

Donegall Pass Community Forum

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102631

Details

Known as	DPCF
Status	Received
Registered	2017-06-12
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The Charity's objects ("Objects") are to:- (1) To promote community development and urban regeneration in Donegall Pass and South Belfast in general (the "area of benefit") by all or any of the following means: (a) design, promote, implement and evaluate strategies and develop and carry through programmes and action plans concerned with improving the economic, social, health, well-being and safety, and environmental life of the inhabitants of the area of benefit; (b) promote study and research, set priorities and develop and influence policy and practice in the fields of urban regeneration community development, health and well-being, environmental improvement and social enterprise development; (c) provide a forum for the discussion and debate of urban regeneration, community development and related issues and raise public awareness of these matters; (d) provide strategic and practical support to community and voluntary groups in the area of benefit. (2) Promote good community relations, religious and racial harmony, social cohesion, equality and diversity and social justice by encouraging participation in a range of inclusive and accessible programmes which strive to bring together all sections of the community;. (3) Advance education, training, community capacity building and assist those who are unemployed. (4) Promote arts and multi-cultural activities and events to increase understanding between people from different cultural backgrounds. (4) Promote and support social enterprise and sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration. (5) The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage. POWERS

What the charity does: The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Accommodation/housing, Advice/advocacy/information, Community development, Community enterprise, Counselling/support, Education/training, Environment/sustainable development/conservation, General charitable purposes, Human rights/equality, Relief of poverty, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Community safety/crime prevention, Ethnic minorities, General public, Interface communities, Men, Mental health, Older people, Parents, Specific areas of deprivation, Tenants, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£261,428	£262,732	£-41,983	4

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Nigel Mccrum		
Mrs Deborah Mccurrie		
Ms Marie Mccallin		
Ms Martine Boyd		

Accounts

Registration number NI637780

**Donegall Pass Community Forum
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Annual report and financial statements

for the year ended 30 April 2025

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Trustees Report
for the year ended 30 April 2025

The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum

Charity Registration number: NIC 102631

Company Registration number: NI637780

Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie

W Copeland (resigned 13th January 2025)

M McCallin

M Boyd

N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Trustees' Annual Report 2024–2025



Introduction

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) is a beacon of hope and resilience in the heart of inner South Belfast. Operating in one of the most deprived areas of the city, our mission is to empower individuals, strengthen community bonds, and create opportunities for growth, learning, and wellbeing. This year's report reflects the incredible work carried out by our staff, volunteers, and partners—work that has transformed lives, uplifted families, and brought people together across divides. From tackling food poverty to delivering accredited training, from supporting mental health to enhancing our shared spaces, DPCF continues to be a vital force for good in the community we proudly serve.

Structure, Governance and Management

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) is led by a dedicated voluntary Board of Trustees who give their time, expertise, and commitment to improving life in one of Belfast's most deprived inner-city communities. The Forum delivers its work through three core pillars:

- Community Education & Training
- Physical Regeneration
- Community Relations

Across all three areas, health and wellbeing remain at the heart of everything we do. Trustees meet regularly to ensure strong governance, financial oversight, and strategic direction, ensuring the organisation continues to respond to the evolving needs of local residents.

Objectives and Activities

DPCF exists to support, empower, and uplift the people of Donegall Pass. Our objectives reflect the challenges and strengths of this diverse and resilient community:

- Expanding access to education, training, and lifelong learning
- Building stronger, safer, and more connected neighbourhoods
- Improving the physical environment and advocating for community-led regeneration
- Tackling poverty, inequality, and the ongoing cost-of-living crisis
- Enhancing wellbeing through social, cultural, and health-focused programmes

Our work is shaped by listening to residents, responding to need, and creating opportunities for people to thrive.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that all activities undertaken by DPCF deliver clear public benefit. Our programmes are designed to support individuals and families experiencing

disadvantage, isolation, or financial hardship, ensuring that the people of Donegall Pass have access to the support, skills, and services they need to improve their quality of life.

Achievements and Performance

Community Relations & Community Development

This year, DPCF strengthened community cohesion by supporting nine local community groups. These partnerships helped create shared spaces, shared experiences, and shared understanding across a diverse population.

- 9 local community groups supported:
 - - Donegall Pass Residents Association
 - - Elm Court Sheltered Housing
 - - Forward South Partnership / QUB
 - - Inner South Belfast Partnership Board
 - - CRI Board
 - - Community Centre Summer Scheme
 - - SOLAS toddlers group
 - - Princes Trust Access to Media
 - - Eden Project 'Growing Local Connections' workshops
- 151 beneficiaries of community bonding/relations projects
- 4 staff/volunteers trained in community development skills
- 14 volunteers contributed 295 hours
- 100% of participants reported feeling more comfortable engaging across community backgrounds
- Projects included garden volunteers, ESOL teachers, summer event volunteers, and community garden activities

Education, Training & Employability

DPCF's education and training programmes continue to transform lives by building confidence, improving employability, and helping people take meaningful steps toward work, further education, or self-employment. In a community where many adults have been out of learning for years, these programmes offer a vital pathway back into skills development and opportunity. Participants consistently reported increased confidence, new friendships, and a renewed sense of purpose.

Key achievements:

- 157 people received job-specific or employability training
- 20 people completed Level 1 & Level 2 Essential Skills ICT
- 20 people commenced Essential Skills ICT:
 - 10 completed
 - 4 achieved Level 2
 - 6 achieved Level 1

- 6 people completed Beginners ICT (first period)
- 11 people completed Beginners ICT (second period)
- 12 people completed a 6-week Beginners British Sign Language course
- 14 people gained Level 2 Beauty Qualifications
- 8 women completed a Level 2 ABT Waxing course
- 23 people completed a 4-week Air Fryer Course (non-accredited)
- 12 people gained an accredited CPR & Defibrillator First Aid certificate
- 6 women completed a 16-week WRAP Programme funded by Gems NI

ESOL achievements:

- Weekly ESOL classes delivered by volunteer teachers, with DPCF providing the venue and resources
- ESOL supported learners to:
 - Improve spoken and written English
 - Prepare for citizenship interviews
 - Communicate more confidently in workplaces
- One ESOL student completed a Translation qualification and is now working as a freelance translator
- Another student received 1-to-1 support, passed her citizenship conversational test, and became a British Citizen

Enterprise support:

- A local resident was supported to start a kinesiology business
 - Provided with a Complementary Therapies Suite free during the incubation period
 - DPCF recruited local residents as clients
 - Guidance offered on funding streams and supportive organisations

Health & Wellbeing

Health and wellbeing remained central to DPCF's mission, especially as the cost-of-living crisis continued to impact mental health, physical health, and social connection. Our programmes offered safe spaces for relaxation, learning, and community support. Participants consistently reported improved wellbeing, reduced stress, and increased confidence.

Key achievements:

- 559 individuals engaged in health intervention services
- 952 total engagements across all health and wellbeing activities
- 100% of participants in complementary therapies reported improved mental health (Warwick Edinburgh Scale)

Activities and supports:

- 79 people accessed Complementary Therapies
- 151 people participated in Garden Workshops

- 250 people attended Christmas and Summer Garden Events
- 40 individuals supported through Fareshare
- 8 participants in Playlist for Life Group
- 23 people completed the Air Fryer Course
- 34 people accessed the Social Supermarket Larder
- 94 seniors received Seniors Vouchers
- 66 people received Social Supermarket Vouchers
- 10 people received Yoga Vouchers
- 121 participants attended 12 wellbeing workshops
- 15 volunteers contributed to wellbeing activities
- 18 individuals supported through the PHA Mental Health Project

Relax and Reconnect Programme:

- Participants reported:
 - Improved sleep
 - Reduced stress
 - Healthier eating
 - Better coping strategies
- Sessions included meditation, therapy, reflexology, nutrition, and hands-on activities
- Participants described the programme as fun, formative, and life-enhancing

Cost-of-living support

- Fareshare food distribution twice weekly, providing free surplus food
- Food and fuel vouchers distributed to families and individuals in need
- Hey Girls period poverty products provided free of charge

Social Supermarket Project

The Social Supermarket has become a lifeline for residents facing financial hardship. It combines practical food support with personal development, wellbeing activities, and tailored action planning to help people build long-term resilience.

Key achievements:

- 81 individuals completed 1-to-1 Action Plans
 - Covering education, employment, training, and wellbeing
 - Helped identify needs and signpost to relevant supports
 - Informed future training provision

Support strands included:

- Complementary therapies
- Health workshops
- Beauty courses

- Food vouchers
- Larder Store
- Yoga vouchers

The Larder:

- Run by a local volunteer
- 34 households supported
- Feedback consistently excellent
- Action Plans highlighted:
 - Working families, single parents, and people living with cancer are particularly struggling
 - Rising food and heating costs are major pressures

Summer Feed the Nation Project

This project ensured that children who normally receive free school meals did not go without during the summer holidays. It provided stability, dignity, and essential support to families under pressure.

Key achievements:

- 1,720 food packs delivered over 8 weeks
- Each pack provided 5 days of meals per child
- 43 children benefitted
- 24 families supported

Children and Young People

DPCF delivered a range of inclusive, creative, and supportive activities for children and young people, including those with additional needs. These programmes helped build confidence, friendships, and emotional wellbeing.

Key achievements:

- 31 children and young people engaged in projects
- 16 children participated in monthly after-school activities
- 7 young people took part in the Princes Trust Access to Media project
- 8 children (aged 4–5) attended weekly autism-support sessions with SOLAS
- Christmas and Summer family events held in the Community Garden

Physical Regeneration Projects

DPCF continued to advocate for community-led regeneration, ensuring that local voices are heard in planning processes and that shared spaces are improved for everyone.

Key achievements and activities:

- CRI Building Improvements:
 - Working with architects on accessibility, sustainability, maintenance, and a new roof
 - Tendering planned for May 2025
- Linen Quarter BID:
 - Supporting proposals to improve Gasworks open spaces
 - Ensuring community accessibility
- Havelock House:
 - Supporting DPRA in opposing the development
 - Attended Planning Committee
 - Supported judicial review submissions
- Elm Court:
 - Addressing maintenance issues with Choice Housing
 - Joint VE Day celebration
- Public Realm Maintenance:
 - Supporting DPRA with street trees, pavements, and parking

Community Garden:

- Improvements included:
 - More volunteers
 - Solar power installation
 - General enhancements
- Hosted workshops for:
 - Princes Trust
 - SOLAS
 - Summer Scheme
 - Lunch Club
 - Indian Women's Association
- Workshops included:
 - Biodiversity
 - Planting and potting
 - Vegetable growing
 - Apple pressing
 - Homemade lemonade
 - Lavender bundles
- Hosted the End of Summer Garden Party
- Hosts the Community Christmas Tree
- Provides fruit and vegetables to local families
- Offers a welcoming space for tea, conversation, and connection

Plans for the Future

Looking ahead, DPCF will continue to champion the needs of the Donegall Pass community by:

- Expanding the Social Supermarket and Larder
- Increasing accredited training opportunities
- Enhancing mental health and wellbeing programmes

- Strengthening partnerships with local organisations
- Continuing to support local regeneration
- Further developing the Community Garden as a shared community asset

Closing Statement

As we reflect on another year of service, we are filled with pride at what has been achieved and gratitude for the people who made it possible. Our volunteers, staff, funders, and community members have shown extraordinary resilience, compassion, and commitment. Together, we have built something powerful—a community that cares, connects, and grows stronger every day. We look forward to the year ahead with hope, determination, and an unwavering belief in the potential of Donegall Pass.

