

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102120

Details

Status Received

Registered 2016-02-17

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

Contact

Address Main Office
Sydenham Court
48A Sydenham Gardens
Belfast
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Activities

Purposes: To promote for the benefit of the tenants of Sydenham Court and for the wider community of Sydenham Court, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare of the tenants of Sydenham Court who have need of such facilities by reason of their infirmity, mental health or disablement and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said tenants of Sydenham Court without distinction of age, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnic origin, political or religious opinion.

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

How the charity works: Disability, Medical/health/sickness, Welfare/benevolent

Who the charity helps: Mental health, Older people

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£11,526	£14,696	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Gray		
Ian Berryman		
Peter Mcallister		

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Accounts

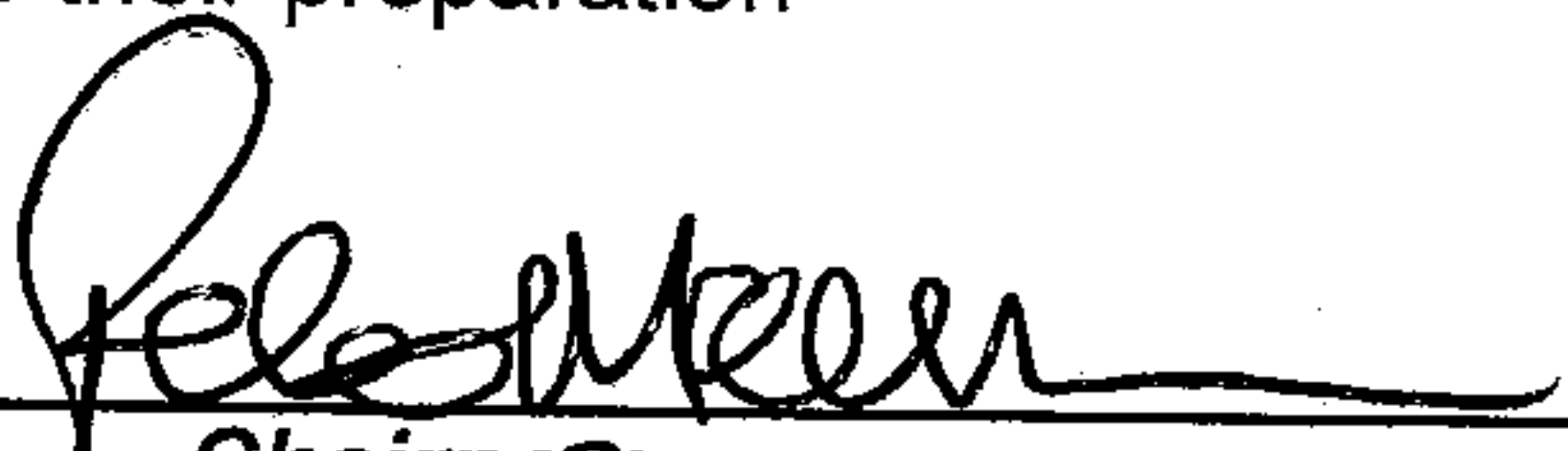
**Friends of Sydenham Court
Detailed Receipts and Payments Account
For Period ending 31 March 2025**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	£ TOTAL 2024-2025	£ TOTAL 2023-2024
Incoming Resources				
Halifax		5,675.00	5,675.00	0.00
Donations	220.00		220.00	80.00
Fundraising			0.00	1131.73
Brown's		2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Bucket Collections			0.00	0.00
Arthur Clark			0.00	0.00
Big Lottery Community Fund		3,631.00	3,631.00	16339.00
	220.00	11,306.00	11,526.00	17550.73
Payments				
Bank Fees	202.61		202.61	163.17
Professional Fees	50.00		50.00	20.00
Activities	500.53	10,492.13	10,992.66	3800.15
Music Nights	150.00	1,175.00	1,325.00	580.00
Equipment			0.00	813.88
Food/Milk	5.81	232.58	238.39	35.65
Garden/Fish Tank		1,456.36	1,456.36	1280.48
Miscellaneous	166.49	264.05	430.54	7.00
	1,075.44	13,620.12	14,695.56	6700.33
Balance b/f 1.4.24	4,276.16	11,896.89	16,173.05	5322.65
Surplus receipts/payments	- 855.44	- 2,314.12	- 3,169.56	10850.40
Balance c/f 31.3.25	3,420.72	9,582.77	13,003.49	16173.05

