Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100580

Details

Known as	F.O.C.U.S.
Status	Received
Registered	2014-12-04
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The objects of the Forum shall be to promote the benefit of people resident in Omagh Town and surrounding district of Omagh Town (the "area of benefit") without discrimination on the grounds of sex, age, disability or of political, religious or other opinions by associating the appropriate statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and local inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, promote the protection and preservation of health, relieve poverty, and to provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupation. With the object of improving the conditions of life for the said people and in particular: (a) Promote education and awareness of good citizenship among residents in the area of benefit; (b) Provide encouragement and practical support services to existing and new community-based charitable organisations in the area of benefit (herinafter called "the associations") designed to increase their efficiency and effectiveness in acheiving their charitable objects.

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

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information,Community development,Cross-border/cross-community,Disability,Education/training,Gender,General charitable purposes,Human rights/equality,Urban development,Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Adult training,General public,Learning disabilities,Men,Mental health,Older people,Physical disabilities,Tenants,Travellers,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£81,109	£88,723	£0	2
2024-03-31	£83,358	£85,883	£0	3

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Hazel Mcguigan		
Jim Sharkey		
Mary T Conway		

Accounts

Charity number: NIC100580

Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Members' report and financial statements

for the year to 31 March 2025

FOCUS

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Charity number	NIC100580
Registered office	2nd Floor Community House 2 Drumragh Avenue OMAGH
Secretary	Hazel McGuigan
Accountants	O'Donnell & Mellon 19/21 Castle Street OMAGH Co. Tyrone
Bankers	First Trust Bank East Bridge Street Enniskillen Co. Fermanagh

Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are detailed below.

Structure, governance and management

James Sharkey	Chairperson	Gallow's Hill Community Assoc.
Hazel McGuigan	Secretary	Campsie Resident's Assoc.
Rozella Kelly	Treasurer	Culmore & O'Kane Resident's Assoc.
Valarie Duncan		Hospital Road Community Assoc.
Mary T Conway		Omagh Forum for Rural Assoc.
Michael Roddy		Omagh Independent Advice Services
Joe Lindsay		Coolnagard Community Assoc.
Peggy Colgan		MACCA
Aiden Dunphy		Community Rhythms

Objectives and activities

The principal activity of the Forum is to promote the benefits of the people in Omagh and surrounding districts in County Tyrone.

Achievements and performance

FOCUS continued to support local Community and Voluntary sector organisations through the provision of practical resources, advocacy, lobbying, and governance support. The organisation maintained active representation across a range of partnerships and Boards, including the Peace Plus Partnership, Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership, Community and Voluntary Sector Forum, Integrated Wellbeing Network, and Omagh Community House.
FOCUS remained a key delivery partner in Omagh Community House's New Beginnings, Community Voices project, working collaboratively with Omagh Community House and the Omagh Ethnic Communities Support Group. During the reporting period, FOCUS also delivered a new project supporting Carers, funded by the Department for Health.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Law applicable in Northern Ireland requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity 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 will continue in operation.

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Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of FOCUS and enable Trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charity Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' have had regard to the Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.
On behalf of the board

Hazel McGuigan

Hazel McGuigan
Secretary
2 February 2026

Charity Number: NIC100580

2nd Floor
Community House
2 Drumragh Avenue
Omagh

FOCUS

Independent examiner's report to the Members on the unaudited financial statements of FOCUS.

We report on the financial statements of FOCUS for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of Members and independent examiner

As the charity's members you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of our examination whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Our examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

(i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep proper books of account in accordance with Section 63 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirement of the Act

have not been met; or

(ii) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Joe Quinn
O'Donnell & Mellon
Independent examiner

19/21 Castle Street,
Omagh,
Co. Tyrone.

2 February 2026

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Statement of financial activities
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Income and endowments from						
Charitable activities	3	-	81,109	-	81,109	73,198
Other	4	-		-	-	10,160
Total income and endowments		-	81,109	-	81,109	83,358
Expenditure on						
Charitable activities	5	7,471	78,519	-	85,990	82,333
Other	6	2,733	-	-	2,733	3,550
Total		10,204	78,519	-	88,723	85,883
Net movement in funds		(10,204)	2,590	-	(7,614)	(2,525)
Total funds brought forward		74,477	(56,879)	6,614	24,212	26,737
Total funds carried forward		64,273	(54,289)	6,614	16,598	24,212

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

FOCUS

Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	8		7,865		10,201
Current assets					
Debtors	9	14,802		15,347	
Bank and cash		22,022		16,109	
		36,824		31,456	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(28,091)		(17,445)	
Net current (liabilities)/assets			8,733		14,011
Net assets			16,598		24,212
Funds					
Designated funds			6,614		6,614
Restricted income funds			(54,289)		(56,879)
Unrestricted income funds			64,273		74,477
Total funds			16,598		24,212

The financial statements were approved by the members on 2 February 2026 and signed on its behalf by

Jim Sharkey

Hazel McGuigan

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

1.1. Basis of accounting and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.2. Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was needed. No restatement were required.

1.3. Cashflow

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small charity.

1.4. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

1.5. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.
Cost of charitable activities include governance costs and support costs.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

1.6. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% Reducing Balance

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

2. Donations and legacies

	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Other	-	-
	-	-

3. Income from Charitable activities

	Restricted funds £	2025 £	2024 £
Department for Communities	53,832	53,832	52,321
We Care Project	25,872	25,872	18,777
Omagh Groove and Samba	(545)	(545)	2,100
TeleCom Fund	1,950	1,950	-
Halifax	-	-	-
	81,109	81,109	73,198

4. Other income

	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Administration charges	-	10,160
	-	10,160

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

5. Charitable activities

	Charitable activities	Governance costs	Other Support costs	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
We Care Project	25,872			25,872	17,919
TeleCom Fund	1,935			1,935	
Omagh Groove & Samba	-			-	2,100
Wages & salaries	-	-	43,098	43,098	47,838
Community Cafe			-	-	-
Staff travel			405	405	334
Rent	4,123		1,268	5,391	5,390
Heat & light	1,130		348	1,478	1,347
Office insurance	966		297	1,263	1,206
Telephone	836		257	1,093	876
Postage & stationery	1,275		392	1,667	1,426
Computer costs			232	232	333
Trustees meetings		32	-	32	126
Accountancy		1,542		1,542	1,494
General			60	60	137
Support costs (see below)		1,922		1,922	1,807
	36,137	3,496	46,357	85,990	82,333

Support costs	
Rent	951
Heat & light	261
Office insurance	223
Telephone	193
Postage & stationery	294
	1,922

The breakdown of support costs and their allocation to governance costs are shown above. Average staff time has been used as the basis of apportionment.

6. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Bank charges	397	397	436
Depreciation on FF & Equipment	2,336	2,336	3,114
	2,733	2,733	3,550

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

7. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	63,637	63,967

Wages in 2025 includes £20538.91 for an employee working within the We Care Project.
The average numbers of employees during the year was 3 with all employees time involved in providing either support to the governance of the charity or support services to charitable activites.
The charity considers its key managment personnel comprise the trustees and the Co-ordinator.
No members recevied remuneration or expenses during the year.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	51,215	51,215
At 31 March 2025	51,215	51,215
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2024	41,014	41,014
Charge for the year	2,336	2,336
At 31 March 2025	43,350	43,350
Net book values		
At 31 March 2025	7,865	7,865
At 31 March 2024	10,201	10,201

9. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
DfC	1,707	1,707
Shandon Park		
Omagh Groove & Samba	-	545
Connected companies	13,095	13,095
	14,802	15,347

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	28,091	17,445

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Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2024

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Aiden Dunphy		Community Rhythms

Objectives and activities

The principal activity of the Forum is to promote the benefits of the people in Omagh and surrounding districts in County Tyrone.

Achievements and performance
FOCUS continue to operate at its full potential. FOCUS has been accepted to sit as a social partner on the Peace Plus Partnership for Fermanagh & Omagh, the Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership, Omagh Independent Advice Services, Omagh Forum for Rural Associations and Omagh Community House.