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Trustees Report
for the year ended 30 April 2025

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 29th January 2026

Nigel McCrum

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N McCrum
Trustee

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of Donegall Pass Community Forum

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2025, which are set out on the following pages

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.

MTS

[MTS \(Jan 29, 2026 15:48:51 GMT\)](#)

Richard McClay FCA

For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD

**1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG**

29 January 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2025	2025	2025	2024
Income from	Notes	£	£	£	£
Grant income	4	-	249,850	249,850	185,989
Other income	5	11,578	-	11,578	12,324
Total income		<u>11,578</u>	<u>249,850</u>	<u>261,428</u>	<u>198,313</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	6	(21,249)	(241,483)	(262,732)	(198,694)
Total expenditure		<u>(21,249)</u>	<u>(241,483)</u>	<u>(262,732)</u>	<u>(198,694)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>(9,671)</u>	<u>8,367</u>	<u>(1,304)</u>	<u>(381)</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>(9,671)</u>	<u>8,367</u>	<u>(1,304)</u>	<u>(381)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>	<u>54,146</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>39,374</u>	<u>13,087</u>	<u>52,461</u>	<u>53,765</u>

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

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet
as at 30 April 2025

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		3,213		4,283
Current assets					
Debtors	10	26,720		14,676	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,511		76,278	
		<u>91,231</u>		<u>90,954</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(41,983)</u>		<u>(41,472)</u>	
Net current assets			49,248		49,482
Net assets			<u>52,461</u>		<u>53,765</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			39,374		49,045
Restricted funds			13,087		4,720
General funds			<u>52,461</u>		<u>53,765</u>

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2025

For the year ended 30 April 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by

Nigel McCrum

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Trustee

N McCrum

Registration number NI637780

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Notes to the financial statements
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1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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 and fittings - 25% reducing balance

1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

1.5. 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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1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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. Net incoming resources for the year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,070	1,427

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3. Employees

	Year ended 2025 Number	Year ended 2024 Number
Number of employees		
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	4	4
	Year ended 2025 £	Year ended 2024 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	131,476	123,604
Other pension costs	6,011	6,150
	137,487	129,754

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2025.

4.	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	58,356	58,356	27,209
Department for Communities	-	172,612	172,612	156,980
Sundry	-	4,018	4,018	1,800
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	10,000	10,000	-
	-	249,850	249,850	185,989

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5. Other Income	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
CRI - Dividend	7,440	-	7,440	6,115
Room Hire	30	-	30	1,723
CRI - Management	4,108	-	4,108	4,486
	<u>11,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,578</u>	<u>12,324</u>

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	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
6. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	131,476	123,604
Staff pension costs	6,011	6,150
Direct project costs	70,034	12,306
Rent	27,328	28,084
Insurance	2,605	2,552
Light and heat	7,278	8,089
Cleaning	3,720	2,627
Repairs and service	1,150	1,272
Postage and stationery	2,773	2,593
Telephone	3,837	5,077
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	447	422
General expenses	2,843	2,331
Depreciation	1,070	1,427
	<u>262,732</u>	<u>198,694</u>
 Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	241,483	
Unrestricted funds	21,249	
	<u>262,732</u>	
 For the year ended 30 April 2024		
Restricted funds		191,878
Unrestricted funds		6,816
		<u>198,694</u>

7. Taxation

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

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8.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2025 £	2024 £
	Deferred grant			35,415	31,925
	Other taxes and social security costs			1,162	2,204
	Accruals			5,406	7,343
				<u>41,983</u>	<u>41,472</u>
9.	Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property £	Property Improvement £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
	Cost				
	At 1 May 2024	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	At 30 April 2025	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	Depreciation				
	At 1 May 2024	44,073	4,906	64,282	113,261
	Charge for the year	-	-	1,070	1,070
	At 30 April 2025	44,073	4,906	65,352	114,331
	Net book values				
	At 30 April 2025	-	-	3,213	3,213
	At 30 April 2024	-	-	4,283	4,283
10.	Debtors			2025 £	2024 £
	Grants due			22,353	14,676
	Prepayments			4,367	-
				<u>26,720</u>	<u>14,676</u>

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11. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2025			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	2,099	3,213
Current assets/liabilities	38,260	10,988	49,248
Total net assets	<u>39,374</u>	<u>13,087</u>	<u>52,461</u>

12. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

13. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Accounts

Registration number NI637780

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Annual report and financial statements

for the year ended 30 April 2024

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Trustees Report
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The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum

Charity Registration number: NIC 102631

Company Registration number: NI637780

Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie

W Copeland (resigned 13th January 2025)

M McCallin

M Boyd

N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF)).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has three main services within the organisation these being: Community Training & Education, Physical Regeneration and Community Relations. Health and wellbeing underpins the activities of all the services.

In order to address this post Covid-19 period much of DPCF work focused on resuming face to face training and delivering projects that involved bringing people together in order to re-build confidences and provide back to normal services that encouraged and enabled individuals to return to a lifestyle and mind set that resembled pre Covid-19 lockdown time.

It was evident that many people in the community had lost confidence in mixing with others and in some cases even leaving their house. This caused cases of people being isolated and some of whom presented with mental health issues including depression.

The following projects and programmes were delivered in accordance with the aims and objectives of DPCF and to address new challenges that were emerging within the community.

Community Education & Training Courses delivered:

British Sign Language Course:

15 participants attended the 8 week introductory course to BSL. This course provided basic conversational sign language skills. It encouraged a group of people from differing backgrounds to learn together in a safe and shared space and helped forge friendships whilst providing basic skills that participants could chose to develop further.

Seniors Digital Training

9 participants over the age of 60 attended the one tone training through which they developed new skills that enabled them to set up an e-mail account and search for information of the internet. Many participants felt that it opened a new world to them where they could use the new skills to keep in touch with family and friends and also pay bills and order shopping deliveries safely on line.

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Red Cross First Aid Training

10 participants attended the First Aid Training sessions, where they were provided with instructions on how to treat minor injuries and carry out CPR procedures. All participants agreed that the training was useful and had provided them with the knowledge and confidence to be able to respond to accidents that may occur within the household including vital life saving procedures.

It was identified that there was a need to assist the new arrivals wishing to settle in to the area, mostly people from asylum seeking people from ethnic communities. It was necessary to provide a project designed for the newcomers to enable them to integrate and adjust to their new surroundings.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Esol courses were delivered through weekly sessions throughout the year by volunteers who we had recruited. As no funding was available for this programme DPCF provided the resources and venue to enable the sessions to be held.

This course was very successful in helping people from other countries to understand the basic English spoken and written language.

DPCF has had input into Belfast City Councils Peace Plus application for £500,000 to run Belfast wide, community based English classes, which will include a childcare provision option. The "Language Matters" research is the main document being used to show the need for this service. This is an excellent and positive outcome for DPCF's work. Following meetings with the Department for Economy DPCF have been asked if the Department can use their research to inform their ESOL Strategy for Northern Ireland. This is a positive policy outcome at a strategic level and will be important moving forward in Inner City South Belfast in terms of fostering good relations in the area.

Additional to the larger accredited courses the training and education team delivered the following courses.

Accredited Courses:

- Essential Skills ICT: We ran 2 courses a week at Level 1 and Level 2. 20 Learners
- Essential Skills English Level 1 and Level 2: 5 learners
- ABT Level 2 Waxing Diploma was delivered to 12 individuals and was a great success. The Beauty Courses are very popular and they provide women with the opportunity to come together, increase their earning potential and build confidence. We received funding from Power NI for 15 waxing pots that were given to the participants on completion of the course

Non-accredited courses and programmes:

We ran a series of courses and programmes that were not accredited.

- Tech in the Pass was a new initiative funded by the NIHE. We received 12 Tablets and designed and delivered a Beginners tablet training 6 week course for people, over 55, living on their own and who were socially isolated. Participants were gifted the tablets at the end of the training and supplied with a year of data.
- Beginners ICT: We ran three 6 week Beginners ICT courses, delivered by a Volunteer. This course was designed to help both native and non-native speakers to learn the fundamentals of computers, such as email, word processing and internet.
- Introduction to Crystals was a non-accredited workshop that proved very popular with the women. It was fully subscribed and again was an opportunity for learning in a community setting

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Physical Regeneration Projects

Donegall Pass Community Garden

- Donegall Pass Community Garden has been used in this period to host workshops to a number of young people including groups from The Princes Trust Programme, SOLAS (Autism Support), Donegall Pass Centre Summer Scheme, Donegall Pass Lunch Club and Indian Womens Association.
- Workshops delivered were on bio-diversity, planting, potting flower baskets and containers, growing vegetables, making apple juice with an apple press, homemade lemonade and lavender budles.
- The garden hosted a Seniors Healthy lunch in July, it provided the participants with the opportunity to meet and join with others to enjoy a good picnic styled lunch.
- The Community Garden is managed by DPCF Regeneration Officer who manages a number of volunteers from the community and oversees all the events and workshops.
- The Community Garden provides a welcoming and shared space for all, it hosted community events including End of Summer Garden Party for families. This involved Bouncy Castles, BBQ, Balloon Modelling and Arts & Crafts. Families from various traditions and ethnicity attended the event. It provided a great opportunity for parents and children to mix and form friendships. The garden also hosts the Community Christmas Tree for the area of Donegall Pass.
- The garden provides the space for people to meet socialise in by enjoying a cup of tea and a chat with staff and volunteers.
- The fruit and vegetables grown in the garden are provided to individuals and families within the community for preparing meals at home.
- The Garden provided the venue for members of the community to making and decorating Christmas Wreaths.
- The Garden was upgraded with awning and telephone charging ports being installed. The raised beds were maintained with three of them being replaced with new timber.

Arts Project

- 36 participants attended the Arts Project that was centred around creating an installation an piece of artwork for the Community Garden. Participants learned the skills of crochet, creating mosaics and painting. Those who took part reported that they found the course to be relaxing and therapeutic and improved their mood greatly.
- The artwork created was installed in the community garden and an open day was held for the public and all involved in the project.

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land is lead by the DPCF Physical Regeneration Officer and as such hosted Queens University graduate and under-graduate students from the school of Architecture and the Built Environment. Projects included Streetscape, Master Planning and Site Designs for Donegall Pass. DPCF through its Regeneration responsibilities provide regular updates to the community on present and future development plans for the area. Regular meeting have been held with interested residents and planning advice provided to them. DPCF represented residents in opposing the Havelock House Development plans at council level. DPCF also met with Developers and presented the issues and concerns raised by the community.

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Regeneration project undertaken were:

- Posnett Street - Plans for social and affordable housing, DPCF attended regular meetings with the Housing Executive and Clanmil Housing regarding the plans and feedback/advice provide to them on behalf of the community.
- Shaftesbury Square re-development.
- DPCF hosted a number of focus groups where the Regeneration Officer provided guidance and understanding of the plans that were being proposed for the area, this created a better understanding of the development and planning process and provided the opportunity for residents to have an input in providing feedback on the proposals.

Community Relations

A number of projects/workshops were delivered by DPCF that enabled participants from different backgrounds to meet and engage with each other through participating in projects that provided environmental, social and family activities. The activities were planned to establish and promote well being in the community and to improve the quality of life for residents. The projects delivered provided participants with a sense of belonging and helped to mitigate potential conflicts.

The projects delivered included:

Photography Competition - this involved advertising the competition through social media and invited individuals within the community to post a photo of what made them happy. A number of participants took part and were presented with framed prints of their photos.

Arts & Crafts Workshops - a group participated in making candles where they melted wax and used moulds to produce a fragrant candle that they then painted a design on to.

