Centre is compliant with good governance practices in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.

### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Womens Centre Derry Ltd for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the 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.

### **Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Moore (NI) LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

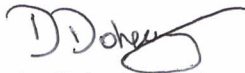
## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
**Trustee**



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
**Trustee**

26 June 2024

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Audit response to risks identified

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

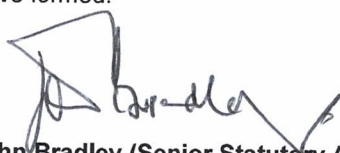
- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP

26 June 2024

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

21/23 Clarendon Street  
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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	72,522	-	-	72,522	9,599
Charitable activities	4	6,724	-	329,140	335,864	615,873
Investments	5	8	-	-	8	-
<b>Total income</b>		<b>79,254</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>329,140</b>	<b>408,394</b>	<b>625,472</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	6	64,879	17,149	320,778	402,806	539,979
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>64,879</b>	<b>17,149</b>	<b>320,778</b>	<b>402,806</b>	<b>539,979</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>14,375</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>8,362</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
Transfers between funds		(11,754)	-	11,754	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	8	<b>2,621</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>20,116</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304	720,811
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2024</b>		<b>296,005</b>	<b>442,215</b>	<b>73,672</b>	<b>811,892</b>	<b>806,304</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Prior financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes				
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	9,599	-	-	9,599
Charitable activities	4	10,307	-	605,566	615,873
<b>Total income</b>		19,906	-	605,566	625,472
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	6	14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979
<b>Total expenditure</b>		14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		5,658	(17,149)	96,984	85,493
Transfers between funds		93,572	-	(93,572)	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	8	99,230	(17,149)	3,412	85,493
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		194,154	476,513	50,144	720,811
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304

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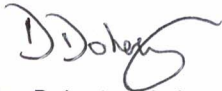
## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	12		446,231		465,713
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	35,507		66,441	
Cash at bank and in hand		350,696		301,724	
		<u>386,203</u>		<u>368,165</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(20,542)</u>		<u>(27,574)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>365,661</u>		<u>340,591</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	17		73,672		53,556
Unrestricted funds - general			296,005		293,384
Unrestricted funds - designated	18		442,215		459,364
			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 26 June 2024



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Womens Centre Derry Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is Beibhinn House, 5 Guildhall Street, Derry, BT48 6BB.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of childcare and educational services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 7.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.10 Taxation

The company is a charity and is recognised as such by HM Revenue & Customs under the charity tax reference XR 19291. As a result there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

#### 1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Donations and gifts	<u>72,522</u>	<u>9,599</u>
<b>Donations and gifts</b>		
GROW Fund	36,000	-
WISER NI CIC	25,992	6,331
The Community Foundation - Kingsbridge Foundation	5,000	-
Other	<u>5,530</u>	<u>3,268</u>
	<u>72,522</u>	<u>9,599</u>

#### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Courses and craft income	6,724	-	6,724	10,307	-	10,307
Performance related grants	-	<u>329,140</u>	<u>329,140</u>	-	<u>605,566</u>	<u>605,566</u>
	<u>6,724</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>335,864</u>	<u>10,307</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>615,873</u>

#### Performance related grants analysis

	2024 £	2023 £
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	-	305,312
Dept for Communities - VCD	102,615	110,512
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	29,498	33,120
UKSPF - Success NW project	32,999	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	4,000	4,500
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	20,835	31,097
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	108,585	77,105
BBC Children in Need	23,538	32,795
Other	<u>7,070</u>	<u>11,125</u>
	<u>329,140</u>	<u>605,566</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	8	-

### 6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2024 £	Charitable activities 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	239,003	317,888
Depreciation and impairment	19,483	20,144
Project expenses	39,304	72,749
Property costs	11,098	15,125
Repairs and maintenace	6,401	21,366
Office costs	16,629	13,554
Advertising, marketing and publicity	456	1,469
Travel expenses	707	849
Staff training	33	350
Insurance	7,698	7,453
Consumables	1,883	3,458
Bank charges	579	509
General expenses	3,581	5,104
	<u>346,855</u>	<u>480,018</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 7)</b>		
Support	51,151	55,161
Governance	4,800	4,800
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	64,879	14,248
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	320,778	508,582
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 7 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	51,151	55,161
Governance costs	4,800	4,800
	<u>55,951</u>	<u>59,961</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>55,951</u>	<u>59,961</u>

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs represent time spent by staff on back office work, finance, personnel, payroll and governance matters which are necessary to plan, direct and monitor the charity's programmes and activities.

### 8 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements	4,800	4,800
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	19,483	20,144
	<u>24,283</u>	<u>24,944</u>

### 9 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Wages and salaries	254,174	325,969
Social security costs	19,071	25,180
Other pension costs	16,909	21,900
	<u>290,154</u>	<u>373,049</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 10 Employees (Continued)

##### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>121,018</u>	<u>107,196</u>

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2023	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
At 31 March 2024	<u>857,438</u>	<u>204,586</u>	<u>1,062,024</u>
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 April 2023	398,072	198,238	596,310
Depreciation charged in the year	17,149	2,334	19,483
At 31 March 2024	<u>415,221</u>	<u>200,572</u>	<u>615,793</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 March 2024	<u>442,217</u>	<u>4,014</u>	<u>446,231</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>459,365</u>	<u>6,348</u>	<u>465,713</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Amounts owed by related parties	26,318	11,500
Other debtors	9,189	54,941
	<u>35,507</u>	<u>66,441</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Bank overdrafts	15	8,056	3,727
Accruals		12,486	23,847
		<u>20,542</u>	<u>27,574</u>

### 15 Loans and overdrafts

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank overdrafts	<u>8,056</u>	<u>3,727</u>
Payable within one year	<u>8,056</u>	<u>3,727</u>

### 16 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes	2024 £	2023 £
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	<u>30,321</u>	<u>40,507</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 17 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	102,615	(113,015)	10,400	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	914	29,498	(31,429)	1,017	-
UKSPF - Success NW project	-	32,999	(32,999)	-	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	4,000	(4,282)	282	-
WHSC - SEEDS	9,400	360	(2,816)	-	6,944
HFNI Halifax Foundation	3,588	3,740	(1,085)	-	6,243
OCN NI	-	2,970	(3,025)	55	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	13,085	108,585	(77,529)	-	44,141
BBC Children in Need	20,502	23,538	(34,860)	-	9,180
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	6,067	20,835	(19,738)	-	7,164
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>(320,778)</u>	<u>11,754</u>	<u>73,672</u>

Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2023 £
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	914
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-
WHSC - SEEDS	-	9,400	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	4,133	-	(545)	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-
	<u>50,144</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>(508,582)</u>	<u>(93,572)</u>	<u>53,556</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 17 Restricted funds

(Continued)

#### **Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4**

Project supports women to access new skills, training opportunities, work experience and qualifications. The project engages with women who are unemployed, economically inactive and far from the labour market. This project was completed at 31 March 2023.

#### **Dept for Communities - VCD**

Core support for the organisation to maintain and support the delivery of community development activities, education, childcare, information, signposting and support services for women and children from disadvantaged communities.

#### **Dept for Communities - Regional Support**

This project supports WCD as part of a Consortium of seven established Women's Sector organisations. This organisation works to support frontline women's organisations ensuring the delivery of identified specialist functions on a regional basis, rural and urban across Northern Ireland.

#### **UKSPF - Success NW**

Shared Prosperity Fund- Success Northwest (SNW) project is an ambitious, collaborative, consortium approach, with community-based, partners in eight community hubs across the DCSDC area. The project provides intensive and tailored interventions to those economically inactive residents. The project uses a range of holistic approaches to address barriers and support individuals to secure sustainable, good quality employment.

#### **Derry City & Strabane District Council**

This fund supports the Centre to promote social and economic regeneration in the DC&SDC area and to deliver programmes and services for women and families. The project also contributes to the implementation of the Council's shared future strategy by supporting women from minority ethnic communities.

#### **WHST - SEEDS**

Funding for the provision of therapeutic and self-care support for vulnerable women and children.

#### **HFNI Halifax Foundation**

Funding for server and computer software upgrades at the Centre.

#### **National Lottery Community Fund**

Funding for People and Communities RECOVER REBUILD RENEW project.

#### **BBC Children in Need**

This project will provide advocacy support and activities for Black and minority ethnic, resettled, and refugee children and young people. It will reduce isolation, improve English skills, and increase health and wellbeing.

#### **National Lottery Community Fund – Women's Regional MAS programme**

Peri-Natal Peer support programme. Advocacy & Mental Health Well-Being.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 18 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
Designated property funds	459,364	(17,149)	442,215
	<u>459,364</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>442,215</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
Designated property funds	476,513	(17,149)	459,364
	<u>476,513</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>459,364</u>

Designated funds is the value of unrestricted funds represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an ongoing basis for charitable activities. The period end balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated to the designated fund each period, until it is fully amortised.

#### 19 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	293,384	79,254	(64,879)	(11,754)	296,005
	<u>293,384</u>	<u>79,254</u>	<u>(64,879)</u>	<u>(11,754)</u>	<u>296,005</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
General funds	194,154	19,906	(14,248)	93,572	293,384
	<u>194,154</u>	<u>19,906</u>	<u>(14,248)</u>	<u>93,572</u>	<u>293,384</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
<b>At 31 March 2024:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,149	442,215	867	446,231
Current assets/(liabilities)	292,856	-	72,805	365,661
	<u>296,005</u>	<u>442,215</u>	<u>73,672</u>	<u>811,892</u>
	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
<b>At 31 March 2023:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,325	459,364	3,024	465,713
Current assets/(liabilities)	290,059	-	50,532	340,591
	<u>293,384</u>	<u>459,364</u>	<u>53,556</u>	<u>806,304</u>

#### 21 Contingent Liabilities

Certain grants received and receivable may become repayable to the funder if the charity is no longer able to meet the conditions under which they were awarded. Due to the nature of these contingencies it may not be possible to quantify the potential financial effect or give an indication of the timing as to the liabilities that may arise.

#### 22 Transfers between funds

During the year there have been net transfers between funds in the amount of £11,754 from unrestricted general funds to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted general funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

In the prior period there were net transfers between funds in the amount of £93,572 from restricted funds to unrestricted general funds as follows:

- transfer of £99,992 (2022: £27,118) from restricted funds which represents surplus funding for indirect costs in accordance with funding agreements which is being released and transferred to unrestricted funds;
- transfer of £6,420 (2022: £17,608) from unrestricted to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 23 Related party transactions

#### Transactions with related parties

The Women's Centre has a close working relationship with WISER (NI) CIC, a community interest company which provides private childcare services and non-funded courses and workshops. The Board of Trustees of the Women's Centre are also Board members of WISER (NI) CIC therefore both entities are under common control.

During the year, the Women's Centre had the following transactions with WISER (NI) CIC:

- secondment of a childcare staff member to WISER for the provision of childcare services. The total amount invoiced to WISER was £3,000 (2023: £3,000). This amount was paid in full before the year end (2023 - £3,000).
- Women's Centre paid £1,283 (2023: nil) in relation to course registration fees on behalf of WISER. This amount was repaid in full by the year end.
- gift aid covenant income from WISER in the amount of £25,992 (2023: £6,332). This amount is included within donations and legacies and remains outstanding at the year end (2023: £6,332).

### 24 Auditors' Ethical Standards

In common with many businesses of its size and nature, the charity uses its auditors to assist with the compilation of the statutory financial statements.

**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Annual report

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# Women's Centre Derry

ACCESS & EMPOWERMENT



Annual General Report 2023/24  
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# Our Vision, Mission and Values

Our **vision** is to foster a holistic approach through working in partnership with individuals, local communities and key decision makers to empower women, promote women's equality, opportunity, education and development, thereby reducing inequalities and improving life chances for all women.

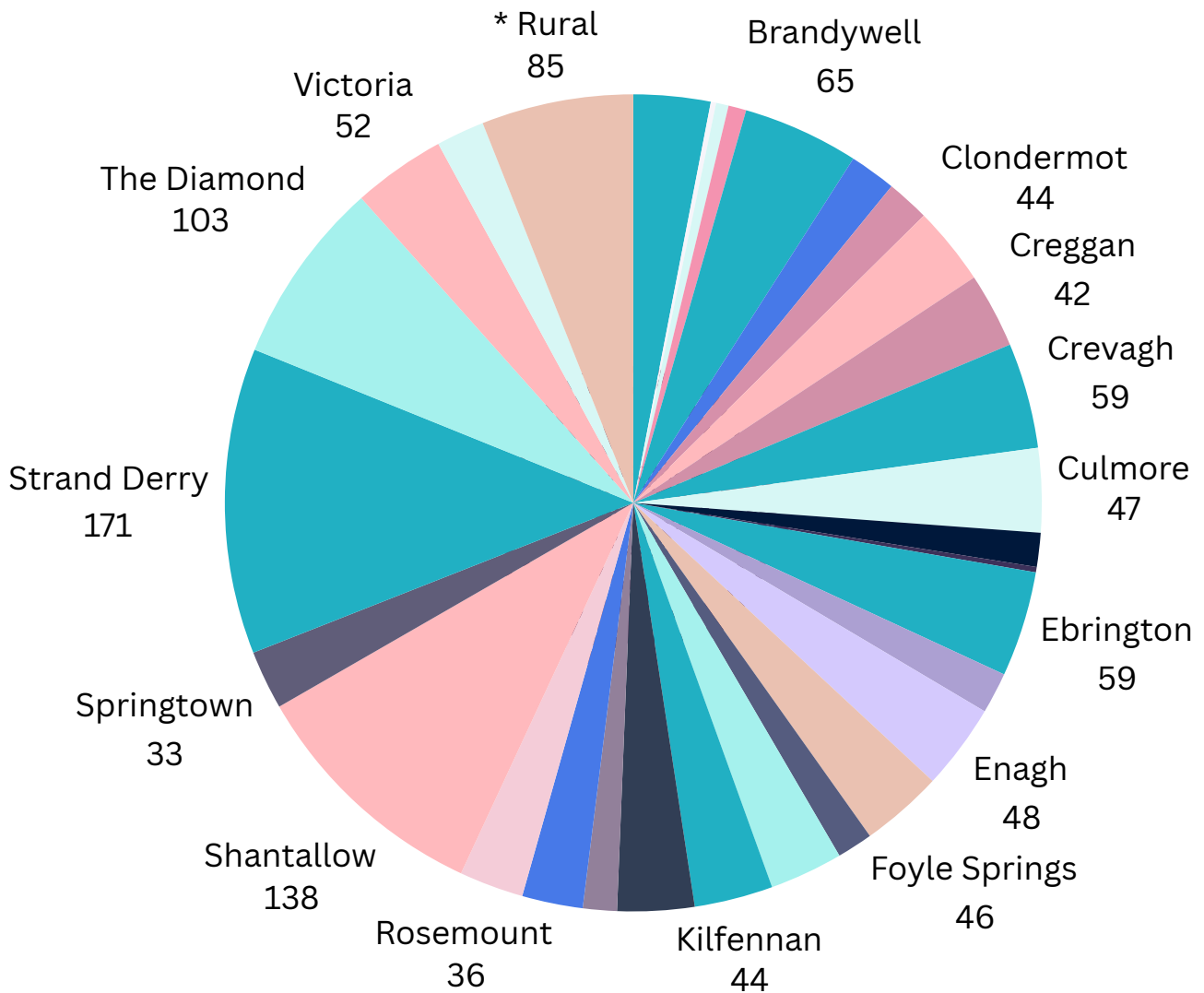
Our **mission** is to provide a holistic approach to inspire, empower, educate and support women through the provision of a safe and welcoming environment with access to onsite childcare, enabling them to access services and realise their true potential.

Our **Values**: Equality, Accessibility, integration, Holistic and women centred. sustainability, diversity, collaboration and integrity, innovation and excellence and Accountability

# Participants 2023/24

Women's Centre Derry supports women and children from communities throughout the Derry & Strabane District Council area, urban, rural and cross border.

## ELECTORAL SOA DISTRIBUTION - PARTICIPANTS 23/24



## ELECTORAL SOA (RURAL)

- Ballykelly
- Banagher
- Castledearg
- Claudy
- Donemana
- Glack
- Limavady
- Slievekirk
- Sionmills
- Town Parks
- West Strbane

# Directors & Staff

## Board of Directors

**Chairperson**  
Denise Doherty

**Treasurer**  
Kathy Colhoun

**Directors**  
Clionagh Boyle  
Geraldine Compton  
Roisin Hegarty  
Dina Gomaa  
Saorla Boyle

**Company Secretary**  
Sharon McLaughlin

## Staff

**Centre Director**  
Catherine Barr

**Finance & Administration Co-ordinator**  
Sharon McLaughlin

**Employment Mentoring Officer**  
Ciara O'Neill  
Kathy Greer  
Michelle Owen

**Crèche Co-ordinators**  
Joanne Karran

**Deputy Creche Co-ordinator**  
Lisa Caldwell  
Melanie Doherty

**Childcare Team**  
Eimear Campbell  
Lisa Browne  
Alanna Black

**Participant Drop-In Organiser**  
Carole Mailey

**Regional Outreach Development Worker**  
Rayna Downey

**Maternal Advocacy & Support Worker**  
Fiona Hegarty

**Children's Advocacy Worker**  
Bonnie Cassidy

# Tutors & Facilitators

Sinead Crumlish  
Rosie Curry  
Joan Olphert  
Leanne Porteous  
Lorna Quinn  
Yvonne McDermott  
Roberta Joanne Clarke  
Sharon Laird  
Elizabeth Early  
Elizabeth Harvey  
Lauren Rooney  
Jai Hunter  
Jeanette Mc Cole

Patricia Davidson  
Anna Nolan  
Claire Harkin  
Kealan O Kane  
Cathy Smallwoods  
Rhonda Reilly  
Bronagh Sproules  
Janet Crew  
Marie Hone  
Jo Jingles  
Deborah Ferry  
Karen O Neill  
Danielle Collins

Fiona Montgomery  
Colleen Mc Guinness  
Melanie Mc Faul  
Ciara Mc Laughlin  
Hayley Mc Intyre  
Marion Mc Geehan  
Patricia Breslin  
Diana Dimhis  
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Mary Mc Nicholl  
Ruth Mc Philips  
Sarah Munro

## Staff



Catherine



Sharon



Joanne



Ciara



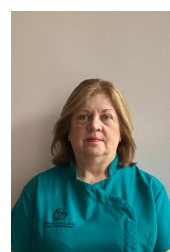
Bonnie



Rayna



Michelle



Carole



Kathy



Fiona



Melanie



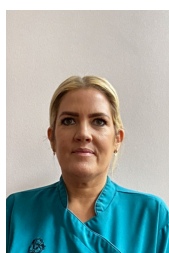
Lisa



Alanna



Eimear



Lisa

# Overview 2023/24

Women Centre Derry is a safe environment for women to come along and engage in a range of holistic activities including education, training, skills, parenting support and wellbeing. Below is an outline of the centres activities and projects delivered at Women Centre Derry during the period April 23- March 24.

## SUCCESS NORTH WEST

The Success Northwest project is through partnership with seven different hubs across DCSDC. This project is a community action employability/training project, which will reach participants most removed from the labour market, traditionally excluded, and socially isolated and caught in a historic cycle of worklessness/poverty.

At Women's Centre Derry we aim to address the challenges/barriers women face by delivering a range accredited qualifications, vocational training and employment support with a range of wrap around support like 1-1 mentoring support, 1-1 counselling and on-site childcare facilities.

A range of courses were provided for example:

- Maths
- English
- Hairstyling
- Nail Art
- Upcycling
- Makeup
- Makaton
- Supporting Children's Learning
- Cooking on a budget
- Computerised Accounts



Success North West	Apr 23- Mar 24
Participants	93
Qualifications	52
Training	16
Jobs Gained	12
Work Soft Skills	93
Further Education	5

**SUCCESS NORTH WEST** activities are funded by **UKSPF** distributed by **TRIAx**

## MULTICULTURAL LADIES WALK AND TALK

This programme was delivered in partnership with People 1st and Good Vibe Clan. The programme was designed for local women to welcome newcomer refugees and asylum seekers supporting integration and wellbeing, 27 women attended the walking group.



**Walk and Talk** was funded by **DCSDC** distributed by **People 1st**

## MULTI-CULTURAL WOMEN'S GROUP

Our Multicultural Women's Group takes place every Tuesday morning. The multicultural women's group is a chance to connect, make new friends, have a cup of tea, and relax. There are ladies from 28 different countries currently attending. Relocating to a new town and being away from family and friends can be hard therefore making friendships can make all the difference. The group offers support and also informs women of important services they can avail of around the city. Each week the women engage in craft activities/conversational English. 86 women and 38 children benefited from this programme



**Multicultural Women's Group** activities were supported by **HALIFAX**

## ESOL

This programme provides English classes to support women to achieve accredited City and Guilds qualifications (English Speakers of other languages). The program increases women's ability to communicate and advocate for themselves. The course is often the beginning of their journey to education and employment.

**ESOL** activities were supported this year by **Kingsbridge**

## SEEDS

This programme supports the wellbeing of refugee and asylum seeking women and children. The programme offers a range of wellbeing sessions, talking therapies, play therapy and 1-1 counselling with access to translators. 39 women and 15 children benefited from the programme this year.



**SEEDS** activities were supported by **WHSCT**

## ACHIEVE

This project delivered 3 courses to women who were unemployed. Courses delivered were:

- Introduction to Counselling
- Hairstyling
- Upcycling crafts

38 women attended the courses with 23 gaining accredited qualifications.

**ACHIEVE** activities were supported by **OCNNI**

# Overview 2023/24

## RECOVER, REBUILD, RENEW. (RRR)

The RRR project addresses the impacts COVID 19 is still having on young children and families. The programme delivers a wide range of parenting support and child development workshops, wellbeing programmes and mother and baby joint activities. Whilst mothers attend the workshops and well-being programmes, Women Centre Derry offers free childcare spaces in our onsite creche for children 8weeks – 4years old to enable Mums with limited support to attend these programmes.

This year the programme has delivered:

- 3 Joint activities
- 8 wellbeing programmes
- 3 parenting support/child development workshops
- 3 family events: Halloween, Mother's Day and Easter

This year the project supported:

- 264 individual Women
- 237 individual Children

RRR workshops include: Toilet Training, sleep, language development, behaviour, autism awareness and healthy eating.

Wellbeing programmes include mindfulness, therapeutic crafts, essential oils, confidence building, singing for Mums, etc.

Mother & Baby Joint Activities include Baby massage, baby reflexology, mother and baby swim, stay and play days, walking groups, exercise classes and music and movement sessions.



Thanks to **The National Lottery Community Fund** for supporting the **RECOVER, REBUILD, RENEW** programme.

## Maternal Mental Health Advocacy (MA's)

The Mas project provides peri-natal mental health support and 1-1 advocacy for expectant and new mums of children aged 0-3. This year the project supported 31 women and 28 children.

The project provides a platform for women to talk about their experiences in the health care system and advise on areas that could be developed to improve services for women in Northern Ireland.

## MA'S project continued:

Women in the Mas project have benefited from a range of initiatives and workshops including horticultural therapy, crafts and wellbeing sessions, pelvic floor physio and exercise sessions, self-confidence and healthy relationship programmes etc. All sessions offer peer support while supporting women's mental health and promoting emotional wellbeing. Ma's also offers 1-1 listening ear service and advocacy and signposting.



The **MA's project** is supported by **The National Lottery Community Fund** and administered by the **Women's Resource & Development Agency**.

## YODA

The YODA project provides advocacy, support and integration activities for children and young people from BAME communities. Yoda has been providing mentoring and support for 106 children this year tailoring the needs of each individual child whether it be for health care, school, social welfare, integration etc.

Age Group	Number of Children
0-4	51
5-9	34
10-15	12
16-18	9

Yoda programmes activities this year include 1-1 Support, Afterschool club, English Support, Summer schemes, holiday clubs. The project provided families with laptops to help them engage in school work. All activities aim to support physical development, integration, developing English communication skills while supporting children's wellbeing.



Thanks to **BBC CHILDREN IN NEED Next Steps** for supporting the **YODA Project**

# Overview 2023/24

## CRECHE CHILDCARE

Women Centre Derry's registered onsite creche can accommodate up to 20 children between the ages of 8 weeks to 4 years old. This Year the crèche:

- Provided 9023 childcare hours overall
- supported 224 individual children

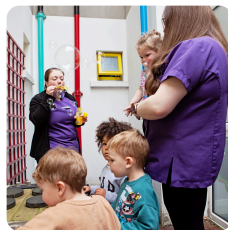
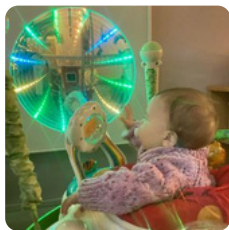
## WOMEN CENTRE CHILDCARE FUND

The creche is part funded by Women Centre Childcare Fund which aims to tackle disadvantage, promote equality and enable access to childcare. This Year:

- 5046 childcare hours were provided by WCCF
- 93 individual Children

The programme enabled:

- 45 women achieved qualifications/Training
- 18 secured employment
- 24 progressed to further education
- 87 positive outcomes



Thanks to **Department for Communities-VCD - WCCF** Fund for supporting our **creche**.

## WOMEN SUPPORT SERVICES



Women Support Services is aimed at supporting women's wellbeing. The project provided 12 wellbeing workshops in key topics for example flower arranging, confidence, mindfulness, therapeutic crafts, healthy relationships, self esteem, essential oils.

- 129 women attended the workshops.

At the end of the project for International Women's Day we provided a space at the Guildhall for local organisations to set up stands to provide women with information about free services on their doorsteps. 28 organisations attended and over 200 women came along on the day.

- 329 women benefited from this programme

Thanks to **DCSDC -CSF** Fund for supporting **Women's Support Services**

## International Womens Day continued



## WOMENS REGIONAL CONSORTIUM

The Women's Regional Consortium is committed to representing the views and needs of disadvantaged and rurally isolated women. We regularly respond to government consultations and produce our own research. The Consortium receives funding from both departments and is made up of seven established women's sector organisations: Foyle Women's Information Network (FWIN), Women's Resource and Development Agency (WRDA), Training for Women Network (TWN), Women's Support Network (WSN), NI Rural Women's Network (NIRWN), WOMEN'STEC and The Women's Centre Derry.

Together, we have been working in partnership with statutory and governmental agencies and local women's organisations, centres and groups to ensure that women on the ground in disadvantaged and rural areas are receiving support to meet their needs and having their views heard. Our ongoing work covers five key areas:

1. Advocacy and leadership (representation).
2. Policy, including responding to relevant consultations.
3. Research.
4. Service support.
5. Engagement.



The Consortiums work as always is heavily focused on the barriers that women are continuously facing such as Cost of Living Crisis, Carers, Childcare Strategy, Gender Budgeting etc. We aim to empower local women in disadvantaged and rurally isolated communities, by attending meetings with the Equality Commission, Cliff edge Coalition, National Women's Council, Local Politicians & MLA's and various other engagement agencies to ensure that the needs of women are being met.

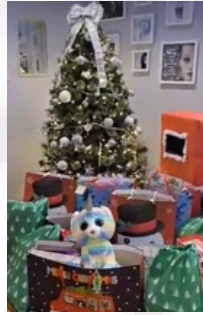


Thanks to **Department for Communities-VCD - WRISP** Fund for supporting our **Consortium**

# Overview 2023/24

## Toy Appeal

We would like to thank everyone that contributed to our toy appeal. £1045 was donated and also numerous toys. We were able to provide support to 29 families. This support was appreciated by all the families, it made a wonderful difference to their Christmas, ensuring their children were happy, while also reducing the stress and anxiety of affording gifts for parents. . Thank you all so much!



## Fundraising Event

We would like to thank everyone who attended our fundraising event. The night was a great success and great fun was had by all. We raised £2134 which will go towards services for women and children in our centre. We would like to thank local businesses who supported our event and to everyone who bought tickets and came along. We greatly appreciate your support and contributions. Thank You!



## GROW FUND

Our Reception/Drop in area is the first point of contact with our team when enquiring or accessing our services. This is a vital role welcoming women into a safe and friendly environment therefore a big thank-you to the Grow family for their private donation. The donation came at a pivotal point to support and sustain the centres quality service and we are very grateful for their donation.

and finally

This report is an opportunity to acknowledge everyone who has contributed to the Centre's work over the past year making it a comfortable and safe learning space. In 2023/24 we have made a valuable positive impact on the lives of many women, children, families and communities. The resilience for the organisation and the dedication of the operational staff and the Board has been demonstrated particularly in this difficult year.

Many thanks to the Directors, Staff, Tutors, Trainees and Volunteers for their commitment and dedication. A special acknowledgement to the Board of Directors who have managed the direction and strategic development of our organisation. Their governance, leadership, guidance and commitment were crucial to the success of the Centre over the past year. Thanks to all the women and families who have come along and engaged in the Centre's activities. Your presence is a joy we value and appreciate.

Many thanks also to our funders and partners - their support is key to sustaining our work - making a positive difference in the lives of people and communities. With their continuing support, we look forward to sustaining and improving Women's Centre Derry in the years to come.

- Department for Communities (DfC)
- Derry City & Strabane District Council (DC&SDC)
- BBC Children In Need
- Western Childcare Partnership (HSCB)
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- Western Health and Social Care Trust
- Levelling Up Fund UK Government
- OCNNI
- Kingsbridge Foundation
- Halifax

## Centre Directors comments

I would like to thank all the staff that go out of their way everyday to provide a high quality person centred service for all of the women and children across Derry City and Strabane District Council.

I would like to thank all the organisations that have partnered with or collaborated with throughout 2023/24, I believe that a joint up approach within the community provides the best service for all,

Most importantly I would like to thank all the women and children that have attended programmes over the past year at the Women Centre. We thank you for trusting us with your children and for showing all the staff great respect. You offer so much peer support to each other and have achieved so much, so many congratulations to you all.

As a centre and as part of the community and voluntary sector, we are aware of the challenges ahead but with amazing staff, great networking and the spectacular families across Derry City and Strabane district council we aim for another positive year for 2024/25.

# Overall Impact



443

Individual Children  
Supported



139

Organisations  
collaborated with



14,339

Course places provided



75

Accredited  
qualifications  
achieved



291,042

Social Media Reach



179

BME families  
supported



9023

Creche hours  
provided

# Participant Testimonials

"I really enjoyed attending the Women's Centre, I enjoyed learning new skills and meeting new people, Thanks a lot. "

★★★★★

"The course was relaxed and very interesting learning new skills and socialising while my little girl was safe in the creche."

★★★★★

"Excellent course, very happy, brilliant tutor, lovely group of girls doing the course. I always looked forward to coming to the centre. "

★★★★★

"You actually made my day a lot better. After I left I felt that I finally have someone that really listens to me and know how I felt all this time."

★★★★★

"The course was brilliant we had a laugh and we all support each other and we all made friendships along the way. "

★★★★★

"I just love the Women's centre. Its so welcoming and the girls are all lovely on the course."

★★★★★

"My son speech is delayed and he is not meeting his developmental milestones. The creche provided him with 1-1 support in the creche with his peers. He has come on so much and I am so thankful for all the support, tips and encouragement they have shared with us."

★★★★★

"Women centre Derry has helped me to learn English and to communicate with different women."

★★★★★

"Thanks to the Women's Centre I studied English course and obtained Level 2 certificate. This certificate has helped me to find a job."

★★★★★

"Fantastic Event for International Women's Day at the Guildhall. Great to meet with so many women that are doing such great work, helping people and making such a difference."



# Qualifications Achieved 2023/24

Course/Subject/Qualification	Total	Level 2	Level 1	Entry	Units	Credits
ENGLISH FOR WORK	11	1	5	5		
MATHS FOR WORK	11	1	1	9		
INTRO TO COUNSELLING	5		5		10	30
UPCYCLING	13		13		26	78
SUPPORTING CHILDRENS LEARNING	7		7		21	63
HAIR UP STYLING	6		6		9	54
NAIL ART	9		9		18	54
COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS	5		5		5	15
MAKATON	8	2	6		8	24
<b>Total qualifications gained</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>318</b>

## 75 Qualifications Gained

Women's Centre Derry is an accredited/approved Centre with the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) and the following examining bodies: The Centre is registered through the Skills Funding Agency as a Recognised Training Provider for PCDLs.

Awarding Body



# Course Audit 2023/24

Participants	Course	Weeks	Places
16	NWRC HAIR AND BEAUTY	6	96
11	TRANSIT FORWARD DRESS FOR SUCCESS	6	66
17	INTRO TO COUNSELLING	9	153
13	L1 HAIR UP STYLING	7	91
10	UPCYCLING CRAFTS	8	80
75	MULTI CULTURAL CRAFTING ENGLISH	48	3600
17	ESOL	10	170
8	L2 ESSENTIAL SKILLS LITERACY	20	160
1	NWRC LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT	18	18
15	MAKATON	2	30
12	APPROACHES TO WELLBEING	2	24
14	BEGINNERS NAIL ART SKILLS	7	98
2	EDUCATION FOCUS GROUP	1	2
9	L1 COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS (sage)	12	108
14	L1 HAIR UP STYLING	12	168
11	LITERACY LEVEL 1 & 2	18	198
16	NUMERACY LEVEL 1 and 2	19	304
10	SMART SHOPPING - COOKING ON A BUDGET	1	10
6	SUCCESS NORTH WEST Event	6	36
9	SUPPORTING CHILDRENS LEARNING	10	90
13	UPCYCLING CRAFTS	8	104
6	RRR CHILD BEHAVIOR	1	6
11	RRR STAY AND PLAY	1	11
7	BABY BUGGIES	4	28
6	RRR ANTENATAL EDUCATION	1	6
7	RRR AUTISM AWARENESS	2	14
10	RRR BABY MASSAGE	4	40
9	RRR BABY MASSAGE	4	36
6	RRR BABY MASSAGE	4	24
20	RRR HALLOWEEN FUN DAY	1	20
10	RRR HENRY PROGRAM	7	70
4	RRR LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT	1	4
7	RRR MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH WELLBEING DAY	1	7
22	RRR MOVING BODIES MOVING MINDS	3	66
23	RRR MUM & ME	1	23
17	RRR MUM AND BABY EXERCISE	4	68
7	RRR MUM AND BABY SWIM	4	28
9	RRR MUMS WELL	4	36
9	RRR MUMS WELL	4	36
12	RRR MUMS WELL	4	48
13	RRR MUSIC FOR MUMS	1	13
8	RRR PEER SUPPORT	1	8
14	RRR POTTY TRAINING	1	14
5	RRR POTTY TRAINING	1	5
9	RRR REFLEXOLOGY	4	36
7	RRR SLEEPING PATTERNS	1	7
13	RRR STAY AND PLAY	4	52
1	RRR SUPPORT	9	9
6	RRR TRIGGERS AND COPING MECHANISMS	1	6

# Course Audit 2023/24

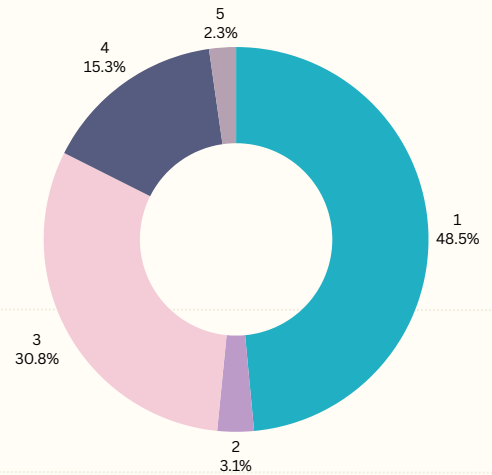
Participants	Course	Weeks	Places
11	RRR HENRY PROGRAM	7	77
10	RRR MUM AND BABY EXERCISE	4	40
8	RRR MUM AND BABY SWIM	4	32
49	WALKING GROUP	6	294
19	WELLBEING REFUGEE & ASYLUM SEEKERS	9	171
16	CHRISTMAS WELLBEING	1	16
11	ESSENTIAL OILS	1	11
11	HALLOWEEN FLOWER ARRANGING	1	11
8	HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS	1	8
13	LOVE YOURSELF	1	13
11	MINDFULNESS	1	11
16	MINDFULNESS	1	16
13	SELF ESTEEM	1	13
18	WHO AM I	1	18
12	WOMENS SUPPORT SERVICES	1	12
8	1-1 COUNSELLING	11	88
29	CHRISTMAS TOY REVIEW	1	29
24	YODA SUMMER TRIPS	1	24
7	YODA SUMMER TRIPS	1	7
114	YODA	48	5472
32	YODA SUMMER SCHEME	5	160
11	MAs MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH DERRY	8	88
4	MAs MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH STRATHFOYLE	12	48
17	MAs MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH DERRY	33	561
4	MAs MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH STRATHFOYLE	32	128
7	MAS RETURNERS	3	21
10	HOMEWORK CLUB	48	480
55	EASTER EVENT	1	55
29	YODA SUMMER TRIPS	1	29
29	INSPIRE WORKSHOPS	1	29
50	ELECTRICITY SUPPORT	1	50
<b>1233</b>	<b>Totals</b>		<b>14,339</b>

# Outputs

## OVERALL CENTRE PROVISION 2023/24

1	Courses and Projects (places)	14,339
2	Seminars/Exhibitions/Workshops	896
3	Childcare (places)	9023
4	Telephone/Visits/Information/Referral	4484
5	Social Media Private Messages	660

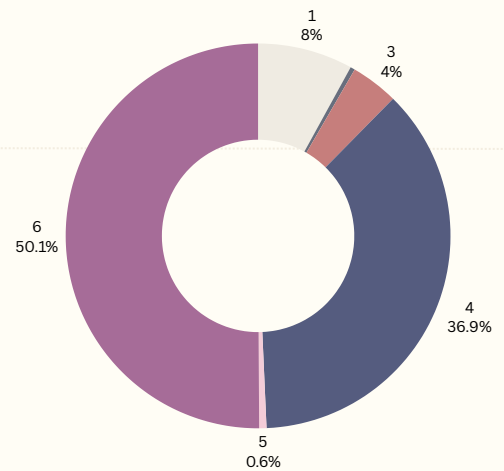
**Total** 29,402



## SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT 2023/24

1	Website view	24712
2	Social Media posts	1183
3	Followers – Facebook, twitter, Instagram	12,371
4	Facebook Page reach	114,200
5	Instagram Page Reach	1900
6	Twitter Impressions	154,907

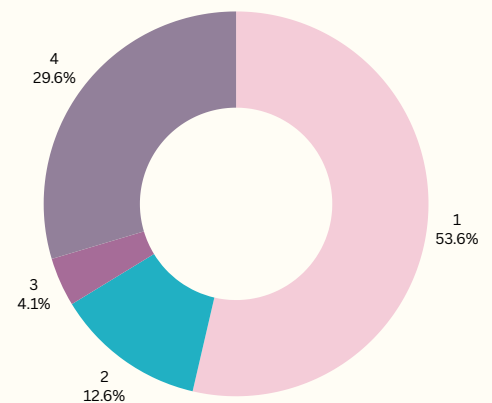
**Total** 291,042



## CHILDCARE 2023/24 (crèche places)

1	Women Centre Childcare Fund	5046
2	Recover Rebuild Renew	1190
3	Maternal Advocacy support	386
4	Support Activities	2787

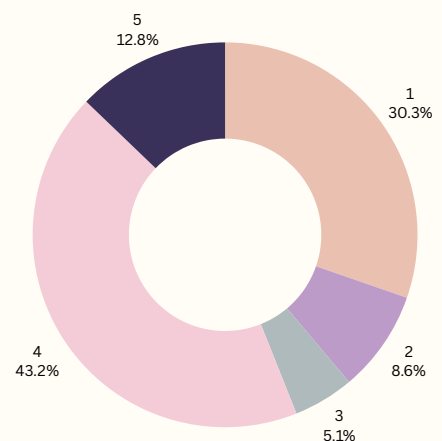
**Total** 9023



## RECEPTION AUDIT 2023/24

1	Telephone	1559
2	Text Messages	440
3	Visits	262
4	Drop In	2223
5	Facebook Messages	660

**Total** 5144



# Participation, Partnership, Co-operation & Collaboration

This year Women's Centre Derry continued in its role as a key community development leader and women's equality organisation in the region. We worked locally, nationally and internationally with agencies and organisations including the following:

- 21 Training
- A2 Art Space
- Alliance for Choice
- Active inclusion
- Aghabrack Community and district Association
- AMH New Horizons Foyle
- Atlas Women's Centre
- Aware NI
- Ballybeen Women's Centre
- BBC Children In Need
- Belfast Met
- Benbradagh Women's Group
- Benedy Women's Group
- Bradley's Pharmacy
- Bog & Brandywell Health Forum
- Cedar Foundation
- Churches Trust
- Churchdown Community Association
- Chrysalis Women's Centre
- City & Guilds
- Citizens Advice
- Community Foundation Ireland
- CPCAB
- Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership
- Crevagh Women's Group
- Curryneiran Women's Action Committee
- Department for Communities (DfC/VCD)
- Department for the Economy (DfE) ESF
- Department of Education
- Department of Health
- Department of the Taoiseach - Shared Island Unit
- Derry Chamber of Commerce
- Derry City & Strabane District Council
- DCSDC - Equality Assurance Forum
- DCSDC- Good relations Multi Agency Forum
- DCSDC- ESF local forum
- Derry Well Women
- Derry Youth & Community Workshop
- Disability Action
- Dove House
- Dunluce Family Centre
- Dress for Success
- Early Years Team – WHSCT
- Early Years – the organisation for young children
- Eden Place Arts Centre- Pilots Row
- Education Authority (EA) Western Region
- Enterprise Northern Ireland
- European Union / ESF
- Falls Women's Centre
- Forum for Adult Learning NI (FALNI)
- First Source
- First Steps Women's Centre
- Footprints Women's Centre
- Foyle Jobs & Benefits
- Foyle Foodbank
- Foyle Women's Aid
- Foyle Women's Information Network
- Focus Project
- Galliagh Women's Group
- Gas Yard Centre

- Glenelly House
- Global Horizons
- Greater Shantallow Partnership
- Greenway Women's Centre
- Holywell Trust
- Hill Crest
- I am Self-Care
- IEB Software
- Jobs Direction
- Jungle King
- Kilcooley Women's Centre
- Libraries NI
- Lisnagelvin Women's Group
- ME4Mental
- Mears
- Migrants Forum
- Millennium Forum
- Minding Mums
- Mummy Fit by Alice
- National Women's Council of Ireland
- Newbuildings Women's Group
- NIACRO
- NI Open College Network (OCNNI)
- NINPN
- Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action (NICVA)
- Northern Ireland Rural Women's Network (NIRWN)
- North West Baps
- North West Community Network
- North West Islamic Association
- North West Regional College
- NSPCC
- Now Group
- Old Library Trust
- Orchardville
- ParentNI
- PSNI
- Pink Ladies
- Public Health Agency (PHA)
- Rainbow Project
- Rapid Ltd
- Recovery College
- Relate NI
- Right Time Right Place
- RNIB
- School Age Mothers Network (SAM's)
- Shankill Women's Centre
- Shared Island Unit – Dept of the Taoiseach
- Shepherds View Young Parents Project
- Select Computer Systems
- St. Coulombs Park House
- Strabane Community Project
- Strabane Ethnic Community Association Women's Group
- Strathfoyle Women's Activities Group - SWAG
- Surestart
- St Vincent DePaul
- Tesco

- The Bytes Project
- The Conservation Volunteers
- The Junction
- Time for Me Women's Group
- Training for Women Network (TWN)
- Triax Skills North West
- Ulster supported Employment Ltd
- Virtual Community College Ireland (VCC)
- Volunteer Centre
- Waterside Women's Centre
- Waterside Neighbourhood Renewal
- Western Childcare Partnership
- Western Health and Social Care Trust
- Windsor Women's Centre
- Womens Information Northern Ireland (WINI)
- Women's Regional Consortium
- Women's Resource Development Agency (WRDA)
- Women's Support Network (WSN)
- WOMEN'S TEC
- Youth Action

Collaboration  
with 139  
different  
organisations

# Organisation Development

## Organisation & Staff Development 2023/24

2023

2024

<b>April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic Planning</li> <li>• FALNI</li> <li>• Standardisation Training SNW</li> <li>• Health Improvement</li> </ul>	<b>January</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Budgeting Training</li> <li>• Mental Health First Aid</li> <li>• Food hygiene</li> <li>• OCNNI Assessor Training</li> <li>• Labour Market Partnership</li> <li>• Designated Safeguarding Training</li> <li>• Perinatal Support</li> </ul>
<b>May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Femcom</li> <li>• Paediatric First Aid</li> <li>• Cost of Living Crisis</li> <li>• Evide Training</li> <li>• Refugee Relocation</li> <li>• 1-1 Counselling Induction Training</li> </ul>	<b>February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autism and spectrum conditions</li> <li>• Asylum Seekers &amp; Refugees in NI</li> <li>• Career Employment</li> <li>• Early Years childcare setting</li> <li>• ESOL City and Guilds</li> <li>• Nutrition</li> </ul>
<b>June</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future for Resettlement and Integration in NI</li> <li>• Funding Stream</li> <li>• Community Safety</li> </ul>	<b>March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Safety and Risk Assessment Training</li> <li>• Designated Child protection</li> <li>• Community of Practice Good relations</li> <li>• Refugee Transition</li> <li>• Peri Natal Mental Health</li> </ul>
<b>July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safeguarding Training</li> <li>• Community of Practice Shared Knowledge</li> </ul>		
<b>August</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SNW Education Women</li> <li>• Peri Natal Mental Health</li> </ul>		
<b>September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makaton</li> <li>• Planning for Under 1s</li> <li>• Tutor Standardisation Meeting</li> <li>• PeacePlus Funding</li> <li>• Women in Debt</li> </ul>		
<b>October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Money Helper to support women</li> <li>• Henry Programme</li> <li>• Maternal Mental Health</li> <li>• Tender Training</li> </ul>		
<b>November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Budgeting Training</li> <li>• Introduction to Autism Awareness</li> <li>• Global Development Delay</li> </ul>		
<b>December</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education Women Funding NW</li> </ul>		

**256 hours  
CPD & Staff  
Development  
completed  
2023/2024**

# Workshops, Seminars & Highlights of 2023/24

## Event

Event	
<b>April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women Centre Derry Strategic Planning</li> <li>• Womens Regional Consortium</li> <li>• Womens Centre Childcare Fund</li> <li>• Partnership Success North West Induction</li> <li>• Chambers/ Women in Leadership Event Diversity and inclusivity</li> </ul>
<b>May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NICVA/NWCN Funding Crisis</li> </ul>
<b>June</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secretary of State Womens Funding</li> <li>• Community Education Research Focus Group</li> <li>• Executive Office - Refugee resettlement</li> <li>• Grow Fund Donation Visit</li> <li>• FWIN AGR Conference -Womens Aid services</li> </ul>
<b>July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WCD Annual General Meeting</li> <li>• DfC Infrastructure Review</li> <li>• SNW Partnership</li> <li>• Womens Aid Services</li> <li>• BAME Community of Practice</li> </ul>
<b>August</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAS 1 Event Outcomes</li> <li>• Deputy Secretary of State/Sinead McLaughlin/Working Well Being DfC</li> </ul>
<b>September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VAWG Focus Group - Consultation strategy</li> <li>• Debt inclusion - DfC, NICVA, DCSDC, Citizen Advice Bureau</li> </ul>
<b>October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Needs analysis Good relations</li> <li>• Alcohol Licensing Review Meeting</li> <li>• Eradication of poverty Panel</li> <li>• Fundraising Event</li> </ul>
<b>November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Needs analysis Good relations</li> <li>• Alcohol Licensing Review Meeting</li> <li>• Eradication of poverty Panel</li> <li>• MAS Regional peri Natal</li> <li>• WRDA AGR 50 Years celebration</li> </ul>
<b>December</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Success North West EMO Networking</li> <li>• Women in Debt</li> </ul>
<b>January</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BBC The View Interview</li> <li>• ESOL Approved City &amp; Guilds</li> <li>• Early Years Toddler Room</li> </ul>
<b>February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women in community Research</li> <li>• Poverty Research</li> <li>• Peri Natal Mental Health Team</li> <li>• Care NI carer &amp; Career event</li> <li>• Sustainability- Magill Family Trust</li> </ul>
<b>March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Office Visit - Integration</li> <li>• Peri Natal Mental Health</li> <li>• Success North West Event - Education outcomes</li> <li>• International Womens Day Event</li> </ul>

**44 Events**  
**896 People**  
**2023/2024**

WISER (ni) is a community interest company (CIC) set up to develop social enterprise in women's innovation, skills, education and research.

### Childcare

WISERNi provided Wiser childcare for 27 individual children providing over 2500 hours of childcare.



### Accredited Training in community

WISER delivered 7 accredited training courses to 85 participants to raise funds for WISERNi. Courses delivered were:

- Level 1 Makeup
- Level 1 Hair Styling
- Level 1 Upcycling
- Level 1 Nail Art
- Level 1 Supporting Children's Learning
- Level 1 Computerised Accounts



Money raised through WISERNi activities will go towards supporting Women Centre Derry with running costs and provide key services for women and children. This year money raised enabled Women Centre Derry to provide a 1-1 counselling service for women with access to childcare. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the services provided this year, it has made a great difference to the women and families of Derry.



# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
  - the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.
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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Audit response to risks identified

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

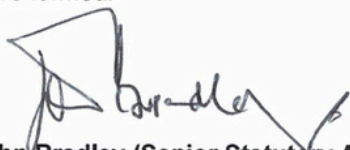
- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP

26 June 2024

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

21/23 Clarendon Street  
Derry/Londonderry  
BT48 7EP

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	72,522	-	-	72,522	9,599
Charitable activities	4	6,724	-	329,140	335,864	615,873
Investments	5	8	-	-	8	-
<b>Total income</b>		<b>79,254</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>329,140</b>	<b>408,394</b>	<b>625,472</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	6	64,879	17,149	320,778	402,806	539,979
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>64,879</b>	<b>17,149</b>	<b>320,778</b>	<b>402,806</b>	<b>539,979</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>14,375</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>8,362</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
Transfers between funds		(11,754)	-	11,754	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	8	<b>2,621</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>20,116</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304	720,811
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2024</b>		<b>296,005</b>	<b>442,215</b>	<b>73,672</b>	<b>811,892</b>	<b>806,304</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	12		446,231		465,713
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	35,507		66,441	
Cash at bank and in hand		350,696		301,724	
		386,203		368,165	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	(20,542)		(27,574)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			365,661		340,591
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			811,892		806,304
<b>Net assets</b>			811,892		806,304
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	17		73,672		53,556
Unrestricted funds - general			296,005		293,384
Unrestricted funds - designated	18		442,215		459,364
			811,892		806,304

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 26 June 2024



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Donations and gifts	<u>72,522</u>	<u>9,599</u>
<b>Donations and gifts</b>		
GROW Fund	36,000	-
WISER NI CIC	25,992	6,331
The Community Foundation - Kingsbridge Foundation	5,000	-
Other	<u>5,530</u>	<u>3,268</u>
	<u>72,522</u>	<u>9,599</u>

#### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Courses and craft income	6,724	-	6,724	10,307	-	10,307
Performance related grants	-	<u>329,140</u>	<u>329,140</u>	-	<u>605,566</u>	<u>605,566</u>
	<u>6,724</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>335,864</u>	<u>10,307</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>615,873</u>

#### Performance related grants analysis

	2024 £	2023 £
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	-	305,312
Dept for Communities - VCD	102,615	110,512
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	29,498	33,120
UKSPF - Success NW project	32,999	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	4,000	4,500
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	20,835	31,097
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	108,585	77,105
BBC Children in Need	23,538	32,795
Other	<u>7,070</u>	<u>11,125</u>
	<u>329,140</u>	<u>605,566</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	8	-

### 6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2024 £	Charitable activities 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	239,003	317,888
Depreciation and impairment	19,483	20,144
Project expenses	39,304	72,749
Property costs	11,098	15,125
Repairs and maintenance	6,401	21,366
Office costs	16,629	13,554
Advertising, marketing and publicity	456	1,469
Travel expenses	707	849
Staff training	33	350
Insurance	7,698	7,453
Consumables	1,883	3,458
Bank charges	579	509
General expenses	3,581	5,104
	<u>346,855</u>	<u>480,018</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 7)</b>		
Support	51,151	55,161
Governance	4,800	4,800
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	64,879	14,248
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	320,778	508,582
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 17 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	102,615	(113,015)	10,400	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	914	29,498	(31,429)	1,017	-
UKSPF - Success NW project	-	32,999	(32,999)	-	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	4,000	(4,282)	282	-
WHSC - SEEDS	9,400	360	(2,816)	-	6,944
HFNI Halifax Foundation	3,588	3,740	(1,085)	-	6,243
OCN NI	-	2,970	(3,025)	55	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	13,085	108,585	(77,529)	-	44,141
BBC Children in Need	20,502	23,538	(34,860)	-	9,180
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	6,067	20,835	(19,738)	-	7,164
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>(320,778)</u>	<u>11,754</u>	<u>73,672</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	914
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-
WHSC - SEEDS	-	9,400	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	4,133	-	(545)	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-
	<u>50,144</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>(508,582)</u>	<u>(93,572)</u>	<u>53,556</u>





**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Annual return

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Charity registration number NIC100187

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

**WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal activity of the company is to challenge the oppression and discrimination of women, as it exists, in all forms and it is committed to joining with other women, and women's groups, around positive initiatives for change. Through the activity of the centre, space is provided where women have the opportunity to explore their lives, make new choices and gain support to act on these choices.

The objects of the company as stated in the Memorandum & Articles of Association are to benefit the community in Derry ~ Londonderry and the Northwest, in particular women members of the community, by the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in matters relating to mental, physical and social welfare and in particular to provide centres for the supply of advice and guidance; arrange and provide the holding of meetings, lectures, workshops and classes; and do all things as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of the Company.

#### *Strategies for achieving aims and objectives*

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are:

- Providing a holistic program of educational, recreational and life skills opportunities for individuals.
- Providing education to best suit the needs of women and families in the community.
- Providing on-site childcare to enable parents to access and participate in education activities
- Providing education and social welfare facilities and resources for the use of individuals in the community.

#### *Public benefit*

The trustees have considered the charity legislation which sets out the requirements for charities to demonstrate the aims and activities are for public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission NI guidance on public benefit.

The beneficiaries are socially excluded women and their families living in the area of benefit. The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include:

- Improved educational achievements, knowledge and resources to enable women and their families out of poverty.
- Increased empowerment and confidence to enable women to make positive changes to alleviate the effects of poverty.
- Increased capacity for gaining employment enabling women to create a better future.
- Improved life skills and abilities.
- Improved quality of life for individuals and families in the community.
- Increased social inclusion for women and families.

The benefits are evidenced through qualifications gained, employment secured and evaluation feedback from beneficiaries. There is no private benefit to trustees.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### Achievements and performance

#### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

In 23/24 Women Centre Derry responded to the needs of the community to ensure Women and children were supported through the cost of living crisis. The start of the year was challenging with funding cuts across the women sector and wider community. This resulted in the Women Centre losing key funding, a reduction in services and loss of valued staff members. As we progressed through the first quarter we were already making great progress with services back on track, positions reinstated and funding streams increasing. The Centre continued its work embedding women's empowerment and equality.

Women Centre Derry delivered our aims by providing access for women to a holistic range of activities including education and training, employment support, skills development, 1-1 advocacy support, wellbeing programmes, integration activities, parenting support, mother and baby joint activities and onsite creche facilities. The Board of Directors was diligent in carrying out their governance responsibilities and contributed a range of management skills and specialisms to the organization including:

- Finance
- Youthwork
- Learning Support
- Management
- Translation
- Community Development
- Early Years
- Education

Staff training and continuous personal development was encouraged and delivered throughout the period. To provide the programmes and activities we employed 15 staff and contracted the services of 38 part-time tutors and facilitators. Together with management, these teams worked alongside participants to change lives and place women's development, empowerment and equality at the core of our work.

In 2023/24 the centre delivered 12 projects, providing 14,339 course places. Participants on formal courses achieved 75 qualifications, 18 women secured employment and 40 women progressed onto further education.

Childcare services and children's programmes providing places for 433 individual children this year and our onsite creche provided 9023 childcare hours.

The impacts of the Centre's work will be benefitting our communities for years into the future. All credit to the staff teams and leaders who responded so well to the challenges with creativity and innovation.

We collaborated with 139 organisations and statutory agencies in the area to promote equality and access for women. We partnered with the Women's Regional Consortium, Women's Resource Development Agency and Triax to deliver essential front-line services in disadvantaged and rurally isolated communities.

We delivered several multicultural projects supporting 179 BME families. These services contributes to building a safe, diverse and equal community.

### Financial review

Total income for the year was £408,394, of which £329,140 was received from grant aid funding. £- represents enrolment fees in respect of lectures, workshops and classes. £72,522 was generated in respect of donations received.

Total expenditure was £402,806, all of which was expended on direct charitable activities.

The balance on total funds at the year-end was £811,892, of which £296,005 were unrestricted income funds, £442,215 were designated funds and £73,672 were restricted funds.

#### *Reserves policy*

The Trustees consider it prudent to hold monies in reserve in the event that unforeseen circumstances should lead to financial difficulties which might put the future of its employment capacity, general charitable work and property in jeopardy.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves considering the main risks to the organisation and established a formal policy which stipulates that free reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty. Free reserves are defined by the Trustees as unrestricted income funds freely available for use as the charity so determines and thereby excludes any funds committed, invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted or designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Based on the year ended 31 March 2024 expenditure (excluding depreciation and non-recurring costs) of £376,372, the target level of reserves is £94,100 to £125,500. Free reserves of the charity as at 31st March 2024 are £292,856, therefore the Trustees are pleased to confirm that the charity is compliant with its reserves policy. The Trustees continue to strive to maintain a general level of reserves in accordance with their policy so that they will be able to continue the current activities of the charity.

Within unrestricted funds, a designation of £442,215 has been set aside represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an on-going basis for charitable activities. The designated funds balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated each year to the designated fund, until it is fully amortised.

#### *Major risks*

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees, in conjunction with the senior management team, are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised through the procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Governing document**

Women's Centre is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by Charity Commission for NI under reference NIC100762 and by HMRC under reference XR 19291. The company was incorporated on 17th November 1997. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Denise Doherty (Chairperson)

Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)

Dr Clionagh Boyle

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Gooma

Leona McMenamin

Saorla Boyle

(Resigned 28 June 2023)

(Appointed 28 June 2023)

#### *Recruitment and appointment of trustees*

The Board of Trustees manages the process of recruitment and appointment of Trustees, and may admit to membership any person interested in promoting the objects (primary purpose) of the company.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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### *Organisational structure*

The Trustees have ultimate legal and financial responsibility for the affairs of the Women's Centre and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Centre Director, who is responsible for the day to day operational management of the charity.

The Trustees remain satisfied that the Women's Centre is compliant with good governance practices in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.

### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Womens Centre Derry Ltd for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the 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.

### **Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Moore (NI) LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

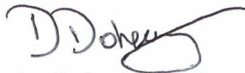
## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
**Trustee**



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
**Trustee**

26 June 2024

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Audit response to risks identified

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

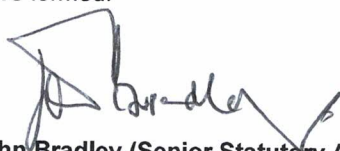
- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP

26 June 2024

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	72,522	-	-	72,522	9,599
Charitable activities	4	6,724	-	329,140	335,864	615,873
Investments	5	8	-	-	8	-
<b>Total income</b>		<b>79,254</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>329,140</b>	<b>408,394</b>	<b>625,472</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	6	64,879	17,149	320,778	402,806	539,979
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>64,879</b>	<b>17,149</b>	<b>320,778</b>	<b>402,806</b>	<b>539,979</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>14,375</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>8,362</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
Transfers between funds		(11,754)	-	11,754	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	8	<b>2,621</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>20,116</b>	<b>5,588</b>	<b>85,493</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304	720,811
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2024</b>		<b>296,005</b>	<b>442,215</b>	<b>73,672</b>	<b>811,892</b>	<b>806,304</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Prior financial year		Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes				
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	9,599	-	-	9,599
Charitable activities	4	10,307	-	605,566	615,873
<b>Total income</b>		19,906	-	605,566	625,472
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	6	14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979
<b>Total expenditure</b>		14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		5,658	(17,149)	96,984	85,493
Transfers between funds		93,572	-	(93,572)	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	8	99,230	(17,149)	3,412	85,493
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		194,154	476,513	50,144	720,811
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		293,384	459,364	53,556	806,304

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	12		446,231		465,713
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	35,507		66,441	
Cash at bank and in hand		350,696		301,724	
		<u>386,203</u>		<u>368,165</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(20,542)</u>		<u>(27,574)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>365,661</u>		<u>340,591</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	17		73,672		53,556
Unrestricted funds - general			296,005		293,384
Unrestricted funds - designated	18		442,215		459,364
			<u>811,892</u>		<u>806,304</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 26 June 2024



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Kathy Colhoun (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Womens Centre Derry Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is Beibhinn House, 5 Guildhall Street, Derry, BT48 6BB.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of childcare and educational services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 7.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.10 Taxation

The company is a charity and is recognised as such by HM Revenue & Customs under the charity tax reference XR 19291. As a result there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

#### 1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Donations and gifts	<u>72,522</u>	<u>9,599</u>
<b>Donations and gifts</b>		
GROW Fund	36,000	-
WISER NI CIC	25,992	6,331
The Community Foundation - Kingsbridge Foundation	5,000	-
Other	<u>5,530</u>	<u>3,268</u>
	<u><u>72,522</u></u>	<u><u>9,599</u></u>

#### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Courses and craft income	6,724	-	6,724	10,307	-	10,307
Performance related grants	-	329,140	329,140	-	605,566	605,566
	<u>6,724</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>335,864</u>	<u>10,307</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>615,873</u>

#### Performance related grants analysis

	2024 £	2023 £
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	-	305,312
Dept for Communities - VCD	102,615	110,512
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	29,498	33,120
UKSPF - Success NW project	32,999	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	4,000	4,500
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	20,835	31,097
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	108,585	77,105
BBC Children in Need	23,538	32,795
Other	<u>7,070</u>	<u>11,125</u>
	<u><u>329,140</u></u>	<u><u>605,566</u></u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	8	-

### 6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2024 £	Charitable activities 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	239,003	317,888
Depreciation and impairment	19,483	20,144
Project expenses	39,304	72,749
Property costs	11,098	15,125
Repairs and maintenace	6,401	21,366
Office costs	16,629	13,554
Advertising, marketing and publicity	456	1,469
Travel expenses	707	849
Staff training	33	350
Insurance	7,698	7,453
Consumables	1,883	3,458
Bank charges	579	509
General expenses	3,581	5,104
	<u>346,855</u>	<u>480,018</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 7)</b>		
Support	51,151	55,161
Governance	4,800	4,800
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	64,879	14,248
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	320,778	508,582
	<u>402,806</u>	<u>539,979</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

### 7 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	51,151	55,161
Governance costs	4,800	4,800
	<u>55,951</u>	<u>59,961</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Charitable activities	<u>55,951</u>	<u>59,961</u>

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs represent time spent by staff on back office work, finance, personnel, payroll and governance matters which are necessary to plan, direct and monitor the charity's programmes and activities.

### 8 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements	4,800	4,800
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	19,483	20,144
	<u>24,283</u>	<u>24,944</u>

### 9 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Wages and salaries	254,174	325,969
Social security costs	19,071	25,180
Other pension costs	16,909	21,900
	<u>290,154</u>	<u>373,049</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 10 Employees (Continued)

##### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>121,018</u>	<u>107,196</u>

#### 11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2023	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
At 31 March 2024	<u>857,438</u>	<u>204,586</u>	<u>1,062,024</u>
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 April 2023	398,072	198,238	596,310
Depreciation charged in the year	17,149	2,334	19,483
At 31 March 2024	<u>415,221</u>	<u>200,572</u>	<u>615,793</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 March 2024	<u>442,217</u>	<u>4,014</u>	<u>446,231</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>459,365</u>	<u>6,348</u>	<u>465,713</u>

#### 13 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Amounts owed by related parties	26,318	11,500
Other debtors	9,189	54,941
	<u>35,507</u>	<u>66,441</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Bank overdrafts	15	8,056	3,727
Accruals		12,486	23,847
		<u>20,542</u>	<u>27,574</u>

### 15 Loans and overdrafts

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank overdrafts	<u>8,056</u>	<u>3,727</u>
Payable within one year	<u>8,056</u>	<u>3,727</u>

### 16 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes	2024 £	2023 £
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	<u>30,321</u>	<u>40,507</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 17 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	102,615	(113,015)	10,400	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	914	29,498	(31,429)	1,017	-
UKSPF - Success NW project	-	32,999	(32,999)	-	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	-	4,000	(4,282)	282	-
WHSC - SEEDS	9,400	360	(2,816)	-	6,944
HFNI Halifax Foundation	3,588	3,740	(1,085)	-	6,243
OCN NI	-	2,970	(3,025)	55	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Recover Rebuild Renew	13,085	108,585	(77,529)	-	44,141
BBC Children in Need	20,502	23,538	(34,860)	-	9,180
National Lottery Community Fund - Women's Regional MAS programme	6,067	20,835	(19,738)	-	7,164
	<u>53,556</u>	<u>329,140</u>	<u>(320,778)</u>	<u>11,754</u>	<u>73,672</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	914
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-
WHSC - SEEDS	-	9,400	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	4,133	-	(545)	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-
	<u>50,144</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>(508,582)</u>	<u>(93,572)</u>	<u>53,556</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 17 Restricted funds

(Continued)

#### **Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4**

Project supports women to access new skills, training opportunities, work experience and qualifications. The project engages with women who are unemployed, economically inactive and far from the labour market. This project was completed at 31 March 2023.

#### **Dept for Communities - VCD**

Core support for the organisation to maintain and support the delivery of community development activities, education, childcare, information, signposting and support services for women and children from disadvantaged communities.

#### **Dept for Communities - Regional Support**

This project supports WCD as part of a Consortium of seven established Women's Sector organisations. This organisation works to support frontline women's organisations ensuring the delivery of identified specialist functions on a regional basis, rural and urban across Northern Ireland.

#### **UKSPF - Success NW**

Shared Prosperity Fund- Success Northwest (SNW) project is an ambitious, collaborative, consortium approach, with community-based, partners in eight community hubs across the DCSDC area. The project provides intensive and tailored interventions to those economically inactive residents. The project uses a range of holistic approaches to address barriers and support individuals to secure sustainable, good quality employment.

#### **Derry City & Strabane District Council**

This fund supports the Centre to promote social and economic regeneration in the DC&SDC area and to deliver programmes and services for women and families. The project also contributes to the implementation of the Council's shared future strategy by supporting women from minority ethnic communities.

#### **WHST - SEEDS**

Funding for the provision of therapeutic and self-care support for vulnerable women and children.

#### **HFNI Halifax Foundation**

Funding for server and computer software upgrades at the Centre.

#### **National Lottery Community Fund**

Funding for People and Communities RECOVER REBUILD RENEW project.

#### **BBC Children in Need**

This project will provide advocacy support and activities for Black and minority ethnic, resettled, and refugee children and young people. It will reduce isolation, improve English skills, and increase health and wellbeing.

#### **National Lottery Community Fund – Women's Regional MAS programme**

Peri-Natal Peer support programme. Advocacy & Mental Health Well-Being.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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#### 18 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
Designated property funds	459,364	(17,149)	442,215
	<u>459,364</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>442,215</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
Designated property funds	476,513	(17,149)	459,364
	<u>476,513</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>459,364</u>

Designated funds is the value of unrestricted funds represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an ongoing basis for charitable activities. The period end balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated to the designated fund each period, until it is fully amortised.

#### 19 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	293,384	79,254	(64,879)	(11,754)	296,005
	<u>293,384</u>	<u>79,254</u>	<u>(64,879)</u>	<u>(11,754)</u>	<u>296,005</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2023 £</b>
General funds	194,154	19,906	(14,248)	93,572	293,384
	<u>194,154</u>	<u>19,906</u>	<u>(14,248)</u>	<u>93,572</u>	<u>293,384</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
<b>At 31 March 2024:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,149	442,215	867	446,231
Current assets/(liabilities)	292,856	-	72,805	365,661
	<u>296,005</u>	<u>442,215</u>	<u>73,672</u>	<u>811,892</u>
	<u><u>296,005</u></u>	<u><u>442,215</u></u>	<u><u>73,672</u></u>	<u><u>811,892</u></u>
	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
<b>At 31 March 2023:</b>				
Tangible assets	3,325	459,364	3,024	465,713
Current assets/(liabilities)	290,059	-	50,532	340,591
	<u>293,384</u>	<u>459,364</u>	<u>53,556</u>	<u>806,304</u>
	<u><u>293,384</u></u>	<u><u>459,364</u></u>	<u><u>53,556</u></u>	<u><u>806,304</u></u>

#### 21 Contingent Liabilities

Certain grants received and receivable may become repayable to the funder if the charity is no longer able to meet the conditions under which they were awarded. Due to the nature of these contingencies it may not be possible to quantify the potential financial effect or give an indication of the timing as to the liabilities that may arise.

#### 22 Transfers between funds

During the year there have been net transfers between funds in the amount of £11,754 from unrestricted general funds to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted general funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

In the prior period there were net transfers between funds in the amount of £93,572 from restricted funds to unrestricted general funds as follows:

- transfer of £99,992 (2022: £27,118) from restricted funds which represents surplus funding for indirect costs in accordance with funding agreements which is being released and transferred to unrestricted funds;
- transfer of £6,420 (2022: £17,608) from unrestricted to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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#### 23 Related party transactions

##### Transactions with related parties

The Women's Centre has a close working relationship with WISER (NI) CIC, a community interest company which provides private childcare services and non-funded courses and workshops. The Board of Trustees of the Women's Centre are also Board members of WISER (NI) CIC therefore both entities are under common control.

During the year, the Women's Centre had the following transactions with WISER (NI) CIC:

- secondment of a childcare staff member to WISER for the provision of childcare services. The total amount invoiced to WISER was £3,000 (2023: £3,000). This amount was paid in full before the year end (2023 - £3,000).
- Women's Centre paid £1,283 (2023: nil) in relation to course registration fees on behalf of WISER. This amount was repaid in full by the year end.
- gift aid covenant income from WISER in the amount of £25,992 (2023: £6,332). This amount is included within donations and legacies and remains outstanding at the year end (2023: £6,332).

#### 24 Auditors' Ethical Standards

In common with many businesses of its size and nature, the charity uses its auditors to assist with the compilation of the statutory financial statements.

**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number NIC100187

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Denise Doherty (Chairperson) Leona McMenamain (Treasurer) Kathy Colhoun Dr Clionagh Boyle Geraldine Compton Roisin Hegarty Dina Gomaa	(Appointed 21 June 2022)
<b>Secretary</b>	Sharon McLaughlin	
<b>Charity number</b>	NIC100187	
<b>Company number</b>	NI033263	
<b>Registered office</b>	Beibhinn House 5 Guildhall Street Derry BT48 6BB	
<b>Auditor</b>	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Derry/Londonderry BT48 7EP	
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland 27 Culmore Road Londonderry BT48 8JB	
<b>Solicitors</b>	Babingtons Solicitors 9 Limavady Road Londonderry BT47 6JU	

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal activity of the company is to challenge the oppression and discrimination of women, as it exists, in all forms and it is committed to joining with other women, and women's groups, around positive initiatives for change. Through the activity of the centre, space is provided where women have the opportunity to explore their lives, make new choices and gain support to act on these choices.

The objects of the company as stated in the Memorandum & Articles of Association are to benefit the community in Derry ~ Londonderry and the Northwest, in particular women members of the community, by the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in matters relating to mental, physical and social welfare and in particular to provide centres for the supply of advice and guidance; arrange and provide the holding of meetings, lectures, workshops and classes; and do all things as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of the Company.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have considered the charity legislation which sets out the requirements for charities to demonstrate the aims and activities are for public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission NI guidance on public benefit.

The beneficiaries are socially excluded women and their families living in the area of benefit. The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include:

- Improved educational achievements, knowledge and resources to enable women and their families out of poverty.
- Increased empowerment and confidence to enable women to make positive changes to alleviate the effects of poverty.
- Increased capacity for gaining employment enabling women to create a better future.
- Improved life skills and abilities.
- Improved quality of life for individuals and families in the community.
- Increased social inclusion for women and families.

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are:

- Providing a holistic program of educational, recreational and life skills opportunities for individuals.
- Providing education to best suit the needs of women and families in the community.
- Providing on-site childcare to enable parents to access and participate in education activities
- Providing education and social welfare facilities and resources for the use of individuals in the community.

The benefits are evidenced through qualifications gained, employment secured and evaluation feedback from beneficiaries. There is no private benefit to trustees.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **Achievements and performance**

In 2022/23 Women's Centre Derry responded rapidly to the needs of the community to ensure women and children were supported during the cost of living crisis while also continuing to rebuild our community after the impacts of COVID-19. The Centre's work is embedded in women's empowerment and equality. We deliver our aims by providing access for women to a holistic range of activities including education, training, skills and support. The Board of Directors was diligent in carrying out their governance responsibilities and contributed a range of management skills and specialisms to the organization including:

- Finance
- Youthwork
- Learning Support
- Management
- Translation
- Community Development
- Early Years
- Education
- Autism and Employment

Staff training and continuous personal development was encouraged and delivered throughout the period. We maintained the organisation's Investors in People award, received the highest outcome on an ETI inspection and had a creche inspection with no areas for improvement. To provide the programmes and activities we employed 17 permanent staff and contracted the services of 32 part-time tutors and facilitators. Together with management, these teams worked alongside participants to change lives and place women's development, empowerment and equality at the core of our work.

In 2022/23 the centre delivered 9 projects, providing 1,617 course places. Participants on formal courses achieved 195 qualifications. Over the past year the PROSPER 4 project has supported 72 women into employment and 116 into further education.

Childcare services and children's programmes providing places for 741 individual children this year. Our onsite creche provided 13,901 childcare places.

The impacts of the Centre's work will be benefitting our communities for years into the future. All credit to the staff teams and leaders who responded so well to the challenges with creativity and innovation.

We collaborated with 60 organisations and statutory agencies in the area to promote equality and access for women. We partnered with the Women's Regional Consortium to support groups to deliver essential front-line services in disadvantaged and rurally isolated communities.

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We delivered several multi-cultural projects supporting 92 BME families, providing a warm welcome and an opportunity to make friends and connections this work is invaluable and rewarding for women who are new to our community. It contributes to building a safe, diverse and equal community.

#### **Financial review**

Total income for the year was £625,472, of which £605,566 was received from grant aid funding. £10,307 represents enrolment fees in respect of lectures, workshops and classes. £9,599 was generated in respect of donations received.

Total expenditure was £539,979, all of which was expended on direct charitable activities.

The balance on total funds at the year-end was £806,304, of which £293,384 were unrestricted income funds, £459,364 were designated funds and £53,556 were restricted funds.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### Going concern

The charity's largest source of grant funding is from the Prosper 4 project funded by the Department for the Economy's Northern Ireland European Social Fund programme. This programme has been restructured from 1 April 2023 and moving forward will be funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue to deliver this programme from 2023/24 onwards as part of a consortium. Accordingly, activities will be scaled back in line with reduced funding through this project.

Furthermore, the Women's Centre Derry receives funding from the Department for Communities for core salary costs. Due to the uncertainty arising from the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont, this funding is currently confirmed until September 2023. The trustees have a reasonable expectation that this funding will be extended, however are also planning to mitigate the risk of funding not being secured by sourcing alternative funding and considering alternative income streams. The trustees have also considered the extent to which activities and expenditure should be curtailed, should circumstances arise.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees consider it prudent to hold monies in reserve in the event that unforeseen circumstances should lead to financial difficulties which might put the future of its employment capacity, general charitable work and property in jeopardy.

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves considering the main risks to the organisation and established a formal policy which stipulates that free reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty. Free reserves are defined by the Trustees as unrestricted income funds freely available for use as the charity so determines and thereby excludes any funds committed, invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted or designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Based on the year ended 31 March 2023 expenditure (excluding depreciation and non-recurring costs) of £506,259, the target level of reserves is £125,000 to £250,000. Free reserves of the charity as at 31st March 2023 are £290,059, therefore the Trustees are pleased to confirm that the charity is compliant with its reserves policy. The Trustees continue to strive to maintain a general level of reserves in accordance with their policy so that they will be able to continue the current activities of the charity.

Within unrestricted funds, a designation of £459,364 has been set aside represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an on-going basis for charitable activities. The designated funds balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated each year to the designated fund, until it is fully amortised.

### Risk management

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees, in conjunction with the senior management team, are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised through the procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

### Plans for future periods

In the next year we will continue to deliver COVID recovery support programmes as an additional element to our work. A project is in place to support mothers with mental health issues. We will continue to combat poverty by engaging socially & economically isolated women. A new Strategic Plan is in place to guide the centres work up to 2028.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

*FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023*

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### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

Women's Centre is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by Charity Commission for NI under reference NIC100762 and by HMRC under reference XR 19291. The company was incorporated on 17th November 1997. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Denise Doherty (Chairperson) (Appointed 21 June 2022)

Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)

Kathy Colhoun

Dr Clionagh Boyle

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Gomaa

#### **Recruitment and appointment of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees manages the process of recruitment and appointment of Trustees, and may admit to membership any person interested in promoting the objects (primary purpose) of the company.

#### **Organisational structure**

The Trustees have ultimate legal and financial responsibility for the affairs of the Women's Centre and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Centre Director, who is responsible for the day to day operational management of the charity.

The Trustees remain satisfied that the Women's Centre is compliant with good governance practices in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Womens Centre Derry Ltd for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the 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.

### Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Moore (NI) LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

  
Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee

  
Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)  
Trustee

28 June 2023

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to note 1.2 of the financial statements, which describes that the charity receives funding for core salary costs from the Department for Communities, which is currently confirmed until September 2023 due to the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont. Our opinion is not modified in this respect.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

#### **Audit response to risks identified**

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP

28 June 2023

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

21/23 Clarendon Street  
Derry/Londonderry  
BT48 7EP

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### Current financial year

	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	9,599	-	-	9,599	12,813
Charitable activities	4	10,307	-	605,566	615,873	469,495
<b>Total income</b>		<b>19,906</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>605,566</b>	<b>625,472</b>	<b>482,308</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	5	14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979	516,610
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>5,658</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>96,984</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Gross transfers between funds	19	93,572	-	(93,572)	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>99,230</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>3,412</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		194,154	476,513	50,144	720,811	755,113
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>293,384</b>	<b>459,364</b>	<b>53,556</b>	<b>806,304</b>	<b>720,811</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Prior financial year

	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	12,813	-	-	12,813
Charitable activities	4	11,220	-	458,275	469,495
<b>Total income</b>		<b>24,033</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>458,275</b>	<b>482,308</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	5	14,056	17,149	485,405	516,610
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>9,977</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(27,130)</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Gross transfers between funds		9,510	-	(9,510)	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>19,487</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(36,640)</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		174,667	493,662	86,784	755,113
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2022</b>		<b>194,154</b>	<b>476,513</b>	<b>50,144</b>	<b>720,811</b>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

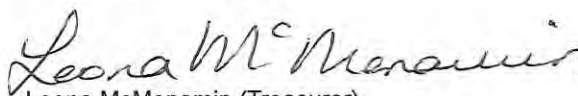
	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		465,713		485,857
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	66,441		42,906	
Cash at bank and in hand		301,724		206,594	
		<u>368,165</u>		<u>249,500</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(27,574)</u>		<u>(14,546)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>340,591</u>		<u>234,954</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u><u>806,304</u></u>		<u><u>720,811</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15		53,556		50,144
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	16	459,364		476,513	
General unrestricted funds		<u>293,384</u>		<u>194,154</u>	
			<u>752,748</u>		<u>670,667</u>
			<u><u>806,304</u></u>		<u><u>720,811</u></u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 28 June 2023



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	21		96,631		(16,096)
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		(2,419)	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			-		(2,419)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>			96,631		(18,515)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			201,366		219,881
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			297,997		201,366
<b>Relating to:</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand			301,724		206,594
Bank overdrafts included in creditors payable within one year			(3,727)		(5,228)

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Womens Centre Derry Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is Beibhinn House, 5 Guildhall Street, Derry, BT48 6BB.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

The charity's largest source of grant funding is from the Prosper 4 project funded by the Department for the Economy's Northern Ireland European Social Fund programme. This programme has been restructured from 1 April 2023 and moving forward will be funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue to deliver this programme from 2023/24 onwards as part of a consortium. Accordingly, activities will be scaled back in line with reduced funding through this project.

Furthermore, the Women's Centre Derry receives funding from the Department for Communities for core salary costs. Due to the uncertainty arising from the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont, this funding is currently confirmed until September 2023. The trustees have a reasonable expectation that this funding will be extended, however are also planning to mitigate the risk of funding not being secured by sourcing alternative funding and considering alternative income streams. The trustees have also considered the extent to which activities and expenditure should be curtailed, should circumstances arise.

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of childcare and educational services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 6.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 1.10 Taxation

The company is a charity and is recognised as such by HM Revenue & Customs under the charity tax reference XR 19291. As a result there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

### 1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

## 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 3 Donations and legacies

	<b>Unrestricted funds general 2023 £</b>	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
Donations and gifts	<b>9,599</b>	<b>12,813</b>

### 4 Charitable activities

	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Courses and craft income	<b>10,307</b>	11,063
Grant funding	<b>605,566</b>	458,275
Other income	-	157
	<b>615,873</b>	<b>469,495</b>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	<b>10,307</b>	11,220
Restricted funds	<b>605,566</b>	458,275
	<b>615,873</b>	<b>469,495</b>
<b>Performance related grants</b>		
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	<b>305,312</b>	232,613
Dept for Communities - VCD	<b>110,512</b>	106,037
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	<b>33,120</b>	28,636
Derry City & Strabane District Council	<b>4,500</b>	7,500
Regional Women's Centre Partnership - MAS project	<b>31,097</b>	17,213
National Lottery Community Fund	<b>77,105</b>	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	<b>32,795</b>	39,443
Other	<b>11,125</b>	22,155
	<b>605,566</b>	<b>458,275</b>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 5 Charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs	317,888	304,080
Depreciation and impairment	20,144	21,045
Course and accreditation fees	8,912	6,681
Facilitation and evaluation	28,134	25,404
Project expenses	35,703	30,772
Property costs	15,125	12,284
Repairs and maintenance	21,366	16,837
Office costs	13,554	15,457
Advertising, marketing and publicity	1,469	1,368
Travel expenses	849	346
Staff training	350	98
Insurance	7,453	8,408
Consumables	3,458	4,472
Bank charges	509	524
General expenses	5,104	6,878
	<u>480,018</u>	<u>454,654</u>
Share of support costs (see note 6)	55,161	57,456
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	4,800	4,500
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	14,248	14,056
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	508,582	485,405
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

6 Support costs	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	55,161	-	55,161	57,456	-	57,456
Audit fees	-	4,800	4,800	-	4,500	4,500
	<u>55,161</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>59,961</u>	<u>57,456</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>61,956</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>55,161</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>59,961</u>	<u>57,456</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>61,956</u>

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs represent time spent by staff on back office work, finance, personnel, payroll and governance matters which are necessary to plan, direct and monitor the charity's programmes and activities.

7 Net movement in funds	2023	2022
	£	£
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's financial statements	4,800	4,500
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	<u>20,144</u>	<u>21,045</u>

### 8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
	17	16

### Employment costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	325,969	315,890
Social security costs	25,180	24,212
Other pension costs	21,900	21,434
	<b>373,049</b>	<b>361,536</b>

Included within employment costs is a total of £13,576 in respect of redundancy costs. These costs have been funded from the charity's general unrestricted reserves.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

### 10 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2022	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
At 31 March 2023	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 April 2022	380,924	195,243	576,167
Depreciation charged in the year	17,149	2,995	20,144
At 31 March 2023	398,073	198,238	596,311
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 March 2023	459,365	6,348	465,713
At 31 March 2022	476,514	9,343	485,857

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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11 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	11,500	14,596
Other debtors	54,941	28,310
	<u>66,441</u>	<u>42,906</u>

12 Loans and overdrafts	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank overdrafts	3,727	5,228
Payable within one year	3,727	5,228

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Bank overdrafts	12	3,727	5,228
Accruals and deferred income		23,847	9,318
		<u>27,574</u>	<u>14,546</u>

#### 14 Retirement benefit schemes

##### Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £21,900 (2022 - £21,434).

**WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**15 Restricted funds**

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021		Movement in funds			Movement in funds			Balance at 31 March 2023		
	£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	£	£
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	374	232,613	232,613	(206,368)	(26,217)	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	106,037	106,037	(123,422)	17,385	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	1,027	28,636	28,636	(29,886)	223	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	914	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,722	7,500	7,500	(7,634)	-	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-	-
British Science Association	-	3,000	3,000	(3,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Big Lottery - Awards for All	901	-	-	-	(901)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-	-
WHSCT	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,400	-	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	-	9,145	9,145	(6,685)	-	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678	4,678	(545)	-	4,133	-	(545)	-	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	71,862	-	-	(58,267)	-	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	5,159	39,443	39,443	(27,642)	-	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	1,673	17,213	17,213	(15,955)	-	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	-	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	3,066	5,010	5,010	(6,001)	-	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	-
	86,784	458,275	458,275	(485,405)	(9,510)	50,144	605,566	(508,582)	(93,572)	53,556	

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

15	<b>Restricted funds</b>  <b>Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4</b> Project supports women to access new skills, training opportunities, work experience and qualifications. The project engages with women who are unemployed, economically inactive and far from the labour market. This project was completed at 31 March 2023 and has restructured under the UK Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue participating in this project as part of a consortium from 1 April 2023 as opposed to being the lead partner.  <b>Dept for Communities - VCU</b> Core support for the organisation to maintain and support the delivery of community development activities, education, childcare, information, signposting and support services for women and children from disadvantaged communities.  <b>Dept for Communities - Regional Support</b> This project supports WCD as part of a Consortium of seven established Women's Sector organisations. This organisation works to support frontline women's organisations ensuring the delivery of identified specialist functions on a regional basis, rural and urban across Northern Ireland.  <b>Derry City &amp; Strabane District Council</b> This fund supports the Centre to promote social and economic regeneration in the DC&SDC area and to deliver programmes and services for women and families. The project also contributes to the implementation of the Council's shared future strategy by supporting women from minority ethnic communities.  <b>British Science Association - New Ideas Fund</b> Funding towards research projects.  <b>Childcare Partnership NI</b> Funding for the replacement of worn or discarded resources within the early years setting necessary to deliver a quality early years childcare service.  <b>Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)</b> Funding awarded by the Dept for the Economy for Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme (VPRS) to attend English Language Training courses administered by Belfast Metropolitan College and funding for creche placements/nursery fees for attendees.  <b>HFNI Halifax Foundation</b> Funding for server and computer software upgrades at the Centre.  <b>National Lottery Community Fund</b> Funding for People and Communities RECOVER REBUILD RENEW project, providing total funding of £385,525 over 5 years.	(Continued)
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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 15 Restricted funds

(Continued)

#### **BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID**

This project will provide advocacy support and regular activity for ethnic minority children and young people, who have been adversely impacted by school shutdowns and isolation since the Covid-19 pandemic began.

#### **Regional Women's Centre Partnership - MAS project**

Peri-Natal Peer support programme. Advocacy & Mental Health Well-Being.

#### **Community Foundation Ireland**

Mind Your Wellness programme. Health & Well-Being support workshops.

#### **Screwfix Foundation**

Funding towards the cost of renovations and repairs to the Women's Centre.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 16 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Resources expended 31 £	Balance at March 2023 £
Designated property funds	493,662	(17,149)	476,513	(17,149)	459,364
	<u>493,662</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>476,513</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>459,364</u>

Designated funds is the value of unrestricted funds represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an ongoing basis for charitable activities. The period end balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated to the designated fund each period, until it is fully amortised.



# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 18 Contingent Liabilities

Certain grants received and receivable may become repayable to the funder if the charity is no longer able to meet the conditions under which they were awarded. Due to the nature of these contingencies it may not be possible to quantify the potential financial effect or give an indication of the timing as to the liabilities that may arise.

### 19 Transfers between funds

During the year there have been net transfers between funds in the amount of £93,572 (2022: £9,510) from restricted funds to unrestricted general funds as follows:

- transfer of £99,992 (2022: £27,118) from restricted funds which represents surplus funding for indirect costs in accordance with funding agreements which is being released and transferred to unrestricted funds;
- transfer of £6,420 (2022: £17,608) from unrestricted to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

### 20 Related party transactions

#### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2023 £	2022 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>107,196</u>	<u>110,130</u>

#### Transactions with related parties

The Women's Centre has a close working relationship with WISER (NI) CIC, a community interest company which provides private childcare services and non-funded courses and workshops. The Board of Trustees of the Women's Centre are also Board members of WISER (NI) CIC therefore both entities are under common control.

During the year, the Women's Centre had the following transactions with WISER (NI) CIC:

- secondment of a childcare staff member to WISER for the provision of childcare services. The total amount invoiced to WISER was £3,000 (2022: £3,000). This amount remains outstanding at the year end (2022 - none).
- WISER collected £1,670 (2022: £3,105) in relation to enrolment fees for courses which is owed to the Women's Centre. This amount remains outstanding at the year end (2022: £3,105).
- gift aid covenant income from WISER in the amount of £6,332 (2022: £11,491). This amount is included within donations and legacies and remains outstanding at the year end.

**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Annual report

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# Women's Centre Derry

ACCESS & EMPOWERMENT



Annual General Report 2022/23  
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# Our Vision, Mission and Values

Our **vision** is to foster a holistic approach through working in partnership with individuals, local communities and key decision makers to empower women, promote women's equality, opportunity, education and development, thereby reducing inequalities and improving life chances for all women.

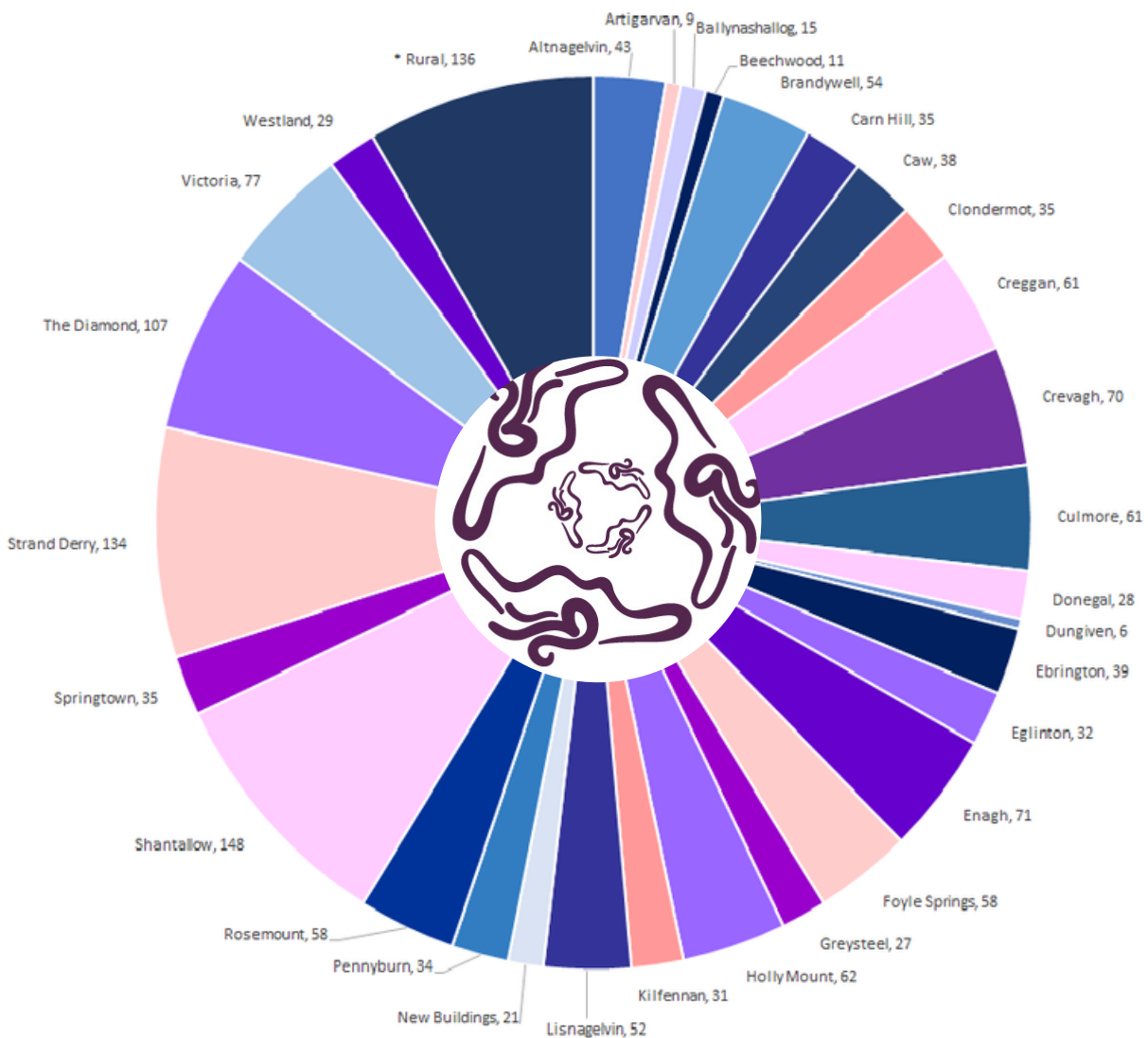
Our **mission** is to provide a holistic approach to inspire, empower, educate and support women through the provision of a safe and welcoming environment with access to onsite childcare, enabling them to access services and realise their true potential.

Our **Values**: Equality, Accessibility, integration, Holistic and women centred. sustainability, diversity, collaboration and integrity, innovation and excellence and Accountability

# Participants 2022/23

Women's Centre Derry supports women and children from communities throughout the Derry & Strabane District Council area, urban, rural and cross border.

## ELECTORAL SOA DISTRIBUTION - PARTICIPANTS 2022/23



## ELECTORAL SOA (RURAL)

- Banagher
- Castlederg
- Claudy
- Limavady
- Lagan Valley
- Newtown Stewart
- Observatory Omagh
- Old Warren
- Plumbridge
- Slievekirk
- Town Parks
- University Coleraine
- West Strabane

# Directors & Staff

## Board of Directors

### Chairperson

Denise Doherty

### Treasurer

Leona McMenamin

### Directors

Clionagh Boyle

Kathy Colhoun

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Goma

### Company Secretary

Sharon McLaughlin

## Staff

### Centre Director

Catherine Barr

### Finance & Administration Co-ordinator

Sharon McLaughlin

### Employment Projects Co-ordinator

Ciara McGonigle

### Participant Recruitment & Tracking Officer

Sara O'Hagan

### Employment Mentoring Officer

Michelle Owen

### Crèche Co-ordinators

Joanne Karran

### Deputy Creche Co-ordinator

Lisa Caldwell/Danielle Farren

### Childcare Team

Eimear Campbell

Caoimhe Kent

Lisa Browne

### Participant Drop-In Organiser

Carole Mailey

### Regional Outreach Development Worker

Rayna Downey

### Participant Technical Support IT/VLE

Denise Hutton/Donncha Devlin

### Participant Support & Enrolment Assistant

Neelu Chada

### Maternal Advocacy & Support Worker

Fiona Hegarty

### Children's Advocacy Worker

Bonnie Cassidy

# Tutors & Facilitators

Alice Brading  
Bronagh Sproule  
Caoimhe Harte  
Ciara McGonigle  
Danielle Collins  
Danny Glen  
Deborah Ferry  
Diana Dimhis  
Donncha Devlin  
Edelle Harrigan Edgar  
Elizabeth Early  
Fiona Melarkey  
Hayley Doman  
Jai Hunter  
Jeanette Mc Cole  
Joan Friel

Karen Hamilton  
Lauren Rooney  
Lorna Quinn  
Margaret Gallagher  
Marie Hone  
Mary McNicholl  
Michele Cunningham  
Patricia Lynch  
Rachel Brown  
Rhonda Evans  
Rhonda Reilly  
Sarah O'Donnell  
Sharon Laird  
Sinead Crumlish  
Sinead Doherty  
Yvonne McDermott

## Staff



Catherine



Sharon



Joanne



Ciara



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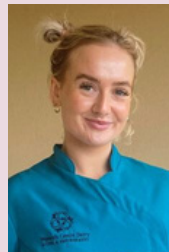
Denise



Caoimhe



Lisa



Danielle



Eimear



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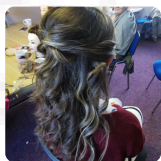
# Overview 2022/23

Women Centre Derry is a safe environment for women to come along and engage in a range of holistic activities including education, training, skills, parenting support and wellbeing. Below is an outline of the centres activities and projects delivered at Women Centre Derry during the period April 22- March 23.

## PROSPER 4

The aim of the PROSPER 4 project is to combat poverty and promote social inclusion by increasing the skills base of economically inactive and unemployed women. The project aims to address the challenges and barriers faced by women by providing a range of support and delivering employment related qualifications. Women Centre Derry offers a blended learning approach offering online and in-centre courses to enable women access to services. PROSPER 4 aims to improve women’s employment prospects across four employment sectors:

- IT/Digital
- Administration/Finance
- Care
- Creative Industries



As part of the PROSPER 4 programme participants had access to 1-1 counselling services, 1-1 mentoring support, on-site childcare facilities, accredited qualifications and job application assistance. An Award ceremony was held in March 23 for women gaining accredited qualifications.

Prosper 4	Apr 22- Mar 23
Participants	292
Qualifications	165
Jobs Gained	72
Work Soft Skills	867
Further Education	116

PROSPER 4 is supported by the European Union /ESF, DfE and DfC.

## MULTI-CULTURAL WOMEN'S GROUP

Our Multicultural Women’s Group takes place every Tuesday morning. The multicultural women’s group is a chance to connect, make new friends, have a cup of tea, and relax. There are ladies from 26 different countries currently attending. Relocating to a new town and being away from family and friends can be hard therefore meeting a great bunch of women and making friendships can make all the difference. The group offers support and also informs women of important services they can avail of around the city. Each week the women engage in craft activities/projects or take part in our conversational informal English class. Childcare is provided for children 8 weeks to 4 years old to enable women to access the program. **MULTI-CULTURAL WOMEN’S** group activities were supported this year by **DC&SDC**



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY- 8th March

For International Women’s Day we provided a space at the millennium Forum for local organisations to set up stands and provide women with information about free services on their doorsteps. 22 organisations attended and over 150 women.

Our multicultural Women’s group also launched their multimedia wall hanging artwork named “Home”. This art piece was collectively made by ladies from many different countries. They discussed and explored what the word home means to them. Each lady has their own story of what has brought them to live here now. Why ‘Home’ has been left and a new ‘Home’ in a new country has been made. They used the medium of photography to tell the story of their respective previous homes. The photographs have been printed onto material and carefully hand sewn onto the wall hanging. As the many women in this city have sewn the fabric of our home, our families and our shared cultures. So, now too, have a new generation of women told their story of connection through stitching, travel and shared stories.



International Women's Day activities were supported this year by DC&SD

# Overview 2022/23

## RECOVER, REBUILD, RENEW. (RRR)

The RRR project addresses the impacts COVID 19 is having on young children and families. The programme delivers a range of parenting support workshops, wellbeing programmes and mother and baby joint activities.

This year the programme has delivered:

- 34 parenting support programmes
- 9 Mums Wellbeing Programmes.
- 2 Family events: Halloween and Easter

Supporting:

- 360 individual Women
- 430 individual Children.

RRR workshops include: Sleep, routine, behaviour, toilet training, language development, mindfulness, play, Nutrition for kids, Paediatric First Aid, becoming a new mum events. The wellbeing programmes run over 4 weeks including mindfulness, therapeutic crafts, essential oils, confidence building etc

Mother and baby joint activities include: baby massage, reflexology, swimming, get fit, stay and plays etc .



Thanks to **The National Lottery Community Fund** for supporting the **RECOVER, REBUILD, RENEW** programme.

## Maternal Mental Health Advocacy (MA's)

The Mas project provides peri-natal mental health support and advocacy for expectant mums and new mums with babies aged 0-2. The Ma's project supports women's mental health and promotes emotional wellbeing through delivering a weekly peer support group with a range of initiatives and workshops for example: horticultural therapy, crafts, pelvic floor physio, yoga, cookery, wellbeing and healthy relationship programmes etc.

The project also provides a platform for women to talk about their experiences in the health care system and advise on areas that could be developed to improve services for women in Northern Ireland.



## MA'S project continued:

The Mas programme this year has supported 32 new mothers and 35 children in the Derry area.

The **MA's** project is supported by **The National Lottery Community Fund** and administered by the Women's Resource & Development Agency.

## YODA

The YODA project is providing advocacy, support and integration activities for children and young people from BAME communities impacted by the COVID crisis as a result of lockdowns, school shutdowns, and isolation. Yoda has been providing mentoring and support for 71 children this year tailoring the needs of each individual child whether it be for health care, school, social welfare, legal, etc. Our YODA Coordinator works to ensure parents have access to a translator when dealing with issues that directly affect the child.

Example of Yoda programmes activities this year:

- 1-1 Support
- Afterschool club
- English Support
- Summer schemes/holiday clubs
- Trip to Sperrin Fun farm
- Trip to Jungle King
- Trip to Brunswick Movie bowl
- Support Packs
- Provided laptops to support children's learning

All activities aim to support physical development, integration, developing English communication skills while supporting children's wellbeing.



Thanks to **BBC CHILDREN IN NEED** Next Steps for supporting the YODA Project

## CRECHE CHILDCARE

Women Centre Derry's registered onsite creche can accommodate up to 20 children between the ages of 8 weeks to 4 years old. This Year the crèche:

- Provided 13,907 childcare places overall
- supported 205 individual children

# Overview 2022/23

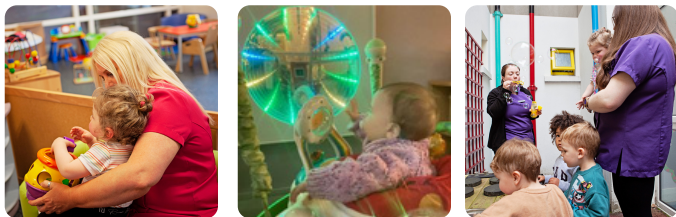
## Creche continued:

The creche is part funded by Women Centre Childcare Fund which provided creche places for women who are unemployed and economically inactive participating on an employment programme. The fund supported

- 4144 childcare places
- 205 individual Children

The programme enabled:

- 66 women to achieve accredited qualifications
- 13 secured employment
- 10 Increased their hours
- 41 progressed to further education



Thanks to **Department for Communities-VCD - WCCF Fund** for supporting our creche.

## Womens Regional Consortium

Women's Regional consortium is one of 7 partner organisations which form the Women's Regional consortium. We support Women's Centres and Women's groups throughout the region. The consortium maintains links and advocates on behalf of women living in marginalized and disadvantaged areas. The consortium partners are:

- Training for Women network (TWN)
- Women's Centre Derry (WCD)
- Foyle Women's Information Network (FWIN)
- Women's Support Network (WSN)
- Women's Regional Development Agency (WRDA)
- Women's Tec
- Northern Ireland Rural Women's Network (NIRWN)

This year the consortium worked together, lobbied provided evidence and addressed various issues in the following areas.

- Cost of Living Crisis
- Miscarriage Leave
- Adult Social Care
- Hate Crime
- Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategy and Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy
- Debt Respite
- Welfare Mitigations/Benefits
- Abortion
- Funding
- Childcare
- Brexit

## Womens Regional Consortium continued

The consortium distributed information, training opportunities and shared ideas to women's groups, Women's Centres and community organisations throughout the region. We are taking the feminist model of engagement and using it to challenge politicians, influence policy, to impact governments and to keep women's equality and women's rights on the agenda. By working together strategically the Women's Regional Consortium reaches a far wider community of women from all areas and all backgrounds.



Thanks to **Department for Communities-VCD - WRISP Fund** for supporting our Consortium

## Halifax

Halifax foundation has enabled the women centre to have better ICT systems and equipment to connect, engage and maintain communications with women throughout their learning.

The fund enabled the Women Centre to upgrade and invest in ICT equipment, improve our WCD website and improve the online delivery so women can join from home to overcome barriers to education.

Thanks to **Halifax Foundation** for funding the **Connect, engage and maintain communications with women**

## SEEDS

The Seed fund is to support the wellbeing of refugee and asylum seeking women and children. The programme offers a range of wellbeing sessions, talking therapies, play therapy and 1-1 counselling with access to translators. This Year the programme has just started already supporting 12 women and 3 children in the first month. This funding will continue into next year which we expect to be a huge success.

Thanks to **Western Health and Social Care Trust** for funding the **PCMDT Seed Funding Grant**

# Overview 2022/23

## RECEPTION/DROP IN

Our reception/Drop in area is the first point of contact with our team when enquiring or accessing our services. This is a vital role welcoming women into a safe and friendly environment therefore a big thank-you to this team who have been so successful and sincere in their welcomes and directions.

and finally

This report is an opportunity to acknowledge everyone who has contributed to the Centre's work over the past year making it a comfortable and safe learning space. In 2020/21 we have made a valuable positive impact on the lives of many women, children, families and communities. The resilience for the organisation and the dedication of the operational staff and the Board has been demonstrated particularly well in this difficult year.

Many thanks to the Directors, Staff, Tutors, Trainees and Volunteers for their commitment and dedication. A special acknowledgement to the Board of Directors who have managed the direction and strategic development of our organisation. Their governance, leadership, guidance and commitment were crucial to the success of the Centre over the past year. And thanks to all the women and families who come along and engage in the Centre's activities. Your presence is a joy we value and appreciate.

Many thanks as well to our funders and partners - their support is key to sustaining our work - making a positive difference in the lives of people and communities. With their continuing support, we look forward to sustaining and improving Women's Centre Derry in the years to come.

- EU/European Social Fund (ESF)
- Department for Communities (DfC)
- Department for the Economy (DfE)
- Derry City & Strabane District Council (DC&SDC)
- BBC Children In Need Next Steps
- Western Childcare Partnership (HSCB)
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- Western Health and Social Care Trust
- Flax Trust Bursary through School for Social Enterprises in Ireland

## Centre Directors comments

I would like to thank all the staff that goes out of their way everyday to provide a high quality person centred service for all of the women and children across Derry City and Strabane District Council.

I would like to thank all the organisations that we have partnered with or collaborated with us throughout 2022/23, I believe that a joint up approach within the community provides the best service for all,

Most importantly I'd like to thank all the women and children that have attended programmes over the past year at the Women Centre. We thank you for trusting us with your children and for showing all the staff great respect. You offer so much peer support to each other and have achieved so much, so many congratulations to you all.

As a centre and as part of the community and voluntary sector, we are aware of the challenges ahead but with amazing staff, great networking and the spectacular families across Derry City and Strabane district council we aim for another positive year for 2023/24.



# Overall Impact



188

Women progressed to employment or Further Education.



131

Organisations collaborated with



1,617

Course places provided



201

Accredited qualifications achieved



94,372

Social Media engagements



92

BME families supported



13,907

Creche Places provided

# Participant Testimonials

"The onsite crèche was reassuring that if one of the kids wouldn't settle I was in the same building which helped me to feel comfortable, the whole environment of the Women Centre is like a family, everyone is made to feel welcome and comfortable, I have been able to add to my qualifications and participating on the project has helped me to gain a new job with better prospects and proper future for my kids through having built my confidence and gaining one of the qualifications needed for to secure my new job and I am hoping to gain the second level to the qualification when I am able to, without any of these Qualifications available in the setting of the Women Centre I wouldn't have been able to even think about it as childcare is the hardest thing to get and this is a huge help and enabled me to further my education and career."

★★★★★

"I enjoyed every aspect of the course, I found the content very interesting."

★★★★★

"The quality of teaching was excellent as well as the opportunity to meet others."

★★★★★

"The training was amazing this was one of the best classes I've ever experienced in my life. I enjoyed learning about the boundaries and limits in our own lives, I enjoyed the experience with other women. The best teacher, friend and supporter – thank you for everything you do and have done for me."

★★★★★

I really enjoyed the Mum's Well programme. It was an excellent opportunity to take much needed time out in a supportive and caring environment. It provided opportunities to be among other mums, make connections, take part in relaxing workshops, learn new skills all which support the journey of motherhood.

★★★★★

I would not have been able to attend this brilliant programme without having crèche facility onsite. The crèche is excellent! You feel confident leaving your child in their care. It is run extremely efficiently, the staff are very friendly, supportive and caring.

★★★★★

I'm so grateful for Ma's , you made a world of difference to my life during a pretty scary time. I'm sad to be leaving, but also very happy too , as I have so many wonderful plans for our future. Thank you.



# Course Audit 2022/23

Participants	Course	Weeks	Places
14	L1 ADULT SOCIAL CARE	12	168
27	L1 APPROACHES TO WELLBEING	5	135
26	L1 BEGINNERS NAIL ART	12	312
16	L1 NAIL ART MAKE UP SKILLS	12	192
23	L1 HAIR UP STYLING	12	276
43	L1 ENGLISH FOR WORK	12	516
35	L1 MATHS FOR WORK	12	420
48	L1 INTRO TO COUNSELLING	12	576
11	L1 WORD & SPREADSHEETS	5	55
22	L1 COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS	12	264
15	L1 PERSONAL SUCCESS & WELLBEING	12	180
10	L1 SUPPORTING CHILDRENS LEARNING	12	120
15	L1 SUPPORTING INDIVIDUALS LIVING WITH DEMENTIA	5	75
29	L1 UPCYCLING CRAFTS	8	232
10	COMMUNITY UPCYCLING CRAFTS	8	80
23	WWC BEGINNERS MAKEUP SKILLS	12	276
12	WWC APPROACHES TO WELLBEING	5	60
13	STEPS TO WORK	5	65
15	JOBS HUB CV'S AND APPLICATIONS	32	345
43	EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING SKILLS	8	344
2	STUDY CLUB	48	96
15	VPRS- NIRRS English	3	45
19	L2 LITERACY	20	380
9	L2 NUMERACY	20	180
42	L2 HAIRSTYLING	6	252
11	L2 Counselling	12	132
14	WBB L2 HAIRSTYLING	12	168
8	WBB L2 COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS	12	96
16	WBB BENEFITS CALCULATOR	6	96
15	STRONGER TOGETHER	48	720
141	YODA	48	6768
9	SUMMER CAMP	10	90
13	HOMEWORK CLUB	48	624
58	MULTI CULTURAL CRAFTING ENGLISH	48	2784
38	MAS MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH DERRY	48	1824
15	MAS MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH STRATHFOYLE	1	15
13	PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH	1	13
8	OVER 50S CRAFTS	4	32
21	BABY BUGGIES	3	63
25	CHILD BEHAVIOUR	1	25
35	FIRST AID	1	35
23	LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT	4	92
34	MUMS WELL	4	136
24	REFLEXOLOGY	4	40
34	STAY AND PLAY	4	136
10	BABY SENOSRY STAY AND PLAY	2	20
8	SUPPORTING ENGLISH THROUGH PLAY	4	32
6	BABY YOGA	4	24
35	FIRST AID	1	35
6	MINDFULLNESS FOR KIDS AND ADULTS	1	6
11	NUTRITION FOR KIDS	1	11
13	POTTY TRAINING	1	13
7	SLEEPING PATTERNS	1	7
5	RRR SUPPORT	32	160
8	PEER SUPPORT	4	32
94	RRR SEASONAL WORKSHOPS	1	94
6	CARER FOCUS GROUP	1	6
13	COST OF LIVING WORKSHOP	6	78
7	EDUCATION INFORMATION SESSION	1	7
26	CAREER PATHWAYS	4	104
275	SUPPORT SERVICES	2	550
1,617	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>20,712</b>

# Qualifications 2022/23

Course/Subject/Qualification	Total	Level 2	Level 1	Entry	Units	Credits
L1 ENGLISH FOR WORK	10		5	5		
L1 MATHS FOR WORK	5		4	1		
L1 INTRO TO COUNSELLING	26		25	1	51	153
L1 COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS	16		16		16	48
L1 UPCYCLING	31		30	1	60	180
L1 NAIL ART	14		14		42	84
L1 HAIR UP STYLING	13		12	1	37	75
L1 MAKEUP	14		13	1	27	81
L1 NAILS & MAKEUP	7		6	1	19	39
L1 SUPPORTING CHILDRENS LEARNING	8		6	2	21	42
L1 SUPPORTING INDIVIDUALS LIVING WITH DEMENTIA	11		11		11	11
L1 PERSONAL SUCCESS & WELLBEING	4		4		20	20
L1 APPROACHES TO WELLBEING	21		21		21	63
L1 ADULT SOCIAL CARE	4		3	1	18	21
L1 WORD & SPREADSHEETS	6		6		12	36
L2 COMPUTERISED ACCOUNTS	7	7			7	21
L2 HAIR UP STYLING	10	10			20	60
L2 Nails	4	4			12	24
<b>Total qualifications gained</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>958</b>

## 201 Qualifications Gained

Women's Centre Derry is an accredited/approved Centre with the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) and the following examining bodies: The Centre is registered through the Skills Funding Agency as a Recognised Training Provider for PCDLs.

