

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103511

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2016-04-28
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The purposes of Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd are to relieve poverty, to advance education and to protect health and in particular to provide in Magherafelt and surrounding district (the area of benefit) facilities in the interests of social welfare for the education, recreation and leisure time occupation of women who by reason of social or economic circumstances have needed such facilities.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, Other charitable purposes

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information, Community development, Education/training, Playgroup/after schools

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), Older people, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Women

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£555,348	£563,172	£-35,778	24

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Hannah Murray		
Mrs Adele Catherine Ward		
Mrs Bronagh Mcerlean		
Mrs Eleanor Mcguckin		
Mrs Shauna Mcmillan		
Mrs Tina Muriel Mckeown		
Ms Anneliese Clarke		

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

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Accounts

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: NI042209
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 103511

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited
Company Limited by Guarantee
Financial Statements
31 March 2025

Finegan Gibson Ltd
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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Chair's report

The Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group are pleased to present the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 2025. These documents have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for charities applying the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102, effective 1 January 2019), and are fully compliant with the Company's Articles of Association.

Our Charitable Purpose

As set out in our Articles of Association, our core purpose is:

The relief of women in need due to poor social or economic circumstances through the provision of affordable childcare and a safe, stimulating community environment that promotes educational, personal, and social development opportunities for women, children, and families in the Mid Ulster area. Supporting Objectives:-

- To prevent or relieve poverty
- To advance education and learning
- To promote citizenship and community development

Our Beneficiaries

We serve individuals and families across Magherafelt and the wider Mid Ulster area, including:

- Pre-school children (ages 0-5)
- Children (ages 5-13)
- Parents
- Women
- Older people

Magherafelt Women's Group is a non-profit organisation. While our model includes an element of cost recovery through services offered via Kidz Lodge childcare and the Learning Lodge training centre, all income is reinvested into the community. We have no shareholders, our mission is our bottom line.

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Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Charity registration number 103511

Company registration number NI042209

Principal office and registered office 27-29 Moneymore Road
Magherafelt
Co. Derry
BT45 6AG

The trustees

Mrs Karen McKillen	(Resigned 16 May 2025)
Mrs Hannah Murray	
Mrs Abigayle Higgins	
Mrs Elizabeth Anne Forde	(Resigned 13 January 2025)
Mrs Mary McSorley	(Resigned 13 January 2025)
Mrs Kristal Olphert	(Resigned 21 August 2024)
Mrs Anneliese Clarke	(Appointed 19 November 2024)
Mrs Joanne Greer	(Resigned 1 August 2024)
Mrs Shauna McMillan	(Appointed 19 November 2024)
Mrs Avril Harkin	(Appointed 9 December 2024)
Mrs Frances Maguire	(Appointed 19 November 2024)
Mrs Eleanor McGuckin	(Appointed 26 November 2024)

Auditor

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Structure, governance and management

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and recognised as charitable by HMRC. We are registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Charity No. 103511). Incorporated on 21 December 2001, the organisation is governed by its Articles of Association. Members' liability is limited to £1 in the event of winding up.

Directors and Office Bearers are elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Centre Manager leads the Senior Management function and reports directly to the Board. Staffing and organisational development decisions are made in consultation with the Board, with a quorum of four required for approvals. Financial monitoring is managed by the Centre Manager and overseen by the Board.

The Charity Trustees also serve as Directors of the organisation. During this reporting period, we successfully completed a recruitment drive, welcoming five new Directors whose expertise spans finance, risk management, community development, and women's health. Their skills and perspectives will significantly strengthen our governance and strategic direction.

At the same time, we bid farewell to several long-standing Directors whose dedication, insight, and tireless commitment have been instrumental in shaping and advancing our organisation over the years. Their contributions leave a lasting legacy, and their passion for our mission will be deeply missed.

Staff remuneration is guided by sector pay scales, reviewed annually through the appraisal process and informed by inflation and National Living Wage adjustments. In 2025, Magherafelt Women's Group proudly became a Living Wage Employer.

Strategic report

The following sections for achievements and performance and financial review form the strategic report of the charity.

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Achievements and performance

We conduct an annual review of our objectives and activities to ensure alignment with our charitable aims. This includes evaluating outcomes, measuring impact, and ensuring our services remain relevant and responsive. We continue to draw on Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and actively incorporate participant feedback to shape our programmes. Our work is delivered through two key service arms: Magherafelt Learning Lodge and Magherafelt Kidz Lodge.

1. Magherafelt Learning Lodge

This year, 450 women participated in a diverse range of programmes and we delivered 31 free or low-cost courses designed to foster connection, confidence, and community capacity. Below is a sample of key programmes delivered in 2024 - 2025 grouped under thematic areas:-

- **Prevention and Early Intervention**

This year we delivered programmes such as Suicide Prevention & Emotional Wellness, Emotional Regulation for Children, Supporting Better Sleep, Online Safety and offered an information session on Violence Against Women and Girls, equipping individuals and families with practical tools to manage stress, build resilience, and prevent escalating issues and concerns.

- **Community Empowerment and Capacity Building**

Our values of equality, inclusion, and collective action led initiatives such as the Unity and Diversity Project, completed in partnership with First Steps Women's Group, which contributed to building social capital and resilience within communities in Magherafelt and across Mid Ulster.

- **Supporting Families and Parenting**

We believe in giving every child the best start in life and empowering parents to shape the next generation. Programmes delivered this year such as Baby Spa & Baby Yoga, Baby & Child First Aid, Behaviour Management, Makaton Awareness, and Speech and Language Consultations equipped parents with the skills and confidence to nurture their children and reduce stressors which can negatively impact on their child's development.

- **Promoting Lifelong Learning and Employment**

We continue to promote and support adult learning to enhance employability, confidence and self esteem and recognise the importance of building wellbeing into learning, supporting resilience and long term independence. Courses this year included Motivational Interviewing, Women's Creative Business Programme, Jute Bag crafts, Raw Habits Living Food and Smartphone Photography.

- **Physical Health and Wellbeing**

Physical activity is a proven contributor to improved health and wellbeing. Our inclusive programmes ensure that women of all ages and abilities can participate. This year we ran a range of classes including Yoga, Pilates, Strength & Balance, and Chi Me, encouraging social connection through recreational engagement.

Sessions were well attended and received overwhelmingly positive feedback, reflecting the trust and value placed in our services. Over 95% of participants rated the programmes provided as excellent.

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Comments included:-

"Relaxing atmosphere"

"Good socially"

"Great tips"

"I'm learning to love myself"

"I discovered an ability to excel at something new"

"I've thoroughly enjoyed it!"

Our work is collaborative, engaging with organisations across the statutory, community, and voluntary sectors. This year we worked with Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Department for Communities, Mid Ulster Council, First Step Women's Centre, and the Loneliness Network to name but a few, to extend our reach, strengthen our impact, and ensure that services are responsive to the diverse needs of women, children and families.

2. Kidz Lodge

Kidz Lodge provided a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment for over 95 children this year. The continued high demand for our services underscores our essential role in enabling parents to work, study, and thrive.

We remain committed to delivering high-quality, child-centred learning and development. Our efforts were recognised with the prestigious Gold All-Ireland Centre of Excellence Award, and our inclusive ethos was further affirmed by the Autism NI Impact Award. We also received a commendation from the Northern Trust Early Years Team, who praised our inclusive approach, high-quality provision, and the professionalism of our staff. These accolades, further demonstrated by feedback from parents and children below, reflect the dedication, expertise, and warmth of our team, who place the needs of families and children at the heart of everything they do. "The staff at Kidz Lodge go above and beyond to ensure each child receives exceptional care, nurturing, and kindness. I highly recommend Kidz Lodge and feel so grateful my children have a place there." - Parent "When I'm having a bad day, the workers know how to make me feel better. I love long days in After School." - Child

Public Benefit Statement

The Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group confirm that they have complied with their duty under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the organisation in the year to 31st March 2025.

Financial review

The net fund balances at the year ended 31st March 2025 totalled £813,227 which comprised of Unrestricted funds of £423,273 and Revaluation Reserve of £389,954. Incoming resources for the period of £555,348 were less, than the outgoing resources of £563,172 leaving a deficit of £7,824.

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Plans for future periods

Looking Ahead

As we reflect on a successful 2024-2025, we look forward to a year of continued growth and development. Our beneficiaries remain at the heart of all we do.

In 2025-2026, we will undertake a period of consultation, assessment, and strategic review to inform a new five-year Strategic and Operational Plan. Key priorities will include:

- Organisational structure and development
- Board and Director development
- Service and programme review
- Spatial planning and development
- Financial sustainability

A central focus will be the reopening of our Baby Room, which has remained closed since the COVID-19 pandemic. With a waiting list in place and a renewed recruitment drive underway, we are optimistic about restoring this vital service.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our funders and partners, including:

- DfC Community Investment Fund (CIF)
- Early Years Pathway Fund
- HCN Community Funding
- Childcare Partnership
- Mid Ulster Loneliness Network
- Mid Ulster District Council
- NI Housing Executive

Your continued belief in our mission makes our work possible.

We also thank our dedicated staff, volunteers, Board members, and Kidz Lodge families. Special appreciation goes to Bernie O'Neill for her exceptional leadership, and to Deputy Manager Shelley McGuckin, whose unwavering support and adaptability have been invaluable.

Magherafelt Women's Group carries out regular risk management reviews of all aspects of its operations, in particular those related to safeguarding and the operations of finances of the charity and is satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for preparing the trustees' 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 charity 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 the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, for that period.

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In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditor

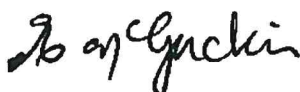
Each of the persons who is a trustee at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

Small Companies Provision

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report and the strategic report were approved on 11 December 2025 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs Eleanor McGuckin
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Year ended 31 March 2025

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account), statement of financial position, statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

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Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance including the design of the remuneration policies, key drivers for directors' remuneration, bonus levels and performance targets; results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities; obtained and reviewed documentation of their policies and procedures relating to: identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether management were aware of any instances of non-compliance; detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether management have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations. the matters discussed among the audit engagement team including significant component audit teams and relevant internal specialists, including tax and valuations specialists regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks in operation, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included ongoing compliance with the UK Companies Act and tax legislation.

In addition, we considered provisions of other laws and regulations that do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental for their ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty.

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As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement (set out on page 10), the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council's (FRC's) Ethical Standard for Auditors', in the circumstances set out in note 28 to the financial statements.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Paul Dolan FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of
Finegan Gibson Ltd
Chartered accountants & statutory auditor
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11 December 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds	2025 Restricted funds	Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	–	1,770	1,770	–
Charitable activities	6	441,428	94,897	536,325	513,143
Other trading activities	7	13,167	–	13,167	9,367
Investment income	8	1,622	–	1,622	211
Other income	9	2,464	–	2,464	4,485
Total income		<u>458,681</u>	<u>96,667</u>	<u>555,348</u>	<u>527,206</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	472,576	96,667	569,243	517,303
Other expenditure	13	(6,071)	–	(6,071)	(6,073)
Total expenditure		<u>466,505</u>	<u>96,667</u>	<u>563,172</u>	<u>511,230</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		<u>(7,824)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(7,824)</u>	<u>15,976</u>
Transfers between funds		18,604	(18,604)	–	–
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains from revaluation of fixed assets		389,954	–	389,954	–
Net movement in funds		400,734	(18,604)	382,130	15,976
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		412,493	18,604	431,097	415,121
Total funds carried forward		<u>813,227</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>813,227</u>	<u>431,097</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	19	539,778	180,102
Current assets			
Debtors	20	22,362	20,903
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>286,865</u>	<u>272,669</u>
		309,227	293,572
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	<u>35,778</u>	<u>42,577</u>
Net current assets		<u>273,449</u>	<u>250,995</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>813,227</u>	<u>431,097</u>
Net assets		<u>813,227</u>	<u>431,097</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		–	18,604
Unrestricted funds:			
Revaluation reserve		389,954	–
Other unrestricted income funds		<u>423,273</u>	<u>412,493</u>
Total unrestricted funds		<u>813,227</u>	<u>412,493</u>
Total charity funds	26	<u>813,227</u>	<u>431,097</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 11 December 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mrs Eleanor McGuckin
Trustee

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net (expenditure)/income	(7,824)	15,976
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	30,278	30,277
Other interest receivable and similar income	(1,622)	(211)
Interest payable and similar charges	369	923
Accrued expenses	1,348	2,202
<i>Changes in:</i>		
Trade and other debtors	(1,459)	(6,354)
Trade and other creditors	(10,487)	(4,085)
Other operating cash flow changes	–	9,210
Cash generated from operations	10,603	47,938
Interest paid	(369)	(923)
Interest received	1,622	211
Net cash from operating activities	<u>11,856</u>	<u>47,226</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Payments of finance lease liabilities	2,340	2,340
Net cash from financing activities	<u>2,340</u>	<u>2,340</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	14,196	49,566
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	272,669	223,103
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>286,865</u>	<u>272,669</u>

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. General information

The Charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered Charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 27-29 Moneymore Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6AG, Co. Derry.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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 (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	-	4% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line
Motor vehicles	-	25% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are recognised in the statement of financial position as assets and liabilities at the lower of the fair value of the assets and the present value of the minimum lease payments, which is determined at the inception of the lease term. Any initial direct costs of the lease are added to the amount recognised as an asset.

Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and reduction of the outstanding lease liability using the effective interest method. Finance charges are allocated to each period so as to produce a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

4. Limited by guarantee

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

5. Donations and legacies

	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Other donations and legacies				
Peer support fund	250	250	–	–
Women breaking barriers	640	640	–	–
Clear Project PHA	780	780	–	–
NHSCT	100	100	–	–
	<u>1,770</u>	<u>1,770</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>

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6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
NIHE	–	2,440	2,440
DFC CIF Grant	–	68,479	68,479
Childcare Small Partnership Grant	–	2,690	2,690
Bright Start	–	3,005	3,005
Mid Ulster Council	–	1,200	1,200
DFC Cost of Living Grant	–	–	–
Early Years Pathway Fund	–	16,500	16,500
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	–	583	583
Creche and After School Fees	422,495	–	422,495
NICSS Childcare	18,933	–	18,933
	<u>441,428</u>	<u>94,897</u>	<u>536,325</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
NIHE	–	–	–
DFC CIF Grant	–	62,138	62,138
Childcare Small Partnership Grant	–	2,475	2,475
Bright Start	–	3,005	3,005
Mid Ulster Council	–	1,200	1,200
DFC Cost of Living Grant	–	1,500	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	–	15,000	15,000
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	–	600	600
Creche and After School Fees	427,225	–	427,225
NICSS Childcare	–	–	–
	<u>427,225</u>	<u>85,918</u>	<u>513,143</u>

7. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Rental Income	11,925	11,925	9,367	9,367
Course Fees	1,242	1,242	–	–
	<u>13,167</u>	<u>13,167</u>	<u>9,367</u>	<u>9,367</u>

8. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Bank interest receivable	1,622	1,622	211	211

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9. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Other income	964	964	1,931	1,931
Fundraising income	1,500	1,500	2,554	2,554
	<u>2,464</u>	<u>2,464</u>	<u>4,485</u>	<u>4,485</u>

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Charitable Activity	463,328	96,667	559,995
Support costs	9,248	–	9,248
	<u>472,576</u>	<u>96,667</u>	<u>569,243</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Charitable Activity	425,268	85,918	511,186
Support costs	6,117	–	6,117
	<u>431,385</u>	<u>85,918</u>	<u>517,303</u>

11. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2025 £	Total fund 2024 £
Charitable Activity	559,995	–	559,995	511,186
Governance costs	–	9,248	9,248	6,117
	<u>559,995</u>	<u>9,248</u>	<u>569,243</u>	<u>517,303</u>

12. Analysis of support costs

	Support costs £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Finance costs	369	369	923
Governance costs	8,879	8,879	5,194
	<u>9,248</u>	<u>9,248</u>	<u>6,117</u>

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13. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Release of capital grant	<u>(6,071)</u>	<u>(6,071)</u>	<u>(6,073)</u>	<u>(6,073)</u>

14. Net (expenditure)/income

Net (expenditure)/income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>30,278</u>	<u>30,277</u>

15. Auditors remuneration

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	<u>3,550</u>	<u>–</u>

No remuneration was paid to an auditor in the prior year, as the entity was subject to an independent examination rather than a statutory audit.

16. Independent examination fees

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>–</u>	<u>5,194</u>

17. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	397,509	366,706
Social security costs	23,260	18,966
Employer contributions to pension plans	<u>6,374</u>	<u>4,747</u>
	<u>427,143</u>	<u>390,419</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 24 (2024: 23). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2025 No.	2024 No.
Number of staff	<u>24</u>	<u>23</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

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17. Staff costs *(continued)*

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £44,086 (2024:£38,652).

18. Trustee remuneration and expenses

The charity trustees were not paid or received any benefits from employment with the Charity in the year, neither were they reimbursed expenses during the year.

The charity trustees were not paid or received any benefits from employment with the Charity in the year, neither were they reimbursed expenses during the year.

19. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2024	684,120	192,720	28,950	905,790
Revaluations	389,954	–	–	389,954
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,074,074</u>	<u>192,720</u>	<u>28,950</u>	<u>1,295,744</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	521,709	175,027	28,952	725,688
Charge for the year	27,365	2,913	–	30,278
At 31 March 2025	<u>549,074</u>	<u>177,940</u>	<u>28,952</u>	<u>755,966</u>
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2025	<u>525,000</u>	<u>14,780</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>539,778</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>162,411</u>	<u>17,693</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>180,102</u>

The freehold property based at 27-29 Moneymore Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6AG was revalued during the year at £525,000.

20. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	16,417	20,903
Prepayments and accrued income	5,945	–
	<u>22,362</u>	<u>20,903</u>

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21. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,710	3,577
Accruals and deferred income	31,728	36,451
Social security and other taxes	–	2,549
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	<u>2,340</u>	<u>–</u>
	<u>35,778</u>	<u>42,577</u>

22. Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	2,034	–
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	<u>306</u>	<u>–</u>
	<u>2,340</u>	<u>–</u>

23. Deferred income

	2025	2024
	£	£
At 1 April 2024	34,249	40,324
Amount released to income	<u>(6,071)</u>	<u>(6,075)</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>28,178</u>	<u>34,249</u>

24. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £6,374 (2024: £4,747).

25. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due within one year	<u>28,178</u>	<u>34,249</u>

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26. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2025 £
General funds	192,493	458,681	(466,505)	238,604	–	423,273
Designated Fund	220,000	–	–	(220,000)	–	–
Revaluation reserve	–	–	–	–	389,954	389,954
	<u>412,493</u>	<u>458,681</u>	<u>(466,505)</u>	<u>18,604</u>	<u>389,954</u>	<u>813,227</u>

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2024 £
General funds	371,517	441,288	(425,312)	(195,000)	–	192,493
Designated Fund	25,000	–	–	195,000	–	220,000
Revaluation reserve	–	–	–	–	–	–
	<u>396,517</u>	<u>441,288</u>	<u>(425,312)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>412,493</u>

During the year, a previously designated fund, established in prior periods, has been released to general reserves. This release reflects a review of the organisation's reserves and the current operational requirements.

Restricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2025 £
Historic Restricted funds	18,604	–	–	(18,604)	–	–
DFC CIF grant	–	68,479	(68,479)	–	–	–
Mid ulster council	–	1,200	(1,200)	–	–	–
Brightstart	–	3,005	(3,005)	–	–	–
Early Years Pathway fund	–	16,500	(16,500)	–	–	–
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	–	583	(583)	–	–	–

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26. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

NIHE	–	2,440	(2,440)	–	–	–
Clear Project PHA						
DHC	–	780	(780)	–	–	–
Peer Support						
Fund	–	250	(250)	–	–	–
NHSCT	–	100	(100)	–	–	–
Women Breaking						
Barriers	–	640	(640)	–	–	–
Childcare Small						
Partnership Grant	–	2,690	(2,690)	–	–	–
	<u>18,604</u>	<u>96,667</u>	<u>(96,667)</u>	<u>(18,604)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2024 £
Historic Restricted funds	18,604	85,918	(85,918)	–	–	18,604
DFC CIF grant	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mid ulster council	–	–	–	–	–	–
Brightstart	–	–	–	–	–	–
Early Years						
Pathway fund	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mid Ulster						
Loneliness						
Network	–	–	–	–	–	–
NIHE	–	–	–	–	–	–
Clear Project PHA						
DHC	–	–	–	–	–	–
Peer Support						
Fund	–	–	–	–	–	–
NHSCT	–	–	–	–	–	–
Women Breaking						
Barriers	–	–	–	–	–	–
Childcare Small						
Partnership Grant	–	–	–	–	–	–
	<u>18,604</u>	<u>85,918</u>	<u>(85,918)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>18,604</u>

Following a review of historic funds, the charity transferred £18,604 to unrestricted funds after confirming that all conditions had been met.

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27. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	539,778	–	539,778
Current assets	309,227	–	309,227
Creditors less than 1 year	(35,778)	–	(35,778)
Net assets	<u>813,227</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>813,227</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	161,498	18,604	180,102
Current assets	293,572	–	293,572
Creditors less than 1 year	(42,577)	–	(42,577)
Net assets	<u>412,493</u>	<u>18,604</u>	<u>431,097</u>

28. Securities

The company holds a reserve account with Bank of Ireland amounting to £121,020.85 at 31/03/25. The account is held as security for banking facilities and is not available for general use.

29. Capital grant release

Deferred capital grants of £28,178 (2024: £34,429) are being released to the income statement on a systematic basis over the useful lives of the related assets. The remaining balance relates to external funding which will continue to be released over the next six years.

30. Taxation

The Company is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to tax exemptions on income and profits in furtherance of the charity's primary objectives.

31. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 Apr 2024 £	Cash flows £	At 31 Mar 2025 £
Cash at bank and in hand	272,669	14,196	286,865
Debt due within one year	–	(2,340)	(2,340)
	<u>272,669</u>	<u>11,856</u>	<u>284,525</u>

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32. Contingencies

A contingent liability exists to repay grants and Trust monies received should certain conditions not be fulfilled by the charity. In the opinion of the Trustees, the terms of the Letters of Offers have been, or will be, complied with and no liability is expected.

33. Ethical standards

In common with many other businesses of our size and nature, we use out auditors to prepare and submit returns to the tax authorities and assist with the preparation of the financial statements.

34. Related parties

There were no related party transactions incurred during the year.

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

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	2025 £	2024 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Peer support fund	250	–
Women breaking barriers	640	–
Clear Project PHA	780	–
NHSCT	100	–
	<u>1,770</u>	<u>–</u>
Charitable activities		
NIHE	2,440	–
DFC CIF Grant	68,479	62,138
Childcare Small Partnership Grant	2,690	2,475
Bright Start	3,005	3,005
Mid Ulster Council	1,200	1,200
DFC Cost of Living Grant	–	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	16,500	15,000
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	583	600
Creche and After School Fees	422,495	427,225
NICSS Childcare	18,933	–
	<u>536,325</u>	<u>513,143</u>
Other trading activities		
Rental Income	11,925	9,367
Course Fees	1,242	–
	<u>13,167</u>	<u>9,367</u>
Investment income		
Bank interest receivable	1,622	211
Other income		
Other income	964	1,931
Fundraising income	1,500	2,554
	<u>2,464</u>	<u>4,485</u>
Total income	<u>555,348</u>	<u>527,206</u>

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable Activity		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Wages/salaries	397,509	366,706
Employer's NIC	23,260	18,966
Pension costs	6,374	4,747
Rates & water	2,580	2,229
Light & heat	11,490	13,959
Repairs & maintenance	22,191	20,426
Insurance	6,470	11,201
Other establishment	1,731	3,883
Motor vehicle expenses	2,730	3,736
Legal and professional fees	1,100	4,823
Telephone	1,530	1,546
Other office costs	6,248	7,061
Depreciation	30,278	30,277
Postage, printing & stationary	8,508	–
Cleaning	4,818	–
Equipment hire	5,409	–
Memberships	567	–
Staff expenses	2,030	–
Other training expenses	2,938	7,379
Debt written off	(1,119)	–
Tutor costs	6,988	–
Catering	16,365	14,247
	<u>559,995</u>	<u>511,186</u>
Governance costs		
Governance costs - accountancy fees	237	–
Governance costs - audit fees	3,550	–
Governance costs - legal and other professional fees	5,092	–
Governance costs - other finance costs	369	923
Governance costs - independent examination	–	5,194
	<u>9,248</u>	<u>6,117</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities	<u>569,243</u>	<u>517,303</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(7,824)</u>	<u>15,976</u>

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Accounts

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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited
Company Limited by Guarantee
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 March 2024

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Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2024

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Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2024

The directors, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Charity registration number 103511

Company registration number NI042209

Principal office and registered office 27-29 Moneymore Road
Magherafelt
BT45 6AG
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The directors

Ms Mary McSorley
Ms Joanne Greer
Mrs Hannah Murray (Appointed 13 November 2023)
Mrs Kristal Olphert
Mrs Elizabeth Forde
Mrs Abigayle Higgins
Mrs Karen McKillen

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Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Structure, governance and management

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by HMRC. The company is also a registered charity with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Charity number 103511. The company was incorporated on 21 December 2001. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The charity Trustees are also Directors of the company. Mrs Hannah Murray was appointed director on 13 November 2023

Organisation Structure

The Board consists of seven Trustees who administer the Charity and meet monthly. The board has appointed a centre manager Bernie O'Neill.

Objectives and activities

The aim of Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is to relieve poverty, to advance education and to protect health and in particular to provide in Magherafelt and surrounding district (the area of benefit) facilities in the interests of social welfare for the education, recreation and leisure time occupation of women who by reason of social or economic circumstances have needed such facilities. Magherafelt Women's Group is a non-profit organisation but its model includes a degree of cost recovery by offering services to various public organisations and private individuals via Kidz Lodge childcare and Learning Lodge training centre. There are no shareholders and all profits reinvested for the benefits of the community. Though its structure Kidz Lodge works to address the needs of local disadvantaged and working families in the community by providing flexible affordable accessible high quality Summer Scheme, Daycare and Afterschool facilities delivered by highly qualified and caring staff in a safe nurturing environment.

Achievements and performance

2023-24 was another busy and successful year for Magherafelt Women's Group and Kidz Lodge Childcare.

Kidz Lodge provided day care to an average of 53 0-4 year old children each week and after-school care to 39 4-11 year olds.

The centre management remain disappointed however that it was not possible to re-open the baby room, despite a waiting list for places, because of ongoing problems in attracting suitable staff. Recruitment efforts continue at year end in earnest.

Financial viability for childcare businesses also continues to be an ongoing challenge, with sustained increases in overhead costs affecting all businesses, including Kidz Lodge. The Board had to reluctantly decide to increase childcare fees in line with inflation despite being aware that some parents who use our services may not be receiving similar salary increases. At year end we are waiting for more information (we have since received information) on potential support from the NI Executive for the childcare sector. We have now received information from NICSS on the extra 15% off the day rate for children up to P1 so this will be reflected in the September invoices for parents who have signed up to it. Sadly this does not cover older children or those on childcare vouchers though so there is still work to be done to help parents and providers. Centre Management have undergone training in order to recoup the 15% from NICSS.

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Kidz lodge is extremely proud of becoming a fully accredited centre achieving Gold in the Early Years Centre of Excellence from the Early Years organisation of Northern Ireland. The work and determination the staff displayed in achieving this standard was outstanding, especially our Centre Manager Bernie O'Neill.

Many core activities offered by MWG continued during the year but there was also an expansion of activities aimed at attracting new service users and meeting the needs identified in surveys and user feedback.

New courses and activities included: Better Sleep for your Child; Managing Anxiety in Children; Autism Awareness Training; Understanding Supporting Behaviour Workshop; Children's Occupational Therapy Sensory Regulation; Parents First aid Course and Farm Families First Aid.

Employability support included an information session with Network Personnel Growth Workshop and the Team from Jobs and benefits. We continued our collaboration with the NI Rural Women's Network (NIRWN) under the Women Breaking Barriers initiative, offering an Introduction to Holistic Therapies for women who may be interested in training or self-employment in those areas.

In response to demand, other activities offered during the year were mainly related to wellbeing and creative crafts and included the following:

Wellbeing: Dementia Talk; Money Management; Skincare Masterclass; First Steps out of Overwhelm; Mindfulness; Stress Management; Winter Wellbeing Programme; Healthy Eating; Personal Development; Body Shop Pamper Morning; Yoga; Pilates and chair based activities.

Crafts: Christmas Box Frame; Christmas Wreath Making; Christmas Bamboo Hoop; Acrylic Stained Painting; Fresh Flower Arranging; Spring Door Wreath and Candle Making Workshop.

There was also an event to mark International Rual Women's Day in October. We had a lovely session with personal development coach and some sweet treats to enjoy. The women came together to take some time for themselves and met new friends which help support health and wellbeing.

MWG staff continued to offer support to women by sharing information on social media and linking with other organisations, and through direct communication with women on our mailing lists. Rooms continued to be made available for hire, with Sure Start using two rooms and other spaces available at a competitive rate.

The Board of Magherafelt Women's Group is very grateful to our funders for their ongoing support – core funder, DfC Community Investment Fund; Early Years Pathway Fund; Department of Education Bright Start Fund; Mid Ulster District Council, Childcare Partnership and NI Housing Executive.

The Board thank the management team and all the staff for their dedication during the past year and thank the Kidz Lodge parents for their cooperation and continued support.

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Financial review

During the year the company made a net profit of £15,979 this is shown on page 7 to the accounts.

The directors' annual report was approved on 12th November 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


Mrs Abigayle Higgins
Director


Mrs Karen McKillen
Director

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the directors on my examination of the financial statements of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the directors of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 65 of the 2008 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Lisa McCloskey 11/14/2024
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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted funds	2024 Restricted funds	Total funds	2023 Total funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	–	85,918	85,918	84,485
Charitable activities	6	427,225	–	427,225	387,664
Other trading activities	7	2,554	–	2,554	104
Investment income	8	211	–	211	49
Other income	9	11,298	–	11,298	12,969
		–	–	–	–
Total income		441,288	85,918	527,206	485,271
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	431,385	85,918	517,303	511,220
Other expenditure	12	(6,073)	–	(6,073)	(6,071)
		–	–	–	–
Total expenditure		425,912	85,318	511,230	505,149
		–	–	–	–
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		15,976	–	15,976	(19,878)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		396,517	18,604	415,121	434,999
		–	–	–	–
Total funds carried forward		412,493	18,604	431,097	415,121

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited**Company Limited by Guarantee****Statement of Financial Position****31 March 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	17	180,102	208,947
Current assets			
Debtors	18	20,903	29,733
Cash at bank and in hand		272,669	223,103
		293,572	252,836
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	42,577	46,662
Net current assets		250,995	206,174
Total assets less current liabilities		431,097	415,121
Net assets		431,097	415,121
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		18,604	18,604
Unrestricted funds		412,493	396,517
Total charity funds	24	431,097	415,121


For the year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 12th November 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:


Mrs Abigayle Higgins
Director


Mrs Karen McKillen
Director

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2024

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 27-29 Moneymore Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6AG, Co Derry.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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 (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The entity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. Its financial statements are consolidated into the financial statements of (enter name of group financial statements) which can be obtained from (enter detail). As such, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102:

- (a) No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.
- (b) Disclosures in respect of financial instruments have not been presented.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the directors for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Operating leases

Lease payments are recognised as an expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis. The aggregate benefit of lease incentives is recognised as a reduction to expense over the lease term, on a straight-line basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	-	4% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line
Motor vehicles	-	25% straight line

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are recognised in the statement of financial position as assets and liabilities at the lower of the fair value of the assets and the present value of the minimum lease payments, which is determined at the inception of the lease term. Any initial direct costs of the lease are added to the amount recognised as an asset.

Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and reduction of the outstanding lease liability using the effective interest method. Finance charges are allocated to each period so as to produce a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

4. Limited by guarantee

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

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5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Grants			
DFC WCCF	-	-	-
DFC CIF	-	62,138	62,138
Childcare small partnership grant	-	2,475	2,475
Bright Start	-	3,005	3,005
Mid Ulster council	-	1,200	1,200
DFC cost of living grant	-	1,500	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	-	15,000	15,000
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	-	600	600
	-	85,918	85,918
	=	=	=

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants			
DFC WCCF	-	1,345	1,345
DFC CIF	-	60,215	60,215
Childcare small partnership grant	-	800	800
Bright Start	-	3,165	3,165
Mid Ulster council	-	960	960
DFC Energy grant	-	1,500	1,500
DFC cost of living grant	-	1,500	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	-	15,000	15,000
	-	-	-
	-	84,485	84,485
	=	=	=

6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Creche and after school fees	427,225	427,225	387,664	387,664
	-	-	-	-
	427,225	427,225	387,664	387,664
	=	=	=	=

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7. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising events	2,554	2,554	104	104
	=	=	=	=

8. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable type 1	211	211	49	49
	=	=	=	=

9. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Rent receivable	9,367	9,367	10,195	10,195
Other income	1,931	1,931	2,774	2,774
	-	-	-	-
	11,298	11,298	12,969	12,969
	=	=	=	=

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£
Charitable activities	432,210	82,843	515,053
Governance costs	2,247	-	2,247
	-	-	-
	434,457	82,843	517,300
	=	=	=

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Charitable activities	423,642	84,485	508,127
Governance costs	3,093	-	3,093
	-	-	-
	426,735	84,485	511,220
	=	=	=

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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11. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Total funds 2024 £	Total fund 2023 £
Charitable activities	515,056	515,056	508,127
Governance costs	2,247	2,247	3,093
	-	-	-
	517,303	517,303	511,220

12. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Release of capital grant	(6,073)	(6,073)	(6,071)	(6,071)

13. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	30,134	30,134
Operating lease rentals	-	2,634

14. Independent examination fees

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	5,194	3,922

15. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	366,706	366,308
Social security costs	18,966	17,868
Employer contributions to pension plans	4,747	4,777
	-	-
	390,419	388,953

The average head count of employees during the year was 23 (2023: 25). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Number of staff	23	25

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15. Staff costs *(continued)*

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

16. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees received remuneration during the year ended 31 March 2024.

17. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2023	684,120	191,288	28,950	904,358
Additions	–	1,432	–	1,432
At 31 March 2024	684,120	192,720	28,950	905,790
	=	=	=	=
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	494,344	172,115	28,952	665,277
Charge for the year	27,365	2,912	–	30,134
At 31 March 2024	521,709	175,027	28,952	695,411
	=	=	=	=
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2024	162,411	17,693	(2)	180,102
	=	=	=	=
At 31 March 2023	189,776	19,173	(2)	208,947
	=	=	=	=

18. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	20,903	27,257
Prepayments and accrued income	–	2,476
	=	=
	20,903	29,733
	=	=

19. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	3,577	1,603
Accruals and deferred income	36,451	42,524
Social security and other taxes	2,549	–
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	–	–
Other creditors	–	2,535
	=	=
	42,577	46,662
	=	=

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited**Company Limited by Guarantee****Notes to the Financial Statements** *(continued)***Year ended 31 March 2024****20. Finance leases and hire purchase contracts**

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	-	-
	=	=

21. Deferred income

	2024	2023
	£	£
At 1 April 2023	40,324	46,397
Amount released to income	(6,073)	(6,073)
At 31 March 2024	34,249	40,324
	=	=

22. Pensions and other post retirement benefits**Defined contribution plans**

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £4,747 (2023: £4,777).

23. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due within one year	34,329	40,324
	=	=
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	-	-
	=	=

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

24. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	371,517	246,288	(425,312)	192,493
Designated Fund	25,000	195,000	-	220,000
	<u>396,517</u>	<u>441,288</u>	<u>(425,312)</u>	<u>412,493</u>

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	391,395	400,786	(420,664)	371,517
Designated Fund	25,000	-	-	25,000
	<u>416,395</u>	<u>400,786</u>	<u>(420,664)</u>	<u>396,517</u>

The designated fund is earmarked by the directors for redundancies which have been recalculated to £70k, £100-120k has been set aside for necessary building upgrades and £30K for 3 Months running costs

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Fund	18,604	85,918	(85,918)	18,604

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 1 March 2023
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Fund	18,604	84,485	(84,485)	18,604

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited**Company Limited by Guarantee****Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)****Year ended 31 March 2024****25. Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	163,708	16,394	180,102
Current assets	267,682	–	267,682
Creditors less than 1 year	(42,577)	–	(42,577)
Net assets	<u>388,813</u> =	<u>16,394</u> =	<u>405,207</u> =

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	189,792	19,155	208,947
Current assets	252,837	–	252,837
Creditors less than 1 year	(46,663)	–	(46,663)
Creditors greater than 1 year	–	–	–
Net assets	<u>395,966</u> =	<u>19,155</u> =	<u>415,121</u> =

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Company Limited by Guarantee

Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2024

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited**Company Limited by Guarantee****Detailed Statement of Financial Activities****Year ended 31 March 2024**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
DFC WCCF	-	1,345
DFC CIF	62,138	60,215
Childcare small partnership grant	2,475	800
Bright Start	3,005	3,165
Mid Ulster council	1,200	960
DFC Energy grant	-	1,500
DFC cost of living grant	1,500	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	15,000	15,000
Mid Ulster Loneliness Network	600	-
	85,918	84,485
	-	-
Charitable activities		
Creche and after school fees	427,225	387,664
	-	-
	427,225	387,664
	-	-
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	2,554	104
	-	-
Investment income		
Bank interest receivable type 1	211	49
	-	-
Other income		
Rent receivable	9,367	10,195
Other income	1,931	2,774
	-	-
	11,298	12,969
	-	-
Total income	527,206	485,271
	=	=

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited**Company Limited by Guarantee****Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (continued)****Year ended 31 March 2024**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Wages and salaries	366,706	366,308
Employer's NIC	18,966	17,868
Pension costs	4,747	4,777
Operating leases	0	2,634
Water Rates	2,229	1,742
Light and heat	13,959	15,280
Repairs and maintenance	20,426	19,357
Insurance	11,201	7,490
Motor vehicle expenses	3,736	3,204
Legal and professional fees	4,823	3,029
Telephone	1,546	1,834
Other office costs	7,061	10,808
Depreciation	30,277	30,134
Interest on HP and finance leases	0	658
Sundry expenses	3,883	3,013
Catering and Accountancy	14,247	12,282
Accountancy	5,194	3,922
Bank charges and hire of equipment	923	1,370
Tutor costs and staff training	7,379	5,510
	517,303	511,220
	-	-
Other expenditure		
Release of capital grant	(6,073)	(6,071)
	-	-
Total expenditure	511,230	505,149
	=	=
	-	-
Net Income	15,976	(19,878)
	=	=

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Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable activities		
Activities undertaken directly		
Direct charitable activity 1 - wages/salaries	366,706	366,308
Direct charitable activity 1 - employer's NIC	18,966	17,868
Direct charitable activity 1 - pension costs	4,747	4,777
Direct charitable activity 1 - operating leases	0	2,634
Direct charitable activity 1 - rates & water	2,229	1,742
Direct charitable activity 1 - light & heat	13,959	15,280
Direct charitable activity 1 - repairs & maintenance	20,426	19,357
Direct charitable activity 1 - insurance	11,201	7,490
Direct charitable activity 1 - motor vehicle expenses	3,736	3,204
Direct charitable activity 1 - legal and professional fees	4,823	3,029
Direct charitable activity 1 - telephone	1,546	1,834
Direct charitable activity 1 - other office costs	7,061	10,808
Direct charitable activity 1 - depreciation	30,277	30,134
Direct charitable activity 1 - interest on HP and finance leases	0	658
Direct charitable activity 1 - Sundry	3,883	3,013
Direct charitable activity 1 - Catering	14,247	12,282
Direct charitable activity 1 - Accountancy	5,194	3,922
Direct charitable activity 1 - Bank charges	563	548
Direct charitable activity 1 - tutor costs	5,492	3,239
	515,056	508,127
	-	-
Governance costs		
Activities undertaken directly		
Direct charitable activity 2 - Hire of equipment	360	822
Direct charitable activity 2 - Staff training	1,887	2,271
	-	-
	2,247	3,093
	-	-
	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	517,303	511,220

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Annual report

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Structure, governance and management

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by HMRC. The company is also a registered charity with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Charity number 103511. The company was incorporated on 21 December 2001. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The charity Trustees are also Directors of the company. Mrs Hannah Murray was appointed director on 13 November 2023

Organisation Structure

The Board consists of seven Trustees who administer the Charity and meet monthly. The board has appointed a centre manager Bernie O'Neill.

