

The Mae Murray Foundation

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100842

Details

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Registered	2015-03-03
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Activities

Purposes: The Company is established: (i) To provide the means to advance the education of the public in aspects of disability, imparting knowledge and confidence with a view to these skills being carried into wider society and used positively for the benefit of disabled people, (ii) To transform the 'image' of disability products and equipment to either fit with a modern age:- a. To research and develop equipment and utensils, which are non-clinical and aesthetically pleasing, b. To support and encourage manufacturers to do same (iii) To bring medical and therapeutic intervention to a community setting; a. To reduce the stress and inconvenience appointments bring by removing practical limitations such as unsuitable parking/loading/unloading/waiting/timing impracticalities b. To aspire to make appointments fit with life and not the other way around (iv) To develop and deliver education and employment initiatives aimed at those challenged as a result of disability, particularly during the transition period (vi) To undertake any other charitable purpose according to the law of Northern Ireland.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Community development, Disability, Education/training, Medical/health/sickness, Playgroup/after schools, Relief of poverty, Rural development, Sport/recreation

Who the charity helps: Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Learning disabilities, Mental health, Older people, Parents, Physical disabilities, Sensory disabilities, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£458,418	£407,983	£-11,977	28

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Karen Mcconnell		
Mr Conor O'kane		
Mr Derek Boyd Lough		
Mr Joesph Moore		
Mr Nicholas Murray		
Mrs Alexandra Crawford		
Ms Helen Savage		
Ms Teresa Meneary		

The Mae Murray Foundation

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Accounts

Company registered number: NI622302

Charity registered number: NIC100842

THE MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION

(Private company limited by guarantee without share capital)

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The company was incorporated on 14th January 2014 and registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 3rd March 2015.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

NI622302

Registered Charity number

NIC100842

Registered office

49 Drumnagreagh Road

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County Antrim

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CHAIRPERSON

Mrs Alexandra Crawford

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the company for the 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practices applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019)

Structure, Governance and Trustees

The Mae Murray Foundation which is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee in Northern Ireland, registration number NI622302, with the objective of undertaking charitable activities for the benefit of the inhabitants of Northern Ireland.

Our Vision

Our vision at Mae Murray Foundation is to create an inclusive society with true participation for ALL in leisure and social settings, regardless of age or ability.

Our Mission

Our mission is to improve quality of life, through participation of all-abilities, together.

Our Values

Our core values define, guide, and underpin our work.

We will always:

Listen - The voice of lived-experience leads our work and we support the rights of everyone, including those who are non verbal, to be heard.

Partner - We are committed to working in partnership with other organisations and stakeholders.

Deliver - We aim to deliver sustainable solutions and best practice models for a better, inclusive, shared society.

Include- We are committed to constantly learning, adapting and improving, to ensure we deliver true inclusion for all and to empower each individual's potential.

Influence- We strive to influence others and create fundamental change together.

Objectives:

Our core values define, guide, and underpin our work.

Mae Murray Foundation was established:

- (i) To provide the means to advance the education of the public in aspects of disability, imparting knowledge and confidence with a view to these skills being carried into wider society and used positively for the benefit of disabled people.
- (ii) To transform the 'image' of disability products and equipment to either fit with a modern
- (iii) To bring medical and therapeutic intervention to a community setting to prevent poor physical and mental wellbeing.

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Our Story

Mae Murray Foundation was set up to allow people of all ages and abilities to take part in activities, experience the world, and enjoy friendship together, in an inclusive environment.

Mae Murray, who passed away in 2012, was the mother of our chairperson, Alix Crawford. There was nothing Mae loved more than designing ways and means to ensure that her granddaughter, Talia – who has cerebral palsy – experienced opportunities that most of us take for granted. Mae was the embodiment of everything that Mae Murray Foundation now represents.

Alix set up Mae Murray Foundation to create real change, gaining charitable status in 2015, and commencing operations in early 2016. We are delighted that this year, 2025, sees us celebrate our 10th anniversary.

Mae Murray Foundation has a vision to create a truly inclusive society. Places where people will socialise together side by side; recognising one another to be of equal and inseparable value, regardless of physical, learning, sensory, medical, age or support related need. Working in partnership with health trusts, local authorities and other organisations, Mae Murray Foundation works to break down participation challenges within communities to ingrain fundamental change for people who would be otherwise excluded. It aims to create 'Inclusive Framework Models of Excellence' facilitating independence and nurturing of positive attitudes, through frequent interaction and education.

Our Plan of Strategic Intent

Our Plan of Strategic Intent Our Statement of Strategic Intent covers the period January 2023 through to December 2027 and will have four priorities.

Strategic Priority 1: Participation and Opportunity

We will provide opportunities for our members to take part in society by:

- Delivering and co-designing participation projects for children, adults and the whole family together.
- Introducing activities that are adapted to suit a wide range and complexity of need

Strategic Priority 2: Resources

We will support our membership to maximise quality of life and increase independence both at home and within society by providing:

- Resource Library Loan Facility
- Early Years Powered Mobility Schemes
- Equipment Loan Service within Communities
- Emergency Essential Referral Process
- Participation Packs

Strategic Priority 3: External Change

Partnerships and lived experience led work will enable us to effect change in community environments & the strategic intent of other organisations.

We will action:

- Membership Advisory Committee
- Community Focus Groups

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- Project Steering Groups
- Youth Panel
- Task & Finish Workstream
- Consultations responses
- Affiliate partnership joint delivery – third sector, local authorities and statutory organisations

Strategic Priority 4: Good Governance

We commit to maintaining good governance in all we do. We aim to support our staff and volunteers to play key roles in the implementation of our vision through training and support. Effective and robust processes should inspire confidence and community, helping us build and retain our skilled workforce. We will achieve this priority by:

- annual completion of good governance health check
- training, supporting and valuing staff and volunteers
- creating inclusive working culture
- effectively managing risk
- securing sufficient funds to resource our work
- measuring our work against our strategic statement of intent
- measuring our impact

Main activities undertaken to further the charity's purposes for public benefit

Mae Murray Foundation provides direct public benefit through a range of inclusive services to people of all ages and abilities in Northern Ireland. These include:

Inclusive Beaches

An Inclusive Beach is a beach environment that Mae Murray Foundation has planned so that people of all ages and abilities can take part, have fun, and be included.

Inclusive Beaches will provide access, parking, and disabled toilets. Toilets will always offer hoisting and adult sized changing bench facilities – to full Changing Places standard whenever possible. Inclusive Beaches in Northern Ireland offer free beach equipment loan schemes, operated as a partnership between Mae Murray Foundation and respective beach operators.

In addition to offering beach equipment for individual loan, Inclusive Beaches often host events and activities, delivered by Mae Murray Foundation. This may include beach fun days, surf days and litter picking events amongst others.

Resource Library:

The Resource Library contains a wide range of equipment and resources which members may wish to borrow for a variety of reasons.

- To trial expensive equipment that you are considering purchasing to ensure it is right for you.
- To borrow equipment for a specific need, for example, to help you with travel on a holiday.
- To get active and enjoy outdoor spaces.
- To have more opportunities to play and learn new skills.

