

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103175

Details

Status Received

Registered 2015-09-02

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

Contact

Address 127A Newcastle Road
Kilkeel
Newry
BT34 4nl
BT34 4NL

Phone 07742253982

Activities

Purposes: Cairde na mBeann is established to advance education and to promote the arts through the medium of the Irish language for the benefit of the general public in Mourne and its environs and in particular: to promote public awareness, knowledge and understanding of the Gaelic cultural heritage, bi-bilingualism and the Irish language; advance education of children/adults without distinction of sex or race or of political, religious or other opinions through the medium of the Irish language; to promote public awareness, knowledge and understanding of the common cultural heritage of the Gaelic peoples of Ireland, Scotland and the Isle of Man.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Arts, Community development, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Education/training, Environment/sustainable development/conservation, Heritage/historical, Playgroup/after schools, Sport/recreation, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Language community, Learning disabilities, Men, Older people, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£5,399	£3,559	£0	0
2024-07-31	£2,023	£4,596	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Micheal Brady		
Mrs Leighanne Murphy		
Mrs Lisa Fitzpatrick		

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Accounts

Cairde na Mbeann, 127a Newcastle Road, Kilkeel, Co Down, BT34 4NL

Accounts for year ending 31st July 2024

Barclays Bank Balance on 1st August 2023 - £2573.80

Account Credit

Fundraising

Carol Service collection £107.84

Pairc na Mara Tombola £100.00

Christmas Raffle £920

Easter Raffle £709.80

Grants

£0

Donations

Jumping Clay Workshop £86.00

Edengate Christmas Raffle 2nd Prize £100

£2023.64

Account Debit

Gaescoil Coding Robots £500

Gaescoil and Naiscoil Selection Boxes £230

Christmas Raffle Prizes £350

Gaescoil Books & Apps £1000

Naiscoil Outdoor Storage £500

Gaescoil Laptops £800

Fundraising Bibs £102.68

Gaescoil Funday £90

Gaescoil Outdoor Storage £1000

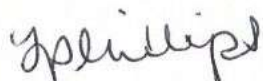
Pairc na Mara Funday expenses £24

£4596.68

Barclays Bank Balance on 31st July 2024

£0.76

Records of Accounts for Cairde na Mbeann Sunday 31st July 2024



Joanne Phillips
Treasurer

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Accounts

Cairde na mBeann, 127a Newcastle Road, Kilkeel, Co Down, BT34 4NL

Accounts for year ending 31st July 2025

Ulster Bank Balance on 1st August 2024 - £0.00

NOTE: (All remaining funds from old bank account were transferred to the School to support school projects)

Account Income

Fundraising

- Funday Jun 2024 - £1,265.03
- Halloween 2025 Disco - £218.80
- Bonus Ball Draw Nov 2024 - £145.00
- Bonus Ball Draw Dec 2024 - £145.00
- Christmas 2024 Bucket Collection - £97.40
- Christmas 2024 Carol Service - £232.00
- Christmas 2024 Tombola - £127.00
- Christmas 2024 Disco - £104.55
- Quiz Night Feb 2025 - £757.11
- Quiz Night Mar 2025 - £434.01
- Easter 2025 Funday - £403.23
- Bonus Ball Draw Apr 2025 - £145.00
- Quiz Night May 2025 - £352.36
- Quiz Night Jun 2025 - £299.84
- Summer 2025 Raffle - £558.00
- Summer 2025 Disco - £20.93
- Senior School Trip Donation Jun 2025- £94.00

£5399.26

Grants

£0

Donations

£0

Account Expenditure

Expenses

- Sum Up Machine Purchase - £46.80
- Senior School Trip & Snacks Jun 2025 - £240
- Prize Giving 2025 Refreshments - £17.81
- Summer 2025 Disco Refreshments & Decorations - £42.46

Contribution to school resources and projects

- Cloakroom Rack, STEM Kits, Gravitrax Oct 2024- £900.00
- Christmas Fairy Lights Dec 2024 - £54.87
- Irish STEM Kits Mar 2025 - £674.00
- Ulster Heats Letterkenny Bus Dotation Mar 2025 - £200.00
- Smarties Fundraiser May 2025 - £102.88
- R6/7 Flooring May 2025 - £1,000.00
- Naiscoil Mountpanther Trip Bus Donation Jun 2025 - £200.00
- Leavers Hoodys Donation Jun 2025 - £80.00
- Coffee Morning Donation - £1.10

£3559.92

Ulster Bank Balance on 31st July 2025

£1839.34

Records of Accounts for Cairde na mBeann Saturday 31st July 2025

L. Fitzpatrick

Lisa Fitzpatrick

Treasurer

Reviewed by:

Rory Donnan

Conradh na Gaeilge Boirche Íochtar

59 Glasdrumman Road, Annalong, Co.Down, BT34 4QJ

29.05.26

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual report

Cairde na mBeann was created because we understand that education does not exist solely within the walls of our schools. We feel that children and adults can learn in any environment when the correct resources are available to them through delivering classes, lessons through music, the arts and culture.

Children who attend both the nursery and primary school are the main beneficiaries of our group. Their lives are enriched through bilingualism. We instil important values which include, respect for differences in races and religions, love for culture and arts, appreciation and acceptance of oneself, their neighbours and friends regardless of ability, sex, colour.

We support, staff, carers/parents. This support encourages other members of their families and the general public to participate in events funded by Cairde na mBeann. It encourages the children as they get to see other family members and friends learning through the medium of Irish. There are over 100 children currently receiving Irish medium education within Gaelscoil agus Naíscoil na mBeann. These figures have grown year-on-year, it is very humbling to see that what started out nearly 15 years ago as a small mother/toddler group has emerged into the great established school that we have today.

Any monies we receive through sales or donations are funnelled back into both schools through the purchase of resources, funding for travel, musical tuition and summer fun-day and other events and resources as required.

This has been another busy year for Cairde na mBeann, who have worked hard as a voluntary group along side the school to better the education and opportunities available for our children. We look forward to furthering this support in the coming year.

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual return

Independent Examiner's Report
Cairde na mBeann (Friends of Gaelscoil na mBeann)

I have independently examined the financial records and accounts of Cairde na mBeann for the relevant reporting period 2024-25.

My examination included a review of the income and expenditure records, supporting documentation, and bank reconciliations provided to me. Based on this review, I am satisfied that the accounts have been properly maintained and present a true and accurate record of the organisation's financial activities.

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accounts are in order and no matters of concern have arisen from my examination.

This examination has been carried out in my capacity as a representative of another community organisation within the local area, acting independently to review these accounts.

Signed: Ruairí Ó Donnáin (Rory Donnan)

Organisation: Conradh na Gaeilge Boirche Íochtar

Date: 29.05.26

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Accounts

Cairde na mBeann, 127A Newcastle Rd, Kilkeel, Co Down, BT34 4NL

Accounts for the year ending 1st August 2023

Barclays Bank Balance on 1st August 2022

£4277.80

Account Credit

Fundraising

Asda Bag Pack

£489.01

Christmas Cinema Night – Pairc na Mara

£100

Grants

£0

Donations

K H

£20

£609.01

Account Debit

Fees

Collection Buckets for Bag Pack

£30

Selection Boxes & Santa

£190

Donation to Gaelscoil for Outdoor Equipment

£1050

P&K Coaches to Letterkenny

£554

£1824

Barclays Bank Balance on 31st July

2023

£2573.80

Records of Accounts for Cairde naMbeann Monday 31st
July 2023

Joanne Phillips
Treasurer

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual report

Cairde na mBeann was created because we understand that education does not exist solely within the walls of our school. We feel that our children and adults can learn in any environment when the correct resources are available to them through delivering classes, lessons through music, the arts and culture. Our motto is: "An lae nach bhfoghluíonn rud éigin úr is bocht an lá é" – "A day you don't learn is a day wasted" Children who attend our Naícoil agus Gaelscoil are the main beneficiaries of our group. Their lives are enriched through bilingualism. We instil important values which include, respect for differences in races and religions, love for culture and arts, appreciation and acceptance of oneself, their neighbours and friends regardless of ability, sex, colour. We support, staff, carers/parents. This support encourages other members of their families and the general public to participate in events funded by Cairde na mBeann. It encourages the children as they get to see other family members and friends learning through the medium of Irish. There are 84 children currently receiving Irish medium education within Gaelscoil and 24 registered in Naíscóil. These figures have grown year-on-year, it is very humbling to see that what started out nearly 13 years ago as a small mother/toddler group has emerged into the great established school that we have today. We are growing every year and because of our growth we are currently seeing a demand for more support for school resources as we have out-grown our current location and resources, however due to restraints from the EA the cairde group are doing what they can to support students and staff with what is available.

Cairde na mBeann run a range of fundraising activities and events through the year in order to raise funds for resources required and to support the families and build a community within the school setting. These include; fun days, raffles, support at school events, social meet ups, collections etc...

We have classes on Monday and Wednesday nights, there are currently more than 20 adults availing of these classes.

Any monies we receive through sales or donations are funnelled back into Irish medium education locally through the purchase of resources, funding for travel, musical tuition and other events and projects.

We work closely with other community organisations to reach our organisation's aims, namely Páirc na Mara, Annalong the Irish cultural community centre who provide us with a space to use to run our events and offer support and guidance with our fundraising efforts.

We can demonstrate these benefits through the resources and support we are able to offer the school. This organisation is managed by parents and interested people from the community who have an interest in the advancement of Irish medium education and resources in the Mourne area. We will conduct feedback resources and distribute these to assess if we are meeting the needs of the community and use this feedback to assist with planning and goal setting for future projects.

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual return

Cairde na mBeann, 127A Newcastle Rd, Kilkeel, Co Down, BT34 4NL

Accounts for the year ending 1st August 2023

Barclays Bank Balance on 1st August 2022

£4277.80

Account Credit

Fundraising

Asda Bag Pack

£489.01

Christmas Cinema Night – Pairc na Mara

£100

Grants

£0

Donations

K H

£20

£609.01

Account Debit

Fees

Collection Buckets for Bag Pack

£30

Selection Boxes & Santa

£190

Donation to Gaelscoil for Outdoor Equipment

£1050

P&K Coaches to Letterkenny

£554

£1824

Barclays Bank Balance on 31st July

2023

£2573.80

Records of Accounts for Cairde naMbeann Monday 31st
July 2023

Joanne Phillips
Treasurer

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Accounts

Recipts and payments accounts for the year ending 31 july 2018

Bank balance as at 1 August 2017 **2,436.67**

Receipts

Sceim Samhraidh fees	1280
Fundraising	868

Grants

Foras na Gaeilge	1750
------------------	------

3898 6,333.67

Payments

Summer Sceim direct supplies	501.19
Casual Labour	2560
Bus hire re:day trips	135
Stationary & equipment	93.50
Bank Fees & Charges	70.83
Insurance	250
Funding Facilator	999
Accountant fees	600

5,209.52

Bank Balance as at 31 July 2018 **1,124.15**

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual report

CAIRDE NA MBEANN 127A BÓTHAR CHAISLEÁN NUA CILL CHAOIL CO AN DÚIN BT34 4NL

ANNUAL REPORT FOR CAIRDE NA MBEANN-2017

The committee and Trustees of Cairde na mBeann are happy to report that they have had another successful year supporting Naíscoil & Gaelscoil na mBeann.

A total of £868 was raised through fundraising efforts during “Green Day” & Easter 2017.

Another successful Scéim Samhraidh was held in July 2017. This enabled parents to give their children a taster for the Irish Language and an introduction to some of the teaching staff at Naíscoil na mBeann.

Cairde na mBeann continues to support both Naíscoil & Gaelscoil na mBeann in whatever needs they require. We were very happy with a successful Lottery Funding application this year and new equipment will be enjoyed by all the children of both school for years to come.

As our schools are continually growing we hope to provide additional resources over the coming years.

Cairde na mBeann

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103175

Annual return

Receipts and payments accounts for the year ending 31 July 2018

Bank balance as at 1 August 2017 **2,436.67**

Receipts

Sceim Samhraidh fees	1280
Fundraising	868

Grants

Foras na Gaeilge	1750
------------------	------

3898 6,333.67

Payments

Summer Sceim direct supplies	501.19
Casual Labour	2560
Bus hire re:day trips	135
Stationary & equipment	93.50
Bank Fees & Charges	70.83
Insurance	250
Funding Facilator	999
Accountant fees	600

5,209.52

Bank Balance as at 31 July 2018 **1,124.15**