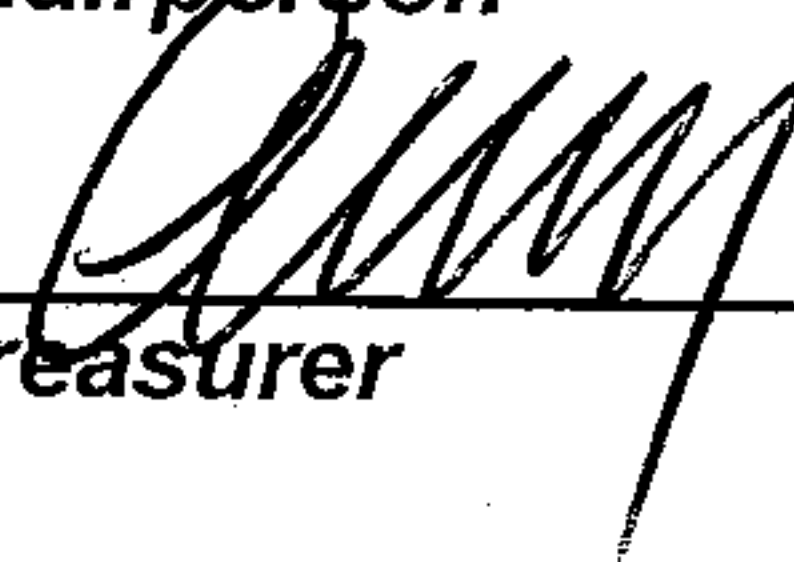
Notes:

Balance in Bank	13003.49
Balance of Petty Cash	0.00
Total	13003.49

We approve these accounts and confirm that we have made available all relevant information for their preparation



Chairperson



Treasurer

**FRIEND'S OF SYDENHAM COURT
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

FUNDS RECONCILIATION	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL 2025	TOTAL 2024
Cash at Bank and in Hand 31.3.24	4,276.16	11,896.89	0.00	16,173.05	5,322.65
Surplus/Deficit this year end	-855.44	-2,314.12	0.00	-3,169.56	10,850.40
Cash at bank and in hand 31.3.25	<u>3,420.72</u>	<u>9,582.77</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>13,003.49</u>	<u>16,173.05</u>

Bank and Cash Balances

Bank Account	13,003.49	16,155.79
Cash in Hand	0.00	17.26
TOTAL	<u>13,003.49</u>	<u>16,173.05</u>

Other Assets (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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Approved by the Trustees on 10/6/25 and signed on their behalf by:



 Chairperson



 Treasurer

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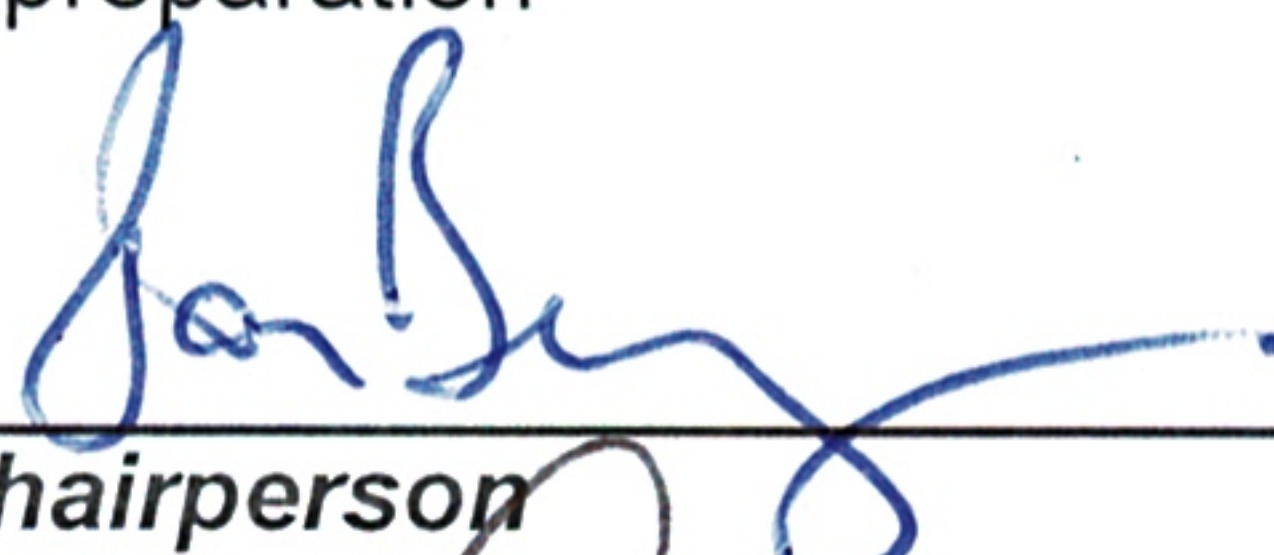
Friends of Sydenham Court
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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	£ TOTAL 2023-2024	£ TOTAL 2022-2023
Incoming Resources				
Clanmil			0.00	0.00
Donations	80.00		80.00	242.00
Fundraising	1,131.73		1,131.73	0.00
Quiz			0.00	0.00
Bucket Collections			0.00	623.34
Arthur Clark			0.00	2000.00
Big Lottery Community Fund		16,339.00	16,339.00	1816.00
	1,211.73	16,339.00	17,550.73	4681.34
Payments				
Bank Fees	163.17		163.17	167.15
Professional Fees	20.00		20.00	22.00
Activities	114.35	3,685.80	3,800.15	3710.98
Music Nights		580.00	580.00	2320.00
Equipment		813.88	813.88	182.00
Food/Milk	35.65		35.65	34.15
Garden/Fish Tank		1,280.48	1,280.48	1676.71
Miscellaneous	7.00		7.00	171.02
	340.17	6,360.16	6,700.33	8284.01
Balance b/f 1.4.23	3,404.60	1,918.05	5,322.65	8925.32
Surplus receipts/payments	871.56	9,978.84	10,850.40	-3602.67
Balance c/f 31.3.24	4,276.16	11,896.89	16,173.05	5322.65