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Resource Library continued:

- To meet an unmet need

We also provide advice and support for families who need support to access services to improve their mental and physical wellbeing.

All-ability Teenage Services

We run monthly Teen Hubs in Larne and Newtownards. Personal care support is provided so that the young people can attend independently. Activities range from games, music, movie nights and dance to simply catching up.

Adult Inclusion Services

The Overs is a group of young adults (age 20-40) who meet regularly to socialise, make friends and take part in various activities. Personal care is provided. Supervision is not provided – if a participant requires supervision, we recommend our family events for now. Our regular meeting location is our Hub in Larne however, we have events in other locations too (eg trips to Belfast Giants, concerts etc).

Social Programme for all ages and abilities

We host a vast range of family events for all ages and abilities. At these events, family and friends are welcome to come along and get involved and take part together. Activities are suited to all ages and abilities and we always ensure dignified toileting is available to Changing Places standard. These events are free of charge and MMF sessional staff and volunteers are onsite to aid participation.

Achievements, Performance and Impact

Review of Activities

As a small organisation, the volume of events and activities we have offered to members this past year has been a testament to our very dedicated and hardworking staff and volunteers who believe in our vision. Below is a demonstration of how our objectives have been met in line with our strategic plan.

1. Participation and Opportunity

We support people of all ages and abilities to take part in social and leisure settings throughout Northern Ireland. Here are some of the highlights from the past year.

- 4 Summer Activity Programmes in partnership with local councils – 80 children attended.
- Teenage Kicks (age 13-19) 24 events in which 68 young people took part.
- The Overs (a social group for young adults) – 14 events in which 42 adults took part.
- 5 Inclusive Beaches – Almost 4000 people participated in Summer 2023.
- Music and Dance Workshops– 24 events in which 55 families took part.
- Surfing and paddleboarding over 250 participated.
- Family events for all ages and abilities – Over 1500 people were supported to enjoy events with a wide range of exciting adapted activities.
- Gym Programme – 20 people enjoyed 2x 6 week programmes in 2 locations

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2. Resources

- Resource Library – Over 500 loans of equipment to members, to date.
- Supported 25 families to access funding for emergency unmet needs or to purchase equipment.
- Operated equipment loan schemes at 5 Inclusive Beaches in partnership with the beach operator; Benone, Portstewart, Portrush East Strand, Cranfield and Groomsport
- Operated 2 all-terrain wheelchair loan schemes in Newcastle and Cushendun.

3. External Change

- Our Membership Advisory Committee consulted on our various projects and guides, sharing their lived experience to ensure their needs are met.
- Community Focus Groups consulted on local matters such as local community plans and council consultations.
 - Our Youth Panel met monthly to discuss projects and events for their peers and for younger children. Many have volunteered at events or supported research projects in partnership with
 - Task & Finish Workstream's worked on our ADAPT guides for beaches, parks and gyms, using their lived experience to create and improve these guides.
 - At the beginning of the calendar year we started to provide families with hospital passports, enabling them to ensure their needs and adjustments are in place when admitted to hospital. Members and clinicians have commented on the positive impact this is having to what can often be a challenging experience.

4. Governance

We have:

- Completed an annual good governance health check
- Provided staff with training, including: First aid, Manual-handling, Safeguarding, Designated Officer training, Risk Assessment, Makaton, Evac chair training, Medication handling, Social Media training. Individual staff also completed numerous training courses in line with their objectives and personal development aims.
- We have continued to develop the creation of a supportive and inclusive culture at work. We have developed a 'Wellbeing at Work Strategy' which has looked at ways of promoting wellbeing in the workplace. Provisions that have been introduced include a walking pad and standing desk, step competitions, walking meetings and fruit provided at meetings.
- We continue to maintain our risk register and risk assess any new projects.
- Our team had continued to raise funds to cover our costs through grant applications, fundraising and seeking corporate and in kind support.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies.

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Financial Review

The charity's income increased from £331,444 in March 2024 to £458,418 in March 2025. This is the result of increased income from restricted funding. Principal sources of funding are from grants, donations and internal fundraising. The net surplus of £50,434.

2024 marked a transformative chapter for MMF as we proudly purchased our very first property—a true milestone in our journey. Until now, we operated from rented office space within Ledcom, a respected business support organisation. Back in 2017, we started small, occupying a modest unit with just two desks. As our team expanded and our work flourished, we steadily progressed through larger units, each move reflecting our growth and ambition.

When the opportunity arose in 2024, our directors unanimously agreed it was time to invest in a space that truly met our evolving needs. With £40,000 contributed from our reserves and a £100,000 loan secured from Community Finance Ireland—repayable over ten years—we were able to purchase our new home at Redlands Crescent in Larne.

This investment not only strengthens our foundation but also signals our commitment to long-term sustainability and impact. We're excited for what lies ahead.

Mae Murray Foundation Reserve Policy – Summary

The Mae Murray Foundation maintains a reserve policy to ensure financial stability and sustainability in delivering its mission of inclusion for all abilities. Key elements typically include:

- Purpose of Reserves: To safeguard against unexpected financial challenges, support continuity of services, and enable strategic investments such as property acquisition or project expansion.
- Target Reserve Level: MMF aims to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves to cover essential operating costs for up to 12 months, ensuring resilience in times of uncertainty.
- Use of Reserves: Reserves may be used for:
 - Emergency funding needs
 - Bridging short-term cash flow gaps
 - Strategic opportunities aligned with organisational goals (e.g., purchasing property)
- Monitoring and Review: The reserve level is reviewed regularly by the Board of Directors to ensure it remains appropriate and aligned with the Foundation's financial position and future MMF demonstrated its reserve policy in action by contributing £40,000 from reserves toward the purchase of its first property in 2024—an investment supported by a loan from Community Finance Ireland.

Financial Risk

Mae Murray Foundation have prospered in the last financial year but the following risks have been identified:

1. Our National Lottery Foundation funding comes to an end in September 2025, which currently funds 3 members of our team. These staff are essential to the delivery of our Inclusive Beach and our 'All Ages and All-abilities Programme'. We have reapplied for the funding and a decision is due September 2025.

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Financial Risk continued...

2. Our Resource Library remains unfunded following the end of 4-year funding from Department of Health. We continue to run this project using unrestricted funds to ensure the needs of members are met. Funding is currently being sought through various grant applications.

3. Having purchased our own building, we have the responsibility to pay back our loan to Community Finance Ireland. Loan repayments are less than our previous monthly rent and we have fundraising plans in place to reduce the size of the loan at a faster rate.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of The Mae Murray Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standard (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. 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 judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transaction and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and the enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2019. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Mae Murray Foundation is a company limited by guarantee by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Each members liability is limited to an amount not exceeding £1.

This report was approved by the Trustees, on 29/09/2025 and signed on behalf by:



Mrs Alexandra Crawford
Trustee



Mr Derek Boyd Lough
Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION.

I report on the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 11 and 12.

This report is made solely to the company's Trustees, as a body in accordance with section 65(3)(a) of the Charities Act Northern Ireland 2008 and regulations made under section 66 of the Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's Trustees as a body, for my work of this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the company's Trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the company is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for Independent examination.

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 was also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

Independent examiner's statement

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 REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CONWAY EDUCATION CENTRE
(continued)

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.



Tony Clarke FCPA
53 Andersonstown Road
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30/09/2025

Date:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Year to 31-Mar-25 TOTAL £	Year to 31-Mar-24 TOTAL £
Income from:					
Generated Funds	2	-	429,689	429,689	273,380
Charitable Activities	3	28,728	-	28,728	58,064
Total Income		28,728	429,689	458,418	331,444
Expenditure on:					
Charitable Activities	6	-	407,983	407,983	361,688
Total Expenditure:		-	407,983	407,983	361,688
Net income / (expenditure)		28,728	21,706	50,434	(30,244)
Transfers between funds		866	(866)	-	-
Net movement in funds		29,594	20,840	50,434	(30,244)
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward	14	137,446	185,006	322,452	352,696
Total Funds carried forward	13	167,040	205,846	372,886	322,452

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

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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

The notes on page 13 to 20 form and integral part of these accounts

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 March 2025

	Note	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	12	<u>251,100</u>	<u>122,484</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	8	80,950	14,270
Cash at bank & Other		<u>142,525</u>	<u>188,836</u>
		223,475	203,106
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(11,977)</u>	<u>(3,138)</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>211,498</u>	<u>199,968</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u><u>462,598</u></u>	<u><u>322,452</u></u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	5	<u>(89,711)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		<u><u>372,886</u></u>	<u><u>322,452</u></u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted		205,846	185,006
Unrestricted		<u>167,040</u>	<u>137,446</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	13	<u><u>372,886</u></u>	<u><u>322,452</u></u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

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

The financial statements were approved by the board directors on 29/09/2025 and were signed on their behalf by:



Mrs Alexandra Crawford
 Trustee



Mr Derek Boyd Lough
 Trustee

The notes on page 13 to 20 form and integral part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Mae Murray Foundation is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is: 49 Drumnagreagh Road, Ballygall, Larne, Co. Antrim, BT40 2RP.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102) the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

1.4 Incoming resources (continued)

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

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

1.5 Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measure reliably.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category.

The charity is below the charity audit threshold and therefore is exempt from reporting expenditure on an activity basis. The charity has opted to report by the nature of expenditure rather than on an activity basis.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Leasehold Property	Not depreciated
Fixtures & Fittings	10% reducing balance

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.8 Financial instruments

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

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

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

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1.9 Basic financial assets

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

1.10 Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

1.11 Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.12 Employee benefits

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

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

1.13 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

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2 <u>Income from Generated funds</u>	2025			2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	429,689	429,689	273,380
Totals 2025	-	429,689	429,689	273,380
Totals 2024	29,122	244,258	273,380	

3 <u>Income from Charitable Activities</u>	2025			2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Donations	17,719	-	17,719	47,058
Fundraising	10,209	-	10,209	10,756
Other income	800	-	800	250
Totals 2025	28,728	-	28,728	58,064
Totals 2024	58,064	-	58,064	

4 <u>Staff Costs and Numbers</u>	2025		2024
	£		£
Gross Wages and Salaries	187,303		168,514
	187,303		168,514

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2024: None)

The average monthly number of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full time equivalents, was as follows:

2025	2024
Number	Number
8	10

5 <u>Creditors: amounts falling due more than one year</u>	2025		2024
	£		£
Loans falling due <1 year	89,711		-
	89,711		-

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6 Expenditure

Analysis of resources expended

Charitable Activities	2025			2024
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	TOTAL
	Funds	Funds	£	£
	£	£	£	£
Room Hire	-	2,320	2,320	780
Event Expenses	-	22,565	22,565	20,133
Marketing	-	-	-	120
Wages	-	187,303	187,303	168,514
Sessional Staff	-	29,247	29,247	31,918
Facilitators	-	33,325	33,325	45,855
Volunteers expenses	-	1,270	1,270	3,352
Depreciation	-	12,248	12,248	13,609
Rent	-	16,370	16,370	12,539
Insurance	-	4,413	4,413	3,957
Light and heat	-	1,323	1,323	1,196
Cleaning	-	623	623	733
Repairs and maintenance	-	4,848	4,848	4,989
Clothing	-	3,471	3,471	3,864
Printing / Postage	-	1,892	1,892	6,275
Equipment given	-	63,037	63,037	-
Telephone	-	2,505	2,505	2,618
Computer costs	-	587	587	8,499
Refreshments	-	2,471	2,471	900
Motor expenses	-	3,383	3,383	7,144
Legal and professional	-	1,006	1,006	13,227
Accountancy fees	-	2,374	2,374	493
Bank charges	-	170	170	244
General expenses	-	2,567	2,567	1,067
Training	-	3,295	3,295	4,990
Subscriptions	-	5,368	5,368	4,672
Totals 2025	-	407,983	407,983	361,688
Totals 2024	53,532	308,156	361,688	

7 Trustees remuneration & expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2024 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2024 - £NIL).

During the year, one Trustee received reimbursement of expenses totaling £661.54 (2024 - £NIL).

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8 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants Receivable	80,950	14,270
	80,950	14,270

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade Creditors	-	-
Other Creditors & accruals	5,569	3,138
Loans falling due <1 year	6,408	-
	11,977	3,138

10 Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent Examiner's remuneration amounts to an Independent Examination fee of £1200 (2024 - £493)

11 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

12 Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Leasehold Property</u>	<u>Fixtures & Fittings</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£
COST			
At 1 April 2024	-	136,093	136,093
Additions	140,864	-	140,864
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	140,864	136,093	276,957
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	-	13,609	13,609
Charge for the year	-	12,248	12,248
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	-	25,858	25,858
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	-	122,484	122,484
At 31 March 2025	140,864	110,236	251,100

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13 Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expense	Transfer in/out	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds					
Antrim & Newtownabbey Council	-	32,472	(32,472)	-	-
Arts Council NI	-	4,267	2,849	-	7,116
Asda Foundation	-	400	(400)	-	-
Awards for All	6,109	-	(6,109)	-	-
Bank of Ireland CFNI	-	16,303	(1,352)	-	14,950
BC&P Community Fund	-	30,000	(29,310)	-	690
BHSCT	-	1,400	(1,400)	-	-
Bruce Wake	-	-	-	-	-
Causeway Cost & Glens	-	8,244	(8,244)	-	-
Carers Support Fund	-	35,264	(32,956)	-	2,308
Children in Need	(3,800)	-	-	3,800	-
CIN Social Action	3,800	-	-	(3,800)	-
Clear PHA	-	1,200	(1,200)	-	-
Department of Health	9,672	-	(9,672)	-	-
Garfield Weston	2,866	-	(2,866)	-	-
Groundswell	-	15,000	(15,000)	-	-
Halifax Foundation for NI	-	8,000	(7,838)	-	162
Hospital Saturday Fund	-	1,843	(1,843)	-	-
Independence at Home	-	435	(435)	-	-
James Brown & Sons	940	-	(80)	-	860
JD Foundation	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
LFT	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Live Here Love Here	-	965	(965)	-	-
Loneliness Network	550	-	(257)	-	293
Lottery 24	-	9,824	(2,665)	-	7,159
Lottery Community Fund 24	-	20,000	(4,546)	-	15,454
Mid & East Antrim	-	3,500	(3,500)	-	-
National Lottery Community Fund	28,279	132,330	(112,264)	-	48,345
Phoenix Gas	-	300	(300)	-	-
Play Scotland	-	221	(221)	-	-
Power NI	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Rank Foundation	14,106	44,222	(60,055)	-	(1,727)
Tyrella	-	50,000	(49,134)	(866)	-
Capital Equipment	122,484	-	(12,248)	-	110,236
Total restricted funds	185,006	429,689	(407,984)	(866)	205,846

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Unrestricted funds

General funds	137,446	28,728	-	866	167,040
Total Unrestricted funds	137,446	28,728	-	866	167,040
Total of funds - current year	322,452	458,418	(407,984)	-	372,886

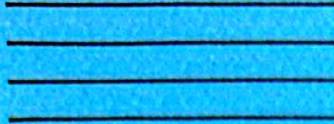
14 Statement of fund - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expense	Transfer in/out	Balance at 31 March 2024
Total restricted funds	248,764	244,258	(308,156)	140	185,006
Total unrestricted funds	103,932	87,186	(53,533)	(140)	137,446
Total of funds - prior year	352,696	331,444	(361,689)	-	322,452

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Accounts



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Company limited by guarantee

Unaudited financial Statements

31 March 2024

Company registration number: NI622302

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Income statement
Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Turnover	331,444	344,620
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(21,033)	(19,175)
Staff costs	(249,639)	(178,361)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(13,609)	(13,673)
Other charges	(77,407)	(57,364)
(Loss)/profit	<u>(30,244)</u>	<u>76,047</u>

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Statement of financial position
31 March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fixed assets	<u>122,484</u>	<u>123,055</u>
Current assets	203,106	232,520
Net current assets	<u>203,106</u>	<u>232,520</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	325,590	355,575
Accruals and deferred income	(3,138)	(2,879)
Net assets	<u><u>322,452</u></u>	<u><u>352,696</u></u>
Capital and reserves	<u><u>322,452</u></u>	<u><u>352,696</u></u>

Notes to the financial statements

1. Employee numbers

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to 39 (2023: Nil).

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The following pages do not form part of the statutory accounts.

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Detailed income statement
Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Turnover		
Funding	273,380	306,821
Donations	47,058	33,014
Fundraising	10,756	4,685
Other Income	250	100
	<u>331,444</u>	<u>344,620</u>
 Cost of raw materials and consumables		
Room Hire	(780)	(1,015)
Event Expenses	(20,133)	(17,661)
Marketing	(120)	(499)
	<u>(21,033)</u>	<u>(19,175)</u>
 Staff costs		
Wages	(168,514)	(127,095)
Sessional Staff	(31,918)	(18,801)
Facilitators	(45,855)	(32,465)
Volunteer Expenses	(3,352)	-
	<u>(249,639)</u>	<u>(178,361)</u>
 Depreciation and other amounts written off assets		
Depreciation of tangible assets	(13,609)	(13,673)
	<u>(13,609)</u>	<u>(13,673)</u>
 Other charges		
Rent	(12,539)	(12,217)
Insurance	(3,957)	(3,102)
Light and heat	(1,196)	(2,646)
Cleaning	(733)	(640)
Repairs and maintenance	(4,989)	(6,219)
Clothing	(3,864)	(3,177)
Printing/Postage	(6,275)	(4,888)
Advertising	-	(340)
Telephone	(2,618)	(2,366)
Computer costs	(8,499)	(4,618)
Refreshments	(900)	(420)
Motor expenses	(7,144)	(5,440)
Legal and professional	(13,227)	(168)
Accountancy fees	(493)	(373)
Bank charges	(244)	(220)
General expenses	(1,067)	(3,852)
Training	(4,990)	(6,678)
Subscriptions	(4,672)	-

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Company limited by guarantee

Year ended 31 March 2024

2024	2023
£	£
<u>(77,407)</u>	<u>(57,364)</u>

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION – Statements of Financial Position for the year ended 31 March 2024
Company Limited by Guarantee

	2024
Fixed assets	
Tangible fixed assets	122,484
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Current assets	
Debtors	14,270
Bank Account	188,836
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	203,106
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Current liabilities	
Creditors (Due within one year)	(3,138)
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Net Assets	322,452
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Net Assets	
Restricted Funds	185,006
Unrestricted Funds	137,446
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Total Charity Funds	322,452
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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board by:

 Alexandra Crawford
 Director

 Date

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION – NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
Company Limited by Guarantee

Analysis of charitable funds

	April 23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	March 2024
Unrestricted Funds					
General Funds	103,932	130,697	98,041	858	137,446
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Restricted Funds					
MEA BC	(1,490)	1,500		(10)	-
MEA Festival		1,462	1,226	(236)	-
Children in need	11,593		16,387	994	(3,800)
Halifax	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
CC & G BC	500	-	500	-	-
Antrim & NABC	-	5,000	3,306	(1,694)	-
Awards for all	-	10,000	3,891	-	6,109
Rank Foundation	16,392	15,615	17,901	-	14,106
KNIB	-	3,820	3,820	-	-
A&ND BC	1,000	-	-	(1,000)	-
Loneliness Network	-	550	-	-	550
Garfield Weston	-	10,000	7,134	-	2,866
Esmee Fairbairn	5,764		5,719	(45)	-
Department of Health	(2,131)	43,265	32,065	605	9,672
Clear PHA	-	1,000	866	(134)	-
Festival	-	1,939	1,939	-	-
B C & P	10,000	-	10,006	6	-
National lottery	44,287	132,069	152,103	4,026	28,279
James Brown & Son	1,500	-	560	-	940
CIN Social Action	38,294	-	32,124	(2,370)	3,800
	<u>125,709</u>	<u>231,220</u>	<u>294,547</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>62,522</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Capital Equipment	123,055	13,038	13,609		122,484
Total Charity funds	<u>352,696</u>				<u>322,452</u>
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MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION – NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
Company Limited by Guarantee

Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2024
Tangible Fixed assets		122,484	122,484
Current assets	131,584	57,252	188,836
Debtors	9,000	5,270	14,270
Creditors (Due less than one year)	(3,138)		(3,138)
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	137,446	185,006	322,452
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The Mae Murray Foundation

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Annual report



Mae
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Creating Change Together

Annual Report

2023-24





Welcome to our Annual Report – our 8th year of operations and a very busy year indeed!

Sharing our knowledge and members' lived experiences has always been a key objective for Mae Murray Foundation in the hope that more inclusive environments can be created by others, as a result of our learning. 2023 was a monumental step towards that goal with the publication of two guides on building and sustaining inclusive environments. Our membership, as ever, was at the heart of this co-design and it was a proud moment to watch our Youth Panel launch ADAPT my Play at Stormont Parliament Buildings with confidence and flare. Special thanks to Alan Herron and the team at Playboard who have been working in partnership with us for several years on this project and whose vision to deliver on the right to play for every child knows no bounds.

Our ambition and ability to create change is only possible due to the dedication of our amazing but small staff team, our volunteers, board of directors, member committees, partners, and of course our fabulous funders and supporters. Thank you all for your combined efforts and for your belief in our vision of a society where everyone can take part and be recognised to be of equal and inseparable value.

Alix Crawford
Chairperson



Background Information

8 staff

(5 part-time,
3 full-time),
based in Larne



Operating
regionally
across
Northern
Ireland



**40
sessional
staff**
working at
events

Over
80
volunteers

We at Mae Murray Foundation are proud to be a lived-experience, membership led organisation which strives to make it possible for people of all ages and abilities to experience the world together, take part in activities and build friendships in environments which are genuinely inclusive.

We recognise one another to be of equal and inseparable value, regardless of physical or learning ability, sensory, medical or undiagnosed condition, age or caring role. We are particularly focused on making sure that people with more complex needs, whose requirements are often overlooked, are able to participate fully.

We run a comprehensive range of innovative and inclusive projects for children, teenagers and adults. Crucially, we draw on our members' lived experiences to work together to design and implement permanent changes in everyday environments, like beaches and play parks, so that everyone can participate together.

Vision, Mission and Values

Our *vision* at Mae Murray Foundation is to create an inclusive society with true participation for ALL in leisure and social settings, regardless of age or ability.

Our *mission* is to improve quality of life, through participation of all-abilities, together.

Our core values define, guide, and underpin our work.

We will always:



Listen

The voice of lived-experience leads our work and we support the rights of everyone, including those who are non-verbal, to be heard.

Include

We are committed to constantly learning, adapting and improving, to ensure we deliver true inclusion for all and to empower each individual's potential.

Partner

We are committed to working in partnership with other organisations and stakeholders.

Influence

We strive to influence others and create fundamental change together.

Deliver

We aim to deliver sustainable solutions and best practice models for a better, inclusive, shared society.

Participation, Opportunity and Resources

We support people of all ages and abilities to take part in social and leisure settings throughout Northern Ireland. Here are some of the highlights from the past year.

- **5 Summer Schemes** – 90 children attended independently.
- **Teenage Kicks (age 13-19)** – 24 events in which 65 young people took part.
- **The Overs (a social group for young adults)** – 20 events in which 35 young adults took part.
- **5 Inclusive Beaches** – 2800 people participated during Summer 2023.
- **Music and Drama Workshops** – 24 events in which 40 families took part.
- **Surfing** – 2 locations where 200 people participated.
- **Family Events** – Over 1000 people were supported to take part in various outdoor activities in different locations.
- **Early Years Powered Mobility**
8 chairs were provided to young children.
- **Gym Programme** – 24 sessions across 2 locations at which 20 adults got active.
- **Resource Library** – over 300 loans of equipment to members, to date.

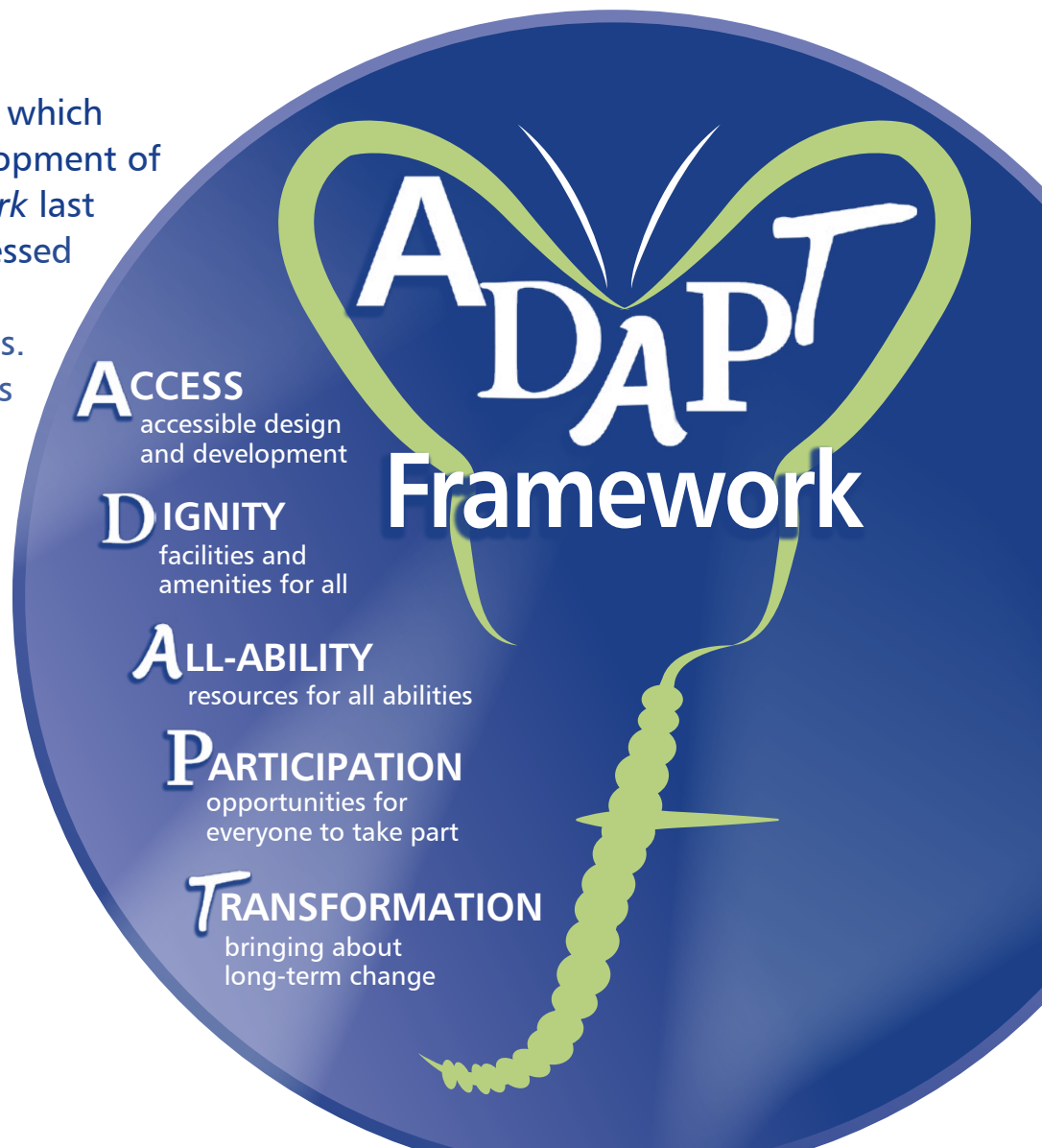


Our members' lived-experience is driving change

All Mae Murray Foundation projects are co-designed with members who share their lived experience to help develop solutions to the barriers they face.

Our Board of Directors is made up of 8 people with varied skillsets, the majority of whom have personal experience of being socially isolated or excluded due to disabling or unwelcoming environments. All members have the opportunity to provide feedback through surveys, focus groups and at our Annual General Meeting and we are especially focused on listening to children and young people. We are delighted that more than 40 members also volunteer their time on Advisory Committees to our Board and as part of our Youth Panel.

This collective effort, which resulted in the development of the *ADAPT Framework* last year, has now progressed to the publication of two important guides. *ADAPT my Beach* was launched in May 2023 and *ADAPT my Play* followed in March 2024.



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ADAPT my Beach is a guide and toolkit to support others throughout the UK and further afield to benefit from our learning and develop their own inclusive beach. We highlight the challenges and benefits we have faced in our journey with our beach operating partners and share our documentation and training resources. We are delighted to say the guide has already benefited organisations from England to Australia! The launch took place on East Strand Beach in Portrush.



ADAPT my Play, which was jointly produced by PlayboardNI, was launched at Parliament Buildings, Stormont. The aim of this guide and toolkit is to support play park providers in the development of genuinely inclusive play parks across Northern Ireland.



Creating Change in the Community

Everyone has the right to participate in their own community. The UK ratified the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1991 and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in 2009. Mae Murray Foundation, together with our partners, aim to progress these rights, creating long term solutions and creating change within communities. We are proud of what we have achieved so far.

1999

Talia McDowell is born, the daughter of our chairperson and founder, Alix Crawford. Diagnosed with quadriplegic Cerebral Palsy, both Talia and Alix found themselves socially excluded and isolated as a result of Talia's complex needs.



2015

Determined to make a difference to others facing the same barriers, Alix established Mae Murray Foundation in 2015, named after her late mother, Mae Murray, who embodied a positive, can-do attitude and a passionate commitment to inclusivity.

2016

Mae Murray Foundation embark on the first project; supporting 30 teenagers to enjoy a short break, many staying away from home for the first time.

2017

First Inclusive Beach in Northern Ireland is launched, in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council.

2018

Mae Murray Foundation establish Water Safety Forum in partnership with RNLI, beach operators and water activity facilitators, to lead the way in water safety at Inclusive Beaches.

2018

Cranfield Inclusive Beach launched in partnership with Newry, Mourne and Down District Council.

2018

Early Years Powered Mobility Loan Scheme introduced to Northern Ireland for the first time in partnership with Meru.

2019

Mae Murray Foundation supports local councils – Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council, to pilot the first council-led All-ability Summer Schemes, supporting children with complex needs to attend independently.

2019

Wizzybug Loan Scheme introduced to Northern Ireland, an outdoor wheelchair loan scheme for infants.

2020

Mae Murray Foundation lead the way in getting back to providing support throughout the pandemic, supporting other organisations to return to providing support safely.

2021

Inclusive Beach in Groomsport is launched, in partnership with Ards and North Down Borough Council.

2022

Let me Play is published in partnership with Playboard NI, a study to evidence unmet need in outdoor fixed play environments.

2022

Play leaders, UK Play Safety Forum and Children's Play Policy Forum, support Let me Play findings.

2022

Ulster University, together with Mae Murray Foundation, take part in research programme Neurofit, a study which highlighted the need for wheelchair users to get active in a community gym.

2022

Community Resource Service established in Newcastle in partnership with YMCA Greenhill.

2022

Mae Murray Foundation supports 2 community-led Summer Schemes in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council.

2022

2 new Inclusive Beaches created at Portrush East Strand in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Portstewart Strand in partnership with National Trust.

2023

Collaborative PhD in partnership with Queen's University Belfast commences.

2023

ADAPT my Beach, a guide to create, sustain and improve an Inclusive Beach is launched.

2023

Mae Murray Foundation increases provision to support 4 Community-led Summer Schemes in Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council.

2023

Mae Murray Foundation Youth Panel launch their lived experience podcast.

2024

Mae Murray Foundation and Playboard NI launch ADAPT my Play.

Financial Review

In this section, we provide a summary of principal funding sources, for the year ending March 2024. Everything we spend aligns with our mission, charitable objectives and strategic priorities for the period.



Income and Expenditure

Our total income for 2023/24 was £331,444. £185,006 of this was restricted funds, which means they are pre allocated for a specific project or purpose. Total expenditure for 2023/24 was £361,658. For further information, our full see accounts can be provided upon request.

Thank you to our Funders and Supporters

We are very grateful to all our funders. The support we have provided would not have been possible, but for the generosity of our funders over the past year. We would also like to thank our supporters and members who help in so many ways by raising funds, boosting awareness and volunteering their time to bring about change.

Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Hospital Saturday Fund
Rank Foundation
Public Health Agency
Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
Lottery Community Fund
Department of Health
Halifax

Causeway Coast & Glens BC
AIB Bank
Garfield Western Foundation
The Community Foundation Northern
Ireland
BC & P
Northern Health and Social Care Trust



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The Mae Murray Foundation

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100842

Annual return

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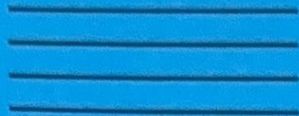
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MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION

ACCOUNTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION Company registration number: NI622302
Company limited by guarantee

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MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION
Company limited by guarantee

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MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION
Company limited by guarantee

Income statement
Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Turnover	344,620	241,578
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(19,175)	(22,195)
Staff costs	(178,361)	(91,989)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(13,673)	(11,183)
Other charges	(57,364)	(37,609)
Profit	<u>76,047</u>	<u>78,602</u>
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>		
Accrual and deferred income	(2,879)	(3,387)
Net assets	<u>352,656</u>	<u>278,640</u>
Capital and reserves	<u>352,656</u>	<u>278,640</u>

Notes to the financial statements:

1. *Employee numbers*

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to Nil (2022: Nil)

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION
Company limited by guarantee

Statement of financial position
31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fixed assets	123,055	100,647
Current assets	232,520	179,394
Net current assets	<u>232,520</u>	<u>179,394</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	355,575	280,041
Accruals and deferred income	(2,879)	(3,392)
Net assets	<u>352,696</u>	<u>276,649</u>
Capital and reserves	<u>352,696</u>	<u>276,649</u>

Notes to the financial statements

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Statement of financial position (continued)
Year ended 31 March 2023

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on , and are signed on behalf of the board by:

ALEXANDRA CRAWFORD

Director

Company registration number: NI622302

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in N IRELAND.

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION
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Detailed Income statement
 Year ended 31 March 2022

The following pages do not form part of the statutory accounts.

Salaries		
Fringe	340,821	377,872
Travel	32,014	8,174
Marketing	4,935	30,294
Other finance	100	227
	377,870	416,567
Total of non-indebtable and consumables		
Lease fee	(1,016)	
Bank charges	(17,051)	(22,105)
Interest	(88)	
£	(18,955)	(22,105)
Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	(727,055)	(73,067)
Temporary staff	(18,501)	(2,093)
Fringe benefits	(32,455)	(4,129)
Volunteer Expenses		300
	(778,011)	(79,989)
Depreciation and other amortisable written off assets		
Depreciation of tangible assets	(13,473)	(15,103)
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Other charges		
Rent	(14,817)	(10,275)
Insurance	(2,103)	(2,493)
Light and heat	(2,535)	(1,914)
Cleaning	(280)	(300)
Services of third parties	30,214	30,000
Printing	(4,177)	(4,875)
Transport costs	(403)	
Project costs	(4,000)	(4,000)
Interest	(283)	
Printing	(2,475)	(1,400)
Travel	(4,514)	(2,800)
Gifts	(4,000)	(4,000)
Telephone	(100)	(200)
Bank charges	(174)	(224)
Interest	(30)	(100)
Other	(1,452)	(1,200)
	(20,000)	(1,000)
		(1,000)

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Detailed income statement
Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Turnover		
Funding	306,821	179,872
Donations	33,014	36,323
Fundraising	4,685	22,289
Other Income	100	3,094
	<u>344,620</u>	<u>241,578</u>
 Cost of raw materials and consumables		
Room Hire	(1,015)	-
Event Expenses	(17,661)	(22,195)
Marketing	(499)	-
	<u>(19,175)</u>	<u>(22,195)</u>
 Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	(127,095)	(73,987)
Sessional Staff	(18,801)	(7,935)
Facilitators	(32,465)	(9,159)
Volunteer Expenses	-	(908)
	<u>(178,361)</u>	<u>(91,989)</u>
 Depreciation and other amounts written off assets		
Depreciation of tangible assets	(13,673)	(11,183)
	<u>(13,673)</u>	<u>(11,183)</u>
 Other charges		
Rent	(12,217)	(10,635)
Insurance	(3,102)	(2,438)
Light and heat	(2,646)	(1,161)
Cleaning	(640)	(676)
Service of Equipment/Renewals	(6,219)	(6,923)
Clothing	(3,177)	(937)
Refreshments	(420)	-
Printing/Carriage	(4,888)	(2,399)
Office Stat	(340)	-
Telephone	(2,366)	(1,468)
Computer costs	(4,618)	(412)
Motor expenses	(5,440)	(1,023)
Legal and professional	(168)	(788)
Accountancy fees	(373)	(325)
Bank charges	(220)	(162)
General expenses	(3,852)	(1,370)
Training	(6,678)	(4,994)
Subscriptions	-	(1,898)

MAE MURRAY FOUNDATION
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Detailed income statement (continued)
Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
	<u>(57,364)</u>	<u>(37,609)</u>

The Mae Murray Foundation

Northern Ireland - Charity number 100842

Annual report



Mae
Murray
Foundation

Creating Change Together

Annual Report

2022-23





Welcome to our Annual Report – our 7th year of operations!

Our vision of a world where everyone can participate, whatever their abilities, is fast becoming a reality.

In this report, we reflect not only on what we have achieved in the past year, but also on our progress towards creating long term change. Thanks to the collective effort of our members, our staff, our volunteers, our partners, funders and supporters, people of all ages and abilities are benefiting from new opportunities to participate within society. More and more environments are becoming truly inclusive, and attitudes towards people of all abilities are slowly becoming more positive as diversity becomes more visible.

My heartfelt thanks to everyone who is
'Creating Change Together.'

Alix Crawford
Chairperson



Background Information

9 staff
(6 part-time,
3 full-time),
based in Larne



Operating
regionally
across
Northern
Ireland



**40
sessional
staff**
working at
events

Over
80
volunteers

Mae Murray Foundation is a lived-experience, membership led organisation which makes it possible for people of all ages and abilities to experience the world together, taking part in activities and building friendships in environments which are genuinely inclusive.

We recognise one another to be of equal and inseparable value, regardless of physical or learning ability, sensory, medical or undiagnosed condition, age or caring role. We are particularly focused on making sure that people with more complex needs, whose requirements are often overlooked, are able to participate fully.

We run a comprehensive range of innovative and inclusive projects for children, teenagers and adults. Crucially, we draw on our members' lived experiences to work together to design and implement permanent changes in everyday environments, like beaches and play parks so that everyone can participate together.

Vision, Mission and Values

Mae Murray Foundation's *vision* is to create an inclusive society with true participation for ALL in leisure and social settings, regardless of age or ability.

Our *mission* is to improve quality of life, through participation of all-abilities, together.



Our core values define, guide, and underpin our work.

We will always:

Listen

The voice of lived-experience leads our work and we support the rights of everyone, including those who are non-verbal, to be heard.

Partner

We are committed to working in partnership with other organisations and stakeholders.

Deliver

We aim to deliver sustainable solutions and best practice models for a better, inclusive, shared society.

Include

We are committed to constantly learning, adapting and improving, to ensure we deliver true inclusion for all and to empower each individual's potential.

Influence

We strive to influence others and create fundamental change together.

Participation, Opportunity and Resources

We support people of all ages and abilities to take part in social and leisure settings throughout Northern Ireland. Here are some of the highlights from the past year.

- **4 Summer Schemes** – 70 children attend independently.
- **Teenage Kicks (age 13-19)** – 26 events – 70 young people take part.
- **The Overs** – a social group for young adults, 15 events – 30 young adults.
- **Augmentative and Alternative Communication pilot project** – 8 young adults – 4 workshops.
- **Neurofit** – 10 adult wheelchair users – 4 workshops in community gym.
- **5 Inclusive Beaches** – over 1800 people taking part in Summer 2022.
- **Music and Drama workshops** – 40 families – over 50 events.
- **Surfing** – 170 people take part using NI's first sit-down surf board.
- **Family Events** – supporting over 800 people to take part in various outdoor activities.
- **Early Years Powered Mobility** – 15 chairs provided to young children.
- **Resource Library** – 170 equipment loans to members.



Our members' lived-experience is driving change

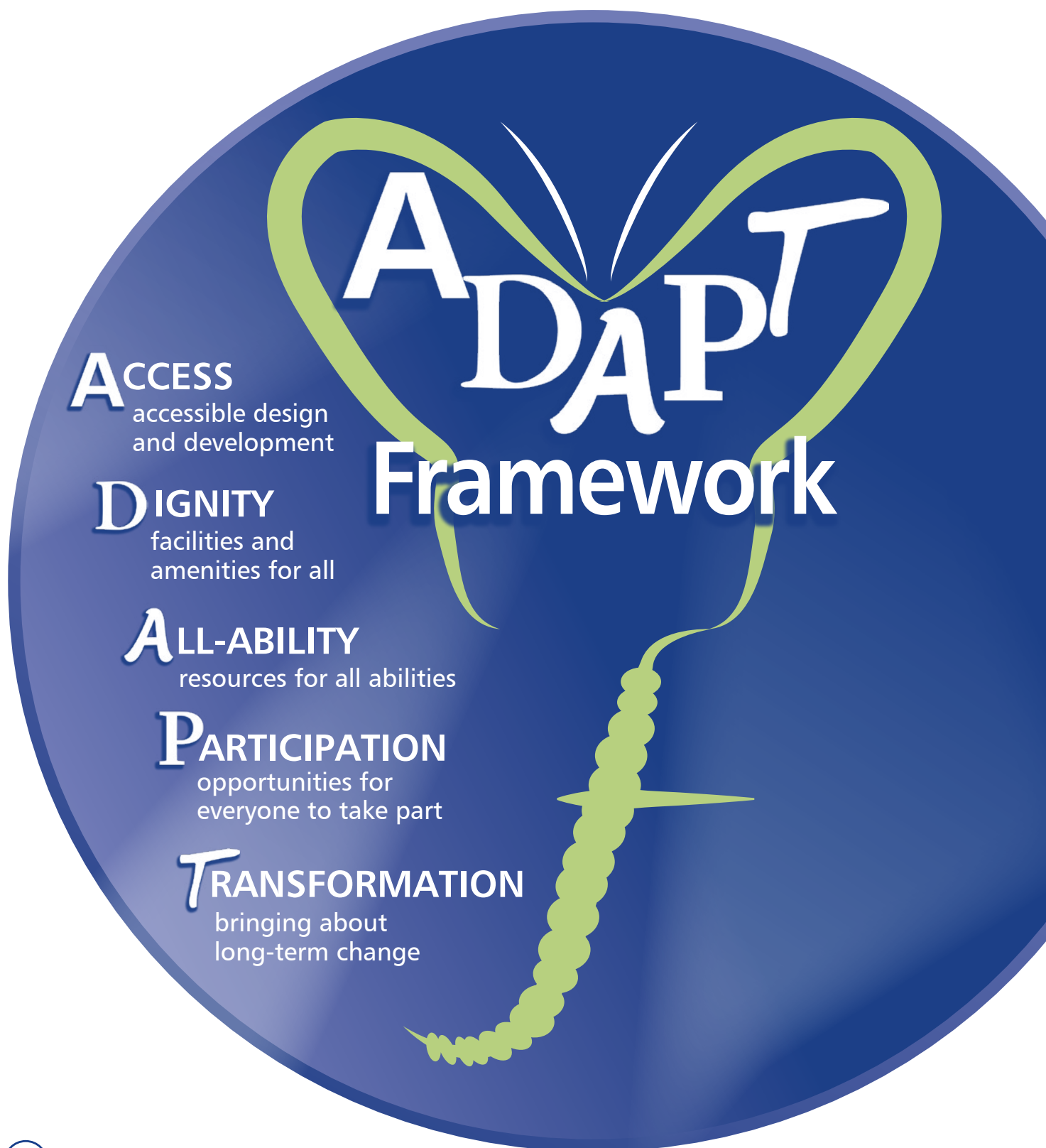
We are a membership-led organisation in which members share their lived experience to help develop solutions to the barriers they face every day. All our projects are designed this way.

Our Board of Directors is made up of 8 people, the majority of whom have personal experience of disability or social exclusion. Our Advisory Committee comprises over 40 people of all ages and abilities who work together to design practical, solution focused projects to increase participation. All members provide feedback through surveys, focus groups and at our Annual General Meeting.

Listening to children is essential to ensure we meet the needs of those young people who are often excluded. Our Youth Panel is a group of young people aged 13-24 who represent their peers when designing social projects, as well as supporting our wider work to influence change within local communities.



Mae Murray Foundation is determined to support others to create more genuinely inclusive spaces, in everyday environments like beaches, gyms, play areas and at public events, where people of all ages and abilities can enjoy time together. To that end, Mae Murray Foundation's membership, all with lived experience, has co-produced and developed the ADAPT framework to underpin and guide the process of making spaces genuinely inclusive.



Creating Change in the Community

Everyone has the right to participate in their own community. The UK ratified the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1991 and the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in 2009. Mae Murray Foundation, together with our partners, aim to progress these rights, creating long term solutions and creating change within communities. We are proud of what we have achieved so far.

1999

Talia McDowell is born, the daughter of our chairperson and founder, Alix Crawford. Diagnosed with quadriplegic Cerebral Palsy, both Talia and Alix found themselves socially excluded and isolated as a result of Talia's complex needs.



2015

Determined to make a difference to others facing the same barriers, Alix established Mae Murray Foundation in 2015, named after her late mother, Mae Murray, who embodied a positive, can-do attitude and a passionate commitment to inclusivity.

2016

Mae Murray Foundation embark on the first project; supporting 30 teenagers to enjoy a short break, many staying away from home for the first time.

2017

First Inclusive Beach in Northern Ireland is launched, in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council.

2018

Mae Murray Foundation establish Water Safety Forum in partnership with RNLI, beach operators and water activity facilitators, to lead the way in water safety at Inclusive Beaches.

2018

Cranfield Inclusive Beach launched in partnership with Newry, Mourne and Down District Council.

2018

Early Years Powered Mobility Loan Scheme introduced to Northern Ireland for the first time in partnership with Meru.

2019

Mae Murray Foundation supports local councils; Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council, to pilot the first council-led All-ability Summer Schemes, supporting children with complex needs to attend independently.

2019

Wizzybug Loan Scheme introduced to Northern Ireland, an outdoor wheelchair loan scheme for infants.

2020

Mae Murray Foundation lead the way in getting back to providing support throughout the pandemic, supporting other organisations to return to providing support safely.

2021

Inclusive Beach in Groomsport is launched, in partnership with Ards and North Down Borough Council.

2022

Let me Play is published in partnership with Playboard NI; a study to evidence unmet need in outdoor fixed play environments.

2022

UK play leaders; Play Safety Forum, support Let me Play findings with ground-breaking statement of endorsement.

2022

Ulster University, together with Mae Murray Foundation, take part in research programme Neurofit, a study which highlighted the need for wheelchair users to get active in a community gym.

2022

Community Resource Service established in Newcastle in partnership with YMCA Greenhill.

2022

Mae Murray Foundation supports 2 community-led Summer Schemes in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council.

2022

2 new Inclusive Beaches created at Portrush East Strand in partnership with Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Portstewart Strand in partnership with National Trust.

2023

Mae Murray Foundation partners with Queen's University Belfast in a collaborative PhD project to explore Social Inclusion in Children with Complex Needs.

2023

ADAPT Framework launched.

Financial Review

In this section, we provide a summary of principal funding sources, for the year ending March 2023. Everything we spend aligns with our mission, charitable objectives and strategic priorities for the period.



Income and Expenditure

Our total income for 2022/23 was **£344,620**. £283,173 of this was restricted funds, these are funds which need to be used for a specific purpose or project. Our total expenditure for 2022/23 was **£268,573**.

Thank you to our Funders and Supporters

We are very grateful to all our funders. The support we have provided would not have been possible, but for the generosity of our funders over the past year. We would also like to thank our supporters and members who help in so many ways by raising funds, boosting awareness and volunteering their time to bring about change.

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Glens Borough Council
Children in Need
Department of Agriculture
and Rural Affairs
Department of Health
Esmee Fairbairn
Groundwork UK
Halifax Foundation

James Brown & Son
LFT Charitable Trust
Mid and East Antrim Borough Council
Nationwide
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Down District Council
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Social Care Trust
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The National Lottery
Community Fund



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