Objectives and activities

The aim of Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is to relieve poverty, to advance education and to protect health and in particular to provide in Magherafelt and surrounding district (the area of benefit) facilities in the interests of social welfare for the education, recreation and leisure time occupation of women who by reason of social or economic circumstances have needed such facilities. Magherafelt Women's Group is a non-profit organisation but its model includes a degree of cost recovery by offering services to various public organisations and private individuals via Kidz Lodge childcare and Learning Lodge training centre. There are no shareholders and all profits reinvested for the benefits of the community. Though its structure Kidz Lodge works to address the needs of local disadvantaged and working families in the community by providing flexible affordable accessible high quality Summer Scheme, Daycare and Afterschool facilities delivered by highly qualified and caring staff in a safe nurturing environment.

Achievements and performance

2023-24 was another busy and successful year for Magherafelt Women's Group and Kidz Lodge Childcare.

Kidz Lodge provided day care to an average of 53 0-4 year old children each week and after-school care to 39 4-11 year olds.

The centre management remain disappointed however that it was not possible to re-open the baby room, despite a waiting list for places, because of ongoing problems in attracting suitable staff. Recruitment efforts continue at year end in earnest.

Financial viability for childcare businesses also continues to be an ongoing challenge, with sustained increases in overhead costs affecting all businesses, including Kidz Lodge. The Board had to reluctantly decide to increase childcare fees in line with inflation despite being aware that some parents who use our services may not be receiving similar salary increases. At year end we are waiting for more information (we have since received information) on potential support from the NI Executive for the childcare sector. We have now received information from NICSS on the extra 15% off the day rate for children up to P1 so this will be reflected in the September invoices for parents who have signed up to it. Sadly this does not cover older children or those on childcare vouchers though so there is still work to be done to help parents and providers. Centre Management have undergone training in order to recoup the 15% from NICSS.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

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Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Kidz lodge is extremely proud of becoming a fully accredited centre achieving Gold in the Early Years Centre of Excellence from the Early Years organisation of Northern Ireland. The work and determination the staff displayed in achieving this standard was outstanding, especially our Centre Manager Bernie O'Neill.

Many core activities offered by MWG continued during the year but there was also an expansion of activities aimed at attracting new service users and meeting the needs identified in surveys and user feedback.

New courses and activities included: Better Sleep for your Child; Managing Anxiety in Children; Autism Awareness Training; Understanding Supporting Behaviour Workshop; Children's Occupational Therapy Sensory Regulation; Parents First aid Course and Farm Families First Aid.

Employability support included an information session with Network Personnel Growth Workshop and the Team from Jobs and benefits. We continued our collaboration with the NI Rural Women's Network (NIRWN) under the Women Breaking Barriers initiative, offering an Introduction to Holistic Therapies for women who may be interested in training or self-employment in those areas.

In response to demand, other activities offered during the year were mainly related to wellbeing and creative crafts and included the following:

Wellbeing: Dementia Talk; Money Management; Skincare Masterclass; First Steps out of Overwhelm; Mindfulness; Stress Management; Winter Wellbeing Programme; Healthy Eating; Personal Development; Body Shop Pamper Morning; Yoga; Pilates and chair based activities.
Crafts: Christmas Box Frame; Christmas Wreath Making; Christmas Bamboo Hoop; Acrylic Stained Painting; Fresh Flower Arranging; Spring Door Wreath and Candle Making Workshop.
There was also an event to mark International Rual Women's Day in October. We had a lovely session with personal development coach and some sweet treats to enjoy. The women came together to take some time for themselves and met new friends which help support health and wellbeing.

MWG staff continued to offer support to women by sharing information on social media and linking with other organisations, and through direct communication with women on our mailing lists. Rooms continued to be made available for hire, with Sure Start using two rooms and other spaces available at a competitive rate.

The Board of Magherafelt Women's Group is very grateful to our funders for their ongoing support – core funder, DfC Community Investment Fund; Early Years Pathway Fund; Department of Education Bright Start Fund; Mid Ulster District Council, Childcare Partnership and NI Housing Executive.

The Board thank the management team and all the staff for their dedication during the past year and thank the Kidz Lodge parents for their cooperation and continued support.

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Annual return

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the directors on my examination of the financial statements of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the directors of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 65 of the 2008 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Lisa McCloskey 11/14/2024
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Lisa McCloskey
The Lady Accountant Ltd
Independent Examiner

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Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Accounts

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: NI042209
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 103511

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited
Company Limited by Guarantee
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 March 2023

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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2023

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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2023

The directors, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Magherafelt Women's Group Limited
Charity registration number	103511
Company registration number	NI042209
Principal office and registered office	27-29 Moneymore Road Magherafelt BT45 6AG Co Derry

The directors

Mrs Lilana Boyd	(Resigned 13 June 2022)
Ms Mary McSorley	
Ms Joanne Greer	
Mrs Paula O'Neill	(Resigned 28 April 2022)
Mrs Kristal Olphert	(Appointed 1 August 2022)
Mrs Elizabeth Forde	
Mrs Abigayle Higgins	
Mrs Karen McKillen	

Independent examiner	PFS Accountants and Auditors Ltd 122 Main Street Dungiven Co Derry BT47 4LG
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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Structure, governance and management

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Recruitment and Appointment of Directors
The charity Trustees are also Directors of the company. Mrs Kristal Olphert was appointed director on 1 August 2022.

Organisation Structure
The Board consists of six Trustees who administer the Charity and meet monthly. The board has appointed a centre manager Bernie O'Neill.

Objectives and activities

The aim of Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is to relieve poverty, to advance education and to protect health and in particular to provide in Magherafelt and surrounding district (the area of benefit) facilities in the interests of social welfare for the education, recreation and leisure time occupation of women who by reason of social or economic circumstances have needed such facilities. Magherafelt Women's Group is a non-profit organisation but its model includes a degree of cost recovery by offering services to various public organisations and private individuals via Kidz Lodge childcare and Learning Lodge training centre. There are no shareholders and all profits reinvested for the benefits of the community. Though its structure Kidz Lodge works to address the needs of local disadvantaged and working families in the community by providing flexible affordable accessible high quality Summer Scheme, Daycare and Afterschool facilities delivered by highly qualified and caring staff in a safe nurturing environment.

Achievements and performance

The 2022-2023 was another challenging year for the staff of MWG and Kidz Lodge Childcare although the impact of Covid-19 lessened as the year progressed.

Kidz Lodge had another successful year, providing daycare to an average of 53 0-4 year old children each week and after-school care to 39 4-11 year olds.

The centre management was disappointed however that it was not possible to re-open the baby room, despite a waiting list for places, because of problems in attracting suitable staff. Recruitment efforts continue at year end.

A highlight of the year was the achievement in March 2023 of a Gold Award from Early Years as a Centre of Excellence. Kidz Lodge became the first Mid-Ulster childcare facility to achieve this prestigious quality award following a rigorous inspection process. This is a notable achievement and a testament to the dedication and hard work of Kidz Lodge management and staff.

While Covid-19 guidelines were relaxed during the year, staff were mindful that the virus was still in circulation and continued to maintain strict hygiene protocols to minimise avoidable infection and absence.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Another constraint was the continued increase in overhead costs which required ongoing attention. Childcare fees were increased in line with inflation and budgets were managed carefully while ensuring that standards were not compromised.

