

Dromore Youth for Christ

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101685

Details

Known as The Base

Status Received

Registered 2016-02-09

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

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Activities

Purposes: 1. To reach the young people of Dromore, with the gospel, helping them to develop a relationship with Jesus Christ, within an identifiable, positive, beneficial, moral and ethical framework. 2. The development of individual capabilities, competences, skills and understanding within the young people of Dromore.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Religious activities, Volunteer development, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Mental health, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£57,890	£55,052	£0	2

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Andrew Cameron		
Mr David Smith		
Mr Michael Masters		
Mrs Carolyn Jackson		

Dromore Youth for Christ

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Accounts

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024	
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	18,416	-	-	18,416	35,134
Grants	32,044	-	-	32,044	22,400
Fundraising activities	5,715	-	-	5,715	2,515
Interest on deposit account	24	-	-	24	20
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts	1,691	-	-	1,691	1,498
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	57,890	-	-	57,890	61,567
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	57,890	-	-	57,890	61,567
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	4,539	-	-	4,539	1,645
Grants & donations paid	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	41,332	-	-	41,332	39,871
Other costs	9,181	-	-	9,181	8,417
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	55,052	-	-	55,052	49,933
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	55,052	-	-	55,052	49,933
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,838	-	-	2,838	11,634
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	26,728	-	-	26,728	15,094
Cash funds this year end	29,566	-	-	29,566	26,728

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current accounts	9,871		-	9,871	11,115
	Deposit accounts	19,695	-	-	19,695	15,613
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	29,566	-	-	29,566	26,728
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Other	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
				Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixed assets		-	22,158	22,158
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			Total	-	22,158

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
			Total		-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

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Accounts

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023	
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	35,134	-	-	35,134	15,402
Grants	18,300	4,100	-	22,400	15,000
Fundraising activities	2,515	-	-	2,515	1,033
Interest on deposit account	20	-	-	20	5
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts	1,498	-	-	1,498	1,315
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	57,467	4,100	-	61,567	32,755
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	57,467	4,100	-	61,567	32,755
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	1,645	-	-	1,645	1,380
Grants & donations paid	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	35,771	4,100	-	39,871	29,635
Other costs	8,417	-	-	8,417	6,385
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	45,833	4,100	-	49,933	37,400
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	45,833	4,100	-	49,933	37,400
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,634	-	-	11,634	- 4,645
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,094	-	-	15,094	19,739
Cash funds this year end	26,728	-	-	26,728	15,094

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current accounts	11,115		-	11,115	2,182
	Deposit accounts	15,613	-	-	15,613	12,912
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	26,728	-	-	26,728	15,094
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Other	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
				Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixed assets		-	22,158	22,158
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			Total	-	22,158

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
			Total		-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Dromore Youth for Christ

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101685

Annual report



January – December 2023 Trustee Annual Report

Charity number: 101685

The trustees of Dromore Youth for Christ are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period of 1st January - 31st December 2023.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Dromore Youth for Christ otherwise known as 'The Base' is a youth organisation based in Dromore that works with children and young people aged 10-25 years of age. DYFC seeks to demonstrate God's love to young people, transforming their lives and inspiring them to follow Him.

We continue to deliver high quality youth work programmes and activities tailored to meet the needs that young people are presenting. We work out of a youth centre running various programmes but also in local schools, the streets through detached outreach work and the wider community. We also find great support in working alongside local Churches in Dromore to ensure we have a joined-up approach to serving the Dromore community and encouraging young people to connect to their local Churches in the long-term.

Our vision is that young people from all backgrounds are part of a community of people who value them, respect them, empower, educate and support them in whatever life puts before them. Our hope is that they will encounter Jesus, grow to be like Him and become the best that they can be. The charity's beneficiaries are young people on the margins of Dromore's community, churches, volunteers, staff, parents, schools and partner organisations.

ACHIEVEMENTS, PERFORMANCE AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

Centre based

In 2023, The Base had 112 registered young people aged 11-18 years. This is the main aspect of our work to create a safe, inclusive and enjoyable environment where young people can choose to socialise in drop-in programmes or participate in personal development programmes- all the work we do is voluntary with young people and we try to base our programmes and activities on the needs arising and expressed by the young people themselves. Programmes we run and the achievements we found were as follows;

Junior drop-in

Junior drop-in is a social space for young people aged 11-14 years to come together for 2 hours a week to spend time socialising with peers and hopefully meet new friends. The centre has a wealth of resources they can choose to use along with various activities staff and volunteers will facilitate throughout the evening such as games, baking, art, music, sport or competitions.

Through the year we seen young people who started attending who struggled with social anxiety or isolation find new friends, others grew in self-confidence and worth. Young people who at the start of the year, wouldn't participate in activities because they felt too self-conscious, giving it a go by the end. We seen lots of conflict amongst friendship groups and changes in group dynamics and yet we were able to help them overcome conflict or manage relationships moving forward. We seen natural leaders rise up in the group and help leaders in facilitating activities and others try new activities for the first time and finding new hobbies and interests. It's been a very positive year for juniors and great knowing they have benefitted from all that has happened but also heard the word of God and how much He loves them. How they can be in relationship with them and prayed with them.

Senior drop-in

Senior drop-in is then the social space for those 14-18 years. This age group in 2023 has experienced a lot of change in recent years and it is reflected in this programme. Numbers have decreased, young people are less familiar with youth work activities and the purpose of what we do. So, there has been a lot of rebuilding foundations, establishing who we are and what we do. This although challenging at times, has also been really exciting to see young people respond well by the end of 2023. It will take time to rebuild this age group but we appreciate the journey they have been on and we as an organisation need to still actively try and be a consistent presence for them that when they want to engage- we are here. We have elected five of the core members of this age group to become junior leaders in the centre to work with the younger age group, which has been really exciting and lots of other senior young people wanting to progress a similar route. Building trust and rapport with the young people at drop-in has been vital and we are seeing the connections and relationships starting to strengthen.

Hype personal development group

We were really aware in 2022 that we had such an increase in young people wanting to sign up for mentoring due to various issues in their lives, but at the time we didn't have the resources to undertake such a service. We then decided to run a junior personal development group (11-14years) to provide support into a lot of the issues the young people voiced they were facing, particularly around mental health. A core group of fifteen young people regularly attending for six months and engaged in group work activities exploring various issues and concerns.

This was a really positive group who very quickly formed good friendships, trust amongst each other and allowed themselves to open up about some of the challenges they were facing. We explored coping mechanisms, emotions, self-esteem, conflict, resilience and many other topics through fun, interactive and creative activities both individually and in groups. A particular highlight was each week taking time to consider what does the bible say about the various topics we explored and reflecting on God's word together, praying to close the session. This programme was a real success with young people self-worth improving, young people becoming more confident in their identity, values, beliefs and finding their voice to express what they need or how they are feeling to ask for support.

Senior girls' group

This programme was for the girls in the senior section aged 14-18 years who would like to come into the centre one afternoon a week to explore some of the issues they might be facing in their lives but also to grow the sense of community amongst the girls as there has been a lot of conflict amongst them over the years. A group of six responded and regularly attended for the first six months of 2023 which was a lovely time with them to help develop positive relationships, hear what their needs are and develop their support network. We spent a lot of the programme exploring friendships, friendship conflict, relationships, family dynamics and self-worth. Again, all done through creative and interactive activities, along with many good discussions and at times debates. The growth in this group was so significant and had a positive knock-on effect on senior drop-in as we seen more openness, willingness to chat to those beyond our normal friendship groups and seeking out support in the leaders.

Mentoring

At the end of 2022, 27 young people signed up for mentoring from the centre. This although encouraging was a challenge as we didn't have the resources to fulfil the needs presented. In January-June 23, the Centre Coordinator mentored as many of the young people as possible. However, we were fortunate to seek out and be awarded funding that allowed us to train any of our volunteers over eighteen that wanted to become mentors, purchase resources and equipment and open the building additional hours to undertake mentoring more of the young people. We were able to offer young people six weeks initially, of one hour a week to have a listening ear (being very clear this isn't counselling). This was a real success that will continue into 2024 but we have really valued spending time supporting young people with various issues in their lives but also signposting those who we felt needed additional support to various services too such as CAHMS, counselling, GP's or specific organisations specialising in eating disorders, drug dependency etc.

