

Disability Pride (Belfast) Limited

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100553

Details

Status Removed

Registered 2015-01-14

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

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Activities

Purposes: The Company's exclusive objects are, within the meaning of Article 2(2)(j) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, to: 1. Benefit the public by changing attitudes towards people with disabilities, by recognising the talents and abilities of the person, not their disability; 2. To change the way people think about and define "disability"; 3. To break down and end the internalized shame among people with disabilities; 4. To promote the belief in society that disability is a natural part of human diversity in which people living with disabilities can take pride in their contribution to society; 5. Celebrate the lives of people with disabilities and their achievements; 6. Express the contribution to society of those living with disabilities; 7. Ensure equal opportunities for people with disabilities

What the charity does: 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: Cultural, Disability

Who the charity helps: Carers, Learning disabilities, Physical disabilities, Sensory disabilities

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees	
2018-04-30		£0	£0	£0	0

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Accounts



Queens Park Women's Group

Income and Expenditure for Year Ending 31st March 2025

<u>Opening Balance</u>		<u>£17,246.60</u>
<i>Income</i>	£	£
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	6,869.81	
Impact NI	450.00	
Education Authority	2,800.00	
Room Hire	820.00	
Donations and own fundraising	1,835.00	
<u>Total Income for the Year</u>	<u>£12,774.81</u>	
<i>Expenditure:</i>		
Project costs		1,763.80
Training costs		1,081.93
Running Costs		9,235.66
Capital Equipment		1,927.00
<u>Expenditure before Bank charges</u>		<u>£14,008.39</u>

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Income and expenditure for year ending March 2025 (page 2)	(80.69)
Bank Charges and fees	
<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>£14089.08</u>
<u>Closing Balance 31st March 2025</u>	<u>£15,932.33</u>

Independently Verified by

Eileen Weir

Good Relations Co-Ordinator

6 Hesketh Park

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Signed Eileen Weir

Date 10th May 2025

Queenspark Women's Group

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Annual report



Queens Park Women's Group

Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025 and confirm that they comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2013.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Queens Park Women's Group

Charity Registration Number: NIC 100552

Principal Office: Lillian Bland Pavillion
30A Carrmoney Road (Unit1)
Glengormley
Co Antrim
BT36 6HW

List of Office Bearers

Thomasina McTaggart - Chairperson
Carolyn Nelson - Secretary
Sharon Castle - Treasurer

Committee Members

Marsha Galbraith
Michelle McCauley
Tamsin McTaggart
Katie Nelson

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Following appointment, new Office Bearers and Committee Members are introduced to their new role, given a copy of the Group's Constitution and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our Group and receive induction from Office Bearers.

Risk Management

The Office Bearers and Committee Members have evaluated the risks that the Charity faces in relation to reporting public benefit. Insurance policies are in effect to mitigate these risks. Finances are reviewed and monitored monthly. Additionally, thorough background checks are conducted for everyone who works with children or other vulnerable groups at the Group's premises.

Aims, Objectives and Activities

Our Aims

Queens Park Women's Group is committed to establishing a community organisation that reflects the needs and aspirations of the residents of the Queenspark Estate and the Greater Glengormley area. We aim to empower individuals by providing access to essential resources and opportunities, fostering a stronger and more connected community for all.

Our Objectives

Queens Park Women's Group will achieve our aim through:

1. Creating an infrastructure to consolidate and develop the organisation to its full potential by introducing programmes of social, economic and environmental benefit.
2. Providing a range of development and training opportunities to enhance the skills and employability of local people, particularly young people.
3. Providing a range of opportunities for local people to participate in programmes which promote peace building, generate community and civil respect, life skills, conflict resolution, confidence building and community leadership.
4. Developing programmes of activities that will address the issues which impact on local people and their families, as well as the wider community to encourage reconciliation, Integration and Inclusion.
5. Developing a range of programmes that will deal specifically with women's issues.

Strategies- Benefits

We are deeply committed to creating an inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone in our local community. Our Group's premises are open to all members of the public and to community groups from various backgrounds. To ensure that everyone can access our services, the main hall and office is easily reached, both are on ground level with access to disabled toilets and mother and baby changing facilities.

It is our mission to support those in need; our Group has been recognised as a 'safe place' by Women's Aid. We provide a supportive environment for women and families experiencing challenges, and we have trained volunteers available to assist them. Additionally, we are registered with The Food Bank Scheme, allowing us to refer clients to receive essential food assistance and other resources. These services are completely confidential.

In May 2025 at Buckingham Palace, Queenspark Women's Group Was Awarded their Medal for Community Voluntary Service. This was such a special moment for all our volunteers and members.

Now that we have moved to Lillian Bland Pavilion our premises are centrally located, hosting a diverse range of community groups that reflect the different segments of our community. We offer various courses and workshops designed to meet the needs of participants of all ages and abilities, from young children to seniors. Importantly, we foster an atmosphere where no religious obligations or political views are imposed upon anyone engaging with our center.

Strategically located in the heart of Glengormley, our premises act as a central hub for community events and activities. We organise a range of workshops and family-oriented activities aimed at

reinvigorating the town's spirit. These initiatives enhance individuals, promote a sense of belonging, and encourage active participation within the community. Creating such opportunities can strengthen community ties and foster a more cohesive environment.

Use of Volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role in our community work. They participate in nearly all our community activities, generously giving their time without expectation of payment. We conduct appropriate checks for anyone who works with children or other vulnerable groups within our organisation.

Achievements and Performance – Evidence of Benefit

The lack of accessible community facilities has been a challenge but also an opportunity for positive change. This situation prompted volunteers to set up Queens Park Women's Group in 2010, a beacon of hope that has since been instrumental in steering young people towards peaceful activities and away from antisocial behaviour.

These actions led to the establishment of the 50/50 project, a shining example of how mutual understanding and respect can be fostered. The project, delivered on a 50/50 basis between young people from the Protestant and Catholic traditions, has been a testament to the power of unity in diversity.

Of the young people who participated in the 50/50 project, almost 95% went on to gain employment or engaged in further education opportunities. The success of the 50/50 project is a testament to what can be achieved with the proper support. However, much more must be done to build on our fledgling work.

The evidence of our programme delivery over the past 15 years demonstrates our ability to manage a broad range of projects. The Group has managed several funded and community engagement programmes from a range of organisations, including:

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Our women's and young women's groups have all participated in several cross community/ cross border events. We have delivered a range of programmes including:

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BENEFICIARIES

In the reporting year Queens Park Women's Group has delivered a number of programmes within our women's Group, including crafts classes, mental health and well-being, fitness, Yoga, and nutrition. Our Women's Group has its annual Christmas Toy appeal every year starting in November and ending on Xmas eve. This has been very successful. Our Toy Appeal is run strictly confidentially.

Queens Park Women's Group has successfully delivered several programs within our women's Group, including craft classes, mental health workshops, flower arranging and wreath making, well-being sessions, fitness and yoga activities, courses with Women's Tech and nutrition education.

We have collaborated with local individuals of all ages, including those with little or no qualifications, early school leavers, individuals grappling with substance abuse, those from problematic family backgrounds, and people who have been or are close to the criminal justice system. As we do every year, we support individuals suffering from poor health, including mental health issues, and those coming from communities with a negative outlook on their future.

Additionally, we maintain strong relationships with the local high schools, providing work experience opportunities to pupils from several schools each year.

Throughout the year, our Group has continued to organise various events, including our 11th July fun day, coffee mornings at our center, Xmas Toy appeal, fun days for children in the Queens Park Estate, and community clean-up events held in the Queens Park Estate and Glengormley Town Centre and pensioners lunches in collaboration with the Community Relations Forum. Also collaborating with the Community Relations Forum we took part in the Great Glengormley Get Together held in Lillian Bland Park.

Partnership Working

We are a member of the HCN within the NI Housing Executive. Our volunteers attend monthly meetings to discuss our residents' issues. We also have received funding over the years for a variety of programmes, most recently for a mural of Queen Elizabeth II to cover a wall that had been booked for a paramilitary mural.

In developing our community programmes we are pleased to work in partnership with the Community Relations Forum, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council, NI Housing Executive, PSNI, Glengormley High School, Shankill Women's Centre, The Greater North Belfast Women's Network, Impact NI, Women's Tech and all our local community groups, all of whom have provided invaluable advice and support.

EVIDENCE OF BENEFIT

We will evidence the increased benefits through evaluation of programmes delivered and feedback from participants and funding organisations.

POSSIBILITY OF HARM

As the delivery of our activities is led by the needs of the participants, we cannot at this time identify any harm that would be caused to residents by improving their living conditions and assisting them in their own personal development.

PRIVATE BENEFIT

The only private benefit to trustees will be skills enhancement and experience gained through participation in activities. The group operates a programme of training which covers all aspects of good governance, and this is necessary to ensure the group complies with relevant legislation and requirements from funding organisations

Plans Ahead

It's urgent that we provide continuity, practical support, and leadership to improve the work we are currently delivering to young people and families from Queenspark and the Glengormley area. This is crucial to break the cycle of anti-social behaviour and sectarian violence which has blighted the area for the past 40 years. Our Group will continue to work with statutory agencies for the betterment of our community as a whole.

We also want to continue our plans for our women's Group, to increase in numbers, and add more volunteers to our centre. We will continue to pursue all funding sources available to fund programmes and training for all local people, ensuring that our community's needs are met and our programs can continue to thrive.

To this end, we are actively pursuing all Statutory Agencies that can help provide Funding opportunities for projects, mental health training, and courses. This stability will enable our Group to provide more hands-on practical support to Local people who need it now.

Financial Review

Principal Funding Source

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

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Impact NI

Women's Tec

Room Hire

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The Office Bearers and Committee Members for the purposes of Charity law who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 2.

Approved by the Office Bearers and Committee members and signed on behalf of the Group by:

Thomasina McTaggart (Chairperson)

Carolyn Nelson (Secretary)

23rd January 2026

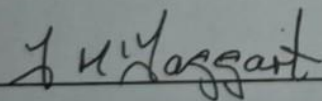
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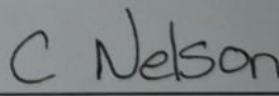
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Northern Ireland - Charity number 100553

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Queenspark Women's Group

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on page 1

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

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

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

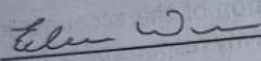
1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper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

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Independent examiner's statement

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

Eileen Weir



Good Relations Consultant

6 Hesketh Park

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Date: 23rd January 2026

Disability Pride (Belfast) Limited

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100553

Accounts



Queens Park Women's Group

Income and Expenditure for Year Ending 31st March 2024

Opening Balance **£25,970.84**

Income

£

£

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council 6,700.00

St Stephens Green Trust 301.25

Fundraising 1,170.00

Education Authority 2981.00

Room Hire 448.00

Total Income for the Year **£11,600.25**

Expenditure:

Hospitality 586.00

Project costs 7997.57

Transport costs 1,000.00

Running costs 9,260.53

Office Equipment 1,400.00

Income and expenditure for year ending March 2023 (page 2)

Expenditure before Bank Interest and charges £20,244.10

Bank Charges and fees (80.39)

Total Expenditure £20,324.49

Closing Balance £17,246.60

Independently verified by

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Shankill Women's Centre

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Signed  _____

Date 26th July 2024

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We have also delivered the following programmes specifically for young people:

- Young Men's Group
- Young Women's Group
- Diversionary Programmes
- Labour Mobility Programme
- Young Entrepreneurs

We have delivered a homework club for children aged 8 to 11 years and we run a drop-in for teenagers.

Queens Park Women's Group has delivered a number of programmes within our women's Group, including crafts classes, mental health, well-being, fitness, and nutrition. Our Women's Group held its final event as part of our cross-community programme funded by St Stephens Green in February 2024. Due to the Pandemic, this funded project has lasted longer than the intended 3 years. The Programme has been very well attended and very successful. Although the funding is over, the friendships made continue, and cross-community work is still ongoing.

Queens Park Women's Group has successfully delivered several programs within our women's Group, including craft classes, mental health workshops, well-being sessions, fitness activities, and nutrition education.

We have collaborated with local individuals of all ages, including those with little or no qualifications, early school leavers, individuals grappling with substance abuse, those from problematic family backgrounds, and people who have been or are close to the criminal justice system. We have also supported individuals suffering from poor health, including mental health issues, and those coming from communities with a negative outlook on their future.

Our Group has worked closely with the Probation Board for Northern Ireland, allowing several men and women to complete their community service hours at our center. This initiative helps keep them out of the criminal justice system. These service hours have been spent on various tasks within our center and the Queens Park Estate, such as handyman work and gardening.

Additionally, we maintain strong relationships with the local high schools, providing work experience opportunities to pupils from several schools each year.

Throughout the year, our Group has continued to organise various events, including coffee mornings at our center, fun days for children in the Queens Park Estate, and community clean-up events held in the Queens Park Estate and Glengormley Town Centre, in collaboration with the Community Relations Forum.

Partnership Working

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Future Plans

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Carolyn Nelson (Secretary)

22nd January 2025

Disability Pride (Belfast) Limited

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100553

Annual return

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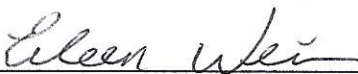
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Independent examiner's statement

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Relevant professional qualification or body: Good Relations Consultant

Address: 6 Hesketh Park

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Date: 17th January 2025

Disability Pride (Belfast) Limited

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100553

Accounts



Queens Park Women's Group

Income and Expenditure for Year Ending 31st March 2023

Opening Balance **£19,074.60**

Income

£

£

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council 5,400.00

St Stephens Green Trust 9,960.00

Cooperation Ireland 840.00

Education Authority 3,000.00

Room Hire 486.00

Total Income for the Year **£19,686.00**

Expenditure:

Hospitality 903.36

Project costs 2115.00

Transport costs 480.00

Running costs 9,211.64

Income and expenditure for year ending March 2023 (page 2)

Expenditure before Bank Interest and charges	£12,710.00
Bank Charges and fees	(79.76)
<u>Total Expenditure</u>	<u>£12,789.76</u>
<u>Closing Balance</u>	<u>£25,970.84</u>

Independently verified by

Eileen Weir

Good Relations Co-Ordinator

Shankill Women's Centre

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Tel: 028 90 240642

Signed  _____

Date 26th May 2023

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Annual report



QUEENS PARK WOMEN'S GROUP

Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2023

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2023 and confirm that they comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2013.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Queens Park Women's Group

Charity Registration Number: NIC 100552

Principal Office: 339 Antrim Road
Glengormley
Newtownabbey
BT36 5DZ

List of Office Bearers

Thomasina McTaggart - Chairperson
Carolyn Nelson - Secretary
Marsha Galbraith - Treasurer

Committee Members

Sharon Castle
Kathy Wolff
Louanne Pattison
Helen McKnight
Tamsin McTaggart

Accounts verified by -

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Bankers

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***Queens Park Women's Group
Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2023***

Structure Governance and Management

Governing Document

Queens Park Women's Group is constituted as a Charity, registered with the Charity Commission (Northern Ireland) in 2010, under Charity number XT34333.

Organisational Structure

The Office Bearers and Committee Members are responsible for the general control and management of the Group. The Trustees give their time freely and do not receive any remuneration or other financial benefits. The Trustees meet as a body each month and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to running the Group and all activities provided.

Recruitment and Appointment of Office Bearers and Committee Members

Office Bearers and Committee Members are nominated and appointed at the Group's Annual General Meeting. In selecting Office Bearers and Committee Members, we seek to identify people who regularly attend events organised by the Group and who are willing to help in our Community work.

Induction and Training of Office Bearers and Committee Member

Following appointment, new Office Bearers and Committee Members are introduced to their new role, given a copy of the Group's Constitution and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our Group and receive induction from Office Bearers.

Risk Management

Office Bearers and Committee Members have assessed the risks the Charity faces reporting public benefit. Insurance policies are in place. Finances are reviewed and checked on a monthly basis. Appropriate checks are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the Group's premises.

Aims, Objectives and Activities

Our Aims

The aim of Queens Park Women's Group is to develop a community based organisation which will articulate the needs and aspirations of the people of Glengormley and will work to provide opportunities to access the necessary resources to meet those needs and aspirations.

Our Objectives

Queens Park Women's Group will achieve our aim through:

1. Creating an infrastructure to consolidate and develop the organisation to its full potential by introducing programmes of social, economic and environmental benefit.
2. Providing a range of development and training opportunities to enhance the skills and employability of local people, particularly young people.
3. Providing a range of opportunities for local people to participate in programmes which promote peace building, generate community and civil respect, life skills, conflict resolution, confidence building and community leadership.
4. Developing programmes of activities that will address the issues which impact on local people and their families, as well as the wider community to encourage reconciliation, Integration and Inclusion.
5. Developing a range of programmes that will deal specifically with women's issues.

Strategies

We want to make our Group an accessible and welcoming venue for all local people. Our premises are open to all members of the public and all community groups. Our main office is accessible by stairs or a disabled lift for anyone with a disability.

Our group has been designated as a 'safe place' by women's aid for women/families in need. We also have volunteers trained for this. We are also registered with The Food Bank Scheme to refer clients.

Our premises are used by a variety of other community groups from various sections of our community. The courses we run range for the very young to our seniors of all abilities. There are no religious obligations or political views for anyone in the centre.

Our premises are located centrally in Glengormley which provides a focal point for community events. The workshops and family activities have the potential to reinvigorate the spirit of the town, build confidence within the community and stimulate community participation.

Use of Volunteers

Volunteers are an important resource in our community work and they are involved in most of our community activities. All our volunteers give their time freely and willingly. Appropriate checks are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the Group's premises.

Achievements and Performance

Lack of accessible community facilities had contributed to the rise in rioting and anti-social behaviour between young people within the Glengormley area in recent years and this situation prompted volunteers to set up Queens Park Women's Group in 2010 initially to work on the streets to encourage the young people to engage in alternative peaceful activities.

These actions led to the establishment of the 50/50 where, as the name suggests, activities and programmes were delivered on a 50/50 basis between young people from the Protestant and Catholic traditions. The project delivery aimed to ensure that they had a level of mutual understanding, respect and trust between each other and between other members of the community. The project promoted an ethos of individual and collective self-responsibility and taught the young people how easy the personal can become political.

Of the young people who participated in the 50/50 project, almost 95% went on to gain employment or engaged in further education opportunities. The 50/50 project

has been pivotal to improving community relations throughout the Newtownabbey area but much more needs to be done to build on our fledgling work. It brought together upwards of 105 young people from all sections of the community on a regular basis to participate in a number of cultural, educational and social programmes.

We believe the evidence of our programme delivery over the past 13 years demonstrates our ability to manage a broad range of projects. The Group has managed a number of funded and community engagement programmes from a range of organisations including:

- South Antrim Community Network
- Department of Foreign Affairs
- Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council
- Community Foundation for NI
- Education Authority
- PCSP
- St Stephens Green Trust
- NI Housing Executive
- PSNI

Our women's and young women's groups have all participated in a number of cross community/ cross border events. We have delivered a range of programmes including:

- OCN Law & Order
- OCN Conflict Management
- OCN Understanding Diversity in Society
- Graffiti Art Programme
- NEELB Cross Community Programmes
- OCN Them and Us
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- PSNI facilitated workshops
- Bonfires and Beacons
- Drug and Alcohol Awareness

We have also delivered the following programmes specifically for young people:

- Young Men's Group
- Young Women's Group
- Diversionary Programmes
- Labour Mobility Programme
- Young Entrepreneurs

We have delivered a homework club for children aged 8 to 11 years and we run a

drop-in for teenagers.

We have delivered a number of programmes with our women's group including crafts classes, mental health, fitness and wellbeing and nutrition. Our Women's groups are now in the final year of a cross community programme funded by St Stephens Green Trust. Due to the Pandemic this funded project has lasted a lot longer than the intended 3 years. The Programme has been very well attended and very successful.

We have worked with local people of all ages, including those with no or low qualifications or who left the education system early, have or currently are involved in substance abuse, come from a difficult family background, have been in, or close to, the criminal justice system, suffered from poor health including mental health issues and come from communities with a negative view of their future.

Our group has worked closely with The Probation Board for NI and we have taken on a number of men and women to complete their community service hours in our Centre as to keep them out of the Criminal Justice system. These hours have taken place in our centre and in the Queens Park Estate doing odd jobs i.e. handyman, gardening.

We also work closely with the local High Schools and take Pupils for work experience each year from a number of schools.

The Group has continued with a programme of events throughout the year with coffee mornings in our centre, fun days for the children in the Queenspark Estate, Community Clean up Events help in the Queenspark Estate and in Glengormley Town Centre with the Community Relations Forum.

Partnership Working

In developing our community programmes we are pleased to work in partnership with the Community Relations Forum, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council, NI Housing Executive, PSNI, Glengormley High School, Shankill Women's Centre, The Greater North Belfast Women's Network, St Stephens Green Trust and all our local community groups all of whom have provided invaluable advice and support.

Future Plans

We need to provide continuity, practical support and leadership to progress the work we are currently delivering to young people and families from Queenspark and the Glengormley area to enable us to break the cycle of anti-social behaviour and sectarian violence which has blighted the area for the past 40 years. Our group will continue to work with statutory agencies for the betterment of our community as a whole.

We also want to continue our plans for our women's group, to grow our numbers and add more volunteers to our centre. We will continue to pursue all funding sources available to fund programmes and training for all local people.

To this end we are actively pursuing all Statutory Agencies who can help provide a permanent structure for our premises in the Queenspark Estate. This will enable our Group to provide a more hands on practical support to Local people who need it now.

Financial Review

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Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

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St Stephens Green Trust

Co Operation Ireland

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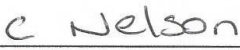
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