Older Persons Quiz and Health Lunch - a group of senior citizens participated in a general knowledge quiz and enjoyed a healthy lunch, the even provided the opportunity for the participants to chat, reminisce and form friendships.

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - Ethnically diverse and indigenous participants came together to learn how to make traditional Christmas wreaths, this provided the opportunity for all those attending to help one another and form friendships whilst producing their own creations.

Family Day Out - Families from the local area participated in a trip to Belfast Zoo that was organised by DPCF, this encouraged parents and children to interact as a group and with each other. Parents and children benefited from a great day out.

End of Summer Garden Party - Families attended a fun day held in and around the Community Garden that was organised by DPCF. Activities included a BBQ, bouncy castles and a petting zoo. The event brought many people together including some from neighbouring communities.

Annual Seniors Christmas Voucher Scheme - DPCF delivered gift vouchers to all seniors (over 60) who were eligible to receive these in December. Vouchers were hand delivered to each individual and couple who had registered for the scheme, this provided the opportunity to connect face to face and to provide people with information on other services available that they may be interested in.

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Health Promotion Programmes/Services

- Complementary Services - Participants benefited from six planned individual sessions, the service provided a safe place to relax and avail of treatments that focused on reducing stress and anxiety. The sessions also demonstrated to participants various methods to improve their self wellness and coping strategies.
- Counselling - Rape Crisis NI provided individual counselling sessions through partnership with DPCF.
- Healthy Eating Programme - Participants attended a short course through which they received information on nutrition and cooking on a budget.
- Womens Wellness Workshop - This provided the opportunity for women from differing cultures and neighbouring communities to participate in the workshop that provided the space to talk with each other about health issues and gain information from professionals regarding self-care.
- Playlist for Life Programme - This programme was designed to bring a group of Senior citizens together through their love of music and to address issues of isolation. DPCF delivered this on a weekly basis to a number of participants who through the programme formed friendships, reported an improvement on their mood, and enjoyed meeting in a friendly, safe, warm and entertaining space. Participants were also provided with a healthy lunch.
- Seated Yoga Sessions - this project was delivered to participants in the community who had mobility issues, they reported that the sessions were of help to them both in terms of pain and improved mobility.

Cost of Living Crisis :

The following provisions were implemented and delivered throughout the community to address the cost of living crisis and to help those experiencing food and fuel poverty.

Fareshare food - this service was organised by DPCF in partnership the Fareshare NI. It provided free food collected from Supermarkets that would otherwise be going to waste. This included vegetables, fruit, and bread. People from the community were invited to come along and take what they needed for their own use. This service was available two days every week and was well used by local individuals and families.

Voucher Scheme - Food and fuel vouchers were distributed within the community to those who indicated a need for extra help. This was implemented to address issues of poverty due to the cost of living crisis that was affecting families and low earning people within the area of Donegall Pass.

Hey Girls - Period poverty products are provided free of charge to those in need in the community in partnership with DPCF.

Support to other organisations

DPCF provided support to the following organisations:

- Donegall Pass Residents Action Group - A DPCF representative attended regular meetings and provided advice regarding planning matters and community issues.
- SOLAS Summer Scheme - DPCF hosted a number of workshops for children attending this scheme.
- Donegall Pass Community Centre - DPCF hosted workshops in the Community Garden for children attending the Council summer scheme.
- The Princes Trust - DPCF hosted a group of young people who volunteered to help with the maintenance of the Community Garden.
- Parenting NI - DPCF provided admin and resources to support the group delivering specialised training to parents.
- Cromac Regeneration Initiative (CRI) - DPCF provided support to the CIC Company through the delivery of financial, administration and building management services.

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Communications

DPCF produced three Community Newsletters to inform residents and businesses of services being offered by them, also highlighting plans for development in the area and information on events and projects it also provided local representative contact details.

DPCF Social Media - The organisations facebook and web site were populated with information and regularly updated for the local community.

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on notes of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 19th January 2025



Deborah McCurrie
Trustee

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2024, which are set out on the following pages

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



MTS (Jan 28, 2025 21:13 GMT)

Richard McClay FCA
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD

1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG

19 January 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Income from	Notes	£	£	£	£
Donations and training:	4	-	-	-	600
Grant income	5	-	185,989	185,989	218,448
Other income	6	12,324	-	12,324	12,817
Total income		<u>12,324</u>	<u>185,989</u>	<u>198,313</u>	<u>231,865</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(6,816)	(191,878)	(198,694)	(228,805)
Total expenditure		<u>(6,816)</u>	<u>(191,878)</u>	<u>(198,694)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
 Fund balances brought forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>	<u>54,146</u>

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

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet
as at 30 April 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		4,283		5,710
Current assets					
Debtors	11	14,676		16,650	
Cash at bank and in hand		76,278		64,399	
		<u>90,954</u>		<u>81,049</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(41,472)</u>		<u>(32,613)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>49,482</u>		<u>48,436</u>
Net assets			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			49,045		43,537
Restricted funds			4,720		10,609
General funds			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2024

For the year ended 30 April 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 19 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by



**Trustee
Deborah McCurrie**

Registration number NI637780

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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 and fittings	-	25% reducing balance
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1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

1.5. 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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1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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. Net incoming resources for the year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,427	1,903

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3. Employees

	Year ended 2024 Number	Year ended 2023 Number
Number of employees		
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	4	5
	Year ended 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	123,604	143,437
Other pension costs	6,150	6,594
	<u>129,754</u>	<u>150,031</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2024.

4.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donation income				
Donations, fund raising and training	-	-	-	600
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>

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5.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	27,209	27,209	10,360
Department for Communities	-	156,980	156,980	186,505
Sundry	-	1,800	1,800	980
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	-	-	3,925
The Executive Office	-	-	-	839
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	6,329
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	-	-	2,687
OCN	-	-	-	1,980
ESOL	-	-	-	4,843
	-	185,989	185,989	218,448

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
CRI - Dividend	6,115	-	6,115	9,800
Room Hire	1,723	-	1,723	1,029
CRI - Management	4,486	-	4,486	1,988
	12,324	-	12,324	12,817

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	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	123,604	143,437
Staff pension costs	6,150	6,594
Direct project costs	12,306	34,164
Rent	28,084	26,202
Insurance	2,552	2,205
Light and heat	8,089	3,177
Cleaning	2,627	109
Repairs and service	1,272	1,037
Postage and stationery	2,593	1,499
Telephone	5,077	4,386
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	422	455
General expenses	2,331	1,242
Affiliation fees	-	235
Depreciation	1,427	1,903
	198,694	228,805
Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	191,878	
Unrestricted funds	6,816	
	198,694	
For the year ended 30 April 2023		
Restricted funds		208,218
Unrestricted funds		20,587
		228,805

8. Taxation

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

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9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2024	2023
			£	£
Deferred grant			31,925	27,433
Other taxes and social security costs			2,204	836
Accruals			7,343	4,344
			<u>41,472</u>	<u>32,613</u>
10. Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property	Property Improvement	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>68,565</u>	<u>117,544</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
Charge for the year	-	-	1,427	1,427
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>64,282</u>	<u>113,261</u>
Net book values				
At 30 April 2024	-	-	4,283	4,283
At 30 April 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,710</u>	<u>5,710</u>
11. Debtors			2024	2023
			£	£
Grants due			<u>14,676</u>	<u>16,650</u>

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2024			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	3,169	4,283
Current assets/liabilities	47,931	1,551	49,482
Total net assets	<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Donegall Pass Community Forum

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102631

Annual report

Registration number NI637780

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Trustees Report
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The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum

Charity Registration number: NIC 102631

Company Registration number: NI637780

Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie

W Copeland (resigned 13th January 2025)

M McCallin

M Boyd

N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF)).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has three main services within the organisation these being: Community Training & Education, Physical Regeneration and Community Relations. Health and wellbeing underpins the activities of all the services.

In order to address this post Covid-19 period much of DPCF work focused on resuming face to face training and delivering projects that involved bringing people together in order to re-build confidences and provide back to normal services that encouraged and enabled individuals to return to a lifestyle and mind set that resembled pre Covid-19 lockdown time.

It was evident that many people in the community had lost confidence in mixing with others and in some cases even leaving their house. This caused cases of people being isolated and some of whom presented with mental health issues including depression.

The following projects and programmes were delivered in accordance with the aims and objectives of DPCF and to address new challenges that were emerging within the community.

Community Education & Training Courses delivered:

British Sign Language Course:

15 participants attended the 8 week introductory course to BSL. This course provided basic conversational sign language skills. It encouraged a group of people from differing backgrounds to learn together in a safe and shared space and helped forge friendships whilst providing basic skills that participants could chose to develop further.

Seniors Digital Training

9 participants over the age of 60 attended the one tone training through which they developed new skills that enabled them to set up an e-mail account and search for information of the internet. Many participants felt that it opened a new world to them where they could use the new skills to keep in touch with family and friends and also pay bills and order shopping deliveries safely on line.

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Red Cross First Aid Training

10 participants attended the First Aid Training sessions, where they were provided with instructions on how to treat minor injuries and carry out CPR procedures. All participants agreed that the training was useful and had provided them with the knowledge and confidence to be able to respond to accidents that may occur within the household including vital life saving procedures.

It was identified that there was a need to assist the new arrivals wishing to settle in to the area, mostly people from asylum seeking people from ethnic communities. It was necessary to provide a project designed for the newcomers to enable them to integrate and adjust to their new surroundings.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Esol courses were delivered through weekly sessions throughout the year by volunteers who we had recruited. As no funding was available for this programme DPCF provided the resources and venue to enable the sessions to be held.

This course was very successful in helping people from other countries to understand the basic English spoken and written language.

DPCF has had input into Belfast City Councils Peace Plus application for £500,000 to run Belfast wide, community based English classes, which will include a childcare provision option. The "Language Matters" research is the main document being used to show the need for this service. This is an excellent and positive outcome for DPCF's work. Following meetings with the Department for Economy DPCF have been asked if the Department can use their research to inform their ESOL Strategy for Northern Ireland. This is a positive policy outcome at a strategic level and will be important moving forward in Inner City South Belfast in terms of fostering good relations in the area.

Additional to the larger accredited courses the training and education team delivered the following courses.

Accredited Courses:

- Essential Skills ICT: We ran 2 courses a week at Level 1 and Level 2. 20 Learners
- Essential Skills English Level 1 and Level 2: 5 learners
- ABT Level 2 Waxing Diploma was delivered to 12 individuals and was a great success. The Beauty Courses are very popular and they provide women with the opportunity to come together, increase their earning potential and build confidence. We received funding from Power NI for 15 waxing pots that were given to the participants on completion of the course

Non-accredited courses and programmes:

We ran a series of courses and programmes that were not accredited.

- Tech in the Pass was a new initiative funded by the NIHE. We received 12 Tablets and designed and delivered a Beginners tablet training 6 week course for people, over 55, living on their own and who were socially isolated. Participants were gifted the tablets at the end of the training and supplied with a year of data.
- Beginners ICT: We ran three 6 week Beginners ICT courses, delivered by a Volunteer. This course was designed to help both native and non-native speakers to learn the fundamentals of computers, such as email, word processing and internet.
- Introduction to Crystals was a non-accredited workshop that proved very popular with the women. It was fully subscribed and again was an opportunity for learning in a community setting

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Physical Regeneration Projects

Donegall Pass Community Garden

- Donegall Pass Community Garden has been used in this period to host workshops to a number of young people including groups from The Princes Trust Programme, SOLAS (Autism Support), Donegall Pass Centre Summer Scheme, Donegall Pass Lunch Club and Indian Womens Association.
- Workshops delivered were on bio-diversity, planting, potting flower baskets and containers, growing vegetables, making apple juice with an apple press, homemade lemonade and lavender budles.
- The garden hosted a Seniors Healthy lunch in July, it provided the participants with the opportunity to meet and join with others to enjoy a good picnic styled lunch.
- The Community Garden is managed by DPCF Regeneration Officer who manages a number of volunteers from the community and oversees all the events and workshops.
- The Community Garden provides a welcoming and shared space for all, it hosted community events including End of Summer Garden Party for families. This involved Bouncy Castles, BBQ, Balloon Modelling and Arts & Crafts. Families from various traditions and ethnicity attended the event. It provided a great opportunity for parents and children to mix and form friendships. The garden also hosts the Community Christmas Tree for the area of Donegall Pass.
- The garden provides the space for people to meet socialise in by enjoying a cup of tea and a chat with staff and volunteers.
- The fruit and vegetables grown in the garden are provided to individuals and families within the community for preparing meals at home.
- The Garden provided the venue for members of the community to making and decorating Christmas Wreaths.
- The Garden was upgraded with awning and telephone charging ports being installed. The raised beds were maintained with three of them being replaced with new timber.

Arts Project

- 36 participants attended the Arts Project that was centred around creating an installation an piece of artwork for the Community Garden. Participants learned the skills of crochet, creating mosaics and painting. Those who took part reported that they found the course to be relaxing and therapeutic and improved their mood greatly.
- The artwork created was installed in the community garden and an open day was held for the public and all involved in the project.

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land is lead by the DPCF Physical Regeneration Officer and as such hosted Queens University graduate and under-graduate students from the school of Architecture and the Built Environment. Projects included Streetscape, Master Planning and Site Designs for Donegall Pass. DPCF through its Regeneration responsibilities provide regular updates to the community on present and future development plans for the area. Regular meeting have been held with interested residents and planning advice provided to them. DPCF represented residents in opposing the Havelock House Development plans at council level. DPCF also met with Developers and presented the issues and concerns raised by the community.

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Regeneration project undertaken were:

- Posnett Street - Plans for social and affordable housing, DPCF attended regular meetings with the Housing Executive and Clanmil Housing regarding the plans and feedback/advice provide to them on behalf of the community.
- Shaftesbury Square re-development.
- DPCF hosted a number of focus groups where the Regeneration Officer provided guidance and understanding of the plans that were being proposed for the area, this created a better understanding of the development and planning process and provided the opportunity for residents to have an input in providing feedback on the proposals.

Community Relations

A number of projects/workshops were delivered by DPCF that enabled participants from different backgrounds to meet and engage with each other through participating in projects that provided environmental, social and family activities. The activities were planned to establish and promote well being in the community and to improve the quality of life for residents. The projects delivered provided participants with a sense of belonging and helped to mitigate potential conflicts.

The projects delivered included:

Photography Competition - this involved advertising the competition through social media and invited individuals within the community to post a photo of what made them happy. A number of participants took part and were presented with framed prints of their photos.

Arts & Crafts Workshops - a group participated in making candles where they melted wax and used moulds to produce a fragrant candle that they then painted a design on to.

Older Persons Quiz and Health Lunch - a group of senior citizens participated in a general knowledge quiz and enjoyed a healthy lunch, the even provided the opportunity for the participants to chat, reminisce and form friendships.

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - Ethnically diverse and indigenous participants came together to learn how to make traditional Christmas wreaths, this provided the opportunity for all those attending to help one another and form friendships whilst producing their own creations.

Family Day Out - Families from the local area participated in a trip to Belfast Zoo that was organised by DPCF, this encouraged parents and children to interact as a group and with each other. Parents and children benefited from a great day out.

End of Summer Garden Party - Families attended a fun day held in and around the Community Garden that was organised by DPCF. Activities included a BBQ, bouncy castles and a petting zoo. The event brought many people together including some from neighbouring communities.

Annual Seniors Christmas Voucher Scheme - DPCF delivered gift vouchers to all seniors (over 60) who were eligible to receive these in December. Vouchers were hand delivered to each individual and couple who had registered for the scheme, this provided the opportunity to connect face to face and to provide people with information on other services available that they may be interested in.

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Health Promotion Programmes/Services

- Complementary Services - Participants benefited from six planned individual sessions, the service provided a safe place to relax and avail of treatments that focused on reducing stress and anxiety. The sessions also demonstrated to participants various methods to improve their self wellness and coping strategies.
- Counselling - Rape Crisis NI provided individual counselling sessions through partnership with DPCF.
- Healthy Eating Programme - Participants attended a short course through which they received information on nutrition and cooking on a budget.
- Womens Wellness Workshop - This provided the opportunity for women from differing cultures and neighbouring communities to participate in the workshop that provided the space to talk with each other about health issues and gain information from professionals regarding self-care.
- Playlist for Life Programme - This programme was designed to bring a group of Senior citizens together through their love of music and to address issues of isolation. DPCF delivered this on a weekly basis to a number of participants who through the programme formed friendships, reported an improvement on their mood, and enjoyed meeting in a friendly, safe, warm and entertaining space. Participants were also provided with a healthy lunch.
- Seated Yoga Sessions - this project was delivered to participants in the community who had mobility issues, they reported that the sessions were of help to them both in terms of pain and improved mobility.

Cost of Living Crisis :

The following provisions were implemented and delivered throughout the community to address the cost of living crisis and to help those experiencing food and fuel poverty.

Fareshare food - this service was organised by DPCF in partnership the Fareshare NI. It provided free food collected from Supermarkets that would otherwise be going to waste. This included vegetables, fruit, and bread. People from the community were invited to come along and take what they needed for their own use. This service was available two days every week and was well used by local individuals and families.

Voucher Scheme - Food and fuel vouchers were distributed within the community to those who indicated a need for extra help. This was implemented to address issues of poverty due to the cost of living crisis that was affecting families and low earning people within the area of Donegall Pass.

Hey Girls - Period poverty products are provided free of charge to those in need in the community in partnership with DPCF.

Support to other organisations

DPCF provided support to the following organisations:

- Donegall Pass Residents Action Group - A DPCF representative attended regular meetings and provided advice regarding planning matters and community issues.
- SOLAS Summer Scheme - DPCF hosted a number of workshops for children attending this scheme.
- Donegall Pass Community Centre - DPCF hosted workshops in the Community Garden for children attending the Council summer scheme.
- The Princes Trust - DPCF hosted a group of young people who volunteered to help with the maintenance of the Community Garden.
- Parenting NI - DPCF provided admin and resources to support the group delivering specialised training to parents.
- Cromac Regeneration Initiative (CRI) - DPCF provided support to the CIC Company through the delivery of financial, administration and building management services.

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Communications

DPCF produced three Community Newsletters to inform residents and businesses of services being offered by them, also highlighting plans for development in the area and information on events and projects it also provided local representative contact details.

DPCF Social Media - The organisations facebook and web site were populated with information and regularly updated for the local community.

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on notes of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 19th January 2025



Deborah McCurrie
Trustee

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2024, which are set out on the following pages

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



MTS (Jan 28, 2025 21:13 GMT)

Richard McClay FCA
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD

1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG

19 January 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Income from	Notes	£	£	£	£
Donations and training:	4	-	-	-	600
Grant income	5	-	185,989	185,989	218,448
Other income	6	12,324	-	12,324	12,817
Total income		<u>12,324</u>	<u>185,989</u>	<u>198,313</u>	<u>231,865</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(6,816)	(191,878)	(198,694)	(228,805)
Total expenditure		<u>(6,816)</u>	<u>(191,878)</u>	<u>(198,694)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
 Fund balances brought forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>	<u>54,146</u>

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

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet
as at 30 April 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		4,283		5,710
Current assets					
Debtors	11	14,676		16,650	
Cash at bank and in hand		76,278		64,399	
		<u>90,954</u>		<u>81,049</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(41,472)</u>		<u>(32,613)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>49,482</u>		<u>48,436</u>
Net assets			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			49,045		43,537
Restricted funds			4,720		10,609
General funds			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>

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For the year ended 30 April 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 19 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by



**Trustee
Deborah McCurrie**

Registration number NI637780

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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 and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
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1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

1.5. 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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1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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. Net incoming resources for the year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,427	1,903

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3. Employees

	Year ended 2024 Number	Year ended 2023 Number
Number of employees		
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	4	5
	Year ended 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	123,604	143,437
Other pension costs	6,150	6,594
	<u>129,754</u>	<u>150,031</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2024.

4.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donation income				
Donations, fund raising and training	-	-	-	600
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>

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5.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	27,209	27,209	10,360
Department for Communities	-	156,980	156,980	186,505
Sundry	-	1,800	1,800	980
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	-	-	3,925
The Executive Office	-	-	-	839
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	6,329
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	-	-	2,687
OCN	-	-	-	1,980
ESOL	-	-	-	4,843
	<u>-</u>	<u>185,989</u>	<u>185,989</u>	<u>218,448</u>

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
CRI - Dividend	6,115	-	6,115	9,800
Room Hire	1,723	-	1,723	1,029
CRI - Management	4,486	-	4,486	1,988
	<u>12,324</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,324</u>	<u>12,817</u>

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	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	123,604	143,437
Staff pension costs	6,150	6,594
Direct project costs	12,306	34,164
Rent	28,084	26,202
Insurance	2,552	2,205
Light and heat	8,089	3,177
Cleaning	2,627	109
Repairs and service	1,272	1,037
Postage and stationery	2,593	1,499
Telephone	5,077	4,386
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	422	455
General expenses	2,331	1,242
Affiliation fees	-	235
Depreciation	1,427	1,903
	198,694	228,805
Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	191,878	
Unrestricted funds	6,816	
	198,694	
For the year ended 30 April 2023		
Restricted funds		208,218
Unrestricted funds		20,587
		228,805

8. Taxation

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

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9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2024	2023
			£	£
Deferred grant			31,925	27,433
Other taxes and social security costs			2,204	836
Accruals			7,343	4,344
			<u>41,472</u>	<u>32,613</u>
10. Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property	Property Improvement	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>68,565</u>	<u>117,544</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
Charge for the year	-	-	1,427	1,427
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>64,282</u>	<u>113,261</u>
Net book values				
At 30 April 2024	-	-	4,283	4,283
At 30 April 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,710</u>	<u>5,710</u>
11. Debtors			2024	2023
			£	£
Grants due			<u>14,676</u>	<u>16,650</u>

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2024			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	3,169	4,283
Current assets/liabilities	47,931	1,551	49,482
Total net assets	<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 102631

Annual return

Registration number NI637780

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Trustees Report
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The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum

Charity Registration number: NIC 102631

Company Registration number: NI637780

Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie

W Copeland (resigned 13th January 2025)

M McCallin

M Boyd

N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF)).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has three main services within the organisation these being: Community Training & Education, Physical Regeneration and Community Relations. Health and wellbeing underpins the activities of all the services.

In order to address this post Covid-19 period much of DPCF work focused on resuming face to face training and delivering projects that involved bringing people together in order to re-build confidences and provide back to normal services that encouraged and enabled individuals to return to a lifestyle and mind set that resembled pre Covid-19 lockdown time.

It was evident that many people in the community had lost confidence in mixing with others and in some cases even leaving their house. This caused cases of people being isolated and some of whom presented with mental health issues including depression.

The following projects and programmes were delivered in accordance with the aims and objectives of DPCF and to address new challenges that were emerging within the community.