T:BUC community relations programme

This was a new venture for DYFC in the final term of 2023, for completion in 2024. T:BUC is an Education Authority funded programme encouraging young people to engage in community relations work. We had 22, 12-14-year-olds undertake this six-month programme exploring their identity, the values and beliefs of themselves and others, whilst appreciating difference doesn't have to cause conflict- rather we should celebrate diversity in our communities and cultures. We had a really strong start to this programme in 2023 with the young people really enjoying participating in a new deeper level of group work and they thrived. As part of the programme not only did they complete workshops around issues such as Northern Ireland's history, cultures within N.I, conflict, team work and effective communication but they got lots of fun trips and a residential in November to Ganaway Activity Centre which was a real highlight.

School's work

Schools work is a vital extension to the work we do in the centre as it allows us a lot of initial contact with new young people but also to be a presence in such a significant part of the young peoples lives who are members in the centre to provide support. We work in two schools in Dromore, one primary and one post-primary;

JUMP is a Christian club within the school for children P4-7 on a Friday afternoon when school finishes. This is an amazing space for around 100-120 pupils to learn more about

God, hear stories, learn memory verses, worship together, alongside lots of fun and games. We have loved being a part of this and it has really helped spending time with P7's particularly as they start to transition into our centre-based programmes.

Lunchtime detached is one of the programmes we do in Dromore High school where once a week staff are a visible presence at lunchtimes in the school by walking around and chatting to young people in the school canteen, play grounds or youth wing etc. This is an opportunity to provide support to those we know already and check in how their day is going, but also to engage new young people by sharing opportunities of local youth provision and support. This has been great for building rapport with staff also and seeking out new opportunities to provide the school support moving forward.

Princes Trust was a programme we were invited to be a part of in Dromore High. Pupils in year 11 had an element of their course where they could learn about a local charity and invest sometime volunteering to help that charity out- so when we were asked to participate, we were very thankful. The pupils undertook various presentations from ourselves about the work we do, the background, history and day to day running. They then invest three weeks of their course to come to the centre and provide us with practical support and help around the centre undertaking jobs such as cleaning, sorting, art projects, making gifts for the young people or stock taking the tuck shop. This was a great experience and one we hope to repeat in the future.

Detached outreach

Training was undertaken by those in the volunteer team who were interested in trying this type of work where we walk around the streets of Dromore to engage young people where they are choosing to socialise. This could be the Square, outside shops, local parks etc but we would be trained and equipped as a team to effectively approach them and engage in conversation to provide support, signpost them to local youth provision and develop positive relationships. The first two terms of 2023 we were able to undertake some detached outreach sessions, before school promoting the new programmes we were starting, as well as evenings and particularly band parade nights- ensuring the personal safety of young people.

Volunteer & Training

The volunteer team of The Base has also experienced a lot of change. We have seen a lot of new faces join the team and unfortunately said goodbye to others, after years of faithful service. We are so thankful for the skilled, committed and hardworking volunteers we have that invest so much time and energy into helping us deliver all the programmes and activities we do. We have ensured that team meetings have been regular to take time to reflect, grow and develop our practice. As well as offered various training opportunities such as ensuring everyone is trained or refreshed in their Child Protection training, detached outreach training, mentoring training etc. We constantly want to strive to ensure our practice is at a high standard, everyone feels equipped and empowered to fulfil their roles and that a safe environment is created for all those who attend.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

(Michael will insert a paragraph here based on the audited accounts for 2023 when provided)

TRUSTEE'S IN 2023

Under the requirements of DYFC's constitution Trustee's are elected to serve only until the next Annual General Meeting at which they are then eligible for re-election with no maximum term time. The Trustee's within 2023 were as follows;

