

**MACS SUPPORTING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE**

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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	Ms Aideen O'Neill	
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# **MACS SUPPORTING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005 "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

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 charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

#### **Objectives and activities**

The charitable objectives of the company are to provide a range of services for children and young people, aged 6-25, "who have not had a fair deal". i.e. who have experienced care; homelessness or risk of homelessness; mental health issues; or are at risk of suicide and self-harm, in the Belfast, South Eastern, and Southern Health and Social Care Trust Areas.

#### **Vision, mission, values**

**Vision: An end to Youth Homelessness in Northern Ireland**

**Mission: Together we will empower young people on their journey to find a safe place to call home and build brighter futures.**

#### **Our Values**

Everything we do as an organisation is underpinned by our core values. We live these values in the way we interact with colleagues, children and young people and all external stakeholders.

#### **Overarching Value- Togetherness**

All members of society are connected. What affects one of us affects us all. We share a responsibility to end youth homelessness in Northern Ireland.

MACS exists to support and empower children and young people to leave homelessness behind and build positive futures. We cannot do this alone.

MACS exists to support and empower children and young people to prevent and address homelessness. We develop innovative partnerships and constructive, cohesive relationships internally and across all sectors of society, uniting people to create better outcomes for children and young people, bring a positive impact in the community and to realise our vision.

Together, we can end youth homelessness in Northern Ireland.

#### **DIGNITY**

We hold our young people in high regard, we are non-judgmental and treat everyone with dignity and respect. We value diversity, challenge discrimination and create inclusive safe spaces for all.

#### **EMPOWERMENT**

We encourage, equip and empower young people to transform their lives and find a safe place to call home.

#### **RESILIENCE**

Inspired by the resilience of our young people, we are determined and we stick with each other. We build on our strengths; learn and grow from experience; adapt and innovate in an evolving environment.

#### **COMPASSION**

We are caring and compassionate. We empathise, support, and encourage young people because we believe in their potential.

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#### **PURPOSE**

We are practical, with a 'hands on' and a 'can do' attitude. Everything we do is done with integrity. In our pursuit of excellence, we are open and accountable for our actions. We are trustworthy and do what we can to support young people in their journey away from homelessness.

#### **Our services**

##### **Supported Housing Service**

The Supported Housing Service supports young people leaving care and homeless young people to make the transition to interdependence and their own tenancy. We do this by providing individualised support to young people that is led by, and tailored to their needs. Support is based on identified needs and is complemented by a range of one-to-one and group work interventions. The Supported Housing Service includes:

- 18 self-contained flats located at University Street, Belfast for care leavers aged 16 to 21.
- 8 self-contained flats located at English Street, Downpatrick for 3 care leavers, 3 young homeless, 1 short-term assessment flat for 16-17 year-old young homeless, and 1 assessment flat for unaccompanied minors.
- 7 self-contained flats located at Canal Street, Newry for care leavers aged 16-21.
- 9 self-contained flats located at Longstone Street, Lisburn for 3 care leavers, 4 young homeless, 1 short-term assessment flat for 16-17 year-old young homeless, and 1 assessment flat for unaccompanied minors.

##### **Wellbeing Service**

The Wellbeing Service provides one-to-one support, mentoring, and group work for children and young people aged 16-25 across the South Eastern Trust areas. This service uses volunteers to inspire children and young people by nurturing their dreams and aspirations and to provide social opportunities promoting positive mental health.

##### **Floating Support Service**

MACS Floating Support consists of four services in Belfast, Lisburn, Newry and Downpatrick. We offer voluntary, flexible, and person-centered holistic services to young people aged 16-25 to address homelessness or the risk of homelessness and to enable them to establish and maintain interdependent living in the community. Each young person will have a tailored support plan that addresses identified individual needs. We are contracted to provide support to 127 young people in Greater Belfast, 72 young people in Lisburn, 25 young people in Newry, and 79 young people in Downpatrick and the surrounding areas at any one time.

##### **Shared Tenancy**

Working in partnership with the Northern Ireland Housing executive, MACS Shared Tenancy Project offers an affordable housing option for 40 young people aged 18-25 who are leaving care, facing homelessness, or in need of stable accommodation. By providing shared living spaces, the project not only helps reduce the financial burden of housing but also creates a supportive environment where young people can combat loneliness and isolation. Living with others in similar situations fosters a sense of community and belonging. Alongside this, MACS staff offer practical and emotional support, helping tenants build essential life skills, grow in confidence, and move toward independent living.

##### **Prison Resettlement**

MACS People Prison Resettlement Project supports 20 young people aged 16-25 as they transition from custody back into the community. The project aims to reduce reoffending by providing tailored, one-to-one support before and after release, helping young people access safe accommodation, education, employment, and mental health services. MACS staff work closely with each individual to build trust, stability, and resilience, empowering them to make positive choices and create a more secure and independent future.

##### **Space to Grow**

Space to Grow is an early intervention, emotional wellbeing service delivered by MACS Supporting Children and Young People, in partnership with The Children's Society, as part of a national project funded by BBC Children in Need's *A Million & Me* initiative. It is designed to support children and young people aged 8-13 years old nationwide so that they can feel happier, supported, and safer. Through Space to grow, The Children's Society along with MACS and Children First in Scotland are working in partnership to encourage innovative solutions for targeted early support and build a body of evidence that we can use, as a sector, to improve the systems around young people so that they can get the right support at the right time.

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With Space to grow, children can get the help they need to understand and deal with their feelings, build strong relationships, and communicate. Whether it's one-to-one support, joining a workshop, or speaking to a specialist project worker online or by phone, children can get the support that's right for them exactly when they need it. There's advice, information, and resources for parents and carers too.

#### **Led By You**

Led by You supports young people to get involved, and have their say and it provides them with opportunities to influence how we do things at MACS. Young people can become young leaders, participate in forums and locality-based subgroups, and get involved in MACS fundraising and volunteering opportunities.

#### **OUR YEAR IN NUMBERS**

- MACS supported 731 young people
- 87 young people accommodated in our Supported Housing Services – Belfast = 24, Lisburn = 24, Downpatrick = 25, Newry = 14.
- 430 young people supported to find or maintain their accommodation in the community with Floating Support – Belfast = 158, Lisburn = 140, Downpatrick = 94, Newry = 38
- 35 young people were supported in our Wellbeing Service
- 92 young people were supported in Shared Tenancies
- 44 young people were supported by Prison Resettlement
- 91 young people supported to build resilience in schools
- 69% of young people found accommodation
- 80% of young people maintained their own tenancies
- 72% of young people improved their mental health
- 80% of young people improved their social networks
- 80% of young people accessed the correct benefits
- 81% of young people are better-managing self-harm and suicidal ideation

Malcs 43.1%

Females 48.8%

Other/Non binary/Trans 8.1%

Number of rent deposits paid - 12 (EY Housing Fund)

Number of Grants

HOTC – 6 Grants totalling £1,859.87

EY ETE – 13 Grants totalling £3,586.96

Number of supported housing units = 42

Number of shared tenancy properties = 27

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### **Achievements and performance**

#### **Our Strategic Aims**

##### **Aim 1: Innovate and transform service delivery for young people**

- 1.1 Improve efficiency in project management
- 1.2 Undertake an end to end digital transformation programme
- 1.3 Develop our website and social media presence.

##### **Aim 1 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Digital Transformation – All MACS data moved to the cloud, all staff trained and using SharePoint – New HR system Hark implemented.
- New Digital Marketing role recruited
- New brand book developed
- New digital strategy developed for 2025-2026
- New website developed
- Increase in digital engagement
- Reaccredited for Cyber Essentials

##### **Aim 2 : Building capacity to support more young people**

- 2.1 Deliver a high standard of governance and accountability in our organisation
- 2.2 Increase our accreditations and awards
- 2.3 Increase public and stakeholder knowledge of our organisation
- 2.4 Develop partnerships and new funding opportunities

##### **Aim 2 HIGHLIGHTS**

- New balanced scorecard developed and implemented
- New Committee structure embedded, and Board meetings completed
- Internal audits completed on Risk Management and Information Management and commenced on Health and Safety
- IIP Gold achieved until 2027
- SP accreditation achieved until 2027
- Shortlisted for 2 Chartered Institute of Housing awards and a CO3 Leadership award.
- Presented shared tenancy at the International Youth Homeless Conference in Canada
- Increased local government presence including meeting with First and Dept First Ministers, Minister for Communities, British Irish Council and local MLA's.
- Launched our New Strategic Plan 2024-2028
- Increased organizational events and published a MACS Newsletter
- Delivered our annual SleepOut event.
- Became a member of Centrepoin and increased National networking

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#### **Aim 3: Providing Sustainable and Reliable Services for young people**

- 3.1 Implement a recruitment and retention strategy
- 3.2 Support and develop our highly skilled and motivated staff team
- 3.3 Implement an income generation strategy

#### **Aim 3 HIGHLIGHTS**

- All funding contracts received an uplift
- Increased staff salaries
- Turnover reduced to 33%
- Carried out 54 recruitment drives
- Recruited 31 new members of staff
- Reviewed 24 HR policies and introduced 3 new
- Introduced Health Shield for all staff
- Improved HR systems with changes to induction, exit questionnaires, and appraisal.
- Started to explore opportunities to increase fundraising
- Signed up to new donation site Enthuse
- Staff Appreciation- set up of “**Cheers for Peers**” on MACS Staff Portal for staff to award recognition to colleagues.
- Live Well Work Well Action plan established to promote improving staff health in the workplace. – two health champions trained
- Payroll savings scheme introduced in conjunction with Clonard Credit Union
- Became accredited as a Safe Place Zero Tolerance to Domestic Violence and as a Disability Confident employer.
- All Managers trained on QuickBooks, monthly Finance Meetings held with Managers and new terms of reference developed
- 10 Finance Policies reviewed and 4 new introduced

#### **Aim 4 Driving advocacy, collaboration and partnership to deliver positive outcome for young people**

- 4.1 Develop existing and new housing options for homeless young people and young people leaving care
- 4.2 Grow our focus on prevention of homelessness for young people
- 4.3 Implement Housing First for Youth Model
- 4.4 Develop services for young people seeking asylum and UASC
- 4.5 Develop a collaborative and specialist approach toward therapeutic interventions.
- 4.6 Actively raise the voice of young people with lived experience
- 4.7 Increase population of young people in service creation and development

#### **Aim 4 HIGHLIGHTS**

- Strategic alignment with the NIHE Youth Homeless Action plan working with New Foundations and Homewards to deliver new opportunities next year
- Increase in referrals to the Prison resettlement service and presentations made to the Heads of Children's services
- Developed a trauma informed practice model - 3 year action plan in place for the organization
- Increased our shared tenancies properties to 27 including 3 new properties outside of Belfast
- Consolidated our 4 Floating support contracts into 1
- Launched a new 'Space to Grow' project in partnership with The Children's Society
- Secured and delivered 'More Than a Roof' grants to all our housing young people
- Secured 25,000 euro's from the Ireland Fund to deliver Heart in the Community grants
- Delivered Every Youth Housing fund and Education and Training Bursaries
- Joined the Upstream UK Network
- The Centrepont team visited MACS
- Attended the European Housing First Conference, Centrepont conference, and attended networking events.
- Attendance at the All-Party Groups for Housing, Participation and the Community and Voluntary Sector
- Young people service reviews completed

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#### **Future Plans for 2025 2026**

- Completion of the digital transformation project – new SPIN
- Develop our fundraising capacity with the support of Every Youth
- Continue to implement a recruitment and retention strategy with focus on benchmarking within the sector
- Celebrate our 35th Birthday
- Commence new projects – Flourish in partnership with Hays and EY, Personal Payments in partnership with the Centre for Homelessness Impact and Future Builders in partnership with Every Youth
- Work with NIHE New Foundations project to implement 'Upstream'
- Prioritise participation as a key area for development – Young People Action groups and forums
- Implement the communication plan
- Explore opportunities to establish a NI Coalition for Youth Homelessness
- Commence the introduction of a Trauma Informed Practice model for all staff



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#### **Public Benefit Statement**

Purpose 1: "To provide a support service to young people with housing issues, enabling them to establish and sustain suitable accommodation of their own and to provide supported housing to those in need of such arrangements which support their transition to their own tenancy."

The direct benefits that flow from this purpose are that young people can access and maintain suitable accommodation therefore reducing homelessness and risk of eviction. The Supported Housing Service and Floating Support Service provide a casework-based support model, which enables young people to identify their own support needs in order to assist them in maintaining their accommodation. MACS uses a bespoke outcome monitoring system 'SPIN' to analyse 20 key areas of support that fit under the five higher-level areas of; economic well-being, enjoy and achieve, be healthy, stay safe, and make a positive contribution. MACS also completes annual service reviews which include 1-1 feedback, group workshops, and exit questionnaires with young people leaving the services. This purpose does not give rise to any harm. The beneficiaries of this purpose are vulnerable young people aged 16 to 25 years who are at risk due to homelessness, family breakdown, or a care history and are living in the Belfast, Southern, and South Eastern Health Trust areas of Northern Ireland. There are no private benefits to trustees.

Purpose 2: "To provide a one-to-one mentoring service to young people, empowering the young person to make choices and encouraging them to realise their potential".

The direct benefits that flow from this purpose include a reduction in isolation and improved mental health, a reduction in self-harm and suicidal ideation, increased confidence and self-esteem, and improved coping strategies. Mentoring enables young people to have the chance to live, dream, and succeed with inspiration from volunteers who choose to spend time with them. MACS uses a bespoke outcome monitoring system 'SPIN' to analyse 20 key areas of support that fit under the five higher-level areas of; economic well-being, enjoy and achieve, be healthy, stay safe, and make a positive contribution. MACS also completes annual service reviews which include 1-1 feedback, group workshops, and exit questionnaires with young people leaving the services. This purpose does not give rise to any harm. The beneficiaries of this purpose are vulnerable young people aged 11-25 who are at risk due to suicidal ideation, self-harm, and mental health issues and are living in the Belfast and South Eastern Health Trust areas. There are no private benefits to trustees.

Purpose 3 "To provide interventions to enable increased safety, confidence and self-esteem amongst young people, to relieve financial hardship by the provision of welfare rights, employment and money management advice and provide support to young people to progress into education, employment and training".

The direct benefits which flow from this purpose include improved outcomes in relation to young people accessing, participating, and completing training programmes and securing and maintaining employment. Young people remain safe and increase their self-esteem and confidence through peer support and alternative personal development interventions. MACS uses a bespoke outcome monitoring system 'SPIN' to analyse 20 key areas of support that fit under the five higher-level areas of; economic well-being, enjoy and achieve, be healthy, stay safe, and make a positive contribution. MACS also completes annual service reviews which include 1-1 feedback, group workshops, and exit questionnaires with young people leaving the services. This purpose does not give rise to any harm. The beneficiaries of this purpose are vulnerable young people aged 16 to 25 who are vulnerable and at risk and living in the Belfast, Southern, and South Eastern Health Trust areas of Northern Ireland. There are no private benefits to trustees.

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#### **Risk Management**

To identify the strategic and corporate risks that threaten the work of MACS, we apply the principles of risk management through a comprehensive risk register. The Board of Directors has developed controls through a mix of systems, people, policies, procedures, contracts and other activities developed to mitigate, transfer or avoid identified risks.

The risk register is reviewed by the Governance and Risk Committee quarterly with a Summary Corporate Risk Register reviewed at each Board meeting. The following process outlines key areas of responsibility in relation to effectively managing the risk register:

- MACS SMT monitor external and internal changes for new risk potential and changes in the residual values of existing risks
- MACS SMT provides a summary of major and new risks identified for each Board meeting together with an evaluated risk score and proposed controls and mitigation measures
- MACS SMT provides a summary of issues that may impact on the residual value of existing risks, and actions that may be required
- MACS Board reviews the summary and approves or updates the risk evaluation, actions and ownership. The summary risk register is then updated to note the controls/mitigations as agreed with the Board.
- MACS Board reviews all Critical Risks to maintain a close watching brief on the implementation of controls and mitigations.

MACS work involves working with vulnerable young people and a risk culture has been cultivated to protect both those who use the services and staff.

This Risk Register is informed by operational risk registers across all service lines/functions.

Management of risk is a standing agenda item on monthly SMT meeting agenda, leadership meeting agendas, Health & Safety meeting agendas and supervision meetings.

MACS Risk Register focuses on the following areas:

- Governance
- Operations
- Finance
- External Factors / Reputation
- Legal, Regulation and Compliance

In addition, MACS has in place an Internal Audit strategy (2023-2026). During the year, the following internal audits were completed:

- Risk Management
- Information Management

#### **Reserves Policy**

MACS Supporting Young People would experience financial difficulties if its income dropped suddenly or was to run in the future at a level considerably lower than today. If the fall were of a temporary nature caused by a delay in reviewing contractual arrangements, then reserves would be needed to cover the income lost during the temporary period. In determining the level of reserves required, it is necessary to assess how long it would take to wind up MACS and the cost to run it during this period, assuming a major fall in its level of income such that it no longer remained viable to continue to operate.

Allowance would also need to be made for termination costs such as redundancy and early settlement of leases and any legal and other professional fees arising during this process.

In line with guidance issued by the Charity Commission, it would appear prudent to set aside reserves representing approximately three months' income or a figure of £400,000 (whichever is smaller) which should be adjusted each year to allow for both inflation and any major increase in running costs.

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The actual reserves at the year-end were approximately £1,000,731 which is in line with the company's target. The Trustees will closely monitor this situation each year.

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### **Financial review**

The results for the year are set out on page 16 to the attached financial statements along with the total funds at the year end.

### **Structure, governance and management**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee, not for profit and not having a share capital, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 11th February 2021. It is a company incorporated under the Companies Act 2006. The company is a charity recognised by the Commissioners of Revenue and Customs (No XR13060). MACS completed registration with Northern Ireland Charity Commission on the 25th November 2014 (NIC100923).

The Charity is managed by the Senior Management Team and is under the control of the Board of Trustees. The day-to-day running of the charity is carried out by Kate Martin (Chief Executive Officer).

### **Induction and Training of Trustees**

New Trustees and committee members receive an induction upon appointment to the Board which covers their roles as Directors and as Trustees. They are briefed on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the requirements of the Charity Commission, the content of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Strategic Plan, the decision making processes, and recent financial and operational performance of the organisation. Board members are invited to meet the Senior Management Team as part of their induction to learn more about the work of MACS. Trustees are encouraged to attend training to support them in their duties.

### **Committees**

MACS has three committees in place to support the governance processes.

These are:

- Finance and Audit Committee
- Operations Committee
- Governance and Risk Committee

Each committee is guided by a Terms of Reference and has a quorum of Trustee representatives. The Committees report on progress of delivering the strategic and operational plans and make recommendations relating to them to the full Board. The committees meet a minimum of four times per year.

### **Business Continuity Planning**

The organisation has in place a Business Continuity Plan it can refer to in the event of a significant business interruption.

### **Senior Management Team**

Kate Martin    Chief Executive Officer  
Emma McGinnity    Head of Corporate Services  
Ciara Scollay    Head of Floating Support and Outreach Services  
Trina Harpur    Head of Housing

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The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr Michael Dawson

Mrs Ligouri Dobbin

Mr Stephen Green

Mr Albert Hamilton

Ms Laura-Lee Harbinson

(Resigned 5 June 2025)

Ms Andrea McCooke

(Resigned 21 November 2024)

Ms Sandra McKillop

Mr John Meikleham

Ms Aideen O'Neill

Ms Karen McCorry

Mr Andrew Tubman

Mr Greg Yarnell

(Appointed 29 August 2024)

Mrs Joanne McDonnell

(Appointed 27 February 2025 and resigned 24 October 2025)

#### **Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Statement as to disclosure of information to auditors**

In so far as the trustees are aware;

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware and
- the trustees have taken all reasonable steps that they ought to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### **Auditor**

HM Chartered Accountants, have completed their second audit in a three year agreement 2023-2025.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provision of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mr Stephen Green  
Chair of Finance and Audit Committee  
**Trustee**

19 December 2025