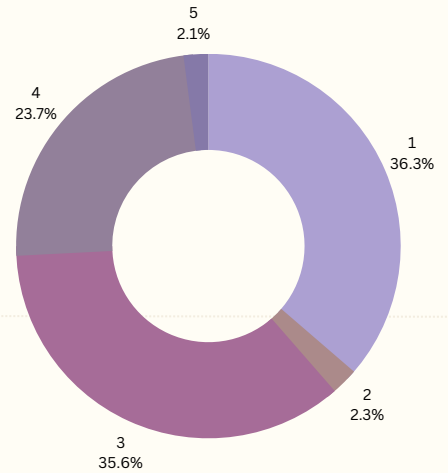
### Awarding Body



# Outputs

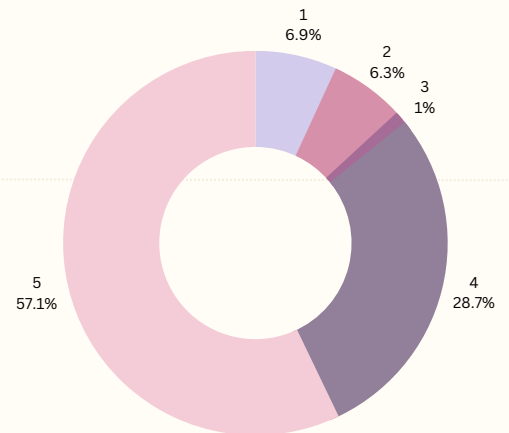
## OVERALL CENTRE PROVISION 2022/23

1 Courses and Projects (places)	14,190
2 Seminars/Exhibitions/Workshops	883
3 Childcare (places)	13,907
4 Telephone/Visits/Information/Referral	9271
5 Social Media Private Messages	810
<b>Total</b>	<b>39,061</b>



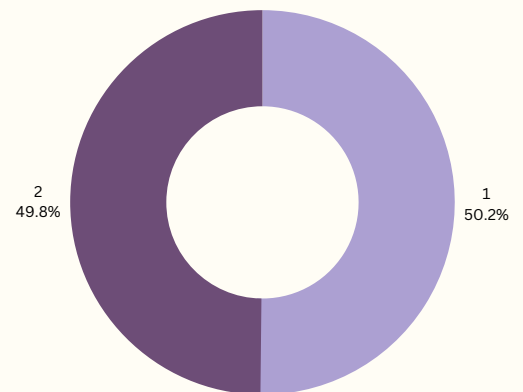
## SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT 2022/23

1 Website visits *1	6481
2 Get a Job in Derry - Jobs Board Visits *2	5913
3 Followers – facebook, twitter, instagram	974
4 Page Views - facebook, twitter, instagram	27091
5 Engagement – facebook, instagram	53913
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,372</b>



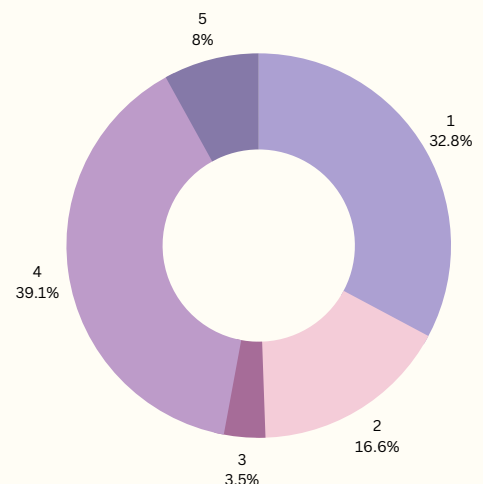
## CHILDCARE 2022/23 (crèche places)

1 April 20– Sept 20	6977
2 Sept 20 –Mar 21	6930
<b>Total</b>	<b>13907</b>



## RECEPTION AUDIT 2022/23

1 Telephone	3306
2 Text Messages	1678
3 Visits	350
4 Drop In	3937
5 Facebook Messages	810
<b>Total</b>	<b>10081</b>



# Participation, Partnership, Co-operation & Collaboration

This year Women's Centre Derry continued in its role as a key community development leader and women's equality organisation in the region. We worked locally, nationally and internationally with agencies and organisations including the following:

- . 21 Training
- . A2 Art Space
- . Alliance for Choice
- . Active inclusion
- . Aghabrack Community and district Association
- . AMH New Horizons Foyle
- . Atlas Women's Centre
- . Aware NI
- . Ballybeen Women's Centre
- . BBC Children In Need
- . Belfast Met
- . Benbradagh Women's Group
- . Benedy Women's Group
- . Bradley's Pharmacy
- . Bog & Brandywell Health Forum
- . Cedar Foundation
- . Churches Trust
- . Chrysalis Women's Centre
- . City & Guilds
- . Citizens Advice
- . Community Foundation Ireland
- . CPCAB
- . Crevagh Women's Group
- . Curryneiran Women's Action Committee
- . Department for Communities (DfC/VCD)
- . Department for the Economy (DfE) ESF
- . Department of Education
- . Department of Health
- . Department of the Taoiseach - Shared Island Unit
- . Derry Chamber of Commerce
- . Derry City & Strabane District Council
- . DCSDC - Equality Assurance Forum
- . DCSDC- Good relations Multi Agency Forum
- . DCSDC- ESF local forum
- . Derry Well Women
- . Derry Youth & Community Workshop
- . Disability Action
- . Dove House
- . Dunluce Family Centre
- . Dress for Success
- . Early Years Team – WHSCT
- . Early Years – the organisation for young children
- . Eden Place Arts Centre- Pilots Row
- . Education Authority (EA) Western Region
- . Enterprise Northern Ireland
- . European Union / ESF
- . Falls Women's Centre
- . Forum for Adult Learning NI (FALNI)
- . First Source
- . First Steps Women's Centre
- . Footprints Women's Centre
- . Foyle Jobs & Benefits
- . Foyle Foodbank
- . Foyle Women's Aid
- . Foyle Women's Information Network
- . Focus Project
- . Galliagh Women's Group
- . Gas Yard Centre
- . Glenelly House
- . Greenway Women's Centre
- . Holywell Trust
- . Hill Crest
- . I am Self-Care
- . IEB Software
- . Jobs Direction
- . Jungle King
- . Kilcooley Women's Centre
- . Libraries NI
- . Lisnagelvin Women's Group
- . ME4Mental
- . Mears
- . Migrants Forum
- . Millennium Forum
- . Minding Mums
- . Mummy Fit by Alice
- . National Women's Council of Ireland
- . Newbuildings Women's Group
- . NIACRO
- . NI Open College Network (OCNNI)
- . NINPN
- . Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action (NICVA)
- . Northern Ireland Rural Women's Network (NIRWN)
- . North West Baps
- . North West Community Network
- . North West Islamic Association
- . North West Regional College
- . NSPCC
- . Now Group
- . Old Library Trust
- . Orchardville
- . ParentNI
- . PSNI
- . Pink Ladies
- . Public Health Agency (PHA)
- . Rainbow Project
- . Rapid Ltd
- . Recovery College
- . Relate NI
- . Right Time Right Place
- . RNIB
- . School Age Mothers Network (SAM's)
- . Shankill Women's Centre
- . Shared Island Unit – Dept of the Taoiseach
- . Shepherds View Young Parents Project
- . St. Coulombs Park House
- . Strabane Ethnic Community Association Women's Group
- . Strathfoyle Women's Activities Group - SWAG
- . Surestart
- . St Vincent DePaul
- . Tesco
- . The Bytes Project
- . The Conservation Volunteers
- . The Junction
- . Time for Me Women's Group
- . Training for Women Network (TWN)
- . Triax Skills North West
- . Ulster supported Employment Ltd
- . Virtual Community College Ireland (VCC)
- . Volunteer Centre
- . Waterside Women's Centre
- . Western Childcare Partnership
- . Western Health and Social Care Trust
- . Windsor Women's Centre
- . Womens Information Northern Ireland (WINI)
- . Women's Regional Consortium
- . Women's Resource Development Agency (WRDA)
- . Women's Support Network (WSN)
- . WOMEN'S TEC
- . Youth Action

Collaboration  
with 131  
different  
organisations

# Organisation Development

## Organisation & Staff Development 2022/23

2022		2023	
Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governance of Social Enterprise</li> <li>• Post Pandemic Poverty Symposium</li> <li>• Trauma Informed Practice</li> <li>• Life Long Learning Event</li> <li>• L2 English</li> </ul>	Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culture Diversity</li> <li>• Standardisation Training</li> <li>• Cultural Competency Training</li> <li>• PSNI Race Action Plan</li> </ul>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governance Training</li> <li>• Call 3 Showcase</li> <li>• Peri Natal Mental Health</li> <li>• Sexual Harassment in the Workplace</li> <li>• Trauma Informed Practice</li> <li>• L3 Web Design Software</li> <li>• L4 Digital Marketing &amp; Social Media</li> <li>• Lifelong Learning</li> <li>• Food Safety Training</li> <li>• Paediatric First Aid Training</li> <li>• Child Protection Training</li> </ul>	Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Impact Training</li> <li>• Standardisation Training</li> <li>• Connections – Fresh Minds</li> <li>• Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Training</li> </ul>
Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Signposting</li> <li>• Creating Social Value through Marketing</li> <li>• Food Safety Training</li> <li>• Supporting Women with Conviction to Disclose</li> </ul>	Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paediatric First Aid Training</li> <li>• Mental Health First Aid Training</li> <li>• Education – A system that works for all</li> </ul>
Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsoft Word 2013 Basic</li> <li>• Additional Database Training</li> </ul>	Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• L2 Trauma Sensitive Approaches to Practice</li> <li>• Values – Connected Lives</li> </ul>
Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jobs Hub Training</li> <li>• Server Training</li> </ul>	<p><b>484.5 hours CPD &amp; Staff Development completed 2022/2023</b></p>	
Sep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance and Growth</li> <li>• Google Classroom Training</li> <li>• Women's Healthcare Training</li> <li>• Food Safety Training</li> </ul>		
Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance and Growth</li> <li>• Standardisation Training</li> <li>• ESF Skills</li> <li>• Microsoft Word 2013 Basic</li> <li>• OCN Standardisation Training</li> </ul>		
Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Impact</li> <li>• Lifelong Learning</li> <li>• Committee Roles and Responsibilities</li> </ul>		

# Workshops, Seminars & Highlights of 2022/23

## Event

Event	
<b>Apr</b>	<p>Waterside Women's Centre Meeting Goals Training RISP Regional MA's Event DCSDC Ukrainian refugee Crisis Women Centre Manager meeting</p>
<b>May</b>	<p>Benefit Calculator Workshop Peri-Natal Mental Health Event WHSCT Creche Inspection Children In Need Visit Lottery Community Fund Visit GP Social Worker</p>
<b>Jun</b>	<p>Annual General Meeting RAPID – Outreach Programme Meeting NICVA ESF User Group Niacro Council SAMS Coordinator ETI</p>
<b>Sep</b>	<p>ESF Meeting Forum DCSDC Meeting Alliance for Choice Eric Ward- Marin o Brian visit Race Equality Awards</p>
<b>Oct</b>	<p>Lottery Community Fund Visit Paediatric First Aid Training Dawson Whyte Insurance Meeting Partner meeting waterside MA'S meeting</p>
<b>Nov</b>	<p>Team Building Event Cost of Living – Energy Efficiency Workshop Nurse student</p>
<b>Dec</b>	<p>Cost of Living – Money Advice Workshop</p>
<b>Jan</b>	<p>IEB Software Safeguarding young people and Vulnerable adults RRR Project Evaluation</p>
<b>Feb</b>	<p>CPCAB Visit Strathfoyle WC Visit</p>
<b>Mar</b>	<p>Cost of Living – Focus Group International Women's Day Event Foyle International Language Visit DCSDC Multi Agency Forum International womens Day First Source FALNI</p>

**46 Events**  
**883 People**  
**2022/2023**

WISER (ni) is a community interest company (CIC) set up to develop social enterprise in women's innovation, skills, education and research.

### Childcare

For the year 2022/23 WISERNi provided Wiser childcare for 33 individual children providing 1471 hours of childcare.



### Christmas Sessions

Christmas stay and play sessions was a great success. We would like to thank 69 mums and 80 children that attended our Christmas sessions.



All Money raised through WISERNi activities will go towards supporting Women Centre Derry with running costs. Thank you to everyone who has attended our services in 2022/23.



# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Denise Doherty (Chairperson) Leona McMenamin (Treasurer) Kathy Colhoun Dr Clionagh Boyle Geraldine Compton Roisin Hegarty Dina Gomaa	(Appointed 21 June 2022)
<b>Secretary</b>	Sharon McLaughlin	
<b>Charity number</b>	NIC100187	
<b>Company number</b>	NI033263	
<b>Registered office</b>	Beibhinn House 5 Guildhall Street Derry BT48 6BB	
<b>Auditor</b>	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Derry/Londonderry BT48 7EP	
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland 27 Culmore Road Londonderry BT48 8JB	
<b>Solicitors</b>	Babingtons Solicitors 9 Limavady Road Londonderry BT47 6JU	

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to note 1.2 of the financial statements, which describes that the charity receives funding for core salary costs from the Department for Communities, which is currently confirmed until September 2023 due to the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont. Our opinion is not modified in this respect.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

#### **Audit response to risks identified**

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP



**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

21/23 Clarendon Street  
Derry/Londonderry  
BT48 7EP

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### Current financial year

		Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	9,599	-	-	9,599	12,813
Charitable activities	4	10,307	-	605,566	615,873	469,495
<b>Total income</b>		<b>19,906</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>605,566</b>	<b>625,472</b>	<b>482,308</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	5	14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979	516,610
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>5,658</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>96,984</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Gross transfers between funds	19	93,572	-	(93,572)	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>99,230</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>3,412</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		194,154	476,513	50,144	720,811	755,113
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>293,384</b>	<b>459,364</b>	<b>53,556</b>	<b>806,304</b>	<b>720,811</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

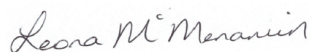
	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		465,713		485,857
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	66,441		42,906	
Cash at bank and in hand		301,724		206,594	
		<u>368,165</u>		<u>249,500</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(27,574)</u>		<u>(14,546)</u>	
Net current assets			340,591		234,954
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>806,304</u>		<u>720,811</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15		53,556		50,144
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	16	459,364		476,513	
General unrestricted funds		<u>293,384</u>		<u>194,154</u>	
			<u>752,748</u>		<u>670,667</u>
			<u>806,304</u>		<u>720,811</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on .....



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
Donations and gifts	<u>9,599</u>	<u>12,813</u>

### 4 Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Courses and craft income	10,307	11,063
Grant funding	605,566	458,275
Other income	-	157
	<u>615,873</u>	<u>469,495</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	10,307	11,220
Restricted funds	605,566	458,275
	<u>615,873</u>	<u>469,495</u>
<b>Performance related grants</b>		
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	305,312	232,613
Dept for Communities - VCD	110,512	106,037
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	33,120	28,636
Derry City & Strabane District Council	4,500	7,500
Regional Women's Centre Partnership - MAS project	31,097	17,213
National Lottery Community Fund	77,105	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	32,795	39,443
Other	11,125	22,155
	<u>605,566</u>	<u>458,275</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 5 Charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs	317,888	304,080
Depreciation and impairment	20,144	21,045
Course and accreditation fees	8,912	6,681
Facilitation and evaluation	28,134	25,404
Project expenses	35,703	30,772
Property costs	15,125	12,284
Repairs and maintenace	21,366	16,837
Office costs	13,554	15,457
Advertising, marketing and publicity	1,469	1,368
Travel expenses	849	346
Staff training	350	98
Insurance	7,453	8,408
Consumables	3,458	4,472
Bank charges	509	524
General expenses	5,104	6,878
	<u>480,018</u>	<u>454,654</u>
Share of support costs (see note 6)	55,161	57,456
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	4,800	4,500
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	14,248	14,056
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	508,582	485,405
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 15 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	374	232,613	(206,368)	(26,217)	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	106,037	(123,422)	17,385	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	1,027	28,636	(29,886)	223	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	914
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,722	7,500	(7,634)	-	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-
British Science Association	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Big Lottery - Awards for All	901	-	-	(901)	-	-	-	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	-	-	-	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-
WHSCCT	-	-	-	-	-	9,400	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	-	9,145	(6,685)	-	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678	(545)	-	4,133	-	(545)	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	71,862	-	(58,267)	-	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	5,159	39,443	(27,642)	-	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	1,673	17,213	(15,955)	-	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	3,066	5,010	(6,001)	-	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	-	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-
	<u>86,784</u>	<u>458,275</u>	<u>(485,405)</u>	<u>(9,510)</u>	<u>50,144</u>	<u>605,566</u>	<u>(508,582)</u>	<u>(93,572)</u>	<u>53,556</u>





**Women's Centre Derry Ltd**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100187

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# Annual return

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Charity registration number NIC100187

Company registration number NI033263 (Northern Ireland)

**WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Denise Doherty (Chairperson) Leona McMEnamin (Treasurer) Kathy Colhoun Dr Clionagh Boyle Geraldine Compton Roisin Hegarty Dina Gomaa	(Appointed 21 June 2022)
<b>Secretary</b>	Sharon McLaughlin	
<b>Charity number</b>	NIC100187	
<b>Company number</b>	NI033263	
<b>Registered office</b>	Beibhinn House 5 Guildhall Street Derry BT48 6BB	
<b>Auditor</b>	Moore (NI) LLP 21/23 Clarendon Street Derry/Londonderry BT48 7EP	
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Ireland 27 Culmore Road Londonderry BT48 8JB	
<b>Solicitors</b>	Babingtons Solicitors 9 Limavady Road Londonderry BT47 6JU	

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal activity of the company is to challenge the oppression and discrimination of women, as it exists, in all forms and it is committed to joining with other women, and women's groups, around positive initiatives for change. Through the activity of the centre, space is provided where women have the opportunity to explore their lives, make new choices and gain support to act on these choices.

The objects of the company as stated in the Memorandum & Articles of Association are to benefit the community in Derry ~ Londonderry and the Northwest, in particular women members of the community, by the relief of poverty and the advancement of education in matters relating to mental, physical and social welfare and in particular to provide centres for the supply of advice and guidance; arrange and provide the holding of meetings, lectures, workshops and classes; and do all things as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of the Company.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have considered the charity legislation which sets out the requirements for charities to demonstrate the aims and activities are for public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission NI guidance on public benefit.

The beneficiaries are socially excluded women and their families living in the area of benefit. The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include:

- Improved educational achievements, knowledge and resources to enable women and their families out of poverty.
- Increased empowerment and confidence to enable women to make positive changes to alleviate the effects of poverty.
- Increased capacity for gaining employment enabling women to create a better future.
- Improved life skills and abilities.
- Improved quality of life for individuals and families in the community.
- Increased social inclusion for women and families.

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are:

- Providing a holistic program of educational, recreational and life skills opportunities for individuals.
- Providing education to best suit the needs of women and families in the community.
- Providing on-site childcare to enable parents to access and participate in education activities
- Providing education and social welfare facilities and resources for the use of individuals in the community.

The benefits are evidenced through qualifications gained, employment secured and evaluation feedback from beneficiaries. There is no private benefit to trustees.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **Achievements and performance**

In 2022/23 Women's Centre Derry responded rapidly to the needs of the community to ensure women and children were supported during the cost of living crisis while also continuing to rebuild our community after the impacts of COVID-19. The Centre's work is embedded in women's empowerment and equality. We deliver our aims by providing access for women to a holistic range of activities including education, training, skills and support. The Board of Directors was diligent in carrying out their governance responsibilities and contributed a range of management skills and specialisms to the organization including:

- Finance
- Youthwork
- Learning Support
- Management
- Translation
- Community Development
- Early Years
- Education
- Autism and Employment

Staff training and continuous personal development was encouraged and delivered throughout the period. We maintained the organisation's Investors in People award, received the highest outcome on an ETI inspection and had a creche inspection with no areas for improvement. To provide the programmes and activities we employed 17 permanent staff and contracted the services of 32 part-time tutors and facilitators. Together with management, these teams worked alongside participants to change lives and place women's development, empowerment and equality at the core of our work.