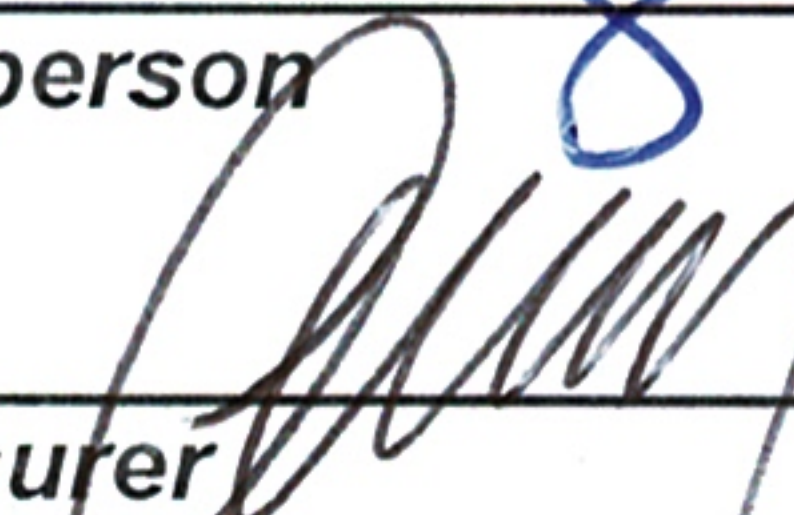
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FUNDS RECONCILIATION

Cash at Bank and in Hand 31.3.23
Surplus/Deficit this year end
Cash at bank and in hand 31.3.24

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
3,404.60	1,918.05	0.00	5,322.65	8,925.32
871.56	9,978.84	0.00	10,850.40	-3,602.67
4,276.16	11,896.89	0.00	16,173.05	5,322.65

Bank and Cash Balances

Bank Account
Cash in Hand
TOTAL

16,155.79	5,305.39
17.26	17.26
16,173.05	5,322.65

Other Assets (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL

0.00	0.00
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Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL

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0.00	0.00

Approved by the Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by:



Acting Chairperson



Treasurer

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Annual report

Friends

of Sydenham Court Association

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland - NIC 102120

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 01.04.23 - 31.03.24.

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Charity Registration Number: NIC 102120

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Belfast BT4 1PP

Trustees: Colin Ferguson
Ian Berryman
Alan Gray

Principal Office Bearers: Chairperson: Colin Ferguson
Secretary: Ian Berryman
Treasurer: Alan Gray

Independent Examiner: Joan Baird
Finance Manager
East Belfast Community Development Agency
East Belfast Network Centre
55 Templemore Avenue
Belfast BT5 4FP

Bankers: Allied Irish Bank (NI)
35 University Road
Belfast
BT7 1ND

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31.03.24

The Trustees present the Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for Friends of Sydenham Court for the year ended 31st March 2024

Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of Friends of Sydenham Court Association is to promote for the benefit of the tenants of Sydenham Court and for the wider community of Sydenham Court, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare of the tenants of Sydenham Court who have need of such facilities by reason of their infirmity, mental health or disablement and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said tenants of Sydenham Court without distinction of age, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnic origin, political or religious opinion.

Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

The trustees have ensured over the past year that the Friends of Sydenham Court Association continues in their main function of raising funds to support activities, outings, equipment and facilities for the benefit and well-being of the tenants of Sydenham Court, Belfast who are living with dementia.

The committee of the Friends of Sydenham Court Association wish to sincerely thank all family members, carers, local people and businesses along with the dedicated staff of Sydenham Court and Clanmil Housing Association who have supported or donated to the Association over the year to help benefit the well-being of the residents of Sydenham Court.

In particular the committee sincerely thanks all of the staff at Sydenham Court who, in addition to their normal duties, also organised and ran activities and outings for the tenants since the post of activities co-ordinator has been vacant from February 2021. Fortunately the post was finally filled late in November '23 and the extent and variety of activities for the tenants are increasing.

Principal Fundraising Activities by the Association

A successful Quiz Night was held in Horatio Todd's, Ballyhackamore in September '23. Some grant funding has been secured and investigation of other funding sources continues.

Fortunately the securing of a 5-year Big Lottery People & Communities grant back in November 2019 has provided a small ongoing annual income source for the Association's activities but the Association notes that the term of this significant grant shall expire in December 2024..

The Association greatly appreciates the ongoing receipt of monetary and equipment donations from existing and previous tenants and their families.

Activities Fully or Partially Sponsored by the Association:

- Weekly**
- Refreshments and items for in-house small group activities such as quizzes, crafts, bingo, reminiscence sessions and 'knit & natter' sessions.
 - Supplies for Beauty Box used beauty, relaxation & pamper sessions
 - Musical entertainment sessions by a variety of musicians (eg Joe Allen and Tom the Music Man).
 - Funding of taxis to attend events
- Monthly**
- Ongoing regular maintenance of tropical fish tank purchased by the Association in Dec '20. The association also funded the relocation of the fish tank requested as part of the building refurbishment work carried out by Clanmil during the year
- Late Spring '23**
- Refreshments and music entertainment for Easter and royal coronation events.
- Summer '23**
- Garden Celebration & BBQ in the central courtyard at Sydenham Court for tenants, families and staff.. Saturday bus trips were enjoyed to Montalto House, Newcastle, Bangor Museum, Hillmount Nursery, Maxi Moo Café in Millisle , Crumlin Road Gaol, Kinedale Donkey Sanctuary, Kilcreggan urban farm and Hazelbank Garden.
 - Interactive session of poetry, singing and guitar by the 'Plays Aloud' theatre company.
- Autumn '23**
- A new large smart TV was purchased for the ground floor sitting room. Christmas craft sessions, La Mon House Hotel Festive event & Dinner. Unfortunately the planned Christmas Party for tenants, staff and their families had to be cancelled at late notice due to an outbreak of Co-vid.
 - Replacement of the 10' Christmas tree and decorations for the foyer. The tenants enjoyed dressing the tree with the help of local school children.
- Early Spring '24**
- Purchase of games and craft items.
 - Visits to Sydenham Court involving animals by Kidz Farm and World of Owls.

Financial Review

The Association shall continue to investigate avenues for fundraising methods to help support activities for the residents of Sydenham Court.

Refer to Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for Friends of Sydenham Court for the financial year ended 31st March 2024 under separate cover

To date it has not been found necessary for the Association to levy a fee to members despite this being permissible under the Constitution.

In order to provide reasonable assurance against risk of financial mis-management from the outset, the Association had introduced internal administrative controls including ensuring two authorised signatories for all payments by cheque or online bank transfer.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for Association is the Constitution of Friends of Sydenham Court Association originally adopted on 03.11.15. with a subsequent revision being formally adopted on 30.01.18.

The Association is managed by a Committee elected from the membership of the Association and include representatives as Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer nominated and appointed from the committee. Currently all committee office bearers are Charity Trustees.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Any members of the Association are invited to be elected as Committee Members.

Pay and Remuneration

No member of the Association receives pay or remuneration from the Friends of Sydenham Court Association.

Organisational Structure

The Committee is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Association in it's support of the BH&SST Activities Co-Ordinator, Manager and staff of Sydenham Court and the residents of Sydenham Court.

Compliance with Public Benefit

The trustees of the Friends of Sydenham Court have carefully considered the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's statutory guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have furthered the Association's objectives, for the public benefit.

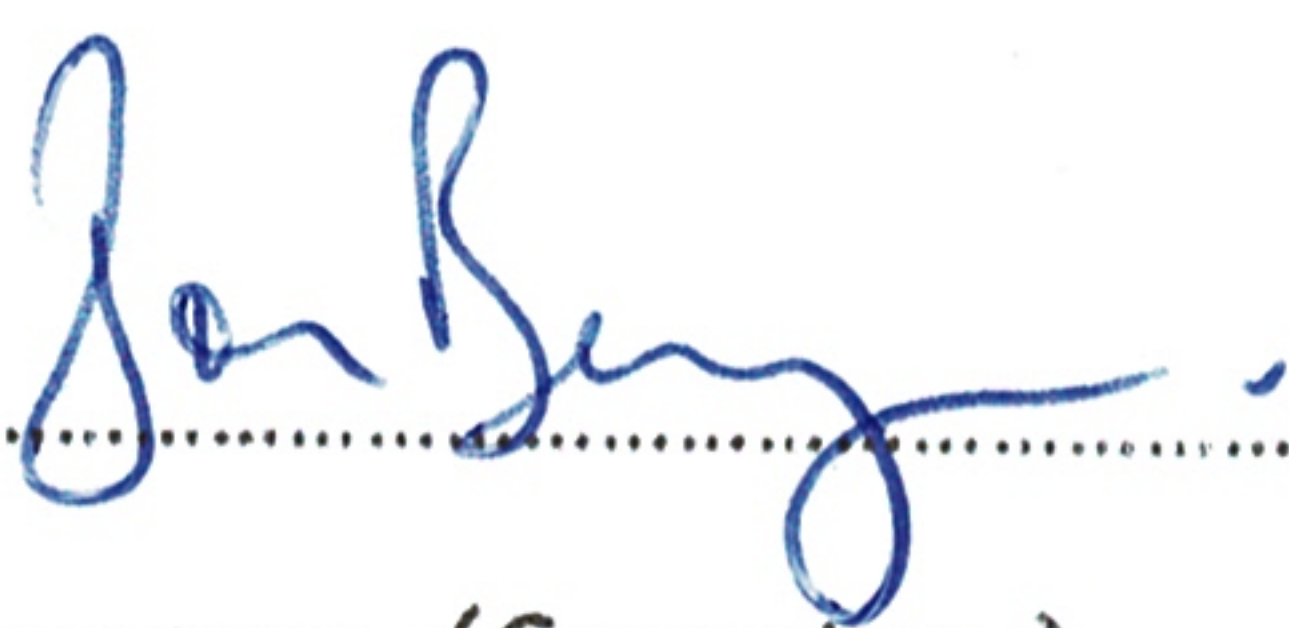
Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

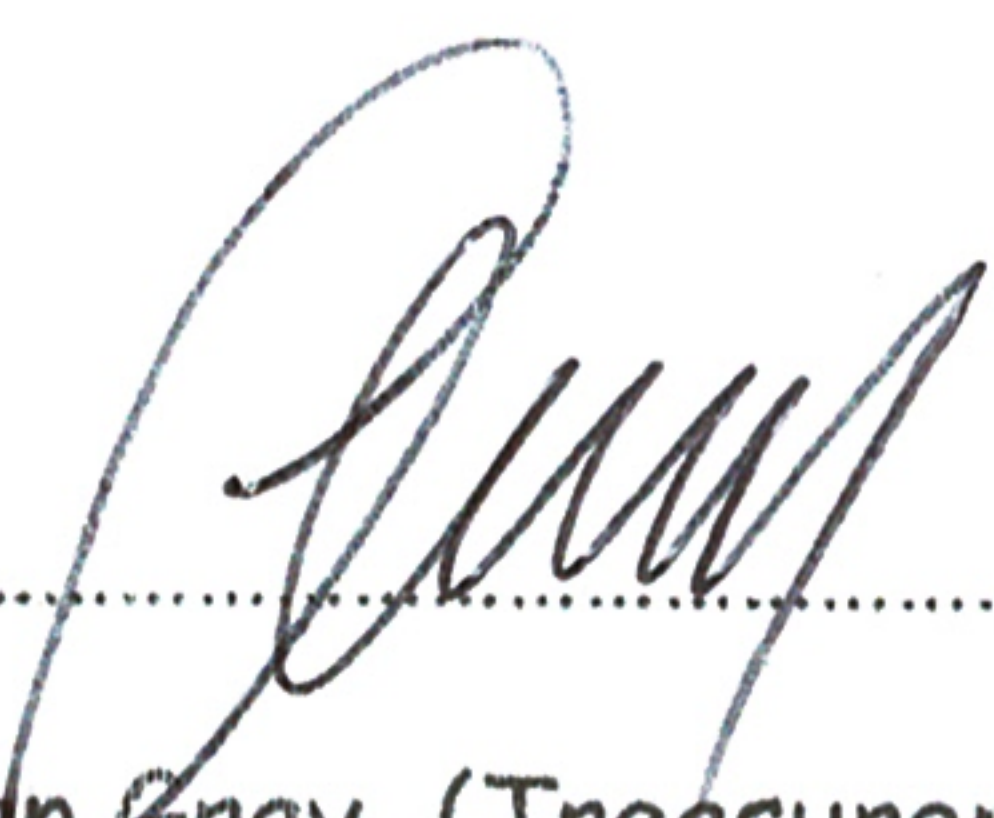
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with Income of less than £250,000 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Association's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the Association. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees:

Trustee 1 
Ian Berryman (Secretary)

Trustee 2 
Alden Gray (Treasurer)