Operations in the women's group returned to a degree of normality as Covid rules were relaxed. MWG continued to collaborate with the NI Rural Women's Network (NIRWN) to deliver employability and personal development activities under the Women Breaking Barriers pilot initiative. Courses facilitated included: Speech Confidence; Self Care for Success; Get Creative Finances; Get Creative Self-Employment; Living in Flow; Wellbeing in Focus Photography; Level 2 Counselling; Conflict and Mediation Skills. Feedback from participants was very positive and, at year end, the WBB partners were still awaiting confirmation of future funding but were hopeful that this delivery could resume in 2023-24.

Other activities offered during the year were mainly related to wellbeing and creative crafts and included the following:

Wellbeing: Menopause programme; Breast Screening Awareness programme; Confidence building course; Yoga.

Crafts: Autumn wreath making and wall hanging with loom weaving; Christmas creative crafts – cards, gifts, wreaths, table arrangements; Spring box frame workshop and decorative wall.

There were one-off activities to address women's isolation and boost confidence and the group was able to host a coffee morning to mark International Women's Day in March for the first time in several years. A four week Journaling programme was facilitated for CWSAN (Cookstown & Western Shores Area Network); MWG participated in the Warm Spaces initiative, which was a response to the cost of living crisis, during the winter months; and Stay and Play sessions for mums and tots were provided and proved very popular.

MWG staff continued to offer support to women by sharing information on social media and linking with other organisations, and through direct communication with women on our mailing lists. Rooms continued to be made available for hire, with Sure Start using two rooms and other spaces available at a competitive rate.

In Autumn, the Board and centre management engaged Blue Moss consultants to assist with a strategic review of operations and to develop a new strategic plan. This work reflected the current challenging funding environment and is ongoing at year end.

The Board of Magherafelt Women's Group is very grateful to our funders for their ongoing support – core funder, DfC Community Investment Fund; Early Years Pathway Fund; Department of Education Bright Start Fund; Mid Ulster District Council and NI Housing Executive.

The Board thank the management team and all the staff for their dedication during the past year and thank the Kidz Lodge parents for their cooperation and support. The Board also thank long serving chair, Anne Forde, who stepped down as chair at the end of the business year.

Board and staff look forward to progressing plans which result from the ongoing strategic review and, despite acknowledged challenges, are optimistic about the coming year.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Financial review

During the year the company made a net loss of £19,878 this is shown on page 7 to the accounts.

The directors' annual report was approved on 14h November 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


Mrs Elizabeth Forde
Director


Mrs Karen McKillen
Director

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Year ended 31 March 2023

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 65 of the 2008 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's
Group Limited *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

 *PFS Accountants & Auditors Ltd.*

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Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2023

		2023	2022		
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	–	84,485	84,485	97,449
Charitable activities	6	387,664	–	387,664	355,888
Other trading activities	7	104	–	104	140
Investment income	8	49	–	49	8
Other income	9	12,969	–	12,969	18,488
Total income		<u>400,786</u>	<u>84,485</u>	<u>485,271</u>	<u>471,973</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	426,735	84,485	511,220	496,054
Other expenditure	12	(6,071)	–	(6,071)	(13,397)
Total expenditure		<u>420,664</u>	<u>84,485</u>	<u>505,149</u>	<u>482,657</u>
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		<u>(19,878)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(19,878)</u>	<u>(10,684)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		416,395	18,604	434,999	445,683
Total funds carried forward		<u>396,517</u>	<u>18,604</u>	<u>415,121</u>	<u>434,999</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	17	208,947	239,081
Current assets			
Debtors	18	29,733	28,195
Cash at bank and in hand		223,103	292,512
		<u>252,836</u>	<u>320,707</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	46,662	124,789
		<u>206,174</u>	<u>195,918</u>
Net current assets		<u>415,121</u>	<u>434,999</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>415,121</u>	<u>434,999</u>
Net assets		<u>415,121</u>	<u>434,999</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		18,604	18,604
Unrestricted funds		396,517	416,395
Total charity funds	24	<u>415,121</u>	<u>434,999</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 14th November 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs Elizabeth A Forde
Mrs Elizabeth Forde
Director

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Mrs Karen McKillen
Director

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 27-29 Moneymore Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6AG, Co Derry.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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 (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The entity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. Its financial statements are consolidated into the financial statements of (enter name of group financial statements) which can be obtained from (enter detail). As such, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102:

- (a) No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.
- (b) Disclosures in respect of financial instruments have not been presented.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the directors for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Operating leases

Lease payments are recognised as an expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis. The aggregate benefit of lease incentives is recognised as a reduction to expense over the lease term, on a straight-line basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	- 4% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% straight line
Motor vehicles	- 25% straight line

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are recognised in the statement of financial position as assets and liabilities at the lower of the fair value of the assets and the present value of the minimum lease payments, which is determined at the inception of the lease term. Any initial direct costs of the lease are added to the amount recognised as an asset.

Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and reduction of the outstanding lease liability using the effective interest method. Finance charges are allocated to each period so as to produce a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

4. Limited by guarantee

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

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5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants			
DFC WCCF	–	1,345	1,345
DFC CIF	–	60,215	60,215
Childcare small partnership grant	–	800	800
Bright Start	–	3,165	3,165
Mid Ulster council	–	960	960
DFC Energy grant	–	1,500	1,500
DFC cost of living grant	–	1,500	1,500
Early Years Pathway Fund	–	15,000	15,000
	<u>–</u>	<u>84,485</u>	<u>84,485</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants			
DFC CIF	–	56,651	56,651
Halifax	–	1,020	1,020
Bright Start	–	2,188	2,188
Mid Ulster council	–	960	960
Early Years Pathway Fund	–	15,000	15,000
Early years childcare support	10,167	–	10,167
Early years CRSF	11,463	–	11,463
	<u>21,630</u>	<u>75,819</u>	<u>97,449</u>

6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Creche and after school fees	387,664	387,664	355,888	355,888
	<u>387,664</u>	<u>387,664</u>	<u>355,888</u>	<u>355,888</u>

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7. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Fundraising events	<u>104</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>140</u>

8. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Bank interest receivable type 1	<u>49</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

9. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Rent receivable	10,195	10,195	9,139	9,139
Other income	<u>2,774</u>	<u>2,774</u>	<u>9,349</u>	<u>9,349</u>
	<u>12,969</u>	<u>12,969</u>	<u>18,488</u>	<u>18,488</u>

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Charitable activities	423,642	84,485	508,127
Governance costs	<u>3,093</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3,093</u>
	<u>426,735</u>	<u>84,485</u>	<u>511,220</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Charitable activities	413,915	75,819	489,734
Governance costs	<u>6,320</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>6,320</u>
	<u>420,235</u>	<u>75,819</u>	<u>496,054</u>

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11. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Total funds 2023 £	Total fund 2022 £
Charitable activities	508,127	508,127	489,734
Governance costs	3,093	3,093	6,320
	<u>511,220</u>	<u>511,220</u>	<u>496,054</u>

12. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Release of capital grant	<u>(6,071)</u>	<u>(6,071)</u>	<u>(13,397)</u>	<u>(13,397)</u>

13. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	30,134	30,134
Operating lease rentals	<u>2,634</u>	<u>2,634</u>

14. Independent examination fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>3,922</u>	<u>4,784</u>

15. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	366,308	351,202
Social security costs	17,868	16,741
Employer contributions to pension plans	4,777	3,487
	<u>388,953</u>	<u>371,430</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 25 (2022: 20). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Number of staff	<u>25</u>	<u>20</u>

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15. Staff costs *(continued)*

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

16. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees received remuneration during the year ended 31 March 2023.

17. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	<u>684,120</u>	<u>191,288</u>	<u>28,950</u>	<u>904,358</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	466,979	169,346	28,952	665,277
Charge for the year	<u>27,365</u>	<u>2,769</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>30,134</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>494,344</u>	<u>172,115</u>	<u>28,952</u>	<u>695,411</u>
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2023	<u>189,776</u>	<u>19,173</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>208,947</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>217,141</u>	<u>21,942</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>239,081</u>

18. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	27,257	25,657
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>2,476</u>	<u>2,538</u>
	<u>29,733</u>	<u>28,195</u>

19. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	1,603	1,731
Accruals and deferred income	42,524	49,030
Social security and other taxes	—	14,846
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	—	1,929
Other creditors	<u>2,535</u>	<u>57,253</u>
	<u>46,662</u>	<u>124,789</u>

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20. Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	<u>–</u>	<u>1,929</u>

21. Deferred income

	2023	2022
	£	£
At 1 April 2022	46,397	59,792
Amount released to income	<u>(6,073)</u>	<u>(13,397)</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>40,324</u>	<u>46,395</u>

22. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £4,777 (2022: £3,487).

23. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due within one year	<u>46,397</u>	<u>59,792</u>
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	<u>–</u>	<u>11,463</u>

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24. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 20 23 £
General funds	391,395	400,786	(420,664)	371,517
Designated Fund	25,000	—	—	25,000
	<u>416,395</u>	<u>400,786</u>	<u>(420,664)</u>	<u>396,517</u>

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 20 22 £
General funds	402,079	396,154	(406,838)	391,395
Designated Fund	25,000	—	—	25,000
	<u>427,079</u>	<u>396,154</u>	<u>(406,838)</u>	<u>416,395</u>

The designated fund is earmarked by the directors for redundancies in the future.

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 20 23 £
Restricted Fund	18,604	84,485	(84,485)	18,604

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 20 22 £
Restricted Fund	18,604	75,819	(75,819)	18,604

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25. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	189,792	19,155	208,947
Current assets	252,837	–	252,837
Creditors less than 1 year	(46,663)	–	(46,663)
Net assets	<u>395,966</u>	<u>19,155</u>	<u>415,121</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	220,477	18,604	239,081
Current assets	320,708	–	320,708
Creditors less than 1 year	(67,536)	–	(67,536)
Creditors greater than 1 year	–	–	–
Net assets	<u>473,649</u>	<u>18,604</u>	<u>492,253</u>

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable activities		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Direct charitable activity 1 - wages/salaries	366,308	351,202
Direct charitable activity 1 - employer's NIC	17,868	16,741
Direct charitable activity 1 - pension costs	4,777	3,487
Direct charitable activity 1 - operating leases	2,634	2,634
Direct charitable activity 1 - rates & water	1,742	1,616
Direct charitable activity 1 - light & heat	15,280	13,122
Direct charitable activity 1 - repairs & maintenance	19,357	24,411
Direct charitable activity 1 - insurance	7,490	7,483
Direct charitable activity 1 - motor vehicle expenses	3,204	2,662
Direct charitable activity 1 - legal and professional fees	3,029	1,325
Direct charitable activity 1 - telephone	1,834	2,408
Direct charitable activity 1 - other office costs	10,808	9,637
Direct charitable activity 1 - depreciation	30,134	30,134
Direct charitable activity 1 - interest on HP and finance leases	658	1,822
Direct charitable activity 1 - Sundry	3,013	2,265
Direct charitable activity 1 - Catering	12,282	11,037
Direct charitable activity 1 - Accountancy	3,922	4,784
Direct charitable activity 1 - Bank charges	548	512
Direct charitable activity 1 - tutor costs	3,239	2,452
	<u>508,127</u>	<u>489,734</u>
Governance costs		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Direct charitable activity 2 - Hire of equipment	822	1,112
Direct charitable activity 2 - Staff training	2,271	5,208
	<u>3,093</u>	<u>6,320</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities	<u>511,220</u>	<u>496,054</u>

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Annual report

Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

Company Limited by Guarantee

Directors' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Structure, governance and management

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and accepted as charitable by HMRC. The company is also a registered charity with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Charity number 103511. The company was incorporated on 21 December 2001. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company, and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The charity Trustees are also Directors of the company. Mrs Kristal Olphert was appointed director on 1 August 2022.

Organisation Structure

The Board consists of six Trustees who administer the Charity and meet monthly. The board has appointed a centre manager Bernie O'Neill.

Objectives and activities

The aim of Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd is to relieve poverty, to advance education and to protect health and in particular to provide in Magherafelt and surrounding district (the area of benefit) facilities in the interests of social welfare for the education, recreation and leisure time occupation of women who by reason of social or economic circumstances have needed such facilities. Magherafelt Women's Group is a non-profit organisation but its model includes a degree of cost recovery by offering services to various public organisations and private individuals via Kidz Lodge childcare and Learning Lodge training centre. There are no shareholders and all profits reinvested for the benefits of the community. Through its structure Kidz Lodge works to address the needs of local disadvantaged and working families in the community by providing flexible affordable accessible high quality Summer Scheme, Daycare and Afterschool facilities delivered by highly qualified and caring staff in a safe nurturing environment.

Achievements and performance

The 2022-2023 was another challenging year for the staff of MWG and Kidz Lodge Childcare although the impact of Covid-19 lessened as the year progressed.

Kidz Lodge had another successful year, providing daycare to an average of 53 0-4 year old children each week and after-school care to 39 4-11 year olds.

The centre management was disappointed however that it was not possible to re-open the baby room, despite a waiting list for places, because of problems in attracting suitable staff. Recruitment efforts continue at year end.

A highlight of the year was the achievement in March 2023 of a Gold Award from Early Years as a Centre of Excellence. Kidz Lodge became the first Mid-Ulster childcare facility to achieve this prestigious quality award following a rigorous inspection process. This is a notable achievement and a testament to the dedication and hard work of Kidz Lodge management and staff.

While Covid-19 guidelines were relaxed during the year, staff were mindful that the virus was still in circulation and continued to maintain strict hygiene protocols to minimise avoidable infection and absence.

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Another constraint was the continued increase in overhead costs which required ongoing attention. Childcare fees were increased in line with inflation and budgets were managed carefully while ensuring that standards were not compromised.

Operations in the women's group returned to a degree of normality as Covid rules were relaxed. MWG continued to collaborate with the NI Rural Women's Network (NIRWN) to deliver employability and personal development activities under the Women Breaking Barriers pilot initiative. Courses facilitated included: Speech Confidence; Self Care for Success; Get Creative Finances; Get Creative Self-Employment; Living in Flow; Wellbeing in Focus Photography; Level 2 Counselling; Conflict and Mediation Skills. Feedback from participants was very positive and, at year end, the WBB partners were still awaiting confirmation of future funding but were hopeful that this delivery could resume in 2023-24.

Other activities offered during the year were mainly related to wellbeing and creative crafts and included the following:

Wellbeing: Menopause programme; Breast Screening Awareness programme; Confidence building course; Yoga.

Crafts: Autumn wreath making and wall hanging with loom weaving; Christmas creative crafts – cards, gifts, wreaths, table arrangements; Spring box frame workshop and decorative wall.

There were one-off activities to address women's isolation and boost confidence and the group was able to host a coffee morning to mark International Women's Day in March for the first time in several years. A four week Journaling programme was facilitated for CWSAN (Cookstown & Western Shores Area Network); MWG participated in the Warm Spaces initiative, which was a response to the cost of living crisis, during the winter months; and Stay and Play sessions for mums and tots were provided and proved very popular.

MWG staff continued to offer support to women by sharing information on social media and linking with other organisations, and through direct communication with women on our mailing lists. Rooms continued to be made available for hire, with Sure Start using two rooms and other spaces available at a competitive rate.

In Autumn, the Board and centre management engaged Blue Moss consultants to assist with a strategic review of operations and to develop a new strategic plan. This work reflected the current challenging funding environment and is ongoing at year end.

The Board of Magherafelt Women's Group is very grateful to our funders for their ongoing support – core funder, DfC Community Investment Fund; Early Years Pathway Fund; Department of Education Bright Start Fund; Mid Ulster District Council and NI Housing Executive.

The Board thank the management team and all the staff for their dedication during the past year and thank the Kidz Lodge parents for their cooperation and support. The Board also thank long serving chair, Anne Forde, who stepped down as chair at the end of the business year.

Board and staff look forward to progressing plans which result from the ongoing strategic review and, despite acknowledged challenges, are optimistic about the coming year.

Magherafelt Women's Group Ltd

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103511

Annual return


Magherafelt Women's Group Limited

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Directors of Magherafelt Women's
Group Limited *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

 *PFS Accountants & Auditors Ltd.*

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