Community Education & Training Courses delivered:

British Sign Language Course:

15 participants attended the 8 week introductory course to BSL. This course provided basic conversational sign language skills. It encouraged a group of people from differing backgrounds to learn together in a safe and shared space and helped forge friendships whilst providing basic skills that participants could chose to develop further.

Seniors Digital Training

9 participants over the age of 60 attended the one tone training through which they developed new skills that enabled them to set up an e-mail account and search for information of the internet. Many participants felt that it opened a new world to them where they could use the new skills to keep in touch with family and friends and also pay bills and order shopping deliveries safely on line.

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Red Cross First Aid Training

10 participants attended the First Aid Training sessions, where they were provided with instructions on how to treat minor injuries and carry out CPR procedures. All participants agreed that the training was useful and had provided them with the knowledge and confidence to be able to respond to accidents that may occur within the household including vital life saving procedures.

It was identified that there was a need to assist the new arrivals wishing to settle in to the area, mostly people from asylum seeking people from ethnic communities. It was necessary to provide a project designed for the newcomers to enable them to integrate and adjust to their new surroundings.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Esol courses were delivered through weekly sessions throughout the year by volunteers who we had recruited. As no funding was available for this programme DPCF provided the resources and venue to enable the sessions to be held.

This course was very successful in helping people from other countries to understand the basic English spoken and written language.

DPCF has had input into Belfast City Councils Peace Plus application for £500,000 to run Belfast wide, community based English classes, which will include a childcare provision option. The "Language Matters" research is the main document being used to show the need for this service. This is an excellent and positive outcome for DPCF's work. Following meetings with the Department for Economy DPCF have been asked if the Department can use their research to inform their ESOL Strategy for Northern Ireland. This is a positive policy outcome at a strategic level and will be important moving forward in Inner City South Belfast in terms of fostering good relations in the area.

Additional to the larger accredited courses the training and education team delivered the following courses.

Accredited Courses:

- Essential Skills ICT: We ran 2 courses a week at Level 1 and Level 2. 20 Learners
- Essential Skills English Level 1 and Level 2: 5 learners
- ABT Level 2 Waxing Diploma was delivered to 12 individuals and was a great success. The Beauty Courses are very popular and they provide women with the opportunity to come together, increase their earning potential and build confidence. We received funding from Power NI for 15 waxing pots that were given to the participants on completion of the course

Non-accredited courses and programmes:

We ran a series of courses and programmes that were not accredited.

- Tech in the Pass was a new initiative funded by the NIHE. We received 12 Tablets and designed and delivered a Beginners tablet training 6 week course for people, over 55, living on their own and who were socially isolated. Participants were gifted the tablets at the end of the training and supplied with a year of data.
- Beginners ICT: We ran three 6 week Beginners ICT courses, delivered by a Volunteer. This course was designed to help both native and non-native speakers to learn the fundamentals of computers, such as email, word processing and internet.
- Introduction to Crystals was a non-accredited workshop that proved very popular with the women. It was fully subscribed and again was an opportunity for learning in a community setting

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Physical Regeneration Projects

Donegall Pass Community Garden

- Donegall Pass Community Garden has been used in this period to host workshops to a number of young people including groups from The Princes Trust Programme, SOLAS (Autism Support), Donegall Pass Centre Summer Scheme, Donegall Pass Lunch Club and Indian Womens Association.
- Workshops delivered were on bio-diversity, planting, potting flower baskets and containers, growing vegetables, making apple juice with an apple press, homemade lemonade and lavender budles.
- The garden hosted a Seniors Healthy lunch in July, it provided the participants with the opportunity to meet and join with others to enjoy a good picnic styled lunch.
- The Community Garden is managed by DPCF Regeneration Officer who manages a number of volunteers from the community and oversees all the events and workshops.
- The Community Garden provides a welcoming and shared space for all, it hosted community events including End of Summer Garden Party for families. This involved Bouncy Castles, BBQ, Balloon Modelling and Arts & Crafts. Families from various traditions and ethnicity attended the event. It provided a great opportunity for parents and children to mix and form friendships. The garden also hosts the Community Christmas Tree for the area of Donegall Pass.
- The garden provides the space for people to meet socialise in by enjoying a cup of tea and a chat with staff and volunteers.
- The fruit and vegetables grown in the garden are provided to individuals and families within the community for preparing meals at home.
- The Garden provided the venue for members of the community to making and decorating Christmas Wreaths.
- The Garden was upgraded with awning and telephone charging ports being installed. The raised beds were maintained with three of them being replaced with new timber.

Arts Project

- 36 participants attended the Arts Project that was centred around creating an installation an piece of artwork for the Community Garden. Participants learned the skills of crochet, creating mosaics and painting. Those who took part reported that they found the course to be relaxing and therapeutic and improved their mood greatly.
- The artwork created was installed in the community garden and an open day was held for the public and all involved in the project.

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land

The Regeneration/Development of buildings and land is lead by the DPCF Physical Regeneration Officer and as such hosted Queens University graduate and under-graduate students from the school of Architecture and the Built Environment. Projects included Streetscape, Master Planning and Site Designs for Donegall Pass. DPCF through its Regeneration responsibilities provide regular updates to the community on present and future development plans for the area. Regular meeting have been held with interested residents and planning advice provided to them. DPCF represented residents in opposing the Havelock House Development plans at council level. DPCF also met with Developers and presented the issues and concerns raised by the community.

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Regeneration project undertaken were:

- Posnett Street - Plans for social and affordable housing, DPCF attended regular meetings with the Housing Executive and Clanmil Housing regarding the plans and feedback/advice provide to them on behalf of the community.
- Shaftesbury Square re-development.
- DPCF hosted a number of focus groups where the Regeneration Officer provided guidance and understanding of the plans that were being proposed for the area, this created a better understanding of the development and planning process and provided the opportunity for residents to have an input in providing feedback on the proposals.

Community Relations

A number of projects/workshops were delivered by DPCF that enabled participants from different backgrounds to meet and engage with each other through participating in projects that provided environmental, social and family activities. The activities were planned to establish and promote well being in the community and to improve the quality of life for residents. The projects delivered provided participants with a sense of belonging and helped to mitigate potential conflicts.

The projects delivered included:

Photography Competition - this involved advertising the competition through social media and invited individuals within the community to post a photo of what made them happy. A number of participants took part and were presented with framed prints of their photos.

Arts & Crafts Workshops - a group participated in making candles where they melted wax and used moulds to produce a fragrant candle that they then painted a design on to.

Older Persons Quiz and Health Lunch - a group of senior citizens participated in a general knowledge quiz and enjoyed a healthy lunch, the even provided the opportunity for the participants to chat, reminisce and form friendships.

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - Ethnically diverse and indigenous participants came together to learn how to make traditional Christmas wreaths, this provided the opportunity for all those attending to help one another and form friendships whilst producing their own creations.

Family Day Out - Families from the local area participated in a trip to Belfast Zoo that was organised by DPCF, this encouraged parents and children to interact as a group and with each other. Parents and children benefited from a great day out.

End of Summer Garden Party - Families attended a fun day held in and around the Community Garden that was organised by DPCF. Activities included a BBQ, bouncy castles and a petting zoo. The event brought many people together including some from neighbouring communities.

Annual Seniors Christmas Voucher Scheme - DPCF delivered gift vouchers to all seniors (over 60) who were eligible to receive these in December. Vouchers were hand delivered to each individual and couple who had registered for the scheme, this provided the opportunity to connect face to face and to provide people with information on other services available that they may be interested in.

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Health Promotion Programmes/Services

- Complementary Services - Participants benefited from six planned individual sessions, the service provided a safe place to relax and avail of treatments that focused on reducing stress and anxiety. The sessions also demonstrated to participants various methods to improve their self wellness and coping strategies.
- Counselling - Rape Crisis NI provided individual counselling sessions through partnership with DPCF.
- Healthy Eating Programme - Participants attended a short course through which they received information on nutrition and cooking on a budget.
- Womens Wellness Workshop - This provided the opportunity for women from differing cultures and neighbouring communities to participate in the workshop that provided the space to talk with each other about health issues and gain information from professionals regarding self-care.
- Playlist for Life Programme - This programme was designed to bring a group of Senior citizens together through their love of music and to address issues of isolation. DPCF delivered this on a weekly basis to a number of participants who through the programme formed friendships, reported an improvement on their mood, and enjoyed meeting in a friendly, safe, warm and entertaining space. Participants were also provided with a healthy lunch.
- Seated Yoga Sessions - this project was delivered to participants in the community who had mobility issues, they reported that the sessions were of help to them both in terms of pain and improved mobility.

Cost of Living Crisis :

The following provisions were implemented and delivered throughout the community to address the cost of living crisis and to help those experiencing food and fuel poverty.

Fareshare food - this service was organised by DPCF in partnership the Fareshare NI. It provided free food collected from Supermarkets that would otherwise be going to waste. This included vegetables, fruit, and bread. People from the community were invited to come along and take what they needed for their own use. This service was available two days every week and was well used by local individuals and families.

Voucher Scheme - Food and fuel vouchers were distributed within the community to those who indicated a need for extra help. This was implemented to address issues of poverty due to the cost of living crisis that was affecting families and low earning people within the area of Donegall Pass.

Hey Girls - Period poverty products are provided free of charge to those in need in the community in partnership with DPCF.

Support to other organisations

DPCF provided support to the following organisations:

- Donegall Pass Residents Action Group - A DPCF representative attended regular meetings and provided advice regarding planning matters and community issues.
- SOLAS Summer Scheme - DPCF hosted a number of workshops for children attending this scheme.
- Donegall Pass Community Centre - DPCF hosted workshops in the Community Garden for children attending the Council summer scheme.
- The Princes Trust - DPCF hosted a group of young people who volunteered to help with the maintenance of the Community Garden.
- Parenting NI - DPCF provided admin and resources to support the group delivering specialised training to parents.
- Cromac Regeneration Initiative (CRI) - DPCF provided support to the CIC Company through the delivery of financial, administration and building management services.

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Communications

DPCF produced three Community Newsletters to inform residents and businesses of services being offered by them, also highlighting plans for development in the area and information on events and projects it also provided local representative contact details.

DPCF Social Media - The organisations facebook and web site were populated with information and regularly updated for the local community.

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on notes of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 19th January 2025



Deborah McCurrie
Trustee

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2024, which are set out on the following pages

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



MTS (Jan 28, 2025 21:13 GMT)

Richard McClay FCA

For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD

**1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG**

19 January 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Income from	Notes	£	£	£	£
Donations and training:	4	-	-	-	600
Grant income	5	-	185,989	185,989	218,448
Other income	6	12,324	-	12,324	12,817
Total income		<u>12,324</u>	<u>185,989</u>	<u>198,313</u>	<u>231,865</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(6,816)	(191,878)	(198,694)	(228,805)
Total expenditure		<u>(6,816)</u>	<u>(191,878)</u>	<u>(198,694)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>5,508</u>	<u>(5,889)</u>	<u>(381)</u>	<u>3,060</u>
 Fund balances brought forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>	<u>54,146</u>

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

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet
as at 30 April 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		4,283		5,710
Current assets					
Debtors	11	14,676		16,650	
Cash at bank and in hand		76,278		64,399	
		<u>90,954</u>		<u>81,049</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(41,472)</u>		<u>(32,613)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>49,482</u>		<u>48,436</u>
Net assets			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			49,045		43,537
Restricted funds			4,720		10,609
General funds			<u>53,765</u>		<u>54,146</u>

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2024

For the year ended 30 April 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 19 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by



**Trustee
Deborah McCurrie**

Registration number NI637780

The notes on pages 16 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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 and fittings	-	25% reducing balance
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1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

1.5. 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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1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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. Net incoming resources for the year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,427	1,903

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3. Employees

	Year ended 2024 Number	Year ended 2023 Number
Number of employees		
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	4	5
	Year ended 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	123,604	143,437
Other pension costs	6,150	6,594
	<u>129,754</u>	<u>150,031</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2024.

4.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donation income				
Donations, fund raising and training	-	-	-	600
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>

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5.	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	27,209	27,209	10,360
Department for Communities	-	156,980	156,980	186,505
Sundry	-	1,800	1,800	980
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	-	-	3,925
The Executive Office	-	-	-	839
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	6,329
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	-	-	2,687
OCN	-	-	-	1,980
ESOL	-	-	-	4,843
	-	185,989	185,989	218,448

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
CRI - Dividend	6,115	-	6,115	9,800
Room Hire	1,723	-	1,723	1,029
CRI - Management	4,486	-	4,486	1,988
	12,324	-	12,324	12,817

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	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	123,604	143,437
Staff pension costs	6,150	6,594
Direct project costs	12,306	34,164
Rent	28,084	26,202
Insurance	2,552	2,205
Light and heat	8,089	3,177
Cleaning	2,627	109
Repairs and service	1,272	1,037
Postage and stationery	2,593	1,499
Telephone	5,077	4,386
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	422	455
General expenses	2,331	1,242
Affiliation fees	-	235
Depreciation	1,427	1,903
	198,694	228,805
Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	191,878	
Unrestricted funds	6,816	
	198,694	
For the year ended 30 April 2023		
Restricted funds		208,218
Unrestricted funds		20,587
		228,805

8. Taxation

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

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9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2024	2023
			£	£
Deferred grant			31,925	27,433
Other taxes and social security costs			2,204	836
Accruals			7,343	4,344
			<u>41,472</u>	<u>32,613</u>
10. Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property	Property Improvement	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>68,565</u>	<u>117,544</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 May 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
Charge for the year	-	-	1,427	1,427
At 30 April 2024	<u>44,073</u>	<u>4,906</u>	<u>64,282</u>	<u>113,261</u>
Net book values				
At 30 April 2024	-	-	4,283	4,283
At 30 April 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,710</u>	<u>5,710</u>
11. Debtors			2024	2023
			£	£
Grants due			<u>14,676</u>	<u>16,650</u>

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2024			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	3,169	4,283
Current assets/liabilities	47,931	1,551	49,482
Total net assets	<u>49,045</u>	<u>4,720</u>	<u>53,765</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Accounts

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Trustees Report
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The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum
Charity Registration number: NIC 102631
Company Registration number: NI637780
Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT
Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie
W Corbett (Resigned 1 August 2023)
W Copeland
M McCallin
M Boyd
N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has been operating for over 25 year from its formation in 1996. It continues to create and provide many positive achievements as result of its continued work to deliver to the community of Donegall Pass and surrounding areas. DPCF has a significant representation of resident on its committee.

DPCF has and has had many community volunteers over the years who have given their time to contribute towards a Donegall Pass that continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe community. Through partnership working DPCF with NIHE have delivered services that have assisted numerous residents with their housing needs, it has also delivered a successful Welfare Advice Service to residents. DPCF has also provided a one to one counselling service through PIPS to those in need within the community. We have signed up with FareShare to provide food to the community that would otherwise be wasted by the Supermarkets

DPCF launched a research project called "Language Matters"

The purpose of the Language Matters project was to investigate the current levels of English language provision delivered by community groups in three areas of Inner South Belfast including the Market, Donegall Pass and Lower Ormeau and to explore the challenges faced by both Community organisations and learners from an ethnic minority background. Specifically, the main Objectives of the study were to:

- Gain an understanding of current English language provision in community-based settings in Inner South Belfast;
- Investigate the challenges faced by community organisations delivering English language classes;
- Explore what barriers learners from an ethnic minority background may encounter in accessing English language provision;
- Identify any potential areas for development of community-based English language provision in the future.

The report was finally published and launched in Belfast City Hall and was very well received. It is hoped that the report will help to influence government decisions in the future.

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DPCF has three main strands within the organisation these being; Community Education & Training, Physical Regeneration and Community Cohesion. Health and wellbeing underpins all three strands.

The following is a report on the work carried out in the area in keeping with the targets set out by our core funder Department of Communities:

Community Education & Training:

Formal qualifications were attained across the following programmes:

Essential Skills Levels 1 & 2 English & Maths

ABT Level 2 Spray Tanning

ABT Level 2 Spa Facials

OCN Level 2 Stewarding

Red Cross Accredited First Aid Training

An Angling session was arranged funded by DEAREA. The objective of this project is to build confidence within the group to partake in activities again coming out of the pandemic. Fishing is seen as an ideal activity that fits with the current social distancing guidelines. It is outside allowing people to gather and speak with each other as well as enjoy nature all contributing to positive mental and physical health.

Non Accredited Training was delivered through the following Programmes:

ESOL

ICT For Beginners

Seniors Digital Training

Arts Project NVTV

Christmas Wreath Making

Flower Arranging

Apple Press Event

Spring Bulb Baskets

One Stitch at a time, one tile at a time Art Project

The Community Training and Education Section produced a Forum Newsletter which advertised all training programmes and services available. These were printed and distributed to every household and business in the area of Donegall Pass.

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Physical Regeneration:

DPCF Working in partnership with NIHE and Clanmil housing DPCF provide professional feed back and advice through the community consultation process regarding the plans for housing on the Posnett Street Site.

DPCF continued to work with a concerned residence group and Save Havelock House Group in attempt to save the historic UTV Building.

Representation attended workshops held with QUB Urban Architecture Masters Students which included residents and other stakeholders to explore evaluation options for redesigning the area of Shaftesbury Square development.

The Donegall Pass Community Garden was upgraded to demonstrate ideas that can be used in small residential gardens with examples of vertical planters, green roofs, awnings and the use of small solar panels to charge every day items ie mobile phones. Residents are encouraged to visit to see how these ideas can be adapted for their own back gardens.

An Art installation that the community created was installed in the Community Garden and shows how individuals can recycle items in a useful way that can provide an attractive feature within any garden or piece of land.

Community Cohesion & Health Development

DPCF supported the following Community/Voluntary groups through providing admin services and arranging programmes and activities.

Residents Action Group - provided advice on planning procedures, housing and local developments.

Mens Shed Group - organised fishing trips and visits to places of interest in Belfast including Titanic Centre, Belfast City Hall and Windsor Football Grounds

Arts Group - Provided financial and administration support advertised and recruited for this group.

Families Group - Provided vouchers for cost of living expenses ie food and heating.

Seniors Group - Provided annual voucher scheme to help with Christmas expenses.

Rape Crisis NI - Provided a venue to meet and train volunteers.

Parenting NI - Provided a venue to meet and train participants in the programme.

Cromac Regeneration Initiative - Provided day to day management of the building and the finances associated with the building.

Playlist for Life - Delivered a music and reminiscing project for the over 50's in the area.

A Winter Wonderland event was held in the community garden for families that was a great success in the area.

An Autumn event was held in the Community Garden for families and their children who were starting back to school after the summer break. This was a fun occasion with a small petting farm, bouncy castles and BBQ.

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Residents benefitting from Health Intervention services did so through the following programmes that were delivered by DPCF:

Complimentary Therapies
International Day for Older People
International Womens Day
Seniors Healthy Lunch
Arts & Craft Therapies
Seated Yoga Classes
Tech Surgeries

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on note 5 of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 30th January 2024

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Trustee *Nigel McCrum*

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2023, which are set out on pages 10 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



**Richard McClay FCA
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**

**1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG**

30 January 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income from					
Donations and training:	4	600	-	600	1,840
Grant income	5	30	218,418	218,448	221,600
Other income	6	12,817	-	12,817	18,113
Total income		<u>13,447</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>231,865</u>	<u>241,553</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(20,587)	(208,218)	(228,805)	(247,072)
Total expenditure		<u>(20,587)</u>	<u>(208,218)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>	<u>(247,072)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>50,677</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>51,086</u>	<u>56,605</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All 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 30 April 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		5,710		7,613
Current assets					
Debtors	11	16,650		18,279	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,399		108,495	
		<u>81,049</u>		<u>126,774</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(32,613)</u>		<u>(83,301)</u>	
Net current assets			48,436		43,473
Net assets			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			43,537		50,677
Restricted funds			10,609		409
General funds			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>

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

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2023

For the year ended 30 April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30 January 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Trustee
W Copeland



Registration number NI637780

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

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Notes to the financial statements
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1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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:

Property improvements	-	10% Straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	25% reducing balance

1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

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1.5. 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.

1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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.

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2. Net incoming resources for the year	2023	2022
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,903	3,517
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. Employees

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Number of employees	Number	Number
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Employment costs	£	£
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	143,437	140,942
Other pension costs	6,594	5,091
	<u>150,031</u>	<u>146,033</u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2023.

4.	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donation income				
Donations, fund raising and training	600	-	600	1,840
	<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>1,840</u>

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5.	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	10,360	10,360	11,011
Department for Communities	-	186,505	186,505	206,679
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	3,925	3,925	552
The Executive Office	-	839	839	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	6,329	6,329	-
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	2,687	2,687	-
Sundry	-	980	980	3,358
OCN	-	1,980	1,980	-
ESOL	30	4,813	4,843	-
	<u>30</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>218,448</u>	<u>221,600</u>

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
CRI - Dividend	9,800	-	9,800	10,250
Room Hire	1,029	-	1,029	2,946
CRI - Management	1,988	-	1,988	4,917
	<u>12,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,817</u>	<u>18,113</u>

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	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	143,437	140,942
Staff pension costs	6,594	5,091
Direct project costs	34,164	61,486
Rent	26,202	22,439
Insurance	2,205	2,155
Light and heat	3,177	2,443
Cleaning	109	1,170
Repairs and service	1,037	-
Postage and stationery	1,499	1,711
Telephone	4,386	2,393
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	455	419
General expenses	1,242	816
Affiliation fees	235	330
Depreciation	1,903	3,517
	<u>228,805</u>	<u>247,072</u>
 Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	208,218	
Unrestricted funds	20,587	
	<u>228,805</u>	
 For the year ended 30 April 2022		
Restricted funds		229,529
Unrestricted funds		17,543
		<u>247,072</u>

8. Taxation

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

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9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2023 £	2022 £
	Deferred grant			27,433	77,970
	Other taxes and social security costs			836	930
	Accruals			4,344	4,401
				<u>32,613</u>	<u>83,301</u>
10.	Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property £	Property Improvement £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
	Cost				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	Depreciation				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	60,952	109,931
	Charge for the year	-	-	1,903	1,903
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
	Net book values				
	At 30 April 2023	-	-	5,710	5,710
	At 30 April 2022	-	-	7,613	7,613
11.	Debtors			2023 £	2022 £
	Grants due			16,650	18,279

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2023			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	4,596	5,710
Current assets/liabilities	42,423	6,013	48,436
Total net assets	<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 102631

Annual report

Registration number NI637780

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Trustees Report
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The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum
Charity Registration number: NIC 102631
Company Registration number: NI637780
Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT
Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie
W Corbett (Resigned 1 August 2023)
W Copeland
M McCallin
M Boyd
N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has been operating for over 25 year from its formation in 1996. It continues to create and provide many positive achievements as result of its continued work to deliver to the community of Donegall Pass and surrounding areas. DPCF has a significant representation of resident on its committee.

