

# Friends of Harberton

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100215

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2014-05-28

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** To advance the education of the pupils in Harberton School and Outreach Services and in particular to: i) Provide appropriate play, education and care facilities for children of primary school age with special educational needs who attend Harberton School and Outreach Services. ii) Provide and assist in the provision of services for children of primary school age with special educational needs who attend Harberton School and Outreach Services, that enables the development of skills in communication, reasoning, aesthetic appreciation and environmental awareness. iii) Provide and assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of education, social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the quality of life for the parents and children of primary school age with special educational needs who attend Harberton School and Outreach Services. iv) Promote all or any purposes for the benefit of children of primary school age with special educational needs in the area of benefit, which now or hereafter may be deemed by law to be charitable under the law of Northern Ireland.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Education/training, General charitable purposes, Grant making, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Learning disabilities, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Sensory disabilities, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£83,567	£99,514	£0	0

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Aine Mcgrath		
Mr Venkata Velpuri		
Mrs Clodhna Kernohan		
Mrs Leeann Matchett		
Rosemary Mack		

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# Accounts

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**ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 1st SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31st AUGUST 2025**

**Opening balances (Bank & Cash)** 70,627.75

**Income**

Kingsbridge Grant - Shared Playground	20,000.00	
Project Playground 2024 Campaign	6,425.00	
Wooden Spoon - Upgrade Sensory Room	34,672.00	
Fence Club 2024 Pantomime	3,955.00	
Private Donations & Fundraising	13,353.16	
School Fundraising	5,026.32	
Gift Aid	125.79	
Bank Interest	9.79	
		83,567.06

**Expenditure**

Class & School resources	15,590.58	
Project Playground	45,040.42	
Bofl Bank Fees	89.17	
Danske Bank Bank Fees	11.48	
Paypal fees	14.79	
Just Giving Subscription	216.00	
Moorings Mediquip - Sensory room	34,987.00	
The Fence Club - Christmas Panto	3,565.00	
		99,514.44
<b>Closing Balance as at 31st August 2025</b>		<b>54,680.37</b>

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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 1st SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 31st AUGUST 2024

**Opening balances (Bank & Cash)**

6,839.00

**Income**

Project Playground

63,993.74

DofE Funding

4,824.90

General Fundraising

22,444.21

91,262.85

**Expenditure**

Class & School resources

18,592.67

Bank Fees

140.53

Just Giving Subscription

216.00

Project Playground

1,200.00

Donation to School

2,500.00

DofE

4,824.90

27,474.10

**Closing Balance 31 August 2024**

**70,627.75**

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# Annual report

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# Trustees' Report for Friends of Harberton

Address: Harberton Park, Belfast, BT9 6TX

Northern Ireland Charity Number:100215

Report for the year 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024

Friends of Harberton was set up to support pupils of Harberton Special School aged 3 - 16. It is our aim to advance the education of the pupils in Harberton School and Outreach Services and in particular to:

- i) Provide appropriate play, education, and care facilities for children of primary school age with special educational needs who attend Harberton School and Outreach Services.
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- iv) Promote all or any purposes for the benefit of the children with special educational needs in the area of benefit, which now or hereafter may be deemed by law to be charitable under the law of Northern Ireland.

The committee believe that the fundraising efforts and the contribution made to Harberton Special School by Friends of Harberton have met all these objectives.

Friends of Harberton is governed by a constitution, formally registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 28 May 2014. The constitution follows the Model Constitution for charities in Northern Ireland adopted on 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Total fundraising in 2023-24 amounted to £91,262. The majority of this money (£63,993) was raised to purchase playground equipment for both campuses. The

Education Authority also provided much needed funding to improve the outside play areas in Harberton North and South, with planned works still ongoing.

In addition, the charity was successful in securing funding to support a number of children to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme at bronze level. This was a massive achievement, and we congratulate the pupils and staff involved.

Friends of Harberton were also able to fund many classroom resources along with the purchase of a second therapy dog. Peggy has become a much-loved sight in the school along with our other therapy dog, Millie.

We finished off the academic year in June 2024 celebrating in style with a colour run. This was a memorable event for both staff and pupils where the children had lots of fun getting messy with powdered paint.

Total expenditure in the year amounted to £27,474.

The committee have reviewed the financial position of Friends of Harberton and are satisfied with the current position going forward into the year 2023-24.

There were no material deficits or shortfalls in any account held by Friends of Harberton.

#### **Trustees**

Rosemary Mack

Aine McGrath

Leeann Matchett (Chairman)

Clare Allen

Clíodhna Kernohan

Venkata Velpuri

Signed: 

Dated: 30 January 2025

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# Annual return

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## Friends of Harberton

### Annual Accounts 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 to 31st August 2024

#### Independent Examiner's Report

*Please note that the report below relates to an independent examination, carried out under section 65 of the charities act, of the accounts of Friends of Harberton for the year 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024. The examination has been conducted in accordance with the directions given by the Commission and standard accounting practices.*

After examination of the accounts of Friends of Harberton, I have no matters concerning the accounting records, which would require drawing to your attention.

Signed:



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Mrs Joy Chambers

63 Ballymacormick Road  
Dromore  
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Date 30/01/2025

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# Accounts

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**ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 1st SEPTEMBER 2022 TO 31st AUGUST 2023**

<b>Opening balances (Bank &amp; Cash)</b>		<b>10,874.88</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Donations	1,500.00	
Gift Aid	331.98	
Amazon Smile	178.99	
Fundraising in School	764.00	
Just Giving Fundraising	1,175.36	
		<b>3,950.33</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Therapy Dog	435.97	
Minibus Expenses	669.55	
Class & School resources	4,881.76	
Leaver Hoodies	799.98	
Bank Fees	60.86	
Hair at Harberton	340.09	
Just Giving Subscription	54.00	
Flooring for School Library	744.00	
		<b>7,986.21</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>6,839.00</b>
<b>Bank Balance 31st August 2023</b>		<b>6,839.00</b>

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# Annual report

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## Trustees' Report for Friends of Harborton

Address: Harborton Park, Belfast, BT9 6TX

Northern Ireland Charity Number: 100215

Report for the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023

Friends of Harborton was set up to support pupils of Harborton Special School aged 3 - 16. It is our aim to advance the education of the pupils in Harborton School and Outreach Services and in particular to:

- i) Provide appropriate play, education, and care facilities for children of primary school age with special educational needs who attend Harborton School and Outreach Services.
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- iv) Promote all or any purposes for the benefit of the children with special educational needs in the area of benefit, which now or hereafter may be deemed by law to be charitable under the law of Northern Ireland.

The committee believe that the fundraising efforts and the contribution made to Harborton Special School by Friends of Harborton have met all these objectives.

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follows the Model Constitution for Parent-Teacher Associations in Northern Ireland.

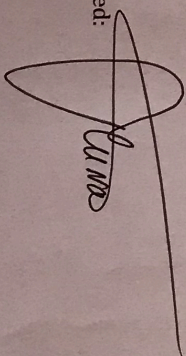
Total fundraising in 2022-23 amounted to £3,950. This money helped to fund the set-up of an extended school initiation: Hair at Harborton. Many children do not enjoy trips to the hairdressers; however, it can be particularly stressful for children with additional learning needs. Hair at Harborton offers hair cut appointments during school hours, in a relaxed and familiar setting. Friends of Harborton were also able to support other projects including virtual reality and Jump, jiggle and jive classroom sessions, leavers hoodies, resources in both North and South Campuses, sports day medals and a Life Skills room along with the annual running costs of the school minibus and care of Millie, the Harborton School Therapy dog. Looking forward to 2023-24, with covid 19 restrictions well and truly behind us, Friends of Harborton will aim to expand the committee to include members of family and friends of Harborton pupils. This will provide opportunities to extend fundraising beyond the school gate and help pay for additional projects to further enhance the education of our children.

The committee have reviewed the financial position of Friends of Harborton and are satisfied with the current position going forward into the year 2022-23. There were no material deficits or shortfalls in any account held by Friends of Harborton.

### Trustees

Rosemary Mack	Rachel Briggs
James Curran (Chairman)	Orla McAllister
Pauline McGuigan	Kathryn Fyfe

Signed:



Dated: 2 November 2023

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# Annual return

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Friends of Harborton

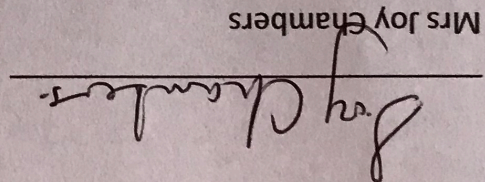
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Date 2/11/2023