

ETC Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100346

Details

Known as	Extending The Choice
Status	Received
Registered	2014-08-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The association is established to promote the benefit of people with learning disabilities aged 18 and over, living within Greater Belfast and surrounding areas of Northern Ireland (hereinafter "area of benefit"); to relieve their disability and in particular: (a) to promote the independent living amongst people with learning disabilities within the area of benefit and promote their social preventing them from being socially excluded and by assisting them to participate as equal citizens in society; (b) to advance education amongst said people with learning disabilities and provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving their conditions of life.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, 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, Disability, Education/training, Human rights/equality

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Learning disabilities, Mental health, Physical disabilities

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,446	£408	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alyson Cowan		
David Campbell		
Dean Cole		
Ian Kinnear		
Lee-Ann Thompson		
Martin McClean		
Mr Colin Hardy		
Mr Michael Laird		
Mr Paul Bradshaw		
Nathan Cheng		

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Opening Balance 1/4/2024:	£335.47
Receipts	Total Funds
Donation:	£0
Grants:	£200
Fundraising:	£910.68
Total:	£1110.68
Payments	
Project/Event/Resource Costs:	£82.20
Return of unused funds:	£0
Netflix:	£109.90
Bank Charges:	£26.32
Club Purchases:	£190.01
Total:	£408.43
Closing Balance 31/03/2025:	£1037.72

We have no assets and liabilities.

The above financial summary includes various activity and equipment payments from throughout the year 2024/25.

END

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ETC Club Summary Accounts 2023/24

Financial Report

Opening Balance 1/4/2023: £491.23

Receipts

Total Funds

Donation:	£0
Grants:	£800
Fundraising:	£1667.53
Total:	£2467.53

Payments

Project/Event/Resource Costs:	£1582.84
Return of unused funds:	£0
Netflix:	£131.88
Bank Charges:	£32.06
Club Purchases:	£876.51
Total:	£2623.29

Closing Balance 31/3/2024: £335.47

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ETC Club Annual Report 2023/24

Annual Report for year end March 2024

The trustees and facilitators of The ETC Club are happy to submit their annual report and accounts for the period April 1st 2023 to March 31st 2024.

The club engaged in a range of activities during this period, detailed as follows:-

- Belfast Hills Partnership – staff from Belfast Hills provided educational virtual walks at various locations which are important for the biodiversity maintenance in Belfast. Club members really enjoyed these sessions and enjoyed seeing birds-eye views of areas they have enjoyed walking through in the past. We also attended many walks at various locations around Belfast.
- We were successful in receiving funding from Clear Projects in partnership with the Public Health Agency and their health promotion funding which focused on the Take 5 initiative. Our members decided to focus on the mindfulness and wellbeing of the initiative and endured on a 4 week Equine Facilitated Learning programme to help develop communication, confidence and mindfulness.
- Tennis/Squash – We engaged with coaches at Belfast Boat Club and received funded tennis sessions through Enjoy Tennis Ireland. Members loved these sessions and enjoyed trying squash for the first time.
- Weekly Cultural experiences – members enjoyed themed days learning about different countries and cultures such as Germany, Mexico and India.
- Table Tennis – we participated in multiple table tennis sessions at Ormeau Table Tennis Club.
- Health & Wellbeing Team – staff members from the health and wellbeing team provided live and interactive body and movement sessions via Zoom for the group which was greatly appreciated. In addition, we attended cycling and Boccia sessions at Loughmoss Leisure Centre.
- Arts Care – we engaged with the resident dance instructor from Arts Care who took our members for weekly dance and movement sessions. Members thoroughly enjoy this activity and are very proud to perform at various shows such as the Christmas show at Knockbracken and at board meetings.
- I Can Cook It – healthy eating course.
- Adopt a spot – members wanted to help out in our community and decided to sign up to the Adopt a Spot initiative which supports litter picking in a chosen area through the ‘Live Here Love Here’ programme.
- Community Sports Network – we continued to work in partnership with colleagues at Community Sports Network who took us for multiple 6 week

sessions of various sports activities. Members gain a lot of health and wellbeing from the sessions and thoroughly enjoy the competitiveness.

- Streetwise Community Circus – provided our members with some funding sessions focusing on coordination and multi-tasking through juggling & hat skills.
- LD Pride – helped to support the cause and to support LD in the community with the ‘Do Your Thing’ initiative.
- Marathon – a team from ETC Club and OTRC helped to run the Belfast City Marathon Relay, helping to raise over £1700 for the club which was greatly appreciated.
- Community Arts Partnership – our friends at CAP offered us some funded arts and crafts sessions, focusing on embossing and also clay making.
- Members also engaged in recreational activities throughout the year, to include bowling, walks, cookery, museum visits, allotment visits, and rugby world cup, BBQs, Ulster Folk and Transport museum, day trips on the train, St George’s market, Fun day at Focus Club, Adventure Golf, W5, Driving Range, Titanic Visit and much more.
- Social Media – the group continued to put our club on the map through social media by posting various videos and pictures of what we get up to as a club. We received a lot of comments and positive feedback from family and friends through social media, which is great platform to showcase what we get up to, interact with the local community, reducing discrimination towards our members and promoting inclusivity.
- A fond farewell to a longstanding staff member – we said goodbye to our Club Assistant Stephanie Dalzell. Stephanie was a huge asset to the club, with all members ever so fond of her and the support she provided to everyone.
- The club and its members continue to fundraise as and when throughout the year.

Membership

The number of current members attending the ETC Club is 12. The ETC Club remains unregulated by the regulatory body Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA), but instead with the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland only.

Up and coming projects

Club members and facilitators hope to continue fundraising when members confirm ideas. We have also applied for funded programmes with Community Arts Partnership (CAP). We will continue to engage with our regular partners throughout the year.



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Tel: 028 95043160

Thursday, 07/01/2025

To Whom It May Concern:

I have examined the ETC Clubs Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2023/2024. I believe it accurately represents the club's current financial status and is a genuine reflection of its affairs.

Regards

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Gary Wilson
D Manager
Orchardville TRC

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Financial Report

Opening Balance 1/4/2022: £1334.94

Receipts

Total Funds

Donation:	£200
Grants:	£2190
Fundraising:	£150
Total:	£2540

Payments

Project/Event/Resource Costs:	£2697.80
Return of unused funds:	£0
Netflix:	£130.88
Bank Charges:	£31.89
Club Purchases:	£523.14
Total:	£3383.71

Closing Balance 31/3/2023: £491.23

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The club engaged in a range of activities during this period, detailed as follows:-

- Belfast Hills Partnership – staff from Belfast Hills provided educational virtual walks at various locations which are important for the biodiversity maintenance in Belfast. Club members really enjoyed these sessions and enjoyed seeing birds-eye views of areas they have enjoyed walking through in the past.
- We were successful in receiving funding from the Arts Council NI to produce artwork which highlighted community inclusion and involvement. Members set about brainstorming and came up with the idea of a wall mural at our base building. Once we had the green light from the Belfast City Council we partnered with a company called Ace Spray Works, who specialise in murals and community art projects. Our members helped design and produce our final wall mural which promoted our cause and community engagement. We even featured in the monthly newsletter from the BHST which we are all very proud of.
- Some of our members participated in an arts and crafts course with Arts For All for 10 weeks. Members enjoyed the creativity and engaging with the tutors to help produce various works of art which were displayed on location.
- Olympia Leisure Centre Better Gym – members continued health and fitness routines using our gym membership to use the gym facilities.
- Weekly Science experiments – staff members assisted club members in carrying out simple and fun science experiments such as lava lamps and coke fountains. We had a lot of fun carrying out these experiments.
- Health & Wellbeing Team – staff members from the health and wellbeing team provided live and interactive body and movement sessions via Zoom for the group which was greatly appreciated.
- Arts Care – we engaged with the resident dance instructor from Arts Care who took our members for weekly dance and movement sessions. Members thoroughly enjoy this activity and are very proud to perform at various shows such as the Christmas show at Knockbracken and board meetings.
- I Can Cook It – healthy eating course
- Adopt a spot – members wanted to help out in our community and decided to sign up to the Adopt a Spot initiative which supports litter picking in a chosen area through the 'live here love here' programme.

- We received funding from the John Moore's Foundation to purchase new merchandise for our members. This included hoodies, polo shirts and beanies which were all embroidered with our club crest. We supported another charity, Orchardville Works, who specialise in clothing and embroidery, to complete the work. Our members were delighted with their new merchandise which they all wear with pride, promoting our club and promoting inclusion.
- Community Sports Network – we continued to work in partnership with colleagues at Community Sports Network who took us for 6 week sessions of various sports activities. Members gain a lot of health and wellbeing from the sessions and thoroughly enjoy the competitiveness.
- Streetwise Community Circus – provided our members with some funding sessions focusing on coordination and multi-tasking through juggling & hat skills.
- Community Arts Partnership – our friends at CAP offered us some funded arts and crafts sessions, focusing on fine art and also felt making.
- OTRC 40th Anniversary – Club members were invited to this event to celebrate the longevity of Orchardville Day Centre, to which we are closely affiliated with. Members who attended had a wonderful evening.
- Members also engaged in recreational activities throughout the year, to include bowling, walks, cookery, museum visits, allotment visits, spacewalk at the Transport Museum, cancer focus information day, farm visits and an outing to the dream machine for an enhanced audio-visual immersive experience.
- Social Media – the group continued to put our club on the map through social media by posting various videos and pictures of what we get up to as a club. We received a lot of comments and positive feedback from family and friends through social media, which is great platform to showcase what we get up to, interact with the local community, reducing discrimination towards our members and promoting inclusivity.
- The club received a kind donation from the family of a previous service user which was used towards the club and activities throughout the year. The club and its members continue to fundraise as and when throughout the year.

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the opportunity to review the ETC Club Annual Report & Statement of Accounts 2022/2023. I believe it be a true and in order and an honest reflection of the Clubs current financial position.

Regards

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