In 2022/23 the centre delivered 9 projects, providing 1,617 course places. Participants on formal courses achieved 195 qualifications. Over the past year the PROSPER 4 project has supported 72 women into employment and 116 into further education.

Childcare services and children's programmes providing places for 741 individual children this year. Our onsite creche provided 13,901 childcare places.

The impacts of the Centre's work will be benefitting our communities for years into the future. All credit to the staff teams and leaders who responded so well to the challenges with creativity and innovation.

We collaborated with 60 organisations and statutory agencies in the area to promote equality and access for women. We partnered with the Women's Regional Consortium to support groups to deliver essential front-line services in disadvantaged and rurally isolated communities.

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We delivered several multi-cultural projects supporting 92 BME families, providing a warm welcome and an opportunity to make friends and connections this work is invaluable and rewarding for women who are new to our community. It contributes to building a safe, diverse and equal community.

#### **Financial review**

Total income for the year was £625,472, of which £605,566 was received from grant aid funding. £10,307 represents enrolment fees in respect of lectures, workshops and classes. £9,599 was generated in respect of donations received.

Total expenditure was £539,979, all of which was expended on direct charitable activities.

The balance on total funds at the year-end was £806,304, of which £293,384 were unrestricted income funds, £459,364 were designated funds and £53,556 were restricted funds.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### Going concern

The charity's largest source of grant funding is from the Prosper 4 project funded by the Department for the Economy's Northern Ireland European Social Fund programme. This programme has been restructured from 1 April 2023 and moving forward will be funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue to deliver this programme from 2023/24 onwards as part of a consortium. Accordingly, activities will be scaled back in line with reduced funding through this project.

Furthermore, the Women's Centre Derry receives funding from the Department for Communities for core salary costs. Due to the uncertainty arising from the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont, this funding is currently confirmed until September 2023. The trustees have a reasonable expectation that this funding will be extended, however are also planning to mitigate the risk of funding not being secured by sourcing alternative funding and considering alternative income streams. The trustees have also considered the extent to which activities and expenditure should be curtailed, should circumstances arise.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees consider it prudent to hold monies in reserve in the event that unforeseen circumstances should lead to financial difficulties which might put the future of its employment capacity, general charitable work and property in jeopardy.

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves considering the main risks to the organisation and established a formal policy which stipulates that free reserves be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty. Free reserves are defined by the Trustees as unrestricted income funds freely available for use as the charity so determines and thereby excludes any funds committed, invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted or designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Based on the year ended 31 March 2023 expenditure (excluding depreciation and non-recurring costs) of £506,259, the target level of reserves is £125,000 to £250,000. Free reserves of the charity as at 31st March 2023 are £290,059, therefore the Trustees are pleased to confirm that the charity is compliant with its reserves policy. The Trustees continue to strive to maintain a general level of reserves in accordance with their policy so that they will be able to continue the current activities of the charity.

Within unrestricted funds, a designation of £459,364 has been set aside represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an on-going basis for charitable activities. The designated funds balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated each year to the designated fund, until it is fully amortised.

### Risk management

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees, in conjunction with the senior management team, are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised through the procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

### Plans for future periods

In the next year we will continue to deliver COVID recovery support programmes as an additional element to our work. A project is in place to support mothers with mental health issues. We will continue to combat poverty by engaging socially & economically isolated women. A new Strategic Plan is in place to guide the centres work up to 2028.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

*FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023*

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### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

Women's Centre is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by Charity Commission for NI under reference NIC100762 and by HMRC under reference XR 19291. The company was incorporated on 17th November 1997. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Denise Doherty (Chairperson) (Appointed 21 June 2022)

Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)

Kathy Colhoun

Dr Clionagh Boyle

Geraldine Compton

Roisin Hegarty

Dina Gomaa

#### **Recruitment and appointment of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees manages the process of recruitment and appointment of Trustees, and may admit to membership any person interested in promoting the objects (primary purpose) of the company.

#### **Organisational structure**

The Trustees have ultimate legal and financial responsibility for the affairs of the Women's Centre and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Centre Director, who is responsible for the day to day operational management of the charity.

The Trustees remain satisfied that the Women's Centre is compliant with good governance practices in line with the requirements of the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Womens Centre Derry Ltd for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the 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.

### Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Moore (NI) LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

  
Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee

  
Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)  
Trustee

28 June 2023

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Womens Centre Derry Ltd (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to note 1.2 of the financial statements, which describes that the charity receives funding for core salary costs from the Department for Communities, which is currently confirmed until September 2023 due to the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont. Our opinion is not modified in this respect.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

#### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the charitable company.

Based on our understanding of the charitable company and its operating environment, we determined that the most significant frameworks which have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements are those related to the reporting framework, (FRS 102, the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Charity SORP and the Companies Act 2006). Additionally, we concluded that there are significant laws and regulations in relation to the company's charitable status and activities of which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, including evaluating management's incentives and opportunities to manage earnings or influence the reported results. From the results of our assessment, we determined that the principal risks of fraud relate to posting inappropriate journal entries and use of charity funds for purposes outside of restrictions imposed by the donor. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

#### **Audit response to risks identified**

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- We obtained an understanding of the charitable company's internal control systems in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's internal control.
- We obtained an understanding of how the charitable company complies with relevant laws and regulations, including those as a result of its registration with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and charitable status with HM Revenue & Customs, by making enquiries of management and those charged with governance.
- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of entity staff to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We test the completeness of income to address the risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Auditing the risk of use of charity funds outside of restrictions imposed by the donor by review of funding letters of offer to identify restrictions, and review of funding claims prepared by management to check compliance with restrictions.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment through collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

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#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**John Bradley (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Moore (NI) LLP

28 June 2023

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

21/23 Clarendon Street  
Derry/Londonderry  
BT48 7EP

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### Current financial year

	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	3	9,599	-	-	9,599	12,813
Charitable activities	4	10,307	-	605,566	615,873	469,495
<b>Total income</b>		<b>19,906</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>605,566</b>	<b>625,472</b>	<b>482,308</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	5	14,248	17,149	508,582	539,979	516,610
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>5,658</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>96,984</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Gross transfers between funds	19	93,572	-	(93,572)	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>99,230</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>3,412</b>	<b>85,493</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		194,154	476,513	50,144	720,811	755,113
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>293,384</b>	<b>459,364</b>	<b>53,556</b>	<b>806,304</b>	<b>720,811</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Prior financial year

	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	12,813	-	-	12,813
Charitable activities	4	11,220	-	458,275	469,495
<b>Total income</b>		<b>24,033</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>458,275</b>	<b>482,308</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	5	14,056	17,149	485,405	516,610
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>9,977</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(27,130)</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Gross transfers between funds		9,510	-	(9,510)	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>19,487</b>	<b>(17,149)</b>	<b>(36,640)</b>	<b>(34,302)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		174,667	493,662	86,784	755,113
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2022</b>		<b>194,154</b>	<b>476,513</b>	<b>50,144</b>	<b>720,811</b>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

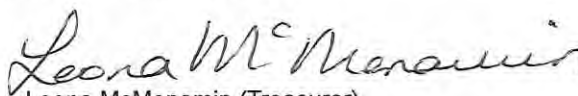
	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		465,713		485,857
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	66,441		42,906	
Cash at bank and in hand		301,724		206,594	
		<u>368,165</u>		<u>249,500</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(27,574)</u>		<u>(14,546)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>340,591</u>		<u>234,954</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u><u>806,304</u></u>		<u><u>720,811</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15		53,556		50,144
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	16	459,364		476,513	
General unrestricted funds		<u>293,384</u>		<u>194,154</u>	
			<u>752,748</u>		<u>670,667</u>
			<u><u>806,304</u></u>		<u><u>720,811</u></u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 28 June 2023



Denise Doherty (Chairperson)  
Trustee



Leona McMenamin (Treasurer)  
Trustee

Company registration number NI033263

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	21		96,631		(16,096)
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		(2,419)	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			-		(2,419)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>			96,631		(18,515)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			201,366		219,881
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			297,997		201,366
<b>Relating to:</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand			301,724		206,594
Bank overdrafts included in creditors payable within one year			(3,727)		(5,228)

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# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Womens Centre Derry Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is Beibhinn House, 5 Guildhall Street, Derry, BT48 6BB.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

The charity's largest source of grant funding is from the Prosper 4 project funded by the Department for the Economy's Northern Ireland European Social Fund programme. This programme has been restructured from 1 April 2023 and moving forward will be funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue to deliver this programme from 2023/24 onwards as part of a consortium. Accordingly, activities will be scaled back in line with reduced funding through this project.

Furthermore, the Women's Centre Derry receives funding from the Department for Communities for core salary costs. Due to the uncertainty arising from the lack of an operational Executive at Stormont, this funding is currently confirmed until September 2023. The trustees have a reasonable expectation that this funding will be extended, however are also planning to mitigate the risk of funding not being secured by sourcing alternative funding and considering alternative income streams. The trustees have also considered the extent to which activities and expenditure should be curtailed, should circumstances arise.

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of childcare and educational services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 6.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 1.10 Taxation

The company is a charity and is recognised as such by HM Revenue & Customs under the charity tax reference XR 19291. As a result there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

### 1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

## 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds general 2023 £	Unrestricted funds general 2022 £
Donations and gifts	<u>9,599</u>	<u>12,813</u>

### 4 Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Courses and craft income	10,307	11,063
Grant funding	605,566	458,275
Other income	-	157
	<u>615,873</u>	<u>469,495</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	10,307	11,220
Restricted funds	605,566	458,275
	<u>615,873</u>	<u>469,495</u>
<b>Performance related grants</b>		
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	305,312	232,613
Dept for Communities - VCD	110,512	106,037
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	33,120	28,636
Derry City & Strabane District Council	4,500	7,500
Regional Women's Centre Partnership - MAS project	31,097	17,213
National Lottery Community Fund	77,105	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	32,795	39,443
Other	11,125	22,155
	<u>605,566</u>	<u>458,275</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### 5 Charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs	317,888	304,080
Depreciation and impairment	20,144	21,045
Course and accreditation fees	8,912	6,681
Facilitation and evaluation	28,134	25,404
Project expenses	35,703	30,772
Property costs	15,125	12,284
Repairs and maintenance	21,366	16,837
Office costs	13,554	15,457
Advertising, marketing and publicity	1,469	1,368
Travel expenses	849	346
Staff training	350	98
Insurance	7,453	8,408
Consumables	3,458	4,472
Bank charges	509	524
General expenses	5,104	6,878
	<u>480,018</u>	<u>454,654</u>
Share of support costs (see note 6)	55,161	57,456
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	4,800	4,500
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds - general	14,248	14,056
Unrestricted funds - designated	17,149	17,149
Restricted funds	508,582	485,405
	<u>539,979</u>	<u>516,610</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

6 Support costs	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	55,161	-	55,161	57,456	-	57,456
Audit fees	-	4,800	4,800	-	4,500	4,500
	<u>55,161</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>59,961</u>	<u>57,456</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>61,956</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>55,161</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>59,961</u>	<u>57,456</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>61,956</u>

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs represent time spent by staff on back office work, finance, personnel, payroll and governance matters which are necessary to plan, direct and monitor the charity's programmes and activities.

7 Net movement in funds	2023	2022
	£	£
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's financial statements	4,800	4,500
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	<u>20,144</u>	<u>21,045</u>

### 8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

#### 9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
	17	16
	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>

#### Employment costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	325,969	315,890
Social security costs	25,180	24,212
Other pension costs	21,900	21,434
	<u>373,049</u>	<u>361,536</u>

Included within employment costs is a total of £13,576 in respect of redundancy costs. These costs have been funded from the charity's general unrestricted reserves.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

#### 10 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 April 2022	857,438	204,586	1,062,024
At 31 March 2023	<u>857,438</u>	<u>204,586</u>	<u>1,062,024</u>
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 April 2022	380,924	195,243	576,167
Depreciation charged in the year	17,149	2,995	20,144
At 31 March 2023	<u>398,073</u>	<u>198,238</u>	<u>596,311</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 March 2023	<u>459,365</u>	<u>6,348</u>	<u>465,713</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>476,514</u>	<u>9,343</u>	<u>485,857</u>

# WOMENS CENTRE DERRY LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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11 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	11,500	14,596
Other debtors	54,941	28,310
	<u>66,441</u>	<u>42,906</u>

12 Loans and overdrafts	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank overdrafts	3,727	5,228
	<u>3,727</u>	<u>5,228</u>
Payable within one year	3,727	5,228
	<u>3,727</u>	<u>5,228</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Bank overdrafts	12	3,727	5,228
Accruals and deferred income		23,847	9,318
		<u>27,574</u>	<u>14,546</u>

#### 14 Retirement benefit schemes

##### Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £21,900 (2022 - £21,434).

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**15 Restricted funds**

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021		Movement in funds				Movement in funds				Balance at 31 March 2023		
	£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	£	£	£	£
Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4	374	232,613	232,613	(206,368)	(26,217)	402	305,312	(207,180)	(98,534)	-	-	-	-
Dept for Communities - VCD	-	106,037	106,037	(123,422)	17,385	-	110,512	(116,932)	6,420	-	-	-	-
Dept for Communities - Regional Support	1,027	28,636	28,636	(29,886)	223	-	33,120	(32,206)	-	-	914	-	-
Derry City & Strabane District Council	2,722	7,500	7,500	(7,634)	-	2,588	4,500	(7,088)	-	-	-	-	-
British Science Association	-	3,000	3,000	(3,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Big Lottery - Awards for All	901	-	-	-	(901)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Childcare Partnership NI	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,725	(1,725)	-	-	-	-	-
WHSCCT	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,400	-	-	-	-	-	9,400
Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)	-	9,145	9,145	(6,685)	-	2,460	-	(2,460)	-	-	-	-	-
HFNI Halifax Foundation	-	4,678	4,678	(545)	-	4,133	-	(545)	-	-	-	-	3,588
National Lottery Community Fund	71,862	-	-	(58,267)	-	13,595	77,105	(77,615)	-	-	-	-	13,085
BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID	5,159	39,443	39,443	(27,642)	-	16,960	32,795	(29,253)	-	-	-	-	20,502
Regional Women's Centres Partnership - MAS project	1,673	17,213	17,213	(15,955)	-	2,931	31,097	(26,503)	(1,458)	-	-	-	6,067
Community Foundation Ireland	3,066	5,010	5,010	(6,001)	-	2,075	-	(2,075)	-	-	-	-	-
Screwfix Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	-	-	-
	86,784	458,275	458,275	(485,405)	(9,510)	50,144	605,566	(508,582)	(93,572)	-	-	-	53,556

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15	<b>Restricted funds</b>  <b>Dept for the Economy - PROSPER 4</b> Project supports women to access new skills, training opportunities, work experience and qualifications. The project engages with women who are unemployed, economically inactive and far from the labour market. This project was completed at 31 March 2023 and has restructured under the UK Prosperity Fund. Women's Centre Derry will continue participating in this project as part of a consortium from 1 April 2023 as opposed to being the lead partner.  <b>Dept for Communities - VCU</b> Core support for the organisation to maintain and support the delivery of community development activities, education, childcare, information, signposting and support services for women and children from disadvantaged communities.  <b>Dept for Communities - Regional Support</b> This project supports WCD as part of a Consortium of seven established Women's Sector organisations. This organisation works to support frontline women's organisations ensuring the delivery of identified specialist functions on a regional basis, rural and urban across Northern Ireland.  <b>Derry City &amp; Strabane District Council</b> This fund supports the Centre to promote social and economic regeneration in the DC&SDC area and to deliver programmes and services for women and families. The project also contributes to the implementation of the Council's shared future strategy by supporting women from minority ethnic communities.  <b>British Science Association - New Ideas Fund</b> Funding towards research projects.  <b>Childcare Partnership NI</b> Funding for the replacement of worn or discarded resources within the early years setting necessary to deliver a quality early years childcare service.  <b>Dept for the Economy - ESOL NI (VPRS)</b> Funding awarded by the Dept for the Economy for Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme (VPRS) to attend English Language Training courses administered by Belfast Metropolitan College and funding for creche placements/nursery fees for attendees.  <b>HFNI Halifax Foundation</b> Funding for server and computer software upgrades at the Centre.  <b>National Lottery Community Fund</b> Funding for People and Communities RECOVER REBUILD RENEW project, providing total funding of £385,525 over 5 years.	(Continued)
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### 15 Restricted funds

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#### **BBC Children in Need - Next Steps COVID**

This project will provide advocacy support and regular activity for ethnic minority children and young people, who have been adversely impacted by school shutdowns and isolation since the Covid-19 pandemic began.

#### **Regional Women's Centre Partnership - MAS project**

Peri-Natal Peer support programme. Advocacy & Mental Health Well-Being.

#### **Community Foundation Ireland**

Mind Your Wellness programme. Health & Well-Being support workshops.

#### **Screwfix Foundation**

Funding towards the cost of renovations and repairs to the Women's Centre.

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### 16 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Resources expended 31 £	Balance at March 2023 £
Designated property funds	493,662	(17,149)	476,513	(17,149)	459,364
	<u>493,662</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>476,513</u>	<u>(17,149)</u>	<u>459,364</u>

Designated funds is the value of unrestricted funds represented by the property at 5 Guildhall Square owned and used by the charity on an ongoing basis for charitable activities. The period end balance is equivalent to the depreciated historic cost of the capital expenditure. A sum equivalent to the depreciation charge on the building will be allocated to the designated fund each period, until it is fully amortised.



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### 18 Contingent Liabilities

Certain grants received and receivable may become repayable to the funder if the charity is no longer able to meet the conditions under which they were awarded. Due to the nature of these contingencies it may not be possible to quantify the potential financial effect or give an indication of the timing as to the liabilities that may arise.

### 19 Transfers between funds

During the year there have been net transfers between funds in the amount of £93,572 (2022: £9,510) from restricted funds to unrestricted general funds as follows:

- transfer of £99,992 (2022: £27,118) from restricted funds which represents surplus funding for indirect costs in accordance with funding agreements which is being released and transferred to unrestricted funds;
- transfer of £6,420 (2022: £17,608) from unrestricted to restricted funds which represents the charity's contribution from unrestricted funds towards the cost of providing charitable services.

### 20 Related party transactions

#### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2023 £	2022 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>107,196</u>	<u>110,130</u>

#### Transactions with related parties

The Women's Centre has a close working relationship with WISER (NI) CIC, a community interest company which provides private childcare services and non-funded courses and workshops. The Board of Trustees of the Women's Centre are also Board members of WISER (NI) CIC therefore both entities are under common control.

During the year, the Women's Centre had the following transactions with WISER (NI) CIC:

- secondment of a childcare staff member to WISER for the provision of childcare services. The total amount invoiced to WISER was £3,000 (2022: £3,000). This amount remains outstanding at the year end (2022 - none).
- WISER collected £1,670 (2022: £3,105) in relation to enrolment fees for courses which is owed to the Women's Centre. This amount remains outstanding at the year end (2022: £3,105).
- gift aid covenant income from WISER in the amount of £6,332 (2022: £11,491). This amount is included within donations and legacies and remains outstanding at the year end.