

The Birches Cosy Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101621

Details

Status Received

Registered 2015-08-18

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

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Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the Club is to improve the general lifestyle and environment of the Community through Educational, Recreational and Social gatherings, so that members can meet to enjoy general discussion, social interaction, entertainments, etc. In order to do this we shall: • secure charitable status and to establish a cross community focus group of older people across the Birches area. • act as a 'voice' for older people in this area, enabling them to speak on their own behalf. • develop and enhance links between older people's groups, through sharing ideas and experiences.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Arts, Community development, Community transport, Counselling/support, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, Heritage/historical, Medical/health/sickness, Relief of poverty, Rural development, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Carers, Community safety/crime prevention, Homelessness, Learning disabilities, Men, Mental health, Older people, Physical disabilities, Sensory disabilities, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£18,363	£13,619	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Harriett Millsopp		
Margaret Wilson		
Mary Stafford		
Mrs Emma Doyle		
Mrs Evelyn Jennings		
Mrs Lucy Tate		
Mrs Sandra Ogilby		
Ms Evelyn Miller		
Ms Reba Jackson		
Sally Murphy		
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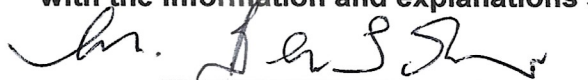
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THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB & DAY CARE CENTRE

Balance Sheet @ 31/12/2024

Balance at bank 31/12/2023	£2,648.54 Robert Odgers (Dinners)	£4,044.37
Tuesday Club (Day Care Centre)	£4,534.75 Scones	£408.40
Tuesday Club (Cosy Club)	£764.05 Music	£120.00
LCP - Venue Hire	£2,460.00 Misc Expenses	£664.56
Bring & Buy Sale	£597.23 Craft Expenses (Day Care Centre)	
Xmas meal collection	£648.00 Mary Benson (cards)	£150.00
Halifax Grant	£3,610.00 Craft Expenses (Cosy Club)	
Raffle	£56.00 Craft Materials/Expenses	£1,037.59
Annual Subscriptions	£1,200.00 Bt Communications	£597.15
Donations	£834.50 Power NI	400.31
Outings - Transport & Meals	£1,010.00 Rent	£600.00
	Heating Oil	£235.00
	All Outing Expenses	£4,250.85
	Dyson Cleaner Battery	£65.00
	Sausage Rolls (D McClelland & H Minish)	£150.00
	Tartaraghan COI - Raye Duke	£120.00
	Missions - Day McClelland	£200.00
	Enviro Clean - Chairs	£200.00
	Dalzells - Vacuum Cleaner	£159.00
	Stationary	116.73
	Volunteer Christmas Gifts	£100.00
Total	Balance @ Bank 31/12/2024	£4,744.11
	£18,363.07	£18,363.07

We have examined the foregoing accounts with the accounting records supplied to us. We are satisfied the accounts are in agreement with accounting records, and is consistent with the information and explanations supplied to us.



MAY BENSON
Non-Committee Member



YVONNE WOODS
Non-Committee Member

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES YEAR ENDING December 2024

The Birches Cosy Club

Funds Reconciliation	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL	TOTAL
				2024	2023
Cash at bank and at hand	18363.07		none	18363.07	15776.07
Surplus this year end	4744.11	none	none	4744.11	2648.54
Cash in bank and at hand 31st December 2024	4744.11	none	none	4744.11	2648.54
Other Assets (restricted Fund)	None				
Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)	None				

Approved by the trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

..... *EDyle* Date..... *9/9/25*

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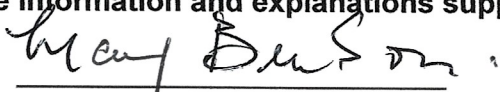
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THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB & DAY CARE CENTRE

