

Charity Commission No:	103069
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**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Trustees Annual Report and  
Receipts & Payments Accounts  
for the year: 31 March 2017

Supporting Communities NI  
34-36 Henry Street  
Ballymena  
Co Antrim  
BT42 6AH

**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**  
**NIC: 103069**

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**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**  
**NIC: 103069**

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**Charity Name:** Areema Residents Association

**Charity Reg No:** NIC: 103069

**Registered Office:** 50C Alina Gardens  
Dunmurry  
Belfast  
BT17 0QZ

**Trustees:**

The following served as charity trustees during the year and up to the date of this report

Kathleen McCabe  
Hester Crawford  
Danny Nolan  
Brian Quinn  
Brenda Nolan  
Jo Maxwell  
Catherine Campbell

**Bankers:**

Ulster Bank  
Dunmurry Branch  
183 Kingsway  
Dunmurry Branch  
Belfast  
BT17 9AH

### **Objectives and Activities**

The Association was formed to develop a cross-community approach to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Areema by associating with statutory and voluntary partners to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of housing and social welfare with the object of improving the quality of life for all residents. The Association maintains a drop-in community base and provides a resource for residents to report issues and concerns to local agencies. The Association also meets regularly with the Housing Executive, (the local public landlord), the City Council and other public bodies to tackle issues of estate management, reports of anti-social behaviour and other areas of local concern.

The Association also provides access to services which might not otherwise be available, for example, through working with local Health Trust Workers to provide additional services and support to vulnerable households. The Association has been meeting with relevant agencies over the up-grade of a local playpark and the provision of new and more housing.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The Association runs a community flat which is open 2 days per week and provides an opportunity for residents to seek advice and support regarding housing, environmental, policing issues etc. Residents are encouraged to drop in to the flat to raise concerns or complaints, which we as an Association raise with the applicable organisation/individual, primarily through our quarterly inter-agency meetings. These meetings are in the community flat and include various statutory representatives. Annually we complete an estate inspection which identifies any issues within the estate. Agencies are actioned to respond accordingly. We facilitate other meetings within the flat, attend various meetings and take part in good practice visits. We share information and upcoming events via a community Notice Board and through a newsletter. In the year in question we:

- \* held regular meetings with local councillors, council staff and housing managers
- \* held regular committee and group meetings
- \* planned, organised and undertook a community survey with over 150 responses and presented findings to City Council
- \* made information relating to the Councils proposals available for public information and circulated same
- \* made information on the housing development proposals in the area available to local residents and communicated such information to affected households.

Our quarterly inter-agency meetings can be used to share information, as well as to raise and address issues within the estate. Residents will benefit from being more informed as we plan to share information and updates from statutory bodies and elected representatives via a community newsletter, community notice board and through our drop in advice and support service in the community flat.

### **Financial Review**

During this financial year the group secured income to the value of £94 through contributions. This was a difference in total of £2,741 in comparison to previous financial year. Payments totalled £1,649.09 leaving a bank balance of £4,425.45.

Approved by the Trustees on \_\_\_\_\_ and signed on their behalf by

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of: Areema Residents Association**

Supporting Communities report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2017, which are set out on pages 1 - 7

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (NI) 2008.

It is Supporting Communities responsibility to:

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

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

Supporting Communities have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and an examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission NI 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 included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

Supporting Communities role is to state whether any material matters have come to their attention giving cause to believe:

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

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

Supporting Communities have completed an 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 NI have no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Colm McDaid  
Company: Supporting Communities  
Address 34-36 Henry Street  
Ballymena  
BT42 3AH

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Executive

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**  
**NIC: 103069**

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total Funds 2017 £	Total Funds 2016 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Contributions		94.00	94.00	660.00
Lloyds TSB				2,115.00
Uncashed cheque				60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>94.00</b>	<b>94.00</b>	<b>2,835.00</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Rates/Electric/Gas/Phone		817.13	817.13	1,053.61
Bank Fees		22.59	22.59	33.51
Insurance		374.58	374.58	345.33
Events		167.00	167.00	683.00
Equipment		267.79	267.79	
Stationery				150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,649.09</b>	<b>1,649.09</b>	<b>2,265.45</b>
<b>Net Receipts/payments</b>	0.00	-1,555.09	-1,555.09	569.55
Transfer to/from funds				
<b>Surplus/deficit for the year</b>	0.00	-1,555.09	-1,555.09	569.55
<b>Reconciliation at: 31 March 2017</b>				
Surplus/deficit this year end	0.00	-1,555.09	-1,555.09	569.55
Bank balance at 31 March 2016	0.00	5,980.54	5,980.54	5,410.99
<b>Bank balance at: 31 March 2017</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>4,425.45</b>	<b>4,425.45</b>	<b>5,980.54</b>

**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - YEAR ENDED: 31 MARCH 2017**  
**NIC: 103069**

	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
<b>Funds Reconciliation</b>				
Opening bank balance	0.00	5,980.54	5,980.54	5,410.99
Surplus/deficit this year end	0.00	-1,555.09	-1,555.09	569.55
Closing bank balance	0.00	4,425.45	4,425.45	5,980.54

**Other Assets**

Office furniture (desks, chairs, filing cabinet)

Laptop 1 No

Printer/Photocopier 1 No

Shredding Machine 2 No

Computers/Monitors 4 No Obsolete

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on \_\_\_\_\_ and signed on their behalf by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

**AREEMA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED: 31 MARCH 2017**  
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**1 Basis of Preparation**

These accounts are produced on a Receipts and Payments basis.

**2 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses**

Trustees received no remuneration for their services as trustees, and no trustees were employed by the charity