Date: 17/9/24

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Annual return

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of:
Friends of Sydenham Court**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended March 2024, which are set out on page 2.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

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

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

Name:



Relevant professional qualification or body:

Finance Manager

Address: East Belfast Community Development Agency
55 Templemore Avenue, Belfast, BT5 4FG

Date: 17th June 2024

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Accounts

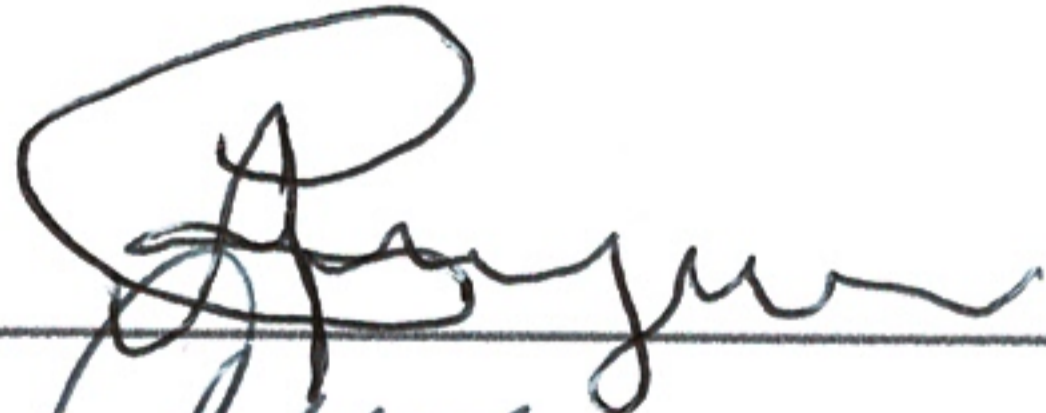
**Friends of Sydenham Court
Detailed Receipts and Payments Account
For Period ending 31 March 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	£ TOTAL 2022-2023	£ TOTAL 2021-2022
Incoming Resources				
Clanmil			0.00	0.00
Donations	242.00		242.00	0.00
Music Nights			0.00	0.00
Quiz			0.00	0.00
Bucket Collections	623.34		623.34	0.00
Arthur Clark		2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Big Lottery Community Fund		1,816.00	1,816.00	3631.00
	865.34	3,816.00	4,681.34	3631.00
Payments				
Bank Fees	167.15		167.15	152.45
Professional Fees	22.00		22.00	70.00
Activities	0.00	3,710.98	3,710.98	1679.06
Music Nights	0.00	2,320.00	2,320.00	335.00
Equipment	182.00		182.00	0.00
Food/Milk	34.15		34.15	29.28
Garden/Fish Tank	0.00	1,676.71	1,676.71	1122.50
Miscellaneous	171.02		171.02	113.22
	576.32	7,707.69	8,284.01	3501.51
Balance b/f 1.4.22	3,115.58	5,809.74	8,925.32	8795.83
Surplus receipts/payments	289.02 -	3,891.69 -	3,602.67	129.49
Balance c/f 31.3.23	3,404.60	1,918.05	5,322.65	8925.32

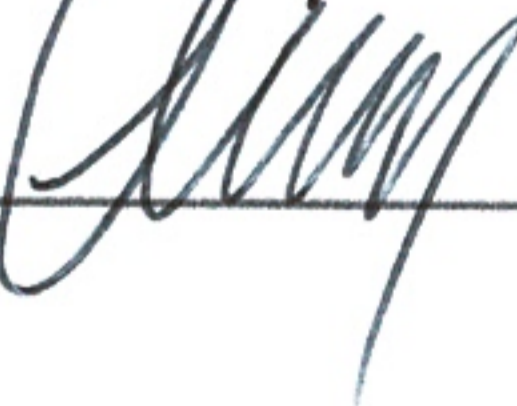
Notes:

Balance in Bank	5305.39
Balance of Petty Cash	17.26
Total	5322.65

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 Chairperson



 Treasurer

**FRIEND'S OF SYDENHAM COURT
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

FUNDS RECONCILIATION	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
Cash at Bank and in Hand 31.3.22	3,115.58	5,809.74	0.00	8,925.32	8,795.83
Surplus/Deficit this year end	289.02	-3,891.69	0.00	-3,602.67	129.49
Cash at bank and in hand 31.3.23	3,404.60	1,918.05	0.00	5,322.65	8,925.32

