

# LOUGHSHORE PLAYGROUP

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103412

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2015-08-28

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

## Contact

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**Address** St. Marys Primary School  
84 Maghery Road  
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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Group is established to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries) of the area served, Maghery and its surrounding environs in County Armagh (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") without distinction of age, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and in particular: a) to advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and satisfying group play, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the group; and to promote the preservation of health of the beneficiaries; and b) to support the values and principles of Early Years.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Community development, Playgroup/after schools, Rural development

**Who the charity helps:** Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Specific areas of deprivation

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£44,384	£40,316	£0	3

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Emma Forker		
Mrs Esther Rafferty		
Mrs Mairead Laverty		

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# Accounts

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**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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**Loughshore Playgroup  
Company Information  
For The Year Ended 31 August 2024**

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**Directors**

Mrs Laura Forker  
Mrs K Neill  
Mr E McNeill  
Mr T Rafferty  
Mr M Convie  
Mrs M Lavery (Chair)  
Miss Aisling O'Connor  
Mrs E Forker  
Mrs A Wylie

**Accountants**

Mary Mackle & Co  
Chartered Accountants  
73 Charlestown Road  
Portadown  
Craigavon  
BT63 5PP

**Loughshore Playgroup  
Directors' Report  
For The Year Ended 31 August 2024**

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The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024.

**Principal activity**

The principal activity of the entity is the provision of pre-school education for the local area.

**Mairead Lavery  
Chairperson**

**Loughshore Playgroup  
Income and Expenditure Account  
For The Year Ended 31 August 2024**

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	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>TURNOVER</b>	<b>44,384</b>	<b>46,713</b>
Other income	-	350
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(2,316 )	(1,775 )
Staff costs	(29,103 )	(31,476 )
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(7,302 )	(7,241 )
Other charges	(1,595 )	(1,287 )
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<b>NET SURPLUS</b>	<b>4,068</b>	<b>5,284</b>
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**Loughshore Playgroup  
Balance Sheet  
As At 31 August 2024**

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	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed assets	1,175	8,163
Current assets	44,110	32,687
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	(1,258 )	(891 )
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>42,852</b>	<b>31,796</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>44,027</b>	<b>39,959</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>44,027</b>	<b>39,959</b>
<b>RESERVES</b>	<b>44,027</b>	<b>39,959</b>

**The financial statements were approved by the Committee on and signed on its behalf by:**

**Mairead Laverty**

Date:

**Loughshore Playgroup**  
**Detailed Income and Expenditure Account**  
**For The Year Ended 31 August 2024**

	<b>2024</b>		<b>2023</b>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>TURNOVER</b>				
SELB Funding	20,450		27,494	
Fundraising	135		380	
Fees and breaks	8,799		11,339	
Early years	15,000		7,500	
		44,384		46,713
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>				
Other operating income		-		350
		44,384		47,063
<b>COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES</b>				
Playgroup sundries	1,253		376	
Treats and Milk	1,063		950	
Fundraising costs	-		449	
		(2,316)		(1,775)
<b>STAFF COSTS</b>				
Cost of sales:				
Subcontractor costs	957		640	
Wages and salaries	27,749		30,253	
Employers pensions - defined contribution schemes	356		533	
	29,062		31,426	
Administration:				
Staff training	41		50	
		(29,103)		(31,476)
<b>DEPRECIATION AND OTHER AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF ASSETS</b>				
Depreciation	7,302		7,241	
		(7,302)		(7,241)
<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>				
Other direct costs:				
Insurance	637		538	
General administration costs:				
Telecommunications and data costs	646		576	
Sundry expenses	100		-	
	746		576	
Interest payable and similar charges:				
Bank charges	212		173	
		(1,595)		(1,287)
<b>NET SURPLUS</b>		4,068		5,284

**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

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# Accounts

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**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**Mairead Lavery  
Chairperson**

**Loughshore Playgroup  
Income and Expenditure Account  
For The Year Ended 31 August 2023**

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	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>TURNOVER</b>	<b>46,713</b>	<b>27,075</b>
Other income	350	-
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(1,775 )	(1,842 )
Staff costs	(31,476 )	(25,228 )
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(7,241 )	-
Other charges	(1,287 )	(1,231 )
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<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>5,284</b>	<b>(1,226 )</b>
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**Loughshore Playgroup  
Balance Sheet  
As At 31 August 2023**

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	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed assets	8,163	15,377
Current assets	32,687	19,584
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	(891 )	(286 )
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>31,796</b>	<b>19,298</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>39,959</b>	<b>34,675</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>39,959</b>	<b>34,675</b>
<b>RESERVES</b>	<b>39,959</b>	<b>34,675</b>

**The financial statements were approved by the Committee on and signed on its behalf by:**

**Mairead Laverty**

Date

**Loughshore Playgroup**  
**Detailed Income and Expenditure Account**  
**For The Year Ended 31 August 2023**

	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>TURNOVER</b>				
SELB Funding	27,494		21,576	
Fundraising	380		-	
Fees and breaks	11,339		5,334	
Early years	7,500		165	
		46,713		27,075
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>				
Other operating income		350		-
		47,063		27,075
<b>COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES</b>				
Playgroup sundries	376		1,542	
Treats and Milk	950		300	
Fundraising costs	449		-	
		(1,775)		(1,842)
<b>STAFF COSTS</b>				
Cost of sales:				
Subcontractor costs	640		1,264	
Wages and salaries	30,253		23,665	
Employers pensions - defined contribution schemes	533		299	
	31,426		25,228	
Administration:				
Staff training	50		-	
		(31,476)		(25,228)
<b>DEPRECIATION AND OTHER AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF ASSETS</b>				
Depreciation	7,241		-	
		(7,241)		-
<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>				
Other direct costs:				
Insurance	538		448	
Printing, postage and stationery	-		72	
	538		520	
General administration costs:				
Telecommunications and data costs	576		423	
Sundry expenses	-		100	
	576		523	
Interest payable and similar charges:				
Bank charges	173		188	
		(1,287)		(1,231)
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>5,284</b>		<b>(1,226)</b>

**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103412

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# Annual report

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## Trustee Annual Report 22/23– Loughshore Playgroup

### **1. Reference and Administrative Details**

Charity name: Loughshore Playgroup

Charity registration number (NIC): 103412

Principal address: 84 Maghery Road Dungannon Co. Tyrone BT71 6PA

Trustees: Mairead Laverty, Esther Rafferty, Emma Forker

Governing document:

### **2. Objectives and Activities**

The charity's purposes, as set out in its governing document, are:

a) to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries) of the area served, Maghery and its surrounding environs in County Armagh (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") without distinction of age, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and in particular:

b) to advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and satisfying group play, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the group; and to promote the preservation of health of the beneficiaries; and

c) to support the values and principles of Early Years.

The main activities undertaken during the year to further these purposes were:

- Staff Training

Working closely with local primary school to ensure transition of children to primary was smooth

- Upgrading of play equipment

Trustees have considered CCNI guidance on public benefit when planning and reviewing these activities.

### **3. Public Benefit Statement**

The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit.

The charity provides public benefit by:

Advancing the education and development of pre-school children:

The direct benefit which flows from this purpose includes improved level of development of each child through a tailored pre-school programme; enhanced social integration, emotional wellbeing, language skills and the enhancement of knowledge; encouraged involvement of parents as the child's first educator in the pre-school experience and involvement of parents in maintaining the level of service provided to their children – the flow of information between parent and staff is vital in identifying the needs and interests of each individual child.

The development of the child can be demonstrated and measured through the use of staff observations, interactions with peers, termly reports and parent/teacher meetings; evaluations of our group by an independent early years specialist and inspection reports from Social Services and the Department of Education (NI).

There are no areas of harm that come from this purpose.

The beneficiaries of this purpose are the individual child whose development is encouraged and monitored by both parents and staff; the parents who benefit from the ability to take an active role in their child's development; and the staff who benefit from the 2 way flow of information between themselves and parents by enabling them to offer each child the best opportunities of learning through play based on their individual needs.

There is no private benefit derived from this purpose.

Loughshore Playgroup provides a direct benefit to the pre-school children in the Maghera area. Before 2010 there was no pre-school facility available in the community and therefore the children were missing out on this invaluable part of their education. Furthermore, the securing of PEAGs places means that families on low incomes can benefit from a funded place for their child in their final pre-school year.

Indirectly, the playgroup benefits the parents and families of the children attending the facility as it encourages the development of the children within those families attending the setting. It is a vital means for the development of social, personal and educational skills of the pre-school children of our area.

In terms of a wider benefit to the community, Loughshore Playgroup is now an established and highly esteemed group within the small community. The group have worked with other organisations within the small rural area such as the primary school, Community hall and

local football club for the benefit of the whole community. Maghery is ranked in the top 100 areas of rural deprivation in Northern Ireland with poor transport links and a lack of basic services. Loughshore playgroup therefore provides a vital service to the children and families within the area.

#### **4. Achievements and Performance**

During the year, the charity:

- Delivered the following key activities:

carried out numerous small fundraisers to ensure the playgroup have additional funds available to support them

Completed staff training

- Achieved the following outcomes:

Staff training ensured staff were up to date with all aspects of their role and were able to fulfill this to full potential

Fundraising enabled play equipment to be repairs/updated

#### **5. Financial Review**

Total income for the year: £47,063

Total expenditure for the year: £41,779

Main sources of income:

-SELB Funding

-Fees & Breaks

Main areas of expenditure:

-Staff Costs

#### **6. Plans for the Future**

- In the coming year, the trustees intend to support staff to complete all necessary training

required to enable them to carry out their job roles to the best of their ability. We will work along with our primary school to ensure our outdoor resources and playground is inviting and inclusive to all children that attend our playgroup. We will work as a team committee/ trustees and staff to ensure the playgroup works best for all community and children that use it

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## **7. Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity is governed by its constitution and managed by its trustees.

- Trustees are appointed in accordance with the governing document
- Trustees meet regularly to manage the affairs of the charity
- All trustees serve on a voluntary basis

## **8. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The trustees confirm that the accounts have been prepared on a basis consistent with the charity's status and give a true and fair view of its financial position.

## 9. Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on:

Date: 03/02/2026

Name of trustee: Emma Forker

Signature: *Emma Forker*

**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103412

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# Annual return

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# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Loughshore Playgroup

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 August 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

103412

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2023

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

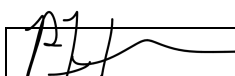
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:



Date:

28/01/2026

Name:

Paul Forker

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IRELAND

<b>Address:</b>	CIDO INNOVATION CENTRE
	73 CHARLESTOWN ROAD
	PORTADOWN

**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

**LOUGHSHORE PLAYGROUP**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103412

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# Accounts

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**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

**Accounts**

**for the year ended 31 August 2019**

## LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP

### Detailed trading profit and loss account and expenses schedule for the year ended 31 August 2019

	2019	2018
	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
Funding SELB	13,127	19,996
Fundraising	350	1,331
Fees and Breaks	3,530	2,665
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	17,007	23,992
<b>Cost of sales</b>		
Playgroup Sundries	562	541
Wages and salaries	19,552	16,043
Insurance	448	458
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	20,562	17,042
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	(20,562)	(17,042)
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<b>Gross loss</b>	(3,555)	29% 6,950
<b>Administrative expenses</b>		
Playgroup Resources	45	55
Staff training	139	500
Outings	-	350
Treats & Milk	550	650
Accountancy,Audit and Payroll	720	678
Bank charges and interest	177	158
Clothing Costs	-	297
General expenses	-	198

**LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

**Detailed trading profit and loss account  
and expenses schedule  
for the year ended 31 August 2019**

		<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Early Years	1,049	937	
Depreciation on fixtures & equipment	500	-	
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		3,180	3,823
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<b>Surplus for the year</b>		(6,735)	3,127
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# LOUGHSHORE PLAYGROUP

## Balance sheet

as at 31 August 2019

	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets		2,400
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	1,847	
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	1,847	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	(94)	
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<b>Net current assets</b>		1,753
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		4,153
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>		86
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<b>Net assets</b>		4,239
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<b>Capital and reserves</b>		
Income and expenditure account		4,239
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<b>Total Funds</b>		4,239
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The notes on pages 6 to 8 form an integral part of these financial statements.

## **LOUGHSORE PLAYGROUP**

The financial statements were approved by the Committee on and signed on its behalf by

**Louise Quinn**

**Chairperson**

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# Annual report

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# **Loughshore Playgroup**

## **Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 August 2019**

### **Principal activity**

The principal activity of the entity is the provision of pre-school education for the local area. The playgroup had a successful year and looks forward to continuing to serve the parents and children of the Maghera area in the coming year.

### **Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year are as stated below:

Sheelagh Fox

Aisling O'Connor

Grainne Bannon

Louise Quinn

This report was approved by the Board on 18/11/19 and signed on its behalf by

**Louise Quinn**

**Trustee**

**LOUGHSHORE PLAYGROUP**

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# Annual return

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# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

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**Independent  
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**Signed:**

**Date:**

18/11/19

**Name:**

MARY MACKLE

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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