FOCUS were successful in obtaining funding from the Homeless Prevention fund within NIHE. The funding will help create a Community Café space for all.

FOCUS were also successful with an application for a Carers project from the Dept for Health via the Community Foundation NI. The project will run for two years and will include activities, events and advocacy for Carers in the Omagh area.

An application to the Arts Council for the creation of an Omagh Samba Band has been successful and sessions have been running for a number of weeks.

Throughout the year, FOCUS continue to work in the background with groups, ensuring that their finances and Governance is in good standing and to assist them with returns to the Charity Commission and for new groups, assistance in registering as a Charity.

FOCUS continue to provide resources and equipment to Community Groups in order that they can host events/activities with the most up-to-date technology and audio-visual equipment

FOCUS

Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2024

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the and enable Trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charity Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' have had regard to the Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

On behalf of the board

Hazel McGuigan

Hazel McGuigan
Secretary
20 February 2025

Charity Number: NIC100580

2nd Floor
Community House
2 Drumragh Avenue
Omagh

Independent examiner's report to the Members on the unaudited financial statements of FOCUS.

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Respective responsibilities of Members and independent examiner

As the charity's members you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of our examination whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Our examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

(i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
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- to prepare accounts which accord with the books of account and comply with the accounting requirement of the Act

have not been met; or

(ii) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Joe Quinn
O'Donnell & Mellon
Independent examiner

Joe Quinn

19/21 Castle Street,
Omagh,
Co. Tyrone.

20 February 2025

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Statement of financial activities
For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income and endowments from						
Donations and legacies	2	-		-	-	743
Charitable activities	3	-	73,198	-	73,198	65,836
Other	4	10,160		-	10,160	16,159
Total income and endowments		10,160	73,198	-	83,358	82,738
Expenditure on						
Charitable activities	5	2,340	79,993	-	82,333	75,435
Other	6	3,550	-	-	3,550	3,208
Total		5,890	79,993	-	85,883	78,643
Net movement in funds		4,270	(6,795)	-	(2,525)	4,095
Total funds brought forward		70,207	(50,084)	6,614	26,737	22,642
Total funds carried forward		74,477	(56,879)	6,614	24,212	26,737

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

FOCUS

Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	8		10,201		9,021
Current assets					
Debtors	9	15,347		7,384	
Bank and cash		16,109		54,450	
		31,456		61,834	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(17,445)		(44,118)	
Net current assets			14,011		17,716
Net assets			24,212		26,737
Funds					
Designated funds			6,614		6,614
Restricted income funds			(56,879)		(50,084)
Unrestricted income funds			74,477		70207
Total funds			24,212		26,737

The financial statements were approved by the members on 20 February 2025 and signed on its behalf by

Jim Sharkey Hazel McGuigan

Hazel McGuigan

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

1.1. Basis of accounting and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.2. Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was needed. No restatement were required.

1.3. Cashflow

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement because it is a small charity.

1.4. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

1.5. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.
Cost of charitable activities include governance costs and support costs.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

1.6. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% Reducing Balance

2. Donations and legacies

	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Other	-	743
	-	743

3. Income from Charitable activities

	Restricted funds £	2024 £	2023 £
Department for Communities	52,321	52,321	55,245
We Care Project	18,777	18,777	74
Housing Executive	-	-	11,176
Omagh Groove and Samba	2,100	2,100	3,341
Halifax	-	-	(4,000)
	73,198	73,198	65,836

4. Other income

	Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Administration charges	10,160	10,160	16,159
	10,160	10,160	16,159

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

5. Charitable activities

	Charitable activities	Governance costs	Other Support costs	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
We Care Project	17,919			17,919	-
Omagh Groove & Samba	2,100			2,100	
Wages & salaries	-	-	47,838	47,838	50,731
Oil Vouchers	-		-	-	2,500
Community Cafe			-	-	7,190
Staff travel			334	334	374
Rent	4,122		1,268	5,390	5,390
Heat & light	1,030		317	1,347	2,033
Office insurance	921		284	1,205	1,116
Telephone	669		206	875	955
Postage & stationery	1,090		336	1,426	1,242
Computer costs			333	333	101
Trustees meetings		126	-	126	289
Accountancy		1,494		1,494	1,470
General			137	137	150
Support costs (see below)		1,809		1,809	1,894
	27,851	3,429	51,053	82,333	75,435

Support costs	
Rent	951
Heat & light	238
Office insurance	213
Telephone	155
Postage & stationery	252
	1,809

The breakdown of support costs and their allocation to governance costs are shown above. Average staff time has been used as the basis of apportionment.

6. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£
Bank charges	436	436	201
Depreciation on FF & Equipment	3,114	3,114	3,007
	3,550	3,550	3,208

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

7. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	63,967	50,731

Wages in 2024 includes £16128.63 for an employee working within the We Care Project.
The average numbers of employees during the year was 3 with all employees time involved in providing either support to the governance of the charity or support services to charitable activites.
The charity considers its key managment personnel comprise the trustees and the Co-ordinator.
No members recevied remuneration or expenses during the year.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	46,921	46,921
Additions	4,294	4,294
At 31 March 2024	51,215	51,215
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	37,900	37,900
Charge for the year	3,114	3,114
At 31 March 2024	41,014	41,014
Net book values		
At 31 March 2024	10,201	10,201
At 31 March 2023	9,021	9,021

9. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
DfC	1,707	
Shandon Park		1,019
Omagh Groove & Samba	545	545
Connected companies	13,095	5,820
	15,347	7,384

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Participating interest creditor	-	5,796
Accruals and deferred income	17,445	38,322
	17,445	44,118

Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100580

Accounts

Charity number: NIC100580

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Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are detailed below.

Structure, governance and management

James Sharkey	Chairperson	Gallow's Hill Community Assoc.
Hazel McGuigan	Secretary	Campsie Resident's Assoc.
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The trustees' have had regard to the Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

On behalf of the board

Hazel McGuigan Hazel McGuigan
Secretary
29 March 2024

Charity Number: NIC100580

2nd Floor
Community House
2 Drumragh Avenue
Omagh

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Respective responsibilities of Members and independent examiner

As the charity's members you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of our examination whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Our examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

(i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
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Joe Quinn
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Independent examiner

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Omagh,
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29 March 2024

FOCUS

Statement of financial activities
For the year ended 31 March 2023

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FOCUS

Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2023

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Tangible fixed assets	8		9,021		6,673
Current assets					
Debtors	9	7,384		4,428	
Bank and cash		54,450		11,541	
		61,834		15,969	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(44,118)		-	
Net current assets			17,716		15,969
Net assets			26,737		22,642
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Designated funds			6,614		6,614
Restricted income funds			(50,084)		(43,560)
Unrestricted income funds			70,207		59,588
Total funds			26,737		22,642

The financial statements were approved by the members on 29 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Jim Sharkey **Hazel McGuigan**

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023

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Housing Executive	11,176	11,176	-
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	65,836	65,836	52,568

4. Other income

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Administration charges	16,159	16,159	7,049
	16,159	16,159	7,049

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Wages & salaries	-	-	50,731	50,731	48,118
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Training			-	-	250
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Heat & light	1,555		478	2,033	1,757
Office insurance	853		263	1,116	1,033
Telephone	730		225	955	698
Postage & stationery	950		292	1,242	875
Computer costs			101	101	101
Trustees meetings		289	-	289	256
Accountancy		1,470		1,470	1,374
General			150	150	120
Support costs (see below)		1,894		1,894	1,657
	17,900	3,653	53,882	75,435	62,041

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Rent	951
Heat & light	359
Office insurance	197
Telephone	168
Postage & stationery	219
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Depreciation on FF & Equipment	3,007	3,007	2,224
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	2023	2022
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The charity considers its key managment personnel comprise the trustees and the Co-ordinator.
No members recevied remuneration or expenses during the year.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
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Cost		
At 1 April 2022	41,566	41,566
Additions	5,355	5,355
At 31 March 2023	46,921	46,921
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	34,893	34,893
Charge for the year	3,007	3,007
At 31 March 2023	37,900	37,900
Net book values		
At 31 March 2023	9,021	9,021
At 31 March 2022	6,673	6,673

9. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
FODC ATS		270
Shandon Park	1019	1,019
New beginnings/Community Voices		110
Omagh Groove & Samba	545	-
Connected companies	5,820	3,029
	7,384	4,428

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2023

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Participating interest creditor	1,724	-
Other creditors	4,072	-
Accruals and deferred income	38,322	-
	44,118	-

Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100580

Annual report

FOCUS

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

In April of this year, FOCUS commenced another yearly contract of core funding from the Community Investment Fund delivered by the
Department for Communities. This funding has been allocated on a yearly basis for now, and the funding this year which will take us up to March 2024. The organisation continues to support community groups in the area.

FOCUS continue to operate at its full potential. FOCUS has been accepted to sit as a social partner on the Peace Plus Partnership for Fermanagh & Omagh, the Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership, Omagh Independent Advice Services, Omagh Forum for Rural Associations and Omagh Community House.

FOCUS were successful in obtaining funding from the Homeless Prevention fund within NIHE. The funding will help create a Community Café space for all.

FOCUS were also successful with an application for a Carers project from the Dept for Health via the Community Foundation NI. The project will run for two years and will include activities, events and advocacy for Carers in the Omagh area.

An application to the Arts Council for the creation of an Omagh Samba Band has been successful and sessions have been running for a number of weeks.

FOCUS continues to provide full line-management for the New Beginnings, Community Voices" project based within Omagh Community House, which is now finishing up its fourth year, with the hope of a successful application for year 5.

Throughout the year, FOCUS continue to work in the background with groups, ensuring that their finances and Governance is in good standing and to assist them with returns to the Charity Commission and for new groups, assistance in registering as a Charity.

FOCUS continue to provide resources and equipment to Community Groups in order that they can host events/activities with the most up-to-date technology and audio-visual equipment

As an organisation, we have great support from the management committee and its members have showed a lot of time and dedication to FOCUS. We hope to continue to learn from the vast experience at hand and to thank them for their continuous support and guidance.

Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100580

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FOCUS

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On behalf of the board

Hazel McGuigan

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Secretary
20 March 2023

Charity Number: NIC100580

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as at 31 March 2022

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Current assets					
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Bank and cash		11,541		4,656	
		15,969		16,651	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	-		(1,724)	
Net current assets			15,969		14,927
Net assets			22,642		23,824
Funds					
Designated funds			6,614		6,614
Restricted income funds			(43,560)		(35,979)
Unrestricted income funds			59,588		53,189
Total funds			22,642		23,824

The financial statements were approved by the members on 20 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Jim Sharkey **Hazel McGuigan**

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

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The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

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In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was needed. No restatement were required.

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All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

1.5. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.
Cost of charitable activities include governance costs and support costs.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2022

1.6. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% Reducing Balance

2. Donations and legacies

	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Other	3,652	12,316
Covid Grants		-
	3,652	12,316

3. Income from Charitable activities

	Restricted funds £	2022 £	2021 £
Department for Communities	49,119	49,119	48,237
Community Finance Ireland	3,449	3,449	-
Creative Cafes		-	-
	52,568	52,568	48,237

4. Other income

	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Administration charges	7,049	7,049	8,604
	7,049	7,049	8,604

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

5. Charitable activities

	Charitable activities £	Governance costs £	Other Support costs £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Creative Cafes programme	-			-	-
Wages & salaries	-	-	48,118	48,118	42,557
Admininstrative support			-	-	-
Training			250	250	-
Staff travel			767	767	48
Rent	3,850		1,185	5,035	5,391
Heat & light	1,344		413	1,757	1,481
Office insurance	790		243	1,033	1,009
Telephone	534		164	698	788
Postage & stationery	669		206	875	1,624
Computer costs			101	101	162
Trustees meetings		256	-	256	144
Accountancy		1,374		1,374	1,412
General			120	120	180
Support costs (see below)		1,657		1,657	1,817
	7,187	3,287	51,567	62,041	56,613

Support costs	
Rent	888
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Office insurance	182
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The breakdown of support costs and their allocation to governance costs are shown above. Average staff time has been used as the basis of apportionment.

6. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Bank charges	185	185	208
Depreciation on FF & Equipment	2,224	2,224	2,965
	2,409	2,409	3,173

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2022

7. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	48,118	42,557

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The charity considers its key managment personnel comprise the trustees and the Co-ordinator.
No members recevied remuneration or expenses during the year.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2021	41,566	41,566
At 31 March 2022	41,566	41,566
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2021	32,669	32,669
Charge for the year	2,224	2,224
At 31 March 2022	34,893	34,893
Net book values		
At 31 March 2022	6,673	6,673
At 31 March 2021	8,897	8,897

9. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
DfC	-	2430
FODC Creative Cafes	-	500
FODC ATS	270	
Shandon Park	1019	
New beginnings/Community Voices	110	
Connected companies	3,029	9,065
	4,428	11,995

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Participating interest creditor	-	1,724

Forum in Omagh for Community Understanding and Support

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100580

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FOCUS have had another active year in the Community & Voluntary sector. Focus have participated in local Council's Community Planning process, engaging with the public during the consultation period by presenting key factors of the process. Focus have joined the CVS Forum and have been involved in Community & Voluntary Sector activities.

Focus are represented as a Social Partner on the PeacePlus Partnership Board for Fermanagh & Omagh.
Focus continued to provide full assistance and support to Omagh Access Forum as they continue on their lobbying role on accessibility issues for people with a disability. Focus provided practical resources on a loan basis to groups on a daily basis. Resources include laptops, tablets, projectors and PA system.
Focus continue to provide full admin support to Omagh Safer Streets Ltd in their provision of CCTV for Omagh Town centre.

Focus completed Training needs analysis on a number of groups during a focus group and process of reporting to the Charity
Commission was highlighted as a priority.
Also highlighted within the analysis was the need for outcomes based accountability training.
Focus continue to meet the needs of local organisations by providing general support and
advice, especially around Governance and finances. During 2021/22, Focus attended 94 meetings of various group members.
Focus has assisted 12 member groups in preparing for their own AGM as well as independently examining accounts for 10 groups' AGM reports.

FOCUS also provide steering and line management for the New Beginnings, Community Voices project, funded by The Executive Office’s Central Good Relations Fund.

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Members' report and financial statements

for the year to 31 March 2022

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Legal and administrative information

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Secretary	Hazel McGuigan
Accountants	O'Donnell & Mellon 19/21 Castle Street OMAGH Co. Tyrone
Bankers	First Trust Bank High Street OMAGH Co. Tyrone.

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Report of the trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2022

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2022. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are detailed below.

Structure, governance and management

James Sharkey	Chairperson	Gallow's Hill Community Assoc.
Hazel McGuigan	Secretary	Campsie Resident's Assoc.
Rozella Kelly	Treasurer	Culmore & O'Kane Resident's Assoc.
Valarie Duncan		Hospital Road Community Assoc.
Mary T Conway		Omagh Forum for Rural Assoc.
Michael Roddy		Omagh Independent Advice Services
Joe Lindsay		Coolnagard Community Assoc.
Peggy Colgan		MACCA
Peter O'Hanlon		Coolnagard Community Assoc.
Aiden Dunphy		Community Rhythms

Objectives and activities

The principal activity of the Forum is to promote the benefits of the people in Omagh and surrounding districts in County Tyrone.

Achievements and performance

FOCUS continues to support local Community & Voluntary sector groups via the use of practical resources, advocacy, lobbying and Governance support. FOCUS maintain representation on various partnerships and Boards, including Peace Plus Partnership, Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership and Omagh Community House. FOCUS continues to be integral in the delivery of Omagh Community House's project "New Beginnings, Community Voices" which incorporates partnership working between Omagh Community House, Omagh Ethnic Communities Support Group and FOCUS. FOCUS have also designed, and are delivering, a new project for Carers, funded via the Department for Health.

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