

Churchtown Community Association Limited

TRUSTEES REPORT

For the

Period Ending 31st March 2023

Governing Document

Churchtown Community Association is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum & Articles of Association dated 7th March 2004. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission NI.

Reference & Administration Details

Charity No: NIC103689
Company No: NI50068
Registered Address: 48 Lurganbuoy Road
CASTLEDERG
Co Tyrone BT81 7HT

Purpose of the Charity

Churchtown Community Association's objects as per its governing document are "to promote the benefit of the Castlederg area and its environs in a common effort to advance education, relieve poverty, relieve unemployment, preserve and protect health and provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life for said inhabitants by:

- Providing or securing the provision of social services, educational and recreational facilities and practical assistance for all persons resident with the area.
- providing, endow and furnish and fit out with all necessary furniture and other equipment and maintain such building, premises and centres as may from time to time be required for the purposes of the company.

Review Period Activities

During the review period up to 31st March 2023, Churchtown CA continued to work in partnership with numerous agencies/organisations to deliver a range of community projects and services, these included:

Youth Leadership Programme (funded by: Derg DEA Growth Partnership)

65 programme hours - Activities

Team Building Workshops
Goal Setting
Leadership
Overnight Residential
Presentation of Certificates by Mayor (DCSDC)
Celebration Event – Spring Community Festival
Distributed 10 Sports trolleys & equipment to local groups.

Healthy Relationships workshop (funded by: PCSP – Derry City & Strabane DC)

40 Programme Hours – Activities

Health Relationships Workshops
Primary & Post Primary Children Community & Online Safety Workshops
with PSNI
Distributed 40 Personal Safety Resource Packs
Domestic Violence/Coercive Behaviour Awareness Workshops
Primary & Post Primary - Creative Mindfulness Sessions

Reconnect/Stay Connected (funded by: Derry City & Strabane DC)

150 Programme Hours – Activities

Weekly Men's Shed
Weekly Craft Session

In addition, to the aforementioned programmes Churchtown Community Association continued to deliver a comprehensive portfolio of community projects as detailed below:

- Digital Device Loan Scheme
- Personal Success & Well Being
- Seasonal themed children's workshops eg Halloween, Christmas, Spring & Summer
- Self-Care Sessions (Meditation & Mindfulness)
- Community Befriending

Training

- Basic Life Support Skills
- Makaton
- CSR
- Manual Handling
- Food Safety
- Mental Health First Aid
- Dyslexia Awareness
- Paediatric First Aid
- Child Protection and Safeguarding

Significant Projects

The trustees of Churchtown CA are currently working as a partner with DCSDC with regards to the Smart Village Network. If successful, this programme will provide funding to develop a Digital Hub within the Community Centre with the aim of providing training and resources for the local community to engage in

These programmes were in addition to providing administration support; resource sharing etc with several local organisations and groupings including

Community Allotments
One Town History Group
Naiscoil na Deirge
CPM
Castlederg Childcare Services

Staff & Trainees

The Association employs 3 members of staff: 1 part time and 2 full time, with 20 volunteers in supporting roles such as caretaker, administration support and stewarding community events.

Future Development Plans

When permitted to do so Churchtown CA will re-open the community centre and the directors have identified the following areas for development for the incoming period:

- Completion of Community Audit
- Introduce Menopause Education & Awareness Session
- Introduce Monthly Menopause Support Group
- Introduce Diva Den
- Develop further Men Shed Activities
- Develop further History Group
- Develop & deliver community events
- Continue to collaborate with local council re land transfer with consideration of erecting Community Well Being and training unit.
- Continue to lobby Derry City & Strabane DC re upgrading of Play Park situated at Hillview Park.

Directors & Trustees

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees and officers serving during the year were as follows:

Chairperson:	David Young
Treasurer:	Jane Harvey
Secretary:	Brendan Devlin
	Maria Corry
	Gordon Speer
	Nigel Harpur
	Dave Cameron
	Sorcha McHugh
	Ashling McHugh

Signed:

Dated: