

# Lenadoon Community Forum

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101877

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2016-02-01

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

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Charity's objects ("Objects") are specifically restricted to the following: To promote the advancement of citizenship or community development for the public benefit in the Lenadoon area by any charitable means, including the following: (1) by providing programmes, facilities and services for individuals and community and voluntary groups and organisations; (2) advance education, in particular by delivering training that addresses the employment needs of the unemployed; (3) promote health and well-being, primarily by providing counselling and family support services; (4) promote good community relations, religious and racial harmony and equality and diversity; (5) advance conflict resolution and reconciliation and raise cultural awareness within and between communities in the area of benefit; (6) promote amateur sport; (7) advance improvements in housing, the environment and community safety; (8) relieve those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage; (9) promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

**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 amateur sport, The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity, The advancement of environmental protection or improvement, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, Other charitable purposes

**How the charity works:** Accommodation/housing, Advice/advocacy/information, Community development, Co-ordinating/support, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, Environment/sustainable

ble development/conservation,General charitable purposes,Human rights/equality,Playgroup/after schools,Relief of poverty,Research/evaluation,Sport/recreation,Urban development,Volunteer development,Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training,Community safety/crime prevention,Ethnic minorities,General public,Homelessness,Interface communities,Men,Mental health,Older people,Tenants,Unemployed/low income,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers,Women

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£533,936	£437,394	£-6,720	8

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Deirdre Mc Kearney		
Glen Phillips		
Michael Doherty		
Paul Niblock		
Tim Smith		

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# Accounts

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**Registration number NI605096**

**Lenadoon Community Forum  
Company limited by guarantee**

**Annual' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2025**

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025**

The Directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019"

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: Lenadoon Community Forum

Charity Registration number: XR60513

Company Registration number: NI 605096

Registered Office: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Business Address: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

#### **Directors**

Michael Doherty (Chairperson)

Tim Smith (Vice Chairperson)

Deirdre McKearney (Secretary)

Paul Niblock (Treasurer)

Glen Philips (Director)

#### **Auditors**

McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD, 1 Lanyon Quay, Belfast, BT1 3LG

#### **Bankers**

First Trust Bank Ltd, University Road, Belfast

Bank of Ireland, 202 Andersonstown Rd, Belfast

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Governing Document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 November 2010 and was registered as a charity in 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

##### **Recruitment and Appointment of Directors**

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as Directors on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

##### **Directors Induction and Training**

The Directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

##### **Organisational Structure**

At present Lenadoon Community Forum has 5 Directors who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the Strategic Development Co-ordinator and Project Co-ordinators.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Lenadoon Community Forum will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The past twelve months saw an increase in the number of referrals to the Forum's Community Counselling Project. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in our waiting list. Following the restructuring of the Service, delivery is more efficient. Funding from the Dormant Accounts Fund, Henry Smith, City Council, BHSCT, PHA and V.S.S. has ensured we are able to respond to the need. Unfortunately the Mental Health Fund Grant came to an end and Dormant Accounts is due to end in 2025. We got a years extension of the Henry Smith Grant. We also lost the Tender for the Self Harm Initiative.

The Forum Staff team provided invaluable assistance to the Member Groups of the Forum who requested it. Our Training for Employment Project delivered accredited courses and qualifications to individuals. We were only able to offer a greatly reduced number of classes. Funding from these classes came from SRRP, NIHE and B.C.C. We were glad to secure the funding from the City Council which ensured classes for three years. The Council's Capacity Grant has been invaluable, in terms facilitating the Consultations and Co-ordination of the Forums new Peoples Plan - Making Life Better in Lenadoon.

Our Community Counselling Project delivered over 5,000 individual counselling sessions to individuals referred to the Project. We continued to deliver on Service Level Agreements from PHA, BHSCT and V.S.S. We restructured the Weekend Intervention Service, and this resulted in additional clients being seen on Saturdays and Sundays. Our Self Harm Intervention Programme saw an increase in referrals but we lost the Tender at the end of the year. We were successful in our Tender to B.H.S.C.T. for the Talking Therapies Hub, however the level of funding from the Trust was reduced again as a result of the Tender. We have concerns in relation to our Contracts with BHSCT for the Hub referrals as this funding has decreased dramatically this past three years. We anticipate that V.S.S. and PHA will both go out to Tender and this could affect our Future Funding.

The Development Team oversaw a number of local New Build Developments and planned Programmes of Improvement Work. They also handled scores of housing and environmental complaints and queries. The staff organised and facilitated bi-monthly meetings of LCFs Member Groups in the Glen Community Complex and also the Lenadoon Housing, Environmental and Community Safety Network Meetings which were held in SRRP. Meetings were organised and facilitated by the Development team for local residents and community groups around proposed Housing and Environmental Schemes and Initiatives in the Glen Complex. Work eventually concluded on a new Housing Development on the Old Scrapyard Site on the Suffolk Road. Following the demolition of the flats at Corrib Avenue, work started on the construction of new homes. We also facilitated meetings of the Cross Sectoral Woodbourne Working Group and work began on the Woodbourne Environmental Scheme.

A large part of our time over the past 12 months was spent on facilitating door to door, focus groups and Consultations with all relevant stakeholders in the development of the new Area 5 year Plan - Making Life Better in Lenadoon.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025**

The Directors of Lenadoon Community Forum met on a bi-monthly basis to oversee the implementation and delivery of the Forum's strategic priorities. The Directors are indebted to our funders and in particular Department for Communities, SRRP, PHA, BHSCT, City Council, V.S.S, Henry Smith and Halifax Foundation. The Trading Surplus from SRRP enabled us to keep the Training and Education Courses going, donations to Member Groups and ensured that local residents received a free copy of our Community Magazine every quarter. A word of acknowledgement to our Member Groups whose volunteers worked over the past 12 months to improve the quality of life for local people.

#### **Financial Review**

Due to the huge demand for our Services the Forum has had to meet additional and increasing costs. The Forum's Directors and Project Co-ordinators will meet in the incoming year to address this issue. We are concerned about the Forums financial position after March 2025.

#### **Principal Funding Sources**

The principal sources of funding were DFC, PHA, BCC, SRRP, BHSCT, V.S.S., Dormant Accounts and the Henry Smith Charitable Trust.

#### **Investment policy**

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment. We will require these in the financial year 2025/26 as our funding from Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts comes to an end.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Directors retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

#### **Volunteers**

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

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**Directors' Report  
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

**Statement of Directors' Responsibilities**

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

**Auditors**

The auditors are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

This report was approved by the Board on 4 September 2025

Michael Doherty  
Director ..... *M Doherty*

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued**

#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; and
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

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In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
**Registered Auditors**  
**1 Lanyon Quay**  
**Belfast**  
**BT1 3LG**

**4 September 2025**

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2025	2025	2025	2024
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>					
Charitable activities	3	-	533,936	533,936	681,903
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>533,936</u>	<u>533,936</u>	<u>681,903</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	4	-	(437,394)	(437,394)	(459,904)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>(437,394)</u>	<u>(437,394)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>96,542</u>	<u>96,542</u>	<u>221,999</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>96,542</u>	<u>96,542</u>	<u>221,999</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>231,561</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>550,102</u>	<u>550,102</u>	<u>453,560</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2025**

		2025		2024	
Notes	£	£	£	£	
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		7,546	9,557	
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	7	528		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		548,748		445,503	
		549,276		445,503	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	(6,720)		(1,500)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			542,556	444,003	
<b>Net assets</b>			550,102	453,560	
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Restricted funds	9		550,102	453,560	
<b>Total funds</b>			550,102	453,560	

The financial statements were approved by the Directors on 4 September 2025 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by



**Michael Doherty**  
Director

**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

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### Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>		
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	96,542	221,999
Depreciation	2,011	2,389
(Increase) in debtors	(528)	-
Increase in creditors	5,220	-
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>103,245</u>	<u>224,388</u>
<b>Cash flow statement</b>		
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<u>103,245</u>	<u>224,388</u>
<b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	103,245	224,388
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2024</b>	<u>445,503</u>	<u>221,115</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2025</b>	<u>548,748</u>	<u>445,503</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Company information

Lenadoon Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE.

##### 1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

##### 1.2. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.3. 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.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Investment income is recognised once the income has been declared and notified to bank accounts.

##### 1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% reducing balance
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## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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At each reporting period end date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Society estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit and loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

#### **1.5. Cash at bank and in hand**

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.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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#### 1.6. 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 the 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.

##### **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.

##### **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.

#### 1.7. Equity instruments

##### **Income recognition**

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Company.

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#### 1.8. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit and loss in the period it arises.

#### 1.9. Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

#### 1.10. Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

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 company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

## 2. Employees

(including the Directors) during the year were:

Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	293,908	290,478

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2025.