Bank and Cash Balances

Bank Account	5,305.39	8,908.06
Cash in Hand	17.26	17.26
TOTAL	5,322.65	8,925.32

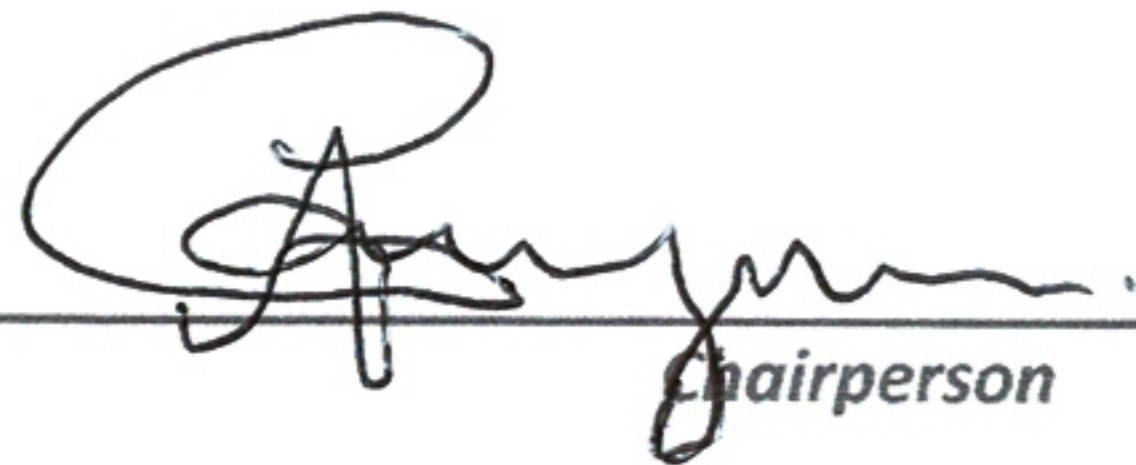
Other Assets (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL	0.00	0.00
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Liabilities (Unrestricted Fund)

TOTAL	0.00	0.00
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Approved by the Trustees on 24.10.23. and signed on their behalf by:


Chairperson


Treasurer

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Annual report

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Independent Examiner:	Joan Baird Finance Manager East Belfast Community Development Agency East Belfast Network Centre 55 Templemore Avenue Belfast BT5 4FP
Bankers:	Allied Irish Bank (NI) 35 University Road Belfast BT7 1ND

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Achievements, Performance & Public Benefit

Subject to any relevant Covid-19 restrictions, the trustees have ensured over the past year that the Friends of Sydenham Court Association continues in their main function of raising funds for activities, outings, equipment and facilities for the benefit and well-being of the tenants of Sydenham Court, Belfast who are living with dementia.

The committee of the Friends of Sydenham Court Association wish to sincerely thank all family members, carers, local people and businesses along with the dedicated staff of Sydenham Court and Clanmil Housing Association who have supported or donated to the Association over the year to help benefit the well-being of the residents of Sydenham Court.

Principal Fundraising Activities by the Association

Post the Covid-19 pandemic, no face to face significant fundraising such as the regular autumn bucket collection at Kingspan Stadium has taken place but other grant funding has been secured and investigation of other funding sources continues.

Fortunately the securing of a 5-year Big Lottery People & Communities grant back in November 2019 has provided a small ongoing annual income source for the Association's activities but the Association notes that the term of this significant grant shall soon expire.

The Association greatly appreciates the ongoing receipt of monetary and equipment donations from existing and previous tenants and their families.

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Weekly	Refreshments and items for in-house small group activities such as quizzes, crafts, balloon badminton, boccia, and reminiscence sessions and also for Tuesday Lunch and Friday Fish & Chip Clubs (when operational).
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	Supplies for Beauty Box used in beauty, relaxation & pamper sessions
	Musical entertainment sessions by a variety of musicians (eg Joe Allen and Tom the Music Man). Circus skills entertainer.
Monthly	Ongoing regular maintenance of tropical fish tank purchased by the Association in Dec '20
Late Spring '22	Easter music entertainment. Small group attended a concert at the Waterfront. Professional landscape architect's fees for central garden landscape scheme. Engage with Age art project.
Summer '22	The Queen's Jubilee celebrations. Summer Saturday bus trips to: Castle Espie, Eden Pottery, Irish F.A. Stadium tour, Woodlawn Nursery & Kinedale Donkey Sanctuary, Red berry Café (Bangor) & coastal drive, Chocolate making at Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory, Maxi Moo Café in Millisle, Hillsborough Castle & Gardens. (Unfortunately numbers per trip were limited to 8 residents by Trust transport Covid 'restrictions'}) A family BBQ was also enjoyed in the central courtyard at Sydenham Court.
Autumn '22	Halloween party and pumpkin carving session. Small group attended Pantomime show. Alzheimer's Society's Elf Day event La Mon House Hotel Festive event & Dinner. Christmas Party for tenants, staff and their families. In-house Christmas dinner for tenants remaining at Sydenham Court with no local family members.
Early Spring '23	Arts projects. Away-day trip for tenants whilst essential flooring refurbishment work carried out in building. Relocation of fish tank to main reception foyer area.