Balance Sheet @ 31/12/2023

Balance at bank 31/12/2022	£4,514.56 Robert Odgers (Dinners)	£4,394.00
Tuesday Club (Day Care Centre)	£3,448.21 Scones	£406.50
Tuesday Club (Cosy Club)	£736.06 Music	£310.00
LCP - Venue Hire	£3,735.00 Misc Expenses	£677.73
LCP- Insurance	£444.45 Craft Expenses (Day Care Centre)	
Xmas meal collection	£370.00 Bluebell Ceramics	£220.00
LCP - Xmas meal donation	£200.00 Mary Benson (cards)	£100.00
ABC King's Coronation Grant	£400.00 Sarah O'Hara + Maghery Boat People	£266.85
Annual Subscriptions	£525.00 Craft Expenses (Cosy Club)	
Annon donations	£84.00 Craft Materials/Expenses	£472.55
Collection - outings	£772.29 Bluebell Ceramics	£300.00
Sale of rhubarb	£37.50 Bt Communications	£608.95
Collection in lieu - Basil Graham	£134.00 Power N.I.	£282.70
Collection in lieu - Gladys Williamson	£90.00 BARN Rent	£430.00
Collection in lieu - Joy's husband	£35.00 Insurance	£444.45
Maghery Rural Enterprise Centre	£250.00 King's Coronation Expenses	£503.54
	Cancer Research - Joy's Husband	£50.00
	Tartaraghan COI - Late B Graham	£170.00
	Missions - Late Gladys Williamson	£120.00
	Heating Oil	£266.00
	Volunteer Access NI Checks	£50.00
	Donation to Birches PS	£100.00
	Defib Battery & Pads	£277.20
	Agnew Transport	£925.00
	McKees Newtownards	£612.00
	Dart Transport	£60.00
	Tips	£95.00
	Royal Hotel Cookstown - Xmas Meal	£700.00
	Xmas Gifts	£285.06
Total	Balance @ Bank 31/12/2023	£2,648.54
	£15,776.07	£15,776.07

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MAY BENSON
 Non-Committee Member




PATRICIA MANAGH
 Non-Committee Member

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The Birches Cosy Club

Funds Reconciliation	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL	TOTAL
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Cash at bank and at hand	15776.07		none	15776.07	17546.25
Surplus this year end	2648.54	none	none	2648.54	4512.56
Cash in bank and at hand 31st December 2023	2648.54	none	none	2648.54	4512.56
Other Assets(restricted Fund)	None				
Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)	None				

Approved by the trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

 Date 20/9/24

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Annual report

THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB & DAY CARE CENTRE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2023

CHARITY NUMBER 101621

Financial year from 1 January 2023 until 31 December 2023

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities for the year the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries. All our activities are related to one or more of the following charitable objectives.

1. The advancement of citizenship or community development
2. The advancement of health or the saving of lives
3. The advancement of arts, culture, heritage or science.

Our New Year started on the 10th January when John came and entertained us with his singing. We had story telling with Steve Lally, Bingo and Natural Home Care Products which brought us to the end of January. In February we again had John, cooking with Pauline Skelton, then music, song and story telling with Mary Fox. Mary had a super group of young people of all ages who were really very talented.

March carried on with a similar theme with Pauline back with more cooking skills, which we got to sample. We had a morning with the Maghey group and got to hear Mary Fox with her music group again.

April we had an outing to Woodlawn Garden Centre after which there was an Easter break. On opening up again after Easter Hazel Boland taught everyone how to make flowers with wet felt. The month ended with Bingo as our arranged story teller didn't turn.

But he did appear the first week in May and told his stories. On 9th May we did a tea party to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles. Our guest was Jim Smart who entertained us with song, poems and his ukulele.

More crafts brought us through May and into June when the AGM was arranged for 6th.

Outgoing secretary Edith read her report before treasurer Emma, Chairperson Mrs Hawthorne Hynds had stepped down due to her being resident in a nursing home. Elections then took place and the following were elected into office;

✓ Chairperson; Miss Harriet Millsopp

✓ Secretary; Mrs Mary Stafford

✓ Treasurer; Mrs Emma Doyle

Committee;

✓ Mrs Margaret Boyd

✓ Mrs Mrytle Bell

✓ Mrs Sandra Ogibly

✓ Mrs Reba Jackson

✓ Mrs Margaret Wilson

✓ Mrs Lucy Tate

✓ Mrs Edith Stevenson

✓ Mrs Evelyn Millar

✓ Miss Sally Murphy.

Outgoing ladies were thanked for their work over the years and gifts were presented to Mrs Edith Stevenson who was secretary from the Cosy Club from it began.

Our weekly meetings carried on as usual for a few weeks as usual before the summer recess. On 13th June we all went to Birches School, where the Armagh Rhymers and the school children provided excellent entertainment and we had brilliant fun. On the following two weeks the Lough Neagh Boatbuilders helped members to make wooden planters which were finished off with lovely spring flowers. This brought us into July and we had Bingo on the last Tuesday before summer break.

We opened up again on 15th August when Bruce White came along to help everyone finish drawings which were started earlier in the year. The following week we set off on our summer outing to Downpatrick. Stopping for morning tea/coffee in Downpatrick centre. On we went to Newtownards to shop, then to McKee's farm shop for our evening tea. From 28th August we settled into our weekly routine with Bingo Boccha, Music, Games and Quizzes. At the beginning of October we had visitors who read poems and reminisced over olden days. Cathy

Devlin from ABC Council came regularly to do exercise and light dance movements to help with strength and balance. Halloween brought the Playgroup children over to decorate apples for us all and usual everyone got an apple home with them. In November we started Christmas activities with Molly and Me, then Mary Benson did her card making.

On 12th December we all went to The Royal Hotel in Cookstown for our Christmas dinner. This was a wonderful event and the suburb food was set off by the Christmas atmosphere. This finished our programme for year 2023.

The Craft Club continued to meet every Tuesday afternoon to continue with their Quilting etc for the Linus Trust and knitting of Trauma Teddies. They joined with morning group for outings, parties and dinners.

Signed Mary Steppard.

Date 20.9.2024.

TRUSTEES

The trustees who served during the year 1 January 2023 to 6 June 2023

Hawthorne Hynds

Edith Stevenson

Emma Doyle

Reba Jackson

Myrtle Bell

Evelyn Miller

Lucy Tate

Margaret Boyd

Sandra Ogilby

The trustees who served from 6 June 2023 to 31 December 2023

Chairperson; Miss Harriet Millsopp

Secretary; Mrs Mary Stafford

Treasurer; Mrs Emma Doyle

Committee;

Mrs Margaret Boyd

Mrs Myrtle Bell

Mrs Sandra Ogibly

Mrs Reba Jackson

Mrs Margaret Wilson

Mrs Lucy Tate

Mrs Edith Stevenson

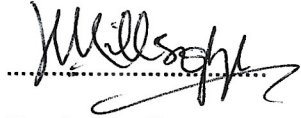
Mrs Evelyn Millar

Miss Sally Murphy.

There were no funds held by the charity that was in any way deficit at the end of our financial year and we had a closing balance of £2648.54. We have also included a list of outings and activities on a separate page to the report.

All trustees have agreed to this report.

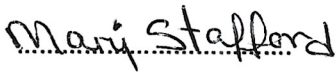
Signed by on behalf



Date 19-9-2024

Harriett Millsopp

Chairperson



Date 20-9-24

Mary Stafford

Secretary

THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB

ACTIVITIES & OUTINGS 2023

January 10 th	Music
January 17 th	Story Telling with Steve Lally
January 24 th	Bingo
January 31 st	Natural Home Care Products by Molly & Me
February 7 th	Music
February 14 th	Week 1 Cook it Programme with Pauline
February 21 st	Week 2 Cook it Programme with Pauline
February 28 th	Music, song & story telling with Mary Fox
March 7 th	Music
March 14 th	Bingo
March 16 th	Morning invite to Maghery - music etc with Mary Fox
March 21 st	Week 3 Cook it Programme with Pauline
March 28 th	Week 4 Cook it Programme with Pauline
April 4 th	Outing to Woodlawn Garden Centre, Carryduff
April 11 th	Easter Break
April 18 th	Art - Wet Felting with Hazel Bowland
April 25 th	Bingo
May 2 nd	Story Telling with Steve Lally
May 9 th	King Charles III Coronation Tea Party + Jim Smart
May 16 th	Candle Making with Molly & Me
May 23 & 30 th	Art delivered by ACNI
June 6 th	AGM & Music
June 13 th	Armagh Rhymers at The Birches Primary School

June 20 & 27 th	Wooden Planter making with Maghery Boat Builders
July 4 th	Bingo
Summer Break	
August 15 th	Art
August 22 nd	Summer Outing – Downpatrick/Newtownards
August 29 th	Bingo
September 5 th	Beetle Drive/quiz
September 12 th	Beauty Session
September 19 th	Chi Me/Strength & Balance with Cathy Devlin ABC
September 26 th	Debt/money advice – Citizen Advice
October 3 rd	Poetry & Readings
October 10 th	Chi Me/Strength & Balance with Cathy Devlin, ABC
October 17 th	Scams & Safety - PSNI
October 24 th	Intergenerational Halloween activity with playgroup
October 31 st	Chi Me/Strength & Balance with Cathy Devlin ABC
November 7 th	Music
November 14 th	Christmas Craft Activity with Molly & Me
November 21 st	Chi Me/Strength & Balance with Cathy Devlin ABC
November 28 th	Christmas Crafts
December 5 th	Card Making with Mary Benson
December 12 th	Christmas Lunch at Royal Hotel Cookstown
Closed	

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31/12/2023, which are set out on pages 3 and 4.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

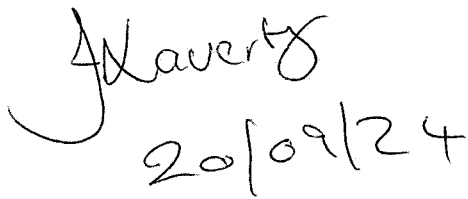
I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Joanne Laverty

Relevant professional qualification or body: Community Development Officer, TADA Rural Support Network

Address: Unit 10a, 19 Carn Business Park, Portadown, bt63 5WG

Date: 20/09/24

Handwritten signature of Joanne Laverty and the date 20/09/24.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES YEAR ENDING December 2022

The Birches Cosy Club

Funds Reconciliation	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL	TOTAL
				2022	2021
Cash at bank and at hand	17546.25		none	17546.25	12984.85
Surplus this year end	4512.56	none	none	4512.56	4379.83
Cash in bank and at hand 31 st December 2022	4512.56	none	none	4512.56	4379.83
Other Assets(restricted Fund)	None				
Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)	None				

Approved by the trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

..... *E. Boyle* Date..... *15/8/2023*

THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB & DAY CARE CENTRE

Balance Sheet @ 31/12/2022

Balance at bank 31/12/2021	£4,379.83	Robert Odgers (Dinners)	£5,311.00
Tuesday Club (Day Care Centre)	£3,858.50	Scones	£211.70
Tuesday Club (Cosy Club)		£775.25	Music
LCP - Rent, Heat, Light	£2,220.00	Misc Expenses	£656.30
LCP- Insurance	£435.04	Craft Expenses (Day Care Centre)	
LCP - outing donation	£300.00	Bluebell Ceramics	£200.00
LCP - Xmas meal donation	£200.00	Mary Benson (cards)	£120.00
ABC Council Grant	£400.00	Sarah O'Hara	£255.06
Annual Subscriptions	£575.00	Craft Expenses (Cosy Club)	
Halifax Foundation Grant	£3,500.00	Craft Materials/Expenses	£383.50
Collection - outings	£535.00	Bluebell Ceramics	£230.00
Sale of plants/tomatoes	£46.73	Bt Communications	£541.45
Sale of items		Power N.I.	£454.44
Collection in lieu - Rita Briggs	£139.80	BARN Rent	£430.00
Collection in lieu - Herbie Stevenson	£181.10	Insurance	£435.04
		Jubilee Expenses	£207.19
		Chest Heart & Stroke (Late R Briggs)	£150.00
		Funeral Exps (Late H Stevenson)	£100.00
		Milltown Parish Church "	£230.00
		Mary McAlinden - LCP - Gift	£100.00
		Royal Hotel Cookstown - outing	£699.80
		Walsh's Hotel Maghera - Outing	£220.15
		DART Transport	£111.00
		Agnew Transport	£900.00
		Tips	£45.00
		TOTAL	£13,033.69
		Balance @ Bank 31/12/2022	£4,512.56
Total	£17,546.25		£17,546.25

We have examined the foregoing accounts with the accounting records supplied to us. We are satisfied the accounts are in agreement with accounting records, and is consistent with the information and explanations supplied to us.

Mary Stafford

MARY STAFFORD
 Non-Committee Member

Mary Benson

MAY BENSON
 Non-Committee Member

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Our New Year started on Tuesday 11th January with just 11 members attending, we played Bingo with the help of volunteers. We had Bruce White booked for 6 sessions, so we opted to start with morning of Yoga which was much enjoyed by all. Our numbers rose to 15 plus the volunteers, we began the second week with old large dirty roof slates, much to our dismay and after some talks everyone decided on their subject to paint on them....and so continued painting for a further 4 weeks.... surprisingly they turned out very well and everyone was pleased with their effort. On the sixth week we finished with Yoga.