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

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	<b>Unrestricted 2025 £</b>	<b>Restricted 2025 £</b>	<b>Total 2025 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>
<b>3. Total income received</b>				
DFC	-	93,725	93,725	110,969
PHA	-	135,608	135,608	161,031
V.S.S.	-	97,621	97,621	134,113
Sundry income	-	4,800	4,800	12,442
BHSCT	-	35,422	35,422	19,837
Upper Springfield Development Trust	-	9,100	9,100	7,191
SRRP	-	19,490	19,490	17,850
BCC	-	37,489	37,489	42,488
Holy Trinity	-	27,800	27,800	40,825
Henry Smith	-	38,800	38,800	38,400
Dormant Fund	-	33,331	33,331	33,332
NIHE	-	750	750	-
Kathleen Graham Trust	-	-	-	5,000
Community Fund Grant	-	-	-	6,000
Community Foundation	-	-	-	52,425
	<u>-</u>	<u>533,936</u>	<u>533,936</u>	<u>681,903</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>				
Wages and salaries	-	293,908	293,908	290,478
Staff training	-	2,560	2,560	3,825
Rent and utilities	-	25,109	25,109	26,780
Insurance	-	3,801	3,801	9,372
Repairs and maintenance	-	154	154	462
Stationary, postage, telephone and equipment	-	15,430	15,430	23,015
Community magazine	-	9,459	9,459	9,404
Programme costs	-	77,246	77,246	85,401
Audit	-	1,894	1,894	1,753
Bank charges	-	1,004	1,004	1,083
General expenses	-	2,818	2,818	2,942
Donations	-	2,000	2,000	3,000
Depreciation	-	2,011	2,011	2,389
	-	<u>437,394</u>	<u>437,394</u>	<u>459,904</u>

#### 5. Taxation

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The Company is a registered charity .

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 April 2024	26,877	26,877
At 31 March 2025	<u>26,877</u>	<u>26,877</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 April 2024	17,320	17,320
Charge for the year	2,011	2,011
At 31 March 2025	<u>19,331</u>	<u>19,331</u>
<b>Net book values</b>		
At 31 March 2025	<u>7,546</u>	<u>7,546</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>9,557</u>	<u>9,557</u>

<b>7. Debtors</b>	<b>2025 £</b>	<b>2024 £</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>528</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2025 £</b>	<b>2024 £</b>
Accruals and deferred income	<u>6,720</u>	<u>1,500</u>

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

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<b>9. Statement of funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve account £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2024</b>	453,560	453,560
Total income for the year	533,936	533,936
Total expenditure for the year	(437,394)	(437,394)
<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2025</b>	<u>550,102</u>	<u>550,102</u>

The general reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

The restricted reserve funds represent the funds held by the charity that have restrictions on use.

<b>10. Analysis of net assets between funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve fund £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2025</b>		
<b>represented by:</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	7,546	7,546
Current assets	549,276	549,276
Current liabilities	(6,720)	(6,720)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>550,102</u>	<u>550,102</u>

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**Lenadoon Community Forum**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101877

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# Accounts

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**Registration number NI605096**

**Lenadoon Community Forum  
Company limited by guarantee**

**Annual' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019"

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: Lenadoon Community Forum

Charity Registration number: XR60513

Company Registration number: NI 605096

Registered Office: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Business Address: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

#### **Directors**

Michael Doherty (Chairperson)

Tim Smith (Vice Chairperson)

Deirdre McKearney (Secretary)

Paul Niblock (Treasurer)

Glen Philips (Director)

#### **Auditors**

McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD, 1 Lanyon Quay, Belfast, BT1 3LG

#### **Bankers**

First Trust Bank Ltd, University Road, Belfast

Bank of Ireland, 202 Andersonstown Rd, Belfast

**Lenadoon Community Forum**  
**Directors' Report**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 November 2010 and was registered as a charity in 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

**Recruitment and Appointment of Directors**

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as Directors on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

**Directors Induction and Training**

The Directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

**Organisational Structure**

At present Lenadoon Community Forum has 5 Directors who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the Strategic Development Co-ordinator and Project Co-ordinators.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Lenadoon Community Forum will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The past twelve months saw an increase in the number of referrals to the Forum's Community Counselling Service. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in our waiting list. Following the restructuring of the Service, delivery is more efficient. Funding from the Dormant Accounts Fund, Henry Smith, City Council, BHSCT, PHA and V.S.S. has ensured we are able to respond to the need. Unfortunately, the Mental Health Fund Grant came to an end and Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts are due to end in 2025.

The Forum Staff team provided invaluable assistance to the Member Groups of the Forum who requested it. Our Training for Employment Project delivered accredited courses and qualifications to individuals. We were only able to offer a greatly reduced number of classes. Funding from these classes came from SRRP, NIHE and B.C.C. We were glad to secure funding from the City Council which will ensure classes for three years. The Capacity Grant has been invaluable.

Our Community Counselling Project delivered over 5,000 individual counselling sessions to individuals referred to the Service. We continued to deliver on Service Level Agreements from PHA, BHSCT and V.S.S. Our Self Harm Intervention Programme saw an increase in referrals and sessions offered to clients. We were successful in our Tender to B.H.S.C.T. for the Talking Therapies Hub, however the level of funding from the Trust was reduced again as a result of the Tender. This was despite our over delivery on their Contract. We have concerns in relation to our Contracts with BHSCT for the Hub referrals as this funding continues to decrease. We are also in discussions with CWA Members about our future involvement in the SHIP Contract. SHIP is going out to Tender and along with our CWA partners we will submit a Tender Bid.

The Development Team oversaw a number of local New Build Developments and planned Programmes of Improvement Work. They also handled scores of housing and environmental complaints and queries. The staff organised and facilitated bi-monthly meetings of LCFs Member Groups in the Glen Community Complex and also the Lenadoon Housing, Environmental and Community Safety Network Meetings which were held in SRRP. Meetings were organised and facilitated by the Development team for local residents and community groups around proposed Housing and Environmental Schemes and Initiatives in the Glen Complex. Work eventually commenced on a new Housing Development on the Old Scrapyrd Site on the Suffolk Road. The demolition of the flats at Corrib Avenue was concluded and we await the construction of new homes. We also facilitated meetings of the Cross Sectoral Woodbourne Working Group and hope that work will commence on the Site in late 2024 or early 2025.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors of Lenadoon Community Forum met on a bi-monthly basis to oversee the implementation and delivery of the Forum's strategic priorities. The Directors are indebted to our funders and in particular Department for Communities, SRRP, PHA, BHSCT, City Council, V.S.S, Henry Smith and Halifax Foundation. The Trading Surplus from SRRP enabled us to keep the Training and Education Courses going, donations to Member Groups and ensured that local residents received a free copy of our Community Magazine every quarter. A word of acknowledgement to our Member Groups whose volunteers worked over the past 12 months to improve the quality of life for local people. With Capacity Grant Funding secured from Belfast City Council, we began the consulting and developing of a strategic 5 year "Lenadoon Peoples Plan", (Making Life Better in Lenadoon).

#### **Financial Review**

Due to the huge demand for our Services the Forum has had to meet additional and increasing costs. The Forum's Directors and Project Co-ordinators will meet in the incoming year to address this issue. We are concerned about the Forums financial position after March 2025.

#### **Principal Funding Sources**

The principal sources of funding were DFC, PHA, BCC, SRRP, BHSCT, V.S.S., Dormant Accounts and the Henry Smith Charitable Trust.

#### **Investment policy**

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment. We will require these in the financial year 2025/26 as our funding from Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts comes to an end.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Directors retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

#### **Volunteers**

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

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**Directors' Report  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Statement of Directors' Responsibilities**

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

**Auditors**

The auditors are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

This report was approved by the Board on 2nd October 2024

Michael Doherty  
Director ..... *M. Doherty*

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

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In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
**1 Lanyon Quay**  
**BELFAST**  
**BT1 3LG**

**Chartered Accountants**

**2nd October 2024**



## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Charitable activities	3	-	681,903	681,903	611,038
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>611,038</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	4	-	(459,904)	(459,904)	(504,048)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(504,048)</u>
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>124,571</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>231,561</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		9,557		11,946
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		445,503		221,115	
		445,503		221,115	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	(1,500)		(1,500)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			444,003		219,615
<b>Net assets</b>			453,560		231,561
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Restricted funds	8		453,560		231,561
<b>Total funds</b>			453,560		231,561

The financial statements were approved by the Directors on 2 October 2024 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by

*M. Doherty*  
**Michael Doherty**  
 Director

**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

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**Cash flow statement  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>		
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	221,999	106,990
Depreciation	2,389	2,986
Increase in creditors	-	(14,999)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Cash flow statement</b>		
 <b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	224,388	94,977
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2023</b>	<u>221,115</u>	<u>126,138</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>445,503</u>	<u>221,115</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Company information

Lenadoon Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE.

##### 1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

##### 1.2. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.3. 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.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Investment income is recognised once the income has been declared and notified to bank accounts.

##### 1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% reducing balance
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At each reporting period end date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Society estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit and loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

**1.5. Cash at bank and in hand**

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.

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#### 1.6. 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 the 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.

##### **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.

##### **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.

#### 1.7. Equity instruments

##### **Income recognition**

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Company.

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#### 1.8. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit and loss in the period it arises.

#### 1.9. Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

#### 1.10. Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

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 company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

## 2. Employees

(including the Directors) during the year were:

Employment costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>290,478</u>	<u>346,248</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2024.