Unfortunately, for a considerable period this year, the communal areas of the Sydenham Court building have been subject to a lengthy building refurbishment programme. This has meant that, due to the lack of furniture and available areas, there has been limited opportunity for communal activities for the tenants. Instead, the staff and visiting providers have generally been involved in activities with smaller sized group sessions.

Unfortunately the BH&SST post of Activities Co-Ordinator at Sydenham Court, which has remained vacant since February 2021, has still not been filled. The Association sincerely hopes that this vital post aimed at helping improve the sense of well-being of the tenants (which is also pivotal to the focus and activities of the

Association) is filled soon and look forward to working closely with whoever is appointed.

The Association is particularly grateful to the management and staff of Sydenham Court who have continued to organise activities and outings for the tenants within any Covid 'restriction' constraints in addition to their normal duties and pressures which were already greatly increased as a result of the pandemic and its impact on staffing levels.

Financial Review

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The Committee is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Association in it's support of the BH&SST Activities Co-Ordinator (when appointed), Manager and staff of Sydenham Court and the residents of Sydenham Court.

Compliance with Public Benefit

The trustees of the Friends of Sydenham Court have carefully considered the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's statutory guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have furthered the Association's objectives, for the public benefit.

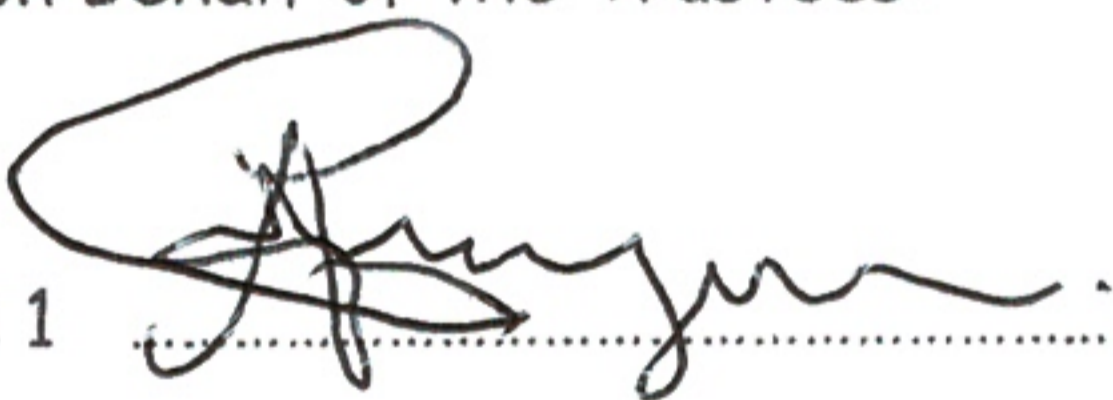
Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

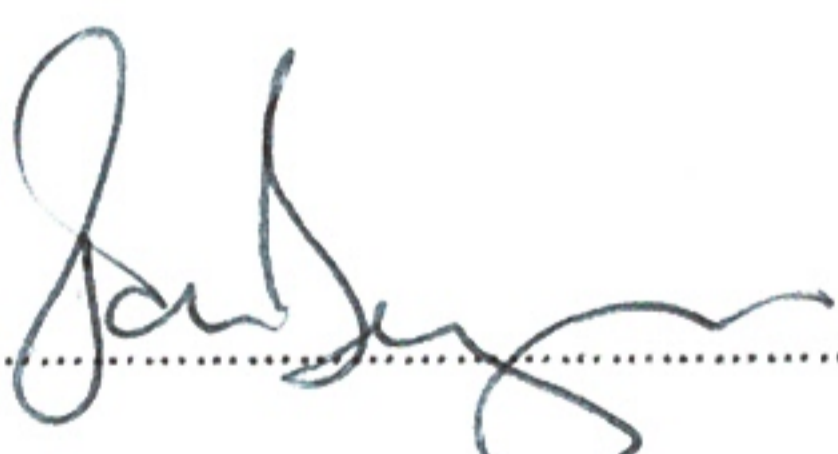
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with Income of less than £250,000 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Association's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the Association. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees:

Trustee 1 
Colin Ferguson (Chairperson)

Trustee 2 
Ian Berryman (Secretary)

Date: 24/10/23

Friends of Sydenham Court Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102120

Annual return

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of:
Friends of Sydenham Court**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended March 2023, which are set out on page 2.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

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

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

Name:



Relevant professional qualification or body:

Finance Manager

Address: East Belfast Community Development Agency
55 Templemore Avenue, Belfast, BT5 4FG

Date: 2nd August 2023