On Tuesday 1st March we had music and a sing-a-long with Johnny Forde, again our numbers stayed at 15, this was followed by two weeks of Painting-on-Ceramics with Jennifer McNally, then a day of Boccia and the following week a Quiz. Our numbers had increased to 19 and we were looking forward to our Easter outing to Dobbies which was much enjoyed by all. After the Easter break we had a survey to fill in from the SHSCT, which took all morning. On 3rd May we had music with Johnny Forde, followed by a Geography/General Knowledge Quiz, then on the 24th we had Boccia which is very popular with everyone and on 31st a Beetle Drive and Board Games.

On Tuesday 7th June was our big Platinum Jubilee Celebrations for her Majesty Queen Elizabeth – we had music, special trifle, a special cake and buffet lunch. Everywhere was well decorated and lots of photos were taken – especially ones with a large cut-out life size image of Her Majesty - this was very popular. We had 35 members and friends attending - a great day was had by all. Then down to earth again on the following Tuesday we had Carol Murray from the Alzheimer's Trust for a long discussion on Dementia Awareness. On 21st we had 2 members from PCSP with Goody Bags for everyone, this was a long session with many questions asked and lots of advice given in return...every detail was checked and all were very pleased with their information. We then had Mary Fox from Maghery with her Flute, Violin, a Story Teller and Singer, lovely to listen to and relax. Our last day on the 5 July was music with Johnny Forde when we had 17 members. We were closed until 15 August, the

day before the summer outing – on the 15th we played Bingo and finalised the arrangements for the outing. On the 16th we went on our outing, calling at Walsh's Hotel in Maghera for Morning tea/coffee and then on to Creative Gardens in Galgorm for some retail therapy. We then came back to Cookstown for some more retail therapy and then to The Royal Hotel for our Evening meal – a good day was had by all. The 23rd we played Boccia and on the 30th we had a young local talented special guest singer – Grace Ogilby to entertain us. On 6th September we had music with Johnny Forde, on 13th a lady called Sarah from Armagh Museum with two boxes of ancient items of much interest- a lot of reminiscing! On the 20th we had Jennifer from Citizen Advice. On the 27th we had a very interesting morning with Hazel Boland together with Chris McCarney and Jonny Cordner entitled 'My Townland and me' – where everyone had to add some local history knowledge to their maps. On 4th October we had a quiz and board games. On the 11th we were closed as a mark of respect due to the sudden death of Edith's husband Herbie at his home. On the 18th & 25th we had Crafts with Sarah. On 1st November we had the usual music with Johnny Forde. 3rd we were invited to Maghera Group by Mary Fox for music, song and storytelling. On the 8th & 15th November we had exercise & advice with Sean Collins. 22nd November Flower Arranging with Sarah, 29th Ceramic Painting with Bluebell Ceramics. 6th December Christmas Card Making with Mary Benson & Emma Doyle – everyone made 3 cards to take home. Tuesday 13th was our Christmas Dinner in the Club with music, spot prizes, santa parcels and lots of fun and laughter. This finished our programme for year 2022.

The Craft Club continued to meet every Tuesday afternoon to continue with their Quilting etc for the Linus Trust. They joined with the morning group for outings, parties and dinners.

Signed..... E Doyle

Date..... 15/8/2023

TRUSTEES

The trustees who served during the year 2022 are as follows –

Hawthorne Hynds

Edith Stevenson

Emma Doyle

Reba Jackson

Myrtle Bell

Evelyn Miller

Lucy Tate

Margaret Boyd

Sandra Ogilby

There were no funds held by the charity that was in any way deficit at the end of our financial year and we had a closing balance of £4512.56. We have also included a list of outings and activities on a separate page to the report.

All trustees have agreed to this report.

Signed by on behalf

E Doyle

Date 15/8/2023

Emma Doyle

Treasurer

Edith Stevenson

Date 15/8/2023

Edith Stevenson

Secretary

The Birches Cosy Club

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of
THE BIRCHES COSY CLUB

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Independent examiner's statement

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Name: TERRI CARULL

Relevant professional qualification or body: TADA Rural Support Network

Address: 10a Carn Industrial Estate BT63 5WG

Date: 5.10.23