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	<b>Unrestricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
<b>3. Total income received</b>				
DFC	-	110,969	110,969	103,898
PHA	-	161,031	161,031	172,243
V.S.S.	-	134,113	134,113	126,438
Sundry income	-	12,442	12,442	21,806
BHSCT	-	19,837	19,837	30,154
Upper Springfield Development Trust	-	7,191	7,191	10,226
SRRP	-	17,850	17,850	15,000
BCC	-	42,488	42,488	12,379
Community Foundation	-	52,425	52,425	-
Holy Trinity	-	40,825	40,825	37,950
NIHE	-	-	-	5,000
Henry Smith	-	38,400	38,400	38,000
Dormant Fund	-	33,332	33,332	33,332
Kathleen Graham Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
Community Fund Grant	-	6,000	6,000	-
Falls Womens Centre	-	-	-	1,112
Halifax Foundation	-	-	-	3,500
	-	<u>681,903</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>611,038</u>

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	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>				
Wages and salaries	-	290,478	290,478	346,248
Staff training	-	3,825	3,825	2,731
Rent and utilities	-	26,780	26,780	30,629
Insurance	-	9,372	9,372	6,075
Repairs and maintenance	-	462	462	2,015
Stationary, postage, telephone and equipment	-	23,015	23,015	31,243
Community magazine	-	9,404	9,404	8,352
Programme costs	-	85,401	85,401	67,931
Audit	-	1,753	1,753	1,633
Bank charges	-	1,083	1,083	1,110
General expenses	-	2,942	2,942	1,295
Donations	-	3,000	3,000	1,800
Depreciation	-	2,389	2,389	2,986
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048

**5. Taxation**

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The Company is a registered charity .

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	<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>		
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 April 2023	26,877	26,877
At 31 March 2024	<u>26,877</u>	<u>26,877</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 April 2023	14,931	14,931
Charge for the year	2,389	2,389
At 31 March 2024	<u>17,320</u>	<u>17,320</u>
<b>Net book values</b>		
At 31 March 2024	<u>9,557</u>	<u>9,557</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>11,946</u>	<u>11,946</u>
<b>7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
<b>8. Statement of funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve account</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2023</b>	231,561	231,561
Total income for the year	681,903	681,903
Total expenditure for the year	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>
<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>

The general reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

The restricted reserve funds represent the funds held by the charity that have restrictions on use.

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<b>9. Analysis of net assets between funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve fund £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2024</b>		
<b>represented by:</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	9,557	9,557
Current assets	445,503	445,503
Current liabilities	(1,500)	(1,500)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 101877

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# Annual report

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**Registration number NI605096**

**Lenadoon Community Forum  
Company limited by guarantee**

**Annual' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019"

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: Lenadoon Community Forum

Charity Registration number: XR60513

Company Registration number: NI 605096

Registered Office: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Business Address: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

#### **Directors**

Michael Doherty (Chairperson)

Tim Smith (Vice Chairperson)

Deirdre McKearney (Secretary)

Paul Niblock (Treasurer)

Glen Philips (Director)

#### **Auditors**

McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD, 1 Lanyon Quay, Belfast, BT1 3LG

#### **Bankers**

First Trust Bank Ltd, University Road, Belfast

Bank of Ireland, 202 Andersonstown Rd, Belfast

**Lenadoon Community Forum**  
**Directors' Report**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 November 2010 and was registered as a charity in 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

**Recruitment and Appointment of Directors**

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as Directors on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

**Directors Induction and Training**

The Directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

**Organisational Structure**

At present Lenadoon Community Forum has 5 Directors who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the Strategic Development Co-ordinator and Project Co-ordinators.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Lenadoon Community Forum will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The past twelve months saw an increase in the number of referrals to the Forum's Community Counselling Service. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in our waiting list. Following the restructuring of the Service, delivery is more efficient. Funding from the Dormant Accounts Fund, Henry Smith, City Council, BHSCT, PHA and V.S.S. has ensured we are able to respond to the need. Unfortunately, the Mental Health Fund Grant came to an end and Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts are due to end in 2025.

The Forum Staff team provided invaluable assistance to the Member Groups of the Forum who requested it. Our Training for Employment Project delivered accredited courses and qualifications to individuals. We were only able to offer a greatly reduced number of classes. Funding from these classes came from SRRP, NIHE and B.C.C. We were glad to secure funding from the City Council which will ensure classes for three years. The Capacity Grant has been invaluable.

Our Community Counselling Project delivered over 5,000 individual counselling sessions to individuals referred to the Service. We continued to deliver on Service Level Agreements from PHA, BHSCT and V.S.S. Our Self Harm Intervention Programme saw an increase in referrals and sessions offered to clients. We were successful in our Tender to B.H.S.C.T. for the Talking Therapies Hub, however the level of funding from the Trust was reduced again as a result of the Tender. This was despite our over delivery on their Contract. We have concerns in relation to our Contracts with BHSCT for the Hub referrals as this funding continues to decrease. We are also in discussions with CWA Members about our future involvement in the SHIP Contract. SHIP is going out to Tender and along with our CWA partners we will submit a Tender Bid.

The Development Team oversaw a number of local New Build Developments and planned Programmes of Improvement Work. They also handled scores of housing and environmental complaints and queries. The staff organised and facilitated bi-monthly meetings of LCFs Member Groups in the Glen Community Complex and also the Lenadoon Housing, Environmental and Community Safety Network Meetings which were held in SRRP. Meetings were organised and facilitated by the Development team for local residents and community groups around proposed Housing and Environmental Schemes and Initiatives in the Glen Complex. Work eventually commenced on a new Housing Development on the Old Scrapyrd Site on the Suffolk Road. The demolition of the flats at Corrib Avenue was concluded and we await the construction of new homes. We also facilitated meetings of the Cross Sectoral Woodbourne Working Group and hope that work will commence on the Site in late 2024 or early 2025.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors of Lenadoon Community Forum met on a bi-monthly basis to oversee the implementation and delivery of the Forum's strategic priorities. The Directors are indebted to our funders and in particular Department for Communities, SRRP, PHA, BHSCT, City Council, V.S.S, Henry Smith and Halifax Foundation. The Trading Surplus from SRRP enabled us to keep the Training and Education Courses going, donations to Member Groups and ensured that local residents received a free copy of our Community Magazine every quarter. A word of acknowledgement to our Member Groups whose volunteers worked over the past 12 months to improve the quality of life for local people. With Capacity Grant Funding secured from Belfast City Council, we began the consulting and developing of a strategic 5 year "Lenadoon Peoples Plan", (Making Life Better in Lenadoon).

#### **Financial Review**

Due to the huge demand for our Services the Forum has had to meet additional and increasing costs. The Forum's Directors and Project Co-ordinators will meet in the incoming year to address this issue. We are concerned about the Forums financial position after March 2025.

#### **Principal Funding Sources**

The principal sources of funding were DFC, PHA, BCC, SRRP, BHSCT, V.S.S., Dormant Accounts and the Henry Smith Charitable Trust.

#### **Investment policy**

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment. We will require these in the financial year 2025/26 as our funding from Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts comes to an end.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Directors retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

#### **Volunteers**

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

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**Directors' Report  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Statement of Directors' Responsibilities**

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

**Auditors**

The auditors are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

This report was approved by the Board on 2nd October 2024

Michael Doherty  
Director ..... *M. Doherty*

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

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In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
**1 Lanyon Quay**  
**BELFAST**  
**BT1 3LG**

**Chartered Accountants**

**2nd October 2024**



## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Income from:	Notes	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities	3	-	681,903	681,903	611,038
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>611,038</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	4	-	(459,904)	(459,904)	(504,048)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(504,048)</u>
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>124,571</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>231,561</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		9,557		11,946
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		445,503		221,115	
		445,503		221,115	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	(1,500)		(1,500)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			444,003		219,615
<b>Net assets</b>			453,560		231,561
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Restricted funds	8		453,560		231,561
<b>Total funds</b>			453,560		231,561

The financial statements were approved by the Directors on 2 October 2024 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by

*M. Doherty*  
**Michael Doherty**  
 Director

**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

**Cash flow statement  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>		
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	221,999	106,990
Depreciation	2,389	2,986
Increase in creditors	-	(14,999)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Cash flow statement</b>		
 <b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	224,388	94,977
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2023</b>	<u>221,115</u>	<u>126,138</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>445,503</u>	<u>221,115</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Company information

Lenadoon Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE.

##### 1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

##### 1.2. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.3. 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.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Investment income is recognised once the income has been declared and notified to bank accounts.

##### 1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% reducing balance
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## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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At each reporting period end date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Society estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit and loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

#### **1.5. Cash at bank and in hand**

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.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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#### 1.6. 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 the 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.

##### **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.

##### **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.

#### 1.7. Equity instruments

##### **Income recognition**

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Company.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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#### 1.8. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit and loss in the period it arises.

#### 1.9. Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

#### 1.10. Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

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 company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

## 2. Employees

(including the Directors) during the year were:

Employment costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>290,478</u>	<u>346,248</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2024.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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	<b>Unrestricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
<b>3. Total income received</b>				
DFC	-	110,969	110,969	103,898
PHA	-	161,031	161,031	172,243
V.S.S.	-	134,113	134,113	126,438
Sundry income	-	12,442	12,442	21,806
BHSCT	-	19,837	19,837	30,154
Upper Springfield Development Trust	-	7,191	7,191	10,226
SRRP	-	17,850	17,850	15,000
BCC	-	42,488	42,488	12,379
Community Foundation	-	52,425	52,425	-
Holy Trinity	-	40,825	40,825	37,950
NIHE	-	-	-	5,000
Henry Smith	-	38,400	38,400	38,000
Dormant Fund	-	33,332	33,332	33,332
Kathleen Graham Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
Community Fund Grant	-	6,000	6,000	-
Falls Womens Centre	-	-	-	1,112
Halifax Foundation	-	-	-	3,500
	-	681,903	681,903	611,038

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>				
Wages and salaries	-	290,478	290,478	346,248
Staff training	-	3,825	3,825	2,731
Rent and utilities	-	26,780	26,780	30,629
Insurance	-	9,372	9,372	6,075
Repairs and maintenance	-	462	462	2,015
Stationary, postage, telephone and equipment	-	23,015	23,015	31,243
Community magazine	-	9,404	9,404	8,352
Programme costs	-	85,401	85,401	67,931
Audit	-	1,753	1,753	1,633
Bank charges	-	1,083	1,083	1,110
General expenses	-	2,942	2,942	1,295
Donations	-	3,000	3,000	1,800
Depreciation	-	2,389	2,389	2,986
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048

**5. Taxation**

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The Company is a registered charity .

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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	<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>		
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 April 2023	26,877	26,877
At 31 March 2024	<u>26,877</u>	<u>26,877</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 April 2023	14,931	14,931
Charge for the year	2,389	2,389
At 31 March 2024	<u>17,320</u>	<u>17,320</u>
<b>Net book values</b>		
At 31 March 2024	<u>9,557</u>	<u>9,557</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>11,946</u>	<u>11,946</u>
<b>7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
<b>8. Statement of funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve account</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2023</b>	231,561	231,561
Total income for the year	681,903	681,903
Total expenditure for the year	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>
<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>

The general reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

The restricted reserve funds represent the funds held by the charity that have restrictions on use.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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<b>9. Analysis of net assets between funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve fund £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2024</b>		
<b>represented by:</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	9,557	9,557
Current assets	445,503	445,503
Current liabilities	(1,500)	(1,500)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>

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**Lenadoon Community Forum**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101877

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# Annual return

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**Registration number NI605096**

**Lenadoon Community Forum  
Company limited by guarantee**

**Annual' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019"

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: Lenadoon Community Forum

Charity Registration number: XR60513

Company Registration number: NI 605096

Registered Office: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Business Address: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

#### **Directors**

Michael Doherty (Chairperson)

Tim Smith (Vice Chairperson)

Deirdre McKearney (Secretary)

Paul Niblock (Treasurer)

Glen Philips (Director)

#### **Auditors**

McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD, 1 Lanyon Quay, Belfast, BT1 3LG

#### **Bankers**

First Trust Bank Ltd, University Road, Belfast

Bank of Ireland, 202 Andersonstown Rd, Belfast

**Lenadoon Community Forum**  
**Directors' Report**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 November 2010 and was registered as a charity in 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

**Recruitment and Appointment of Directors**

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as Directors on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

**Directors Induction and Training**

The Directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

**Organisational Structure**

At present Lenadoon Community Forum has 5 Directors who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the Strategic Development Co-ordinator and Project Co-ordinators.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Lenadoon Community Forum will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The past twelve months saw an increase in the number of referrals to the Forum's Community Counselling Service. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in our waiting list. Following the restructuring of the Service, delivery is more efficient. Funding from the Dormant Accounts Fund, Henry Smith, City Council, BHSCT, PHA and V.S.S. has ensured we are able to respond to the need. Unfortunately, the Mental Health Fund Grant came to an end and Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts are due to end in 2025.

The Forum Staff team provided invaluable assistance to the Member Groups of the Forum who requested it. Our Training for Employment Project delivered accredited courses and qualifications to individuals. We were only able to offer a greatly reduced number of classes. Funding from these classes came from SRRP, NIHE and B.C.C. We were glad to secure funding from the City Council which will ensure classes for three years. The Capacity Grant has been invaluable.

Our Community Counselling Project delivered over 5,000 individual counselling sessions to individuals referred to the Service. We continued to deliver on Service Level Agreements from PHA, BHSCT and V.S.S. Our Self Harm Intervention Programme saw an increase in referrals and sessions offered to clients. We were successful in our Tender to B.H.S.C.T. for the Talking Therapies Hub, however the level of funding from the Trust was reduced again as a result of the Tender. This was despite our over delivery on their Contract. We have concerns in relation to our Contracts with BHSCT for the Hub referrals as this funding continues to decrease. We are also in discussions with CWA Members about our future involvement in the SHIP Contract. SHIP is going out to Tender and along with our CWA partners we will submit a Tender Bid.

The Development Team oversaw a number of local New Build Developments and planned Programmes of Improvement Work. They also handled scores of housing and environmental complaints and queries. The staff organised and facilitated bi-monthly meetings of LCFs Member Groups in the Glen Community Complex and also the Lenadoon Housing, Environmental and Community Safety Network Meetings which were held in SRRP. Meetings were organised and facilitated by the Development team for local residents and community groups around proposed Housing and Environmental Schemes and Initiatives in the Glen Complex. Work eventually commenced on a new Housing Development on the Old Scrapyard Site on the Suffolk Road. The demolition of the flats at Corrib Avenue was concluded and we await the construction of new homes. We also facilitated meetings of the Cross Sectoral Woodbourne Working Group and hope that work will commence on the Site in late 2024 or early 2025.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Directors of Lenadoon Community Forum met on a bi-monthly basis to oversee the implementation and delivery of the Forum's strategic priorities. The Directors are indebted to our funders and in particular Department for Communities, SRRP, PHA, BHSCT, City Council, V.S.S, Henry Smith and Halifax Foundation. The Trading Surplus from SRRP enabled us to keep the Training and Education Courses going, donations to Member Groups and ensured that local residents received a free copy of our Community Magazine every quarter. A word of acknowledgement to our Member Groups whose volunteers worked over the past 12 months to improve the quality of life for local people. With Capacity Grant Funding secured from Belfast City Council, we began the consulting and developing of a strategic 5 year "Lenadoon Peoples Plan", (Making Life Better in Lenadoon).

#### **Financial Review**

Due to the huge demand for our Services the Forum has had to meet additional and increasing costs. The Forum's Directors and Project Co-ordinators will meet in the incoming year to address this issue. We are concerned about the Forums financial position after March 2025.

#### **Principal Funding Sources**

The principal sources of funding were DFC, PHA, BCC, SRRP, BHSCT, V.S.S., Dormant Accounts and the Henry Smith Charitable Trust.

#### **Investment policy**

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment. We will require these in the financial year 2025/26 as our funding from Henry Smith and Dormant Accounts comes to an end.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Directors retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

#### **Volunteers**

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

**Directors' Report  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Statement of Directors' Responsibilities**

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

**Auditors**

The auditors are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

This report was approved by the Board on 2nd October 2024

Michael Doherty  
Director ..... *M. Doherty*

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

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In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
**1 Lanyon Quay**  
**BELFAST**  
**BT1 3LG**

**Chartered Accountants**

**2nd October 2024**



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### Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Income from:	Notes	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities	3	-	681,903	681,903	611,038
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>681,903</u>	<u>611,038</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	4	-	(459,904)	(459,904)	(504,048)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(459,904)</u>	<u>(504,048)</u>
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>221,999</u>	<u>106,990</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>-</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>124,571</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>231,561</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		9,557		11,946
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		445,503		221,115	
		445,503		221,115	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	(1,500)		(1,500)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			444,003		219,615
<b>Net assets</b>			453,560		231,561
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Restricted funds	8		453,560		231,561
<b>Total funds</b>			453,560		231,561

The financial statements were approved by the Directors on 2 October 2024 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by

*M. Doherty*  
**Michael Doherty**  
 Director

**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

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**Cash flow statement  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>		
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	221,999	106,990
Depreciation	2,389	2,986
Increase in creditors	-	(14,999)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Cash flow statement</b>		
 <b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<u>224,388</u>	<u>94,977</u>
 <b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>		
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	224,388	94,977
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2023</b>	<u>221,115</u>	<u>126,138</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>445,503</u>	<u>221,115</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Company information

Lenadoon Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE.

##### 1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

##### 1.2. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.3. 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.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Investment income is recognised once the income has been declared and notified to bank accounts.

##### 1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% reducing balance
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At each reporting period end date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Society estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit and loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

**1.5. Cash at bank and in hand**

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.

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

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#### 1.6. 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 the 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.

##### **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.

##### **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.

#### 1.7. Equity instruments

##### **Income recognition**

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Company.

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

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#### 1.8. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit and loss in the period it arises.

#### 1.9. Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

#### 1.10. Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

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 company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

## 2. Employees

(including the Directors) during the year were:

Employment costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>290,478</u>	<u>346,248</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2024.

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**Notes to the financial statements  
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	<b>Unrestricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
<b>3. Total income received</b>				
DFC	-	110,969	110,969	103,898
PHA	-	161,031	161,031	172,243
V.S.S.	-	134,113	134,113	126,438
Sundry income	-	12,442	12,442	21,806
BHSCT	-	19,837	19,837	30,154
Upper Springfield Development Trust	-	7,191	7,191	10,226
SRRP	-	17,850	17,850	15,000
BCC	-	42,488	42,488	12,379
Community Foundation	-	52,425	52,425	-
Holy Trinity	-	40,825	40,825	37,950
NIHE	-	-	-	5,000
Henry Smith	-	38,400	38,400	38,000
Dormant Fund	-	33,332	33,332	33,332
Kathleen Graham Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
Community Fund Grant	-	6,000	6,000	-
Falls Womens Centre	-	-	-	1,112
Halifax Foundation	-	-	-	3,500
	-	681,903	681,903	611,038

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	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>				
Wages and salaries	-	290,478	290,478	346,248
Staff training	-	3,825	3,825	2,731
Rent and utilities	-	26,780	26,780	30,629
Insurance	-	9,372	9,372	6,075
Repairs and maintenance	-	462	462	2,015
Stationary, postage, telephone and equipment	-	23,015	23,015	31,243
Community magazine	-	9,404	9,404	8,352
Programme costs	-	85,401	85,401	67,931
Audit	-	1,753	1,753	1,633
Bank charges	-	1,083	1,083	1,110
General expenses	-	2,942	2,942	1,295
Donations	-	3,000	3,000	1,800
Depreciation	-	2,389	2,389	2,986
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048
	-	459,904	459,904	504,048

**5. Taxation**

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The Company is a registered charity .

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		<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>		
	<b>Cost</b>		
	At 1 April 2023	26,877	26,877
	At 31 March 2024	26,877	26,877
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
	At 1 April 2023	14,931	14,931
	Charge for the year	2,389	2,389
	At 31 March 2024	17,320	17,320
	<b>Net book values</b>		
	At 31 March 2024	9,557	9,557
	At 31 March 2023	11,946	11,946
<b>7.</b>	<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
	Accruals and deferred income	1,500	1,500
		1,500	1,500
<b>8.</b>	<b>Statement of funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve account £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
	<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2023</b>	231,561	231,561
	Total income for the year	681,903	681,903
	Total expenditure for the year	(459,904)	(459,904)
	<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2024</b>	453,560	453,560

The general reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

The restricted reserve funds represent the funds held by the charity that have restrictions on use.

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<b>9. Analysis of net assets between funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve fund £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2024</b>		
<b>represented by:</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	9,557	9,557
Current assets	445,503	445,503
Current liabilities	(1,500)	(1,500)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>453,560</u>	<u>453,560</u>

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**Lenadoon Community Forum**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101877

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# Accounts

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**Registration number NI605096**

**Lenadoon Community Forum  
Company limited by guarantee**

**Annual' report and financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2023**

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023**

The Directors present their report with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019"

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: Lenadoon Community Forum

Charity Registration number: XR60513

Company Registration number: NI 605096

Registered Office: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

Business Address: Glen Community Complex, 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE

#### **Directors**

Tim Smith (Chairperson)

Michael Doherty (Vice Chairperson)

Deirdre McKearney (Secretary)

Paul Niblock (Treasurer)

Glen Philips (Director)

#### **Auditors**

McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD, 1 Lanyon Quay, Belfast, BT1 3LG

#### **Bankers**

First Trust Bank Ltd, University Road, Belfast

Bank of Ireland, 202 Andersonstown Rd, Belfast

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023**

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Governing Document**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 November 2010 and was registered as a charity in 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

##### **Recruitment and Appointment of Directors**

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and are eligible for re-election.

Individuals are invited to serve as Directors on the basis of their abilities and background so as to achieve a balance between those from the business, voluntary and charity sectors.

##### **Directors Induction and Training**

The Directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

##### **Organisational Structure**

At present Lenadoon Community Forum has 5 Directors who meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the Strategic Development Co-ordinator and Project Co-ordinators.

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### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The Lenadoon Community Forum will work towards creating a stable, secure, confident community in Lenadoon. The objective of the company shall be to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Lenadoon estate and its neighbourhood by associating together with said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to provide or secure the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities for all sections of the community i.e. youth, elderly people with special needs or who are disabled, women, men, children, the unemployed and other disadvantaged groups within the area in the interest of social welfare.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

The past twelve months saw an increase in the number of referrals to the Forum's Community Counselling Project. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in our waiting list. Following the restructuring of the Service, delivery is more efficient. Funding from the Dormant Accounts Fund, the Mental Health Fund, Henry Smith, Halifax, City Council, BHSCT, PHA and V.S.S. has ensured we are able to respond to the need.

The Forum Staff team provided invaluable assistance to the Member Groups of the Forum who requested it. Our Training for Employment Project delivered accredited courses and qualifications to individuals. We were only able to offer a greatly reduced number of classes. Funding from these classes came from SRRP, NIHE and B.C.C. We were glad to secure funding from the City Council which will ensure classes for three years.

Our Community Counselling Project delivered over 5,000 individual counselling sessions to individuals referred to the Project. We continued to deliver on Service Level Agreements from PHA, BHSCT and V.S.S. We restructured the Weekend Intervention Service, and this resulted in additional clients being seen on Saturdays and Sundays. Our Self Harm Intervention Programme saw an increase in referrals and sessions offered to clients. We were successful in our Tender to B.H.S.C.T. for the Talking Therapies Hub, however the level of funding from the Trust was reduced again as a result of the Tender. This was despite our over delivery on their Contract. We have concerns in relation to our Contracts with BHSCT for the Hub referrals as this funding has decreased dramatically this past three years. We are also in discussions with CWA Members about our future involvement in the SHIP Contract. We lost several long standing members of staff at Lenadoon Counselling, Insecurity of funding means we can't offer contracts for any longer than 12 Months and staff are moving to jobs that can guarantee longer term contracts.

The Development Team oversaw a number of local New Build Developments and planned Programmes of Improvement Work. They also handled scores of housing and environmental complaints and queries. The staff organised and facilitated bi-monthly meetings of LCFs Member Groups in the Glen Community Complex and also the Lenadoon Housing, Environmental and Community Safety Network Meetings which were held in the Complex also. Meetings were organised and facilitated by the Development team for local residents and community groups around proposed Housing and Environmental Schemes and Initiatives in the Glen Complex. Work eventually commenced on a new Housing Development on the Old Scrapyard Site on the Suffolk Road. The demolition of the flats at Corrib Avenue also started and we await the construction of new homes. We also facilitated meetings of the Cross Sectoral Woodbourne Working Group and hope that work will commence on the Site in 2024.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023**

The Directors of Lenadoon Community Forum met on a bi-monthly basis to oversee the implementation and delivery of the Forum's strategic priorities. The Directors are indebted to our funders and in particular Department for Communities, SRRP, PHA, BHSCT, City Council, V.S.S, CFNI, Henry Smith and Halifax Foundation. The Trading Surplus from SRRP enabled us to keep the Training and Education Courses going, donations to Member Groups and ensured that local residents received a free copy of our Community Magazine every quarter. A word of acknowledgement to our Member Groups whose volunteers worked over the past 12 months to improve the quality of life for local people. With Capacity Grant Funding secured from Belfast City Council, we look forward to consulting and developing a strategic 5 year "Lenadoon Peoples Plan" over the next 18 months.

#### **Financial Review**

Due to the huge demand for our Services the Forum has had to meet additional and increasing costs. The Forum's Directors and Project Co-ordinators will meet in the incoming year to address this issue.

#### **Principal Funding Sources**

The principal sources of funding were DFC, PHA, BCC, SRRP, BHSCT, V.S.S., Dormant Accounts, Mental Health Fund, Henry Smith Charitable Trust and Halifax Foundation.

#### **Investment policy**

Any surplus funds are transferred into short term savings accounts for investment.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Directors retain funds in the charity in order to provide sufficient working capital to facilitate the ongoing activities. The target for unrestricted fund reserves is six months support costs.

#### **Volunteers**

The charity is appreciative of the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision.

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### Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

#### Auditors

The auditors are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

This report was approved by the Board on 20th September 2023

Michael Doherty  
Director ..... *M Doherty* .....

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

### **Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued**

#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
**1 Lanyon Quay**  
**BELFAST**  
**BT1 3LG**

**Chartered Accountants**

**20th September 2023**



## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31 March 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2023	2023	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>Notes</b>				
Charitable activities	3	-	611,038	611,038	567,320
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		-	611,038	611,038	567,320
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	4	-	(504,048)	(504,048)	(492,807)
<b>Total resources expended</b>		-	(504,048)	(504,048)	(492,807)
<b>Net income before transfers</b>		-	106,990	106,990	74,513
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		-	106,990	106,990	74,513
Fund balances brought forward		-	124,571	124,571	50,058
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>		-	231,561	231,561	124,571

All of the above results are derived from continuing gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.


**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

**Balance sheet  
as at 31 March 2023**

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		11,946		14,933
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		221,115		126,138	
		<u>221,115</u>		<u>126,138</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	<u>(1,500)</u>		<u>(16,500)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>219,615</u>		<u>109,638</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>231,561</u>		<u>124,571</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Restricted funds	8		<u>231,561</u>		<u>124,571</u>
<b>Total funds</b>			<u>231,561</u>		<u>124,571</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Directors on 20 September 2023 and signed and approved for issue on its behalf by

  
**Michael Doherty**  
Director

**The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these financial statements.**

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	106,990	74,513
Depreciation	2,987	3,733
(Decrease) in creditors	(15,000)	15,000
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>94,977</u>	<u>93,246</u>
<b>Cash flow statement</b>		
Net cash inflow from operating activities	94,977	93,246
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	-	(16,020)
<b>Increase in cash in the year</b>	<u>94,977</u>	<u>77,226</u>
<b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</b>		
Increase in cash in the year	94,977	77,226
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2022	126,138	48,912
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2023</b>	<u>221,115</u>	<u>126,138</u>

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Company information

Lenadoon Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 41c Suffolk Road, Belfast, BT11 9PE.

##### 1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 published in October 2019". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

##### 1.2. Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.3. 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.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Investment income is recognised once the income has been declared and notified to bank accounts.

##### 1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% reducing balance
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## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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At each reporting period end date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Society estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit and loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

#### **1.5. Cash at bank and in hand**

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.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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#### 1.6. 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 the 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.

##### **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.

##### **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.

#### 1.7. Equity instruments

##### **Income recognition**

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the Company.

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

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**1.8. Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit and loss in the period it arises.

**1.9. Government grants**

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

**1.10. Employee benefits**

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

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 company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

**2. Employees**

(including the Directors) during the year were:

<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	346,248	341,140

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the two years ended 31 March 2023.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>3. Total income received</b>				
DFC	-	103,898	103,898	107,740
PHA	-	172,243	172,243	152,850
V.S.S.	-	126,438	126,438	118,648
Sundry income	-	21,806	21,806	28,526
BHSCT	-	30,154	30,154	46,652
Upper Springfield Development Trust	-	10,226	10,226	13,022
SRRP	-	15,000	15,000	14,500
BCC	-	12,379	12,379	6,457
Community Foundation	-	-	-	49,425
Holy Trinity	-	37,950	37,950	29,500
NIHE	-	5,000	5,000	-
Henry Smith	-	38,000	38,000	-
Dormant Fund	-	33,332	33,332	-
Falls Womens Centre	-	1,112	1,112	-
Halifax Foundation	-	3,500	3,500	-
	-	611,038	611,038	567,320
	-	611,038	611,038	567,320

## Lenadoon Community Forum

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

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	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>4. Total resources expended</b>				
Wages and salaries	-	346,248	346,248	341,140
Staff training	-	2,731	2,731	660
Rent and utilities	-	30,629	30,629	33,607
Insurance	-	6,075	6,075	6,356
Repairs and maintenance	-	2,015	2,015	2,251
Stationary, postage, telephone and equipment	-	31,243	31,243	15,424
Community magazine	-	8,352	8,352	7,588
Programme costs	-	67,931	67,931	71,551
Audit	-	1,633	1,633	1,513
Bank charges	-	1,110	1,110	1,117
Amounts returned to funder	-	-	-	3,930
General expenses	-	1,295	1,295	1,537
Donations	-	1,800	1,800	2,400
Depreciation	-	2,986	2,986	3,733
	-	504,048	504,048	492,807
	-	504,048	504,048	492,807

#### 5. Taxation

No liability to UK corporation tax arises on ordinary activities for the year. The Company is a registered charity .

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>		
At 1 April 2022	26,877	26,877
At 31 March 2023	<u>26,877</u>	<u>26,877</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1 April 2022	11,945	11,945
Charge for the year	2,986	2,986
At 31 March 2023	<u>14,931</u>	<u>14,931</u>
<b>Net book values</b>		
At 31 March 2023	<u>11,946</u>	<u>11,946</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>14,932</u>	<u>14,932</u>
<b>7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Loans	-	15,000
Accruals and deferred income	1,500	1,500
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>16,500</u>
<b>8. Statement of funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve account £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Total reserves at 1 April 2022</b>	124,571	124,571
Total income for the year	611,038	611,038
Total expenditure for the year	(504,048)	(504,048)
<b>Total reserves at 31 March 2023</b>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>231,561</u>

The general reserve represents the free funds of the charity which are not designated for particular purposes.

The restricted reserve funds represent the funds held by the charity that have restrictions on use.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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

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<b>9. Analysis of net assets between funds</b>	<b>Restricted reserve fund £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Fund Balances at 31 March 2023</b>		
<b>represented by:</b>		
Tangible fixed assets	11,946	11,946
Current assets	221,115	221,115
Current liabilities	(1,500)	(1,500)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>231,561</u>	<u>231,561</u>

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**Lenadoon Community Forum**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101877

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# Annual report

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## **Lenadoon Community Forum Annual Report to AGM**

**1<sup>st</sup> November 2023**

**Present;** Eamon Clarke (Mid-Lenadoon Residents). Michael Doherty (Lenadoon Cultural Group), Tim Smith (Lenadoon Festival Committee), Lorna Lundy (Lenadoon Women's Group) Frank Goodman, Gerry Caldwell, Joseph Jordan, (Black-Mountain Older Men's Group), Glen Phillips (Gaeil an Ghleanna), Deirdre Mc Kearney (Sarsfields GAC) Anto Fox, Neilly McDonnell. Melissa Meli (Carrigart Youth Group), Tommy O' Reilly (Belfast City Council) Brenda Richards, Jean McAnulty (Dep't for Communities). Cathy Megahey (St Oliver Plunkett Parish), Lisa Stitt (NIHE), Sean McKeown, (HML Mens Shed)

**Apologies;** Fionnuala Totten (Focus Group), Teresa Hyland Bernadene Donnelly, (Tuesday Club), Declan O'Reilly (Cairde Hillhead), Paul Niblock (Glen Parent and Youth Group), Seoirse Caldwell (Belfast City Council), Aidso Mulholland (Cairde Carrigart).

**In-Attendance;** Renee Crawford, Sharon McCullough, Paddy O'Donnell, Courtney McCloskey, Kate Scullion (Lenadoon Community Forum)

Tim welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out apologies from those people that were unable to attend. Tim offered the Forums condolences to the family and friends of Forum Member Groups who had passed away this last year. Tim informed everyone that three sets of the Annual Accounts were being passed around and that everyone should look over them and ask questions at the Treasurers Report.

Tim went through the minutes and matters from the previous year's AGM and then invited a proposer and a seconder for these.

These were proposed by Michael Doherty and seconded by Neilly McDonnell.

**Tim then invited Sharon McCullough to present the report for the Lenadoon Community Education & Training Project**

### **Lenadoon Community Education & Training Project Annual Report**

#### **Sharon presented the Annual Report for the LCF Education & Training Project**

Following on from the very successful delivery of ICDL Level 1 & 2 and Computer and Online Basics, 29 of our students recently completed the Accredited Training. These courses were only made possible through funding from the Department for Communities and NIHE we are now pleased to

say that we have been successful in securing funding from the Belfast City Council, through the Capacity Grant.

**COMPUTER & ONLINE BASICS FOR BEGINNERS (Just Completed) (10 Participants)**

**ICDL LEVEL 1 Commencing 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**ICDL LEVEL 2 Ongoing (11 Participants)**

We were also very fortunate to secure funding from Department for Communities for a brand-new state of the art IT Suite with 14 PCs. The new PCs are a very welcome addition for our beneficiaries. These new PC's have all the most up to date software and hardware to enhance our beneficiaries learning experience.

Our Audit with audit from the British Computer Society is due at end of November this year. This is an annual audit carried out by the BCS to ensure that our delivery of courses is up to the standard of the Awarding Bodies.

This locally based programme has been very successful in providing community education and training programmes, both in vocational and non-vocational. The results from our feedback questionnaires to students continue to demonstrate a need for a Training for Employment Programme within the area. All of our courses are geared towards employability.

**Looking Forward:**

The challenge for the Lenadoon Community Forum now is to ensure that we continue to access funding opportunities to keep this much needed Project alive. We are anticipating that the "Making Life Better in Lenadoon Survey is going to show the need for this invaluable Project. It is paramount that we continue to run Lenadoon Training for Employment Programme for the people of the Lenadoon Neighbourhood and surrounding areas.

The Priority for this Project is to source funding to sustain the Project. With the pandemic over there have been many job losses and people will be looking to upskill. The perfect opportunity to do this is in their own community with the support services of childcare, locality etc.

**Lenadoon Community Counselling Annual Report**

**01 November 2023 (For the period April 2022 to end March 2023)**

**Kate Scullion presented the Counselling Services annual report .**

**OVERVIEW**

It has been another very successful year for Lenadoon Community Counselling with many from the local area as well as others across West Belfast and beyond having benefitted from our professional counselling service. Clients were referred or self- referred to our service with a range of presenting issues including anxiety, depression, stress, suicide ideation, anger management, bereavement, abuse, addiction and personal/family relationships.

We have seen an increase in the complexities of the issues our client base present with as those who have been impacted by the conflict, the Covid pandemic and the ongoing financial crisis and lack of access to appropriate /relevant healthcare, become overwhelmed.

We are here to support those who are struggling with life, those who are in crisis, vulnerable, lacking hope and support, those who have mental health issues and those who have thoughts of suicide and consider this as the answer to their problems and difficulties. In the face of all of the adversities our community have faced in the past and also in relation to those they continue to face at present, Lenadoon Counselling aim to continue to offer a professional service free at the point of contact within the community.

## **PEOPLES PLAN**

For the past few years, service users, counsellors, support workers and staff have been reporting a number of concerns about the additional needs and complexities of people within the community that create increasing hardships and obstacles to accessing and engaging in meaningful support. Things like lack of access to basic healthcare from G.Ps. Financial difficulties including benefit and debt concerns. Addiction and housing issues. People are struggling to meet daily costs of food and utility bills. Lenadoon Counselling Service as part of Lenadoon Community Forum have commenced an extensive consultation process within the local area which will culminate in a 5year Peoples Plan. The intention is to engage with around 1000 individuals and families to encourage them to have their say and offer the opportunity to feedback what they believe should be focused and prioritised in order to help improve the lives of those living and working within the area.

## **FUNDING**

The counselling service have a number of ongoing contracts (listed below) that support our ability to deliver a consistent service in the local area and beyond. Both additional streams of the Henry Smith Foundation and C.F.N.I. have eased pressure on our ability to continue to meet the needs of our client base and also supported the services ability to create a new staffing structure within the organisation that has supported our own Finance and monitoring Officer. This post has been essential in creating and maintaining sound financial management of the various funding streams we now work alongside. However, it is important to emphasise moving forward that we are not immune to the financial crisis and have been impacted by rising costs and money saving efforts from funders. This year we faced a further reduction in our Talking Therapies contract resulting in approximately half of our original funding removed and as a result of the VSS restructuring as of March 2024 we will no longer be funded by them for our VSS support worker. There are ongoing efforts to try to access funding elsewhere so as we do not want to lose what has been evidenced to be a vital support that has been very well utilised within this community.

### **Our current funding streams include;**

The Lottery Dormant Accounts Fund C.F.N.I. Mental health Fund, Henry Smith Foundation, Belfast City Council, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Public Health Agency (PHA), Belfast Trust (BHSC), Victims and Survivors (V.S.S.)

Counselling services today face many challenges none greater than financial sustainability. Lenadoon Community Counselling has over the past year been primarily funded by the Public Health Agency (PHA), Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (BHSCT) and Victims and Survivors Service (VSS). The PHA fund our main counselling contract for residents of West Belfast and BT17. It also funds the Weekend Crisis Intervention Service as well as the Self-Harm Intervention Programme (SHIP) which we deliver as part of consortium across Belfast. BHSCT are the funders for two Hub contracts (one delivered directly by Lenadoon and the other delivered as part of a consortium). VSS provides funding that is specifically to help and support those who been impacted by the Conflict/Troubles.

## **COUNSELLING SERVICE STAFF**

Full-time Coordinator, Full time Finance and monitoring Officer, Full-time Clinical Lead Full-time Counsellor/Part-time Counsellors, 1 Health and Wellbeing VSS Caseworker, 2 Part-time Administrators, 9 Sessional Counsellors and Volunteer/2 Student Counsellors.

## **BACP ACCREDITATION**

We have recently submitted our completed application to BACP for service accreditation. This is widely viewed as the professional Kite mark of high professional standards within the counselling and therapeutic world. The process itself has been very time consuming and laborious, however we are confident that our application will be successful.

## **COVID IMPACT**

Covid created a huge challenge for the counselling service. We remained open throughout the pandemic and continued to support our clients via telephone sessions. This presented us with huge challenges at times as the pandemic impacted on both clients and counsellors and their families. The dedication and commitment of all of our staff and sessional counsellors should be recognised in our ability to achieve this.

As a result of the positive uptake and engagement we have continued to offer telephone sessions to clients who may benefit from this. We have recognised the difference it has made for people's ability to engage when accessibility issues of a wide and varied nature may prevent them attending f2f sessions.

We feel this approach has prepared us moving into the winter months to be able to manage the challenges any future Covid threats may present.

## **PARTNERHIP**

We continue to engage with all of our community and statutory partners in highlighting the challenges faced in Mental Health and the community sector in meeting the needs of our community. Through CWA we are working on developing and pushing forward a new strategic plan to support and maintain a community response to the mental health needs of the people of West Belfast and beyond.

## SERVICE DELIVERY

Funder	Counselling Sessions/Assessments
<p>Public Health Agency (PHA) Contracts</p> <p>These are rolling contracts each year, at some point in the future there will be tendering process for this funding.</p> <p>PHA SHIP (Self Harm Intervention Programme); partner in a Belfast wide consortium</p> <p>Weekend crisis intervention</p>	<p><b>3157</b> Counselling sessions delivered including assessments.</p> <p><b>848</b> individual sessions including assessments</p> <p><b>411</b> interventions</p>
<p>Belfast Health &amp; Social Care Trust</p> <p>Main contract, rolling year on year (Legacy -Hub PC)</p> <p>Mental Health Hub (Community Wellbeing Alliance –CWA)</p>	<p><b>570</b> Counselling sessions delivered including <b>272</b> as part of Consortium (Community Wellbeing Alliance CWA)</p>
<p>VSS (Victims and Survivors Service)</p> <p>Year 3 of 3-year Contract</p> <p>VSS fund programme to help improve the Health and Wellbeing of those affected by the Conflict/Troubles.</p>	<p><b>1249</b> Counselling sessions delivered</p> <p><b>157</b> interventions were provided to 90 individuals through the Health and Wellbeing Programme.</p>

**Total delivery April 2022-March 2023, 6664 individual counselling sessions, support sessions and interventions including assessments.**

## OTHER SERVICE PROVISION

- 2 ASIST programmes were delivered that benefitted up to 70 participants (PHA funded).
- Provision of Crisis Intervention Service 52 weekends throughout the year (4 hours Saturday/Sunday afternoons) for vulnerable clients and referrals for weekend support.
- We continue to provide counselling sessions in Outreach Centre at Daneo Service, (Crumlin Road)
- VSS Health and Wellbeing Caseworker started just before end of last financial year March 2018. All progressing well with **249** interventions to 90 individuals.

- Weekend Crisis Intervention Service available for 4hrs between 12pm and 4pm on every weekend of the year including holidays

Tim Smith thanked Kate for the efforts of all of the staff at L.C.C.S. Joe Jordan said that he would like to record the thanks of the Forum Member Groups for the work of Lenadoon Community Counselling Service.

Tim then invited Renee to give the Forums Staff Team Annual Report

### **Strategic Development Co-Ordinator's report for the year**

**November 2022 – November 2023**

During the past year attendance by the Forums staff at meetings were carried out using a mixture of face to face, Zoom Teams or hybrid.

My colleagues Paddy and Sharon are to be commended for all the services and support they provided to Individuals, Groups and Organisations on behalf of the Forum over the past year.

Ongoing support was provided by the Forum to a number of Volunteers involved in many groups and projects throughout the area. These Volunteers give their time and commitment to help organise and manage various activities and events and they are to be acknowledged and thanked for all the work they carry out for others.

#### **Housing Update**

The Forum is represented on a number of housing bodies including the West Belfast and Shankill Area Housing Community Network,

Belfast Regional Housing Forum and

Central Housing Forum and a number of relevant Working Groups

These meetings are attended by a wide range of representatives from across many communities and thematic organisations

Over the past twelve months the Forum staff Team provided support to a number of Residents and Groups throughout the area in relation to proposed Planned Programmes of Improvement Works,

Individual Housing Repairs and

Individual Housing Cases.

Staff organised site visits were possible with Residents and Statutory providers and lobbied to help bring about resolutions to specific issues raised by Residents

Direct referrals were made to a number of Internal and External Support Services. These included referrals to amongst others

The Lenadoon Community Counselling Service,

NIHE Housing Solutions,

A Number of Housing Associations,

St Vincent de Pol,

Belfast City Council,

South West Food Bank,

### **Housing Environment and Community Safety Sub Group**

The LHECS Sub Group bi-monthly meetings continued over the past year and have now reverted to face to face meetings. The Sub Group dealt with a number of issues of concern impacting on resident's lives and the areas in which they live. Actions were taken forward and progressed with a number of Statutory Organisations.

### **Building Successful Communities Forum**

In essence the Building Successful Communities Forum initiative is finished there is currently an evaluation been carried out. Two of the 3 Working Groups established by the BSC Forum continue.

**Corrib Flats** the site has now been completely cleared, The Housing Executive Transferred the ownership of the land to Choice Housing Association who appointed a Contractor with work commencing on the New Build Development soon. When completed it will have 23 new homes for families and one bungalow for complex needs wheelchair user. someone has already been nominated for this property

### **Woodbourne Environmental Improvement Scheme**

Lenadoon Community Forum has proactively worked in Partnership with local Residents, Traders and Elected Representatives since 1997 to get this Project done. I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the Late Maureen Scholly and the late Gerry Dunlop who were to the forefront of the campaign over the years to make this environmental scheme a reality

A substantial amount of progress has been made on the Woodbourne scheme since the last Forum AGM in 2022 The vesting of the small pieces of land has finally been completed and the ownership of the land has transferred to the Department for Communities. The Department allocated a budget for the Project. However, at our monthly working group meeting in September an issue relating to the timeframe of the expenditure in this financial year was raised. At our working group meeting last week it was confirmed the tendering and procurement will commence. Hopefully the Contractor will be appointed and work can begin next May/June 2024 if all goes well.

### **Lenadoon Community Forum's Community Magazine**

In the last 12 months four editions of the Forums community magazine were collated and delivered in December, March June and September to every home in the greater neighbourhood. The magazine contained information in relation to services being provided in the area by local groups and organisations. Community Safety updates and contact details for additional support services that local people may require are included in the magazine.

### **Health Information Day**

Lenadoon Community Forum with the help of a number of volunteers organised a very successful Community Health Information Morning in August as part of the Lenadoon Community Festival. It

was very well attended by both service providers Agencies and local people seeking information on Health Matters

### **Lenadoon Community Forum's SOS Page**

The Forums SOS page continued to be updated with relevant information on sources of support and advice as well as local Government Initiatives, which can provide much needed support to the most vulnerable and isolated in our community.

### **Lenadoon Festival**

Lenadoon Community Forum and a number of volunteers planned and delivered a three-day Community Festival in August, which catered for all sections of the community.

### **Half Moon Lake**

The Forum continued to provide support to the Friends of the Half Moon Lake Group. The Forum Facilitated an AGM in May to encourage new people to become part of the committee overseeing the site

### **Stewartstown Road Regeneration Project**

The three Directors nominated by Lenadoon Community Forum continued to participate in and represent the Lenadoon Community Forum on the board of the SRRP. The jointly joined shared space social economy project founded by Lenadoon Community Forum and Suffolk Community Forum.

### **Lenadoon Neighbourhood Partnership**

The Forum continued to facilitate, represent, and provide secretariat and administrative support over the past year. Paddy is currently acting in the role of Chair of the partnership. The LNP are currently reviewing the membership and reviewing the Code of Practice and Guiding Principles

Lenadoon Community Forum staff have and will continue to be fully engaged and represent the Forum on many Local, Statutory, Community and Voluntary Organisations, Networks and Partnerships to ensure the views of the Forum are represented and Actions agreed are progressed in collaboration with others.

### **Lenadoon Peoples Plan**

**Tim asked Michael to introduce the proposed "Lenadoon Peoples Plan- How to make Life better in Lenadoon."**

Michael said that at last years AGM the Forum announced that they had applied to Belfast City Council for funding to assist with consulting, developing and publishing a new five-year Development Plan for Lenadoon. It would involve extensive Community Consultations to ensure that everyone in the area got the chance to contribute. There had been a number of planning sessions and a questionnaire has been developed and this will form an important part of the process of gathering the opinions of the community. A QR code has been established and this will allow people to participate in the questionnaire online and this is due to be circulated widely. The Forum are planning to engage the community over as wide a spectrum as is possible and this had recently

started with the large number of people in attendance at the Halloween event in the Glen Complex. As well as door to door engagement people will get the opportunity to participate in the survey at the various Christmas events and others such as the annual community health information events.

The Forum is encouraging all the local Community groups in the area to promote the involvement of their users, members and families. The local primary schools will be asked to get involved. Lorraine Morrissey is facilitating the Initiative and a meeting has been organized for 11am on Tuesday November 14<sup>th</sup> in the Glen Complex and we would love all our member groups to send along a representative to give their views. We will update everyone over the coming months via the Community Magazine and other methods on upcoming consultation events and activities. Glen asked if local sports clubs could be sent the questionnaire's and it was agreed that this was a good idea.

### **Affiliated Community Forum Member Groups**

#### **Deirdre read out the list of Affiliated Forum Member groups for 2024**

<b>Glen Parent and Youth Group</b>	<b>Lenadoon Cultural Group</b>
<b>Lenadoon Community Festival</b>	<b>Lenadoon Women's Group</b>
<b>Black Mountain Older Men's Group</b>	<b>Gaeil an Ghleanna</b>
<b>Sarsfield's GAC</b>	<b>Carrigart Youth Community Group</b>
<b>Focus Club</b>	<b>Kids Together</b>
<b>Tuesday Club</b>	<b>Belfast City Council</b>
<b>St Oliver Plunkett Parish</b>	<b>Horn Drive Senior Citizens</b>
<b>Anti-Racism World Cup</b>	<b>Woodbourne Residents</b>
<b>Mid Lenadoon Residents</b>	<b>Cairde Loch Na Leathgheali</b>
<b>Cairde Carrigart Residents</b>	<b>Cairde Hillhead Residents</b>
<b>Suffolk Road Residents Network</b>	<b>GASNP</b>

### **Treasurers Annual Report to L.C.F. A.G.M.**

Michael presented the Treasurers report on behalf of Paul Niblock.

I hope you have all had an opportunity to read over the Forum's accounts for this past 12 months. Funding from P.H.A, V.S.S, BHSCT, Mental Health Fund, Henry Smith Foundation, City Council and a number of small grants, donations and fund-raising Initiatives enabled Lenadoon Community Counselling Service to operate effectively and deliver the Services outlined earlier by the Counselling Manager. Unfortunately, our funding from Belfast Trust under the Tender was reduced again and this was our last year of the Mental Health Funding so we will need to increase our fund-raising efforts to ensure we are able to deliver Counselling Sessions at their current level. The incoming year will be our last year of the Dormant Accounts and Henry Smith funding. Therefore, we face a huge shortfall over the next 18 months. A big thank you to Kate, Courtney, Michael, Paddy and Sharon for their efforts in securing this funding. The Forums Development Team are funded through the DFC Neighbourhood Renewal fund and this is due to end next March. We are optimistic that it will be extended for another year. However, that is due to be the last year of Neighbourhood Renewal and

this will create huge uncertainty for our staff and the support provided to Member Groups. We are grateful to Belfast City Council, N.I.H.E and SRRP for the funding which has enabled us to deliver a range of accredited I.T. Classes. Funding from the Council is also helping to offset costs towards the consultations and production of the Peoples Plan.

Michael thanked Sharon for her support throughout the year and to Richard McClay our auditor for his professional advice over the past 12 months.

A number of those present expressed their concerns about the financial uncertainty of the forum and its services in the long term with so much funding ending in March 2025.

#### **The Audited Accounts;**

**The Accounts were proposed by Deirdre Mc Kearney and Seconded by Glen Philips; this was followed by a full show of hands by all present.**

**The Re-appointment of Company Auditor Richard McClay; Proposed by Michael Doherty and Seconded by Neilly Mc Donnell; this was followed by a full show of hands by all present.**

**Michael presented the Forums Adult Safeguarding Policy;**

#### **Adult Safeguarding Policy**

- There had been no Adult Safeguarding concerns brought to the attention of LCF Staff/Committee.
- There had been no Adult Safeguarding Concerns referred to the Belfast Trust for action.
- Our Adult Safeguarding Policy was reviewed and updated.

Sharon McCullough is the Forum's Adult Safeguarding Champion and Renee Crawford is the Appointed Person in Sharon's absence.

**Lenadoon Community Forum**

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# Annual return

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## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lenadoon Community Forum for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the absence of reference to a material uncertainty in this auditor's report is not a guarantee that the Company will continue in operation. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the accounts and our auditors report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### Independent auditors' report to the members of Lenadoon Community Forum continued

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

the information given in the trustees' Report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and

the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the Directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

## Lenadoon Community Forum

### **Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified the areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and risks of material misstatement due to fraud, using our understanding of the entity's industry, regulatory environment and other external factors and inquiry with the Trustees. In addition, our risk assessment procedures included: inquiring with the Trustees as to the charities policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations and prevention and detection of fraud; inquiring whether the Trustees have knowledge of any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws or regulations or alleged fraud; inspecting the charities regulatory and legal correspondence; and reading Board minutes.

We discussed identified laws and regulations, fraud risk factors and the need to remain alert among the audit team.

The charity is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements charity and financial reporting legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items, including assessing the financial statement disclosures and agreeing them to supporting documentation when necessary.

The charity is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery, employment law, environmental law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these non-direct laws and regulations to inquiry of the Trustees and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. These limited procedures did not identify actual or suspected non-compliance.

We assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards, we performed procedures to address the risk of management override of controls. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In response to risk of fraud, we also performed procedures including: identifying journal entries to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified entries to supporting documentation; evaluating the business purpose of significant unusual transactions; assessing significant accounting estimates for bias; and assessing the disclosures in the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

## **Lenadoon Community Forum**

In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditors-responsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Richard McClay FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**  
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**Chartered Accountants**

**20th September 2023**