DPCF has and has had many community volunteers over the years who have given their time to contribute towards a Donegall Pass that continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe community. Through partnership working DPCF with NIHE have delivered services that have assisted numerous residents with their housing needs, it has also delivered a successful Welfare Advice Service to residents. DPCF has also provided a one to one counselling service through PIPS to those in need within the community. We have signed up with FareShare to provide food to the community that would otherwise be wasted by the Supermarkets

DPCF launched a research project called "Language Matters"

The purpose of the Language Matters project was to investigate the current levels of English language provision delivered by community groups in three areas of Inner South Belfast including the Market, Donegall Pass and Lower Ormeau and to explore the challenges faced by both Community organisations and learners from an ethnic minority background. Specifically, the main Objectives of the study were to:

- Gain an understanding of current English language provision in community-based settings in Inner South Belfast;
- Investigate the challenges faced by community organisations delivering English language classes;
- Explore what barriers learners from an ethnic minority background may encounter in accessing English language provision;
- Identify any potential areas for development of community-based English language provision in the future.

The report was finally published and launched in Belfast City Hall and was very well received. It is hoped that the report will help to influence government decisions in the future.

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DPCF has three main strands within the organisation these being; Community Education & Training, Physical Regeneration and Community Cohesion. Health and wellbeing underpins all three strands.

The following is a report on the work carried out in the area in keeping with the targets set out by our core funder Department of Communities:

Community Education & Training:

Formal qualifications were attained across the following programmes:

Essential Skills Levels 1 & 2 English & Maths

ABT Level 2 Spray Tanning

ABT Level 2 Spa Facials

OCN Level 2 Stewarding

Red Cross Accredited First Aid Training

An Angling session was arranged funded by DEAREA. The objective of this project is to build confidence within the group to partake in activities again coming out of the pandemic. Fishing is seen as an ideal activity that fits with the current social distancing guidelines. It is outside allowing people to gather and speak with each other as well as enjoy nature all contributing to positive mental and physical health.

Non Accredited Training was delivered through the following Programmes:

ESOL

ICT For Beginners

Seniors Digital Training

Arts Project NVTV

Christmas Wreath Making

Flower Arranging

Apple Press Event

Spring Bulb Baskets

One Stitch at a time, one tile at a time Art Project

The Community Training and Education Section produced a Forum Newsletter which advertised all training programmes and services available. These were printed and distributed to every household and business in the area of Donegall Pass.

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Physical Regeneration:

DPCF Working in partnership with NIHE and Clanmil housing DPCF provide professional feed back and advice through the community consultation process regarding the plans for housing on the Posnett Street Site.

DPCF continued to work with a concerned residence group and Save Havelock House Group in attempt to save the historic UTV Building.

Representation attended workshops held with QUB Urban Architecture Masters Students which included residents and other stakeholders to explore evaluation options for redesigning the area of Shaftesbury Square development.

The Donegall Pass Community Garden was upgraded to demonstrate ideas that can be used in small residential gardens with examples of vertical planters, green roofs, awnings and the use of small solar panels to charge every day items ie mobile phones. Residents are encouraged to visit to see how these ideas can be adapted for their own back gardens.

An Art installation that the community created was installed in the Community Garden and shows how individuals can recycle items in a useful way that can provide an attractive feature within any garden or piece of land.

Community Cohesion & Health Development

DPCF supported the following Community/Voluntary groups through providing admin services and arranging programmes and activities.

Residents Action Group - provided advice on planning procedures, housing and local developments.

Mens Shed Group - organised fishing trips and visits to places of interest in Belfast including Titanic Centre, Belfast City Hall and Windsor Football Grounds

Arts Group - Provided financial and administration support advertised and recruited for this group.

Families Group - Provided vouchers for cost of living expenses ie food and heating.

Seniors Group - Provided annual voucher scheme to help with Christmas expenses.

Rape Crisis NI - Provided a venue to meet and train volunteers.

Parenting NI - Provided a venue to meet and train participants in the programme.

Cromac Regeneration Initiative - Provided day to day management of the building and the finances associated with the building.

Playlist for Life - Delivered a music and reminiscing project for the over 50's in the area.

A Winter Wonderland event was held in the community garden for families that was a great success in the area.

An Autumn event was held in the Community Garden for families and their children who were starting back to school after the summer break. This was a fun occasion with a small petting farm, bouncy castles and BBQ.

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Residents benefitting from Health Intervention services did so through the following programmes that were delivered by DPCF:

Complimentary Therapies
International Day for Older People
International Womens Day
Seniors Healthy Lunch
Arts & Craft Therapies
Seated Yoga Classes
Tech Surgeries

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on note 5 of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 30th January 2024

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Trustee *Nigel McCrum*

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2023, which are set out on pages 10 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



**Richard McClay FCA
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**

**1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG**

30 January 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income from					
Donations and training:	4	600	-	600	1,840
Grant income	5	30	218,418	218,448	221,600
Other income	6	12,817	-	12,817	18,113
Total income		<u>13,447</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>231,865</u>	<u>241,553</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(20,587)	(208,218)	(228,805)	(247,072)
Total expenditure		<u>(20,587)</u>	<u>(208,218)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>	<u>(247,072)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>50,677</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>51,086</u>	<u>56,605</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All 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 30 April 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		5,710		7,613
Current assets					
Debtors	11	16,650		18,279	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,399		108,495	
		<u>81,049</u>		<u>126,774</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(32,613)</u>		<u>(83,301)</u>	
Net current assets			48,436		43,473
Net assets			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			43,537		50,677
Restricted funds			10,609		409
General funds			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>

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

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2023

For the year ended 30 April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30 January 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Trustee
W Copeland



Registration number NI637780

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

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 30 April 2023

1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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:

Property improvements	-	10% Straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	25% reducing balance

1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

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1.5. 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.

1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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.

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2. Net incoming resources for the year	2023	2022
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,903	3,517
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. Employees

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Number of employees	Number	Number
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	5	5
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Employment costs	£	£
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	143,437	140,942
Other pension costs	6,594	5,091
	<u>150,031</u>	<u>146,033</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2023.

4.	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donation income				
Donations, fund raising and training	600	-	600	1,840
	<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>1,840</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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5.	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	10,360	10,360	11,011
Department for Communities	-	186,505	186,505	206,679
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	3,925	3,925	552
The Executive Office	-	839	839	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	6,329	6,329	-
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	2,687	2,687	-
Sundry	-	980	980	3,358
OCN	-	1,980	1,980	-
ESOL	30	4,813	4,843	-
	<u>30</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>218,448</u>	<u>221,600</u>

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
CRI - Dividend	9,800	-	9,800	10,250
Room Hire	1,029	-	1,029	2,946
CRI - Management	1,988	-	1,988	4,917
	<u>12,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,817</u>	<u>18,113</u>

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	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	143,437	140,942
Staff pension costs	6,594	5,091
Direct project costs	34,164	61,486
Rent	26,202	22,439
Insurance	2,205	2,155
Light and heat	3,177	2,443
Cleaning	109	1,170
Repairs and service	1,037	-
Postage and stationery	1,499	1,711
Telephone	4,386	2,393
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	455	419
General expenses	1,242	816
Affiliation fees	235	330
Depreciation	1,903	3,517
	<u>228,805</u>	<u>247,072</u>
 Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	208,218	
Unrestricted funds	20,587	
	<u>228,805</u>	
 For the year ended 30 April 2022		
Restricted funds		229,529
Unrestricted funds		17,543
		<u>247,072</u>

8. Taxation

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

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9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2023 £	2022 £
	Deferred grant			27,433	77,970
	Other taxes and social security costs			836	930
	Accruals			4,344	4,401
				<u>32,613</u>	<u>83,301</u>
10.	Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property £	Property Improvement £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
	Cost				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	Depreciation				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	60,952	109,931
	Charge for the year	-	-	1,903	1,903
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
	Net book values				
	At 30 April 2023	-	-	5,710	5,710
	At 30 April 2022	-	-	7,613	7,613
11.	Debtors			2023 £	2022 £
	Grants due			16,650	18,279

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2023			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	4,596	5,710
Current assets/liabilities	42,423	6,013	48,436
Total net assets	<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Donegall Pass Community Forum

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102631

Annual return

Registration number NI637780

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Annual report and financial statements

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Trustees Report
for the year ended 30 April 2023

The Trustees/ Directors present their report with the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 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: Donegall Pass Community Forum
Charity Registration number: NIC 102631
Company Registration number: NI637780
Registered Office: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT
Business Address: CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT

Directors/Trustees

D McCurrie
W Corbett (Resigned 1 August 2023)
W Copeland
M McCallin
M Boyd
N McCrum

Secretary

D McCurrie

Independent Examiner

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

Bankers

AIB (NI), 35 University Rd, Belfast BT7 1NH

Governing Document

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee. Its conduct is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

Main Aim

Donegall Pass Community Forum is the primary representative body for the inner city 'urban village' that is Donegall Pass. Donegall Pass Community Forum has been serving the community since 1996. The aims and objectives of the Forum project arise from, and are founded upon, consultative exercises, focus group work and 'open days' conducted over a number of years by project staff, statutory bodies, Queen's University Belfast researchers ('Donegall Pass Action Research Project').

The Forum further consults with various groups representatives in the area also members of Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Needs and issues that concern local people and that require action by the Forum project are also communicated to Forum staff on a daily basis (via contact with local residents) - so that the project is constantly aware and updated on matters peculiar to the locality in addition to the ever-present challenges.

Donegall Pass Community Forum's mission and vision statement is as follows:

"The mission of Donegall Pass Community Forum is to create and provide opportunities for all the Donegall Pass Community".

"Our Vision for Donegall Pass is that it continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe Community."

In an effort to realise the overriding objectives embodied in the mission statement and the vision statement, the project aims to:

1. To Build personal skills and capacity
2. To improve safety, appearance and economic regeneration in the area
3. To continue to develop the organisation, improve provision of relevant staff training.
4. To develop opportunities for children and young people
5. To encourage the regeneration of housing
6. To promote social inclusion and cohesion
7. To encourage health and well being across the community

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8. Encourage and facilitate social inclusion.

9. Improve community relations.

10. Develop the Forum as an effective network for community groups and others working for the benefit of the area.

Public benefit

Purpose One:

To maintain and manage a shared space facility in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the Forum (hereinafter called (DPCF).

the direct benefit flowing from this, is a safe and neutral facility for residents of the said area of benefit to use for training courses or jobs and benefit advice. The benefit is evidenced by word of mouth from the attendees. This purpose does not lead to any harm.

The benefit is for all residents in the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

A private benefit flowing from this is that a Committee member or family member may use the Forum's facilities in the same manner as all other residents, this is purely incidental and necessary, so that the benefit is available for all.

Purpose Two:

To support the development of a cohesive, shared and integrated community and promote the well being of those living in the area of benefit through the provision of educational, social and recreational activities.

The direct benefit is a united community which has come together as one to achieve its targets. Further benefits are

- a more vibrant and inclusive society via the educational programmes
- health and recreational activities.

These benefits are evidenced through the diverse set up within DPCF, also through feedback generated from the activities laid in by DPCF. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

These benefits are for all residents within the Donegall Pass and South Belfast area.

Private benefits from these are purely incidental and necessary to any group member, as family members can avail of any opportunities arising.

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Purpose Three:

To relieve those in need by reason of

- youth
- age & ill health
- disability
- financial hardship or
- other disadvantage,

by providing them with information, representation, and advocacy with issues such as housing, community safety, the environment and community relation.

The direct benefit flowing from this is a more informed society and healthier community lifestyle, giving them a better standard of living conditions and environment. This is evidenced by DPCF's representation on various Committees, and via the community newsletter and social media, outlining the successes carried out for the community. The purpose does not lead to any harm.

Achievements and Performance

Donegall Pass Community Forum (DPCF) has been operating for over 25 year from its formation in 1996. It continues to create and provide many positive achievements as result of its continued work to deliver to the community of Donegall Pass and surrounding areas. DPCF has a significant representation of resident on its committee.

DPCF has and has had many community volunteers over the years who have given their time to contribute towards a Donegall Pass that continues to grow as an attractive, inclusive, vibrant and safe community. Through partnership working DPCF with NIHE have delivered services that have assisted numerous residents with their housing needs, it has also delivered a successful Welfare Advice Service to residents. DPCF has also provided a one to one counselling service through PIPS to those in need within the community. We have signed up with FareShare to provide food to the community that would otherwise be wasted by the Supermarkets

DPCF launched a research project called "Language Matters"

The purpose of the Language Matters project was to investigate the current levels of English language provision delivered by community groups in three areas of Inner South Belfast including the Market, Donegall Pass and Lower Ormeau and to explore the challenges faced by both Community organisations and learners from an ethnic minority background. Specifically, the main Objectives of the study were to:

- Gain an understanding of current English language provision in community-based settings in Inner South Belfast;
- Investigate the challenges faced by community organisations delivering English language classes;
- Explore what barriers learners from an ethnic minority background may encounter in accessing English language provision;
- Identify any potential areas for development of community-based English language provision in the future.

The report was finally published and launched in Belfast City Hall and was very well received. It is hoped that the report will help to influence government decisions in the future.

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DPCF has three main strands within the organisation these being; Community Education & Training, Physical Regeneration and Community Cohesion. Health and wellbeing underpins all three strands.

The following is a report on the work carried out in the area in keeping with the targets set out by our core funder Department of Communities:

Community Education & Training:

Formal qualifications were attained across the following programmes:

Essential Skills Levels 1 & 2 English & Maths

ABT Level 2 Spray Tanning

ABT Level 2 Spa Facials

OCN Level 2 Stewarding

Red Cross Accredited First Aid Training

An Angling session was arranged funded by DEAREA. The objective of this project is to build confidence within the group to partake in activities again coming out of the pandemic. Fishing is seen as an ideal activity that fits with the current social distancing guidelines. It is outside allowing people to gather and speak with each other as well as enjoy nature all contributing to positive mental and physical health.

Non Accredited Training was delivered through the following Programmes:

ESOL

ICT For Beginners

Seniors Digital Training

Arts Project NVTV

Christmas Wreath Making

Flower Arranging

Apple Press Event

Spring Bulb Baskets

One Stitch at a time, one tile at a time Art Project

The Community Training and Education Section produced a Forum Newsletter which advertised all training programmes and services available. These were printed and distributed to every household and business in the area of Donegall Pass.

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Physical Regeneration:

DPCF Working in partnership with NIHE and Clanmil housing DPCF provide professional feed back and advice through the community consultation process regarding the plans for housing on the Posnett Street Site.

DPCF continued to work with a concerned residence group and Save Havelock House Group in attempt to save the historic UTV Building.

Representation attended workshops held with QUB Urban Architecture Masters Students which included residents and other stakeholders to explore evaluation options for redesigning the area of Shaftesbury Square development.

The Donegall Pass Community Garden was upgraded to demonstrate ideas that can be used in small residential gardens with examples of vertical planters, green roofs, awnings and the use of small solar panels to charge every day items ie mobile phones. Residents are encouraged to visit to see how these ideas can be adapted for their own back gardens.

An Art installation that the community created was installed in the Community Garden and shows how individuals can recycle items in a useful way that can provide an attractive feature within any garden or piece of land.

Community Cohesion & Health Development

DPCF supported the following Community/Voluntary groups through providing admin services and arranging programmes and activities.

Residents Action Group - provided advice on planning procedures, housing and local developments.

Mens Shed Group - organised fishing trips and visits to places of interest in Belfast including Titanic Centre, Belfast City Hall and Windsor Football Grounds

Arts Group - Provided financial and administration support advertised and recruited for this group.

Families Group - Provided vouchers for cost of living expenses ie food and heating.

Seniors Group - Provided annual voucher scheme to help with Christmas expenses.

Rape Crisis NI - Provided a venue to meet and train volunteers.

Parenting NI - Provided a venue to meet and train participants in the programme.

Cromac Regeneration Initiative - Provided day to day management of the building and the finances associated with the building.

Playlist for Life - Delivered a music and reminiscing project for the over 50's in the area.

A Winter Wonderland event was held in the community garden for families that was a great success in the area.

An Autumn event was held in the Community Garden for families and their children who were starting back to school after the summer break. This was a fun occasion with a small petting farm, bouncy castles and BBQ.

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Residents benefitting from Health Intervention services did so through the following programmes that were delivered by DPCF:

Complimentary Therapies
International Day for Older People
International Womens Day
Seniors Healthy Lunch
Arts & Craft Therapies
Seated Yoga Classes
Tech Surgeries

Financial Review

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. There is no profit motive and the organisation is entirely dependent on funders, fundraising activities and voluntary donations.

Donegall Pass Community Forum Director's in accordance with Donegall Pass Community Forum's Articles of Association and Statutory requirements ensure that the financial management of the organisation is maintained and delivered responsibly.

The Management Committee ensures sound financial systems are maintained to enable Donegall Pass Community Forum to develop and deliver its core service objectives.

This financial year our charitable work was supported by :

Funding by funder can be seen on note 5 of the accounts.

The main funding objective remains raising reserve and unrestricted funding through the development of a robust fundraising strategy and continue to develop applications for longer term funding to secure and develop existing services.

Reserves Policy

The directors' aim to hold 6 months of operating income to ensure the financial stability and continued provision of the company's main activities.

Future Plans

To sustain existing projects and services.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 trustees to prepare financial statements for each year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming 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 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 appropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees 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.

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 the 30th January 2024

N McCrum

Trustee ... *Nigel McCrum* ...

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of
Donegall Pass Community Forum**

I report on the accounts of the for the for the year ended 30 April 2023, which are set out on pages 10 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
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.



**Richard McClay FCA
For and on behalf of McCreery Turkington Stockman LTD**

**1 Lanyon Quay
Belfast
BT1 3LG**

30 January 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (Including Summary Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 30 April 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Total	Year Total
		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income from					
Donations and training:	4	600	-	600	1,840
Grant income	5	30	218,418	218,448	221,600
Other income	6	12,817	-	12,817	18,113
Total income		<u>13,447</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>231,865</u>	<u>241,553</u>
Expenditure on					
Costs of charitable activities	7	(20,587)	(208,218)	(228,805)	(247,072)
Total expenditure		<u>(20,587)</u>	<u>(208,218)</u>	<u>(228,805)</u>	<u>(247,072)</u>
Net income before transfers		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Transfer between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net incoming resources		<u>(7,140)</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>(5,519)</u>
Fund balances brought forward		<u>50,677</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>51,086</u>	<u>56,605</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>	<u>51,086</u>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All 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 30 April 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		5,710		7,613
Current assets					
Debtors	11	16,650		18,279	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,399		108,495	
		<u>81,049</u>		<u>126,774</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(32,613)</u>		<u>(83,301)</u>	
Net current assets			48,436		43,473
Net assets			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>
Capital and reserves					
Unrestricted funds			43,537		50,677
Restricted funds			10,609		409
General funds			<u>54,146</u>		<u>51,086</u>

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

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Balance sheet (continued)

for the year ended 30 April 2023

For the year ended 30 April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- (a) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (b) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30 January 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Trustee
W Copeland



Registration number NI637780

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

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 30 April 2023

1. Accounting policies

Company information

Donegall Pass Community Forum is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is CRI Building, 2nd Floor, 165-169 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1DT.

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 £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2. 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:

Property improvements	-	10% Straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	25% reducing balance

1.3. 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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1.4. Financial Instruments

The Company 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 Company's balance sheet when the Company 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.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Society after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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 business 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.

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1.5. 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.

1.6. 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.

1.7. 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.

1.8. 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.

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2.	Net incoming resources for the year	2023	2022
		£	£
	Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	1,903	3,517

3. Employees

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Number of employees	Number	Number
The average monthly numbers of employees (including the Directors) during the year were:		
Management & administrative staff	5	5
	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
Employment costs	£	£
Wages and salaries and ER Nic	143,437	140,942
Other pension costs	6,594	5,091
	150,031	146,033

There were no employees earning over £60,000 in the year ended 30 April 2023.

4.		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
		2023	2023	2023	Total
		£	£	£	2022
					£
	Donation income				
	Donations, fund raising and training	600	-	600	1,840
		600	-	600	1,840

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5.	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Grant income				
Belfast City Council	-	10,360	10,360	11,011
Department for Communities	-	186,505	186,505	206,679
Northern Ireland Housing Executive	-	3,925	3,925	552
The Executive Office	-	839	839	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	6,329	6,329	-
Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	-	2,687	2,687	-
Sundry	-	980	980	3,358
OCN	-	1,980	1,980	-
ESOL	30	4,813	4,843	-
	<u>30</u>	<u>218,418</u>	<u>218,448</u>	<u>221,600</u>

6. Other Income	Unrestricted 2023 £	Restricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
CRI - Dividend	9,800	-	9,800	10,250
Room Hire	1,029	-	1,029	2,946
CRI - Management	1,988	-	1,988	4,917
	<u>12,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,817</u>	<u>18,113</u>

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	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
7. Total resources expended		
Costs directly allocated to charitable activities		
Salaries	143,437	140,942
Staff pension costs	6,594	5,091
Direct project costs	34,164	61,486
Rent	26,202	22,439
Insurance	2,205	2,155
Light and heat	3,177	2,443
Cleaning	109	1,170
Repairs and service	1,037	-
Postage and stationery	1,499	1,711
Telephone	4,386	2,393
Independent examiner fees	2,160	2,160
Bank fees	455	419
General expenses	1,242	816
Affiliation fees	235	330
Depreciation	1,903	3,517
	<u>228,805</u>	<u>247,072</u>
 Analysis by fund		
Restricted funds	208,218	
Unrestricted funds	20,587	
	<u>228,805</u>	
 For the year ended 30 April 2022		
Restricted funds		229,529
Unrestricted funds		17,543
		<u>247,072</u>

8. Taxation

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

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9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			2023 £	2022 £
	Deferred grant			27,433	77,970
	Other taxes and social security costs			836	930
	Accruals			4,344	4,401
				<u>32,613</u>	<u>83,301</u>
10.	Tangible fixed assets	Short leasehold property £	Property Improvement £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
	Cost				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	68,565	117,544
	Depreciation				
	At 1 May 2022	44,073	4,906	60,952	109,931
	Charge for the year	-	-	1,903	1,903
	At 30 April 2023	44,073	4,906	62,855	111,834
	Net book values				
	At 30 April 2023	-	-	5,710	5,710
	At 30 April 2022	-	-	7,613	7,613
11.	Debtors			2023 £	2022 £
	Grants due			16,650	18,279

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds	Unrestricted reserve fund £	Restricted reserve fund £	Total £
Fund Balances at 30 April 2023			
represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	1,114	4,596	5,710
Current assets/liabilities	42,423	6,013	48,436
Total net assets	<u>43,537</u>	<u>10,609</u>	<u>54,146</u>

13. Related party transactions

Ownership of the company

The company is not under the control of any specific grouping of related members.

Transactions with Trustees

There were no material transactions with trustees during the year.

14. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.