Rob Masters (Chair of board)
Lynn Bradfield (Treasurer): Resigned December 2023
Stephen Kelso (Secretary): Resigned December 2023
Wendy Tate: Resigned March 2023
Lynn McFarland: Resigned June 2023
Bethany McClune
John Wilkinson
Michael Masters: Appointed 2023

GOVERNING DOCUMENT AND CONSTITUTION

The charity is governed by trustee's who have written and regularly review the constitution of Dromore Youth For Christ to ensure it is relevant, up to date and cohered to, on an ongoing basis. The current constitution come into effect on 24th November 2014 and is due for full review in November 2024 by the Trustee's. The Board of Trustee's meet on a monthly basis and at least ten times a year at the premises to govern, review and develop good practice along with the Centre Coordinator.

Dromore YFC's Trustee's have complied with the duty to have due regard to the guidance issued by the Commission under section 4(b) of the Charities Act. Details of how the main activities within and through The Base, DYFC are outlined in 'Achievements, Performances and Public Benefit' above. The Trustees have given careful consideration that the work undertaken in 2023 that it all fulfils that of DYFC's aims, objectives and purpose outlined in our constitution.

Proposed by: John Wilkinson

Seconded by: Anna Kissick (Secretary)

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Board of Trustees on 05/08/2024 and signed on their behalf:

___*R. Masters*_____

(Chairperson)

Dromore Youth for Christ

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101685

Annual return

Dromore Youth For Christ
Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31 December 2023

	£	£
Opening Bank Balance on 1 January 2023		
Building Account	1,637.92	
Current Account	12,912.24	
PIP Account	11.00	
Salary Account	533.41	
	<u>15,094.57</u>	
Lodgements	61,567.00	
Payments		49,933.04
Closing Bank Balance on 31 December 2023		
Building Account		1,657.71
Current Account		15,613.59
PIP Account		8,535.00
Salary Account		922.23
		<u>26,728.53</u>
	<u>76,661.57</u>	<u>76,661.57</u>

As required under Section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, we have examined the charity accounts as presented in respect of the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. This was carried out in accordance with the general direction given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act, and we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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12/12/2024

Dromore Youth For Christ
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 December 2023

		2023		2022
		£		£
Income	Donations	14,617		5,721
	Donations re Building Fund	-		1,000
	Donations with Gift Aid	11,680		8,315
	Fundraising	2,515		1,033
	Gift Aid	2,718		1,315
	Grants	22,400		15,000
	Interest receivable	20		5
	Summer camp	620		-
	Trips	132		366
	Trust Donations	6,119		-
	Tuck	606		-
	Volunteers fleeces	140		-
		<u>61,567</u>		<u>32,755</u>
Expenses	Accountancy fees	- 300		-
	Bank charges	- 10		-
	Cleaning	- 29		9
	Clothing	- 401		216
	Equipment expensed	- 1,875		1,369
	Fundraising Expenses	-		252
	Insurance	- 915		754
	Light and heat	- 3,455		3,274
	No16 Furniture & accessories	-		240
	Other legal and professional	- 200		-
	Pensions	- 916		476
	Postage	- 65		-
	Programs	- 1,645		1,380
	Rent	- 3,900		3,900
	Repairs and maintenance	- 833		1,812
	Service charges	- 451		434
	Software	- 10		-
	Staff Expenses	- 110		12
	Staff training & welfare	- 1,559		1,647
	Stationery and printing	- 554		298
	Summer camp	- 1,491		-
	Sundry	- 123		-
	Telephone and fax	- 1,088		847
	Travel and subsistence	- 344		96
	Trips	- 3,768		764
	Tuck	- 62		-
	Wages and salaries	- 25,829		19,620
		<u>- 49,933</u>		<u>- 37,400</u>
Net (loss)/profit		<u><u>11,634</u></u>		<u><u>4,645</u></u>

Accountants report

We can confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2023 the above Receipts and Payments account is an accurate reflection of the underlying records.

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Dromore Youth for Christ

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101685

Accounts

Dromore Youth For Christ
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 December 2022

		2022		2021
		£		£
Income	Donations	5,721		5,149
	Donations re Building Fund	1,000		2,605
	Donations with Gift Aid	8,315		12,130
	Fundraising	1,033		-
	Gift Aid	1,315		5,612
	Grants	15,000		7,782
	HMRC JRS Grant	-		2,983
	Interest receivable	5		2
	Restricted Grant - Building Fund	-		2,464
	Trips	366		-
	Trust Donations re Building Fund	-		15,247
		<u>32,755</u>		<u>53,974</u>
Expenses	Accountancy fees	-		160
	Cleaning	- 9		28
	Clothing	- 216		220
	Equipment expensed	- 1,369		3,816
	Fixed asset purchased	-		22,158
	Fundraising Expenses	- 252		14
	Insurance	- 754		741
	Light and heat	- 3,274		140
	No16 Furniture & accessories	- 240		4,361
	No16 Renovation Expenses	-		7,062
	Pensions	- 476		824
	Postage	-		9
	Programs	- 1,380		1,359
	Rent	- 3,900		3,900
	Repairs and maintenance	- 1,812		417
	Service charges	- 434		-
	Software	-		72
	Solicitors fees	-		600
	Staff Expenses	- 12		-
	Staff training & welfare	- 1,647		1,851
	Stationery and printing	- 298		448
	Telephone and fax	- 847		666
	Travel and subsistence	- 96		-
	Trips	- 764		1,597
	Wages and salaries	- 19,620		25,678
		<u>- 37,400</u>		<u>- 76,121</u>
Net (loss)/profit		<u><u>- 4,645</u></u>		<u><u>- 22,148</u></u>

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22/06/2023

**Dromore Youth For Christ
 Receipts and Payments Account
 For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	£	£
Opening Bank Balance on 1 January 2022		
Building Account	3,546.84	
Current Account	15,384.11	
PIP Account	11.00	
Salary Account	797.32	
	19,739.27	
Lodgements	32,755.00	
Payments		37,400.20
Closing Bank Balance on 31 December 2022		
Building Account		1,637.92
Current Account		12,912.24
PIP Account		11.00
Salary Account		533.41
		15,094.57
	52,494.27	52,494.77

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22/06/2023

Dromore Youth for Christ

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101685

Annual report

January – December 2022 Trustee Annual Report

The trustees of Dromore Youth for Christ are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period of 1st January - 31st December 2022. Dromore Youth for Christ otherwise known as 'The Base' is a youth organisation based in Dromore. DYFC seeks to demonstrate Gods love to young people, transforming their lives and inspiring them to follow Him.

We continue deliver high quality youth work programmes alongside the local schools, churches and like-minded organisations as well as a wide range of programmes and activities within 'The Base Youth Centre' in the heart of Dromore.

Our vision is that young people from all backgrounds are part of a community of people who value them, respect them, empower, educate and support them in whatever life puts before them. Our hope is that they will encounter Jesus, grow to be like Him and become the best that they can be. The charity's beneficiaries are young people aged between 11-18, those young people on the margins of Dromore's community, churches, volunteers, staff, parents, schools and partner organisations.

Public Benefit Report

In 2022:

We worked with 250 young people across the centre-based work, schools work and detached outreach. A decline to the previous year due to a change in staffing and closure whilst appointing a new Centre Coordinator.

At the end of 2021, Josh Thornbury the Centre Coordinator resigned from his position and we decided to appoint Robyn Calvert our part-time staff member, to Centre Coordinator in the interim until we were able to hire. Robyn coordinated programmes from January-June 2022. Robyn then resigned leaving us vacant with no staff to continue programmes. We had to close the centre until we could employ. In October 2022 we appointed Lynne Denner as our new full-time Centre Coordinator.

Centre based/ detached outreach work

January-June

Robyn and the volunteers did a great job coordinating youth work programmes in the centre continuing core programmes. Junior drop-in on Tuesday evenings for 11–14-year-olds and Senior drop-in for young people 14-18years on Friday evenings 7-10pm. These two programmes were key in continuing to develop relationships with new and existing young people. Drop-in is key in providing a safe and supportive space for young people to socialise with their peers. Both drop-ins thrived in numbers and the volunteer introduced lots of activities as part of the programme such as baking, art, social action projects and sport.

The team also continued to undertake detached outreach which again really supported these programmes. Detached outreach is when the team in uniformed coats went around the local Dromore community engaging with young people wherever they choose to socialise. The team came across a lot of the young people who attend the centre under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The team engaged a number of new young people and those considered at risk, signposting them to local youth provision or relevant services.

November-December

Lynne the new Centre Coordinator then restarted junior and senior drop-in on Tuesday evenings 7-9pm for year 8-10's and Friday evenings 7-10pm for year 11-14's. Both were well attended with a lot of the previous young people returning and some new faces. This was a real encouragement that despite the extended break over the summer months into autumn they still wanted to attend the centre. Great connections and relationships were formed and these initial months were used to assess need amongst the young people and hear their perspectives, for a new programme launch in January 2023.

Schools work

School's work in Dromore High School, which is a big aspect of the work of The Base- took a temporary break from January-June until a new centre coordinator was hired. This was due to the time constraints on the acting coordinators schedule. When the new coordinator started in October 2022, as it was half way through term 1 and they needed time for meetings and community profiling, this didn't resume until January 2023. The school were extremely understanding of this and we ensure good communication with the principle through this process.

We did however undertake a programme in Dromore Central Primary School responding to need around anxiety amongst pupils in regards to transitioning from primary to secondary school. We delivered six-week programmes exploring the change they were about to experience, equipping them with resilience skills and knowledge to support them in managing this transition well. We also were involved in JUMP, the schools Christian programme after school in partnership with other local agencies/ Churches. Approximately 150 pupils gather each week for bible stories, worship, games and activities so it has been a privilege to be a part of this.

Financial Review

This year saw the finish of the refurbishment of the building and the funding stream return to something like would reasonably be expected. The donations dropped by over 50% due to the building being finished and the donations only being required for core running costs. Expenditure also dropped significantly and the deficit of £4645, in the year, this being funded by reserves. Clearly the challenge for 2023 is to increase the monthly giving and source additional grants.

Proposed by: John Wilkinson

Seconded by: Anna Kissick

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Board of Trustees on 20/06/2024 and signed on their behalf:

___*R.Masters*_____

(Chairperson)

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Annual return

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2022	To	31/12/2022	
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & legacies	15,402	-	-	15,402	35,131
Grants	13,000	2,000	-	15,000	13,228
Fundraising activities	1,033	-	-	1,033	-
Interest on deposit account	5	-	-	5	2
Dividend on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Members' subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable receipts	1,315	-	-	1,315	5,612
A1 Sub total (Gross income for the Annual Return)	30,755	2,000	-	32,755	53,973
A2 Asset and investment sales (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance).					
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
Loan repayments received	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	30,755	2,000	-	32,755	53,973
A3 Payments					
Cost of fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Direct charitable activity	1,380	-	-	1,380	1,359
Grants & donations paid	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	27,635	2,000	-	29,635	33,706
Other costs	6,385	-	-	6,385	18,898
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	35,400	2,000	-	37,400	53,963
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see tables 1 and 2 in section 7 of the guidance)					
Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	22,158
Loans made	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	22,158
Total payments	35,400	2,000	-	37,400	76,121
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,645	-	-	- 4,645	- 22,148
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,739	-	-	19,739	41,887
Cash funds this year end	15,094	-	-	15,094	19,739

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current accounts	2,182		-	2,182	4,355
	Deposit accounts	12,912	-	-	12,912	15,384
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,094	-	-	15,094	19,739
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Other	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
				Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B3 Investment assets			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	Last year
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixed assets		-	22,158	22,158
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			Total	-	22,158

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	When due (optional)	Amount due (optional)	Last year
B5 Liabilities				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
				-	-
		Total		-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval