

**WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 MARCH 2023**

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## **WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CHARITY INFORMATION**

### **Committee**

Stephen McDonald (Chairperson)  
Mandy Lee (Secretary)  
Violet Hudson (Vice Chair)  
Jill McDermott (Treasurer)  
Ann Grierson  
Tracey Davidson  
Arlene Llewellyn  
Andrew Steed  
Janice Cherry  
Tracey Moffett  
Whilma Harvey  
Catriona McCabe

### **Secretary**

Mandy Lee

### **Registered Charity Number**

NIC 103713

### **Accountants**

Gavin Reid and Company  
Unit 1  
212-218 Upper Newtownards Road  
Belfast  
BT4 3ET

### **Bankers**

Ulster Bank Limited  
Arches Retail Park  
Belfast  
BT5 4AF

## **TRUSTEES REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**Charity Name:** Walkway Community Association

**Charity Reg No:** 103713

**Public Address:** 1-9 Finvoy Street, Belfast, County Down, BT5 5DH

### **Trustees:**

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

- Mr Stephen McDonald
- Mrs Tracey Moffett
- Mrs Violet Hudson
- Mrs Mandy Lee
- Mrs Jill McDermott
- Mrs Catriona McCabe
- Mr Andrew Steed
- Mrs Tracy Davidson
- Mrs Ann Grierson
- Ms Wilma Harvey
- Mrs Arlene Llewellyn
- Mrs Janice Cherry

### **Objectives and Activities:**

Walkway Community Association is founded to provide a range of activities and services to residents of the Ravenscroft/Bloomfield area.

Walkway Community Association provides local community development support through programmes and activities such as youth work, young mothers and toddlers, women's groups, senior women's group. We also work with local nurseries and creche providers to support local families.

- The advancement of education
- The advancement of health or the saving of lives
- The advancement of citizenship and community development

**Who Walkway Community Association helps:**

- Adult training
- Carers
- Children (5-13 years)
- Community safety/crime prevention
- Ethnic minorities
- General public
- Interface communities
- Men
- Mental Health
- Older people
- Parents
- Preschool (0-5 years)
- Specific areas of deprivation
- Unemployed/low income
- Voluntary and community sector
- Volunteers
- Women
- Youth (14–25 years)

**How we help:**

- Advice/advocacy/information
- Community development
- Cross border/cross community
- Education/training
- Playgroup/after schools
- Relief of poverty
- Volunteer development
- Youth Development

**Achievements and Performance:**

In my opinion, as Chair of Walkway Community Association, the year from April 2022 to April 2023 has been the most difficult and challenging since the association was formed in 1992. This is even considering the circumstances and the pressures presented to the association due to the pandemic over the previous two years.

It is incumbent on me to recognise the sheer hard work, long hours and the determination of the staff and volunteers who continued to earn the respect of our community and government bodies throughout a difficult time of transition from the old to the new community centre.

The original centre closed in December 2019 and Walkway's Management Committee took ownership of the new centre in March 2023. By relocating resources to local churches and CrossSection, staff and volunteers were still able to deliver comprehensive programs for all age groups within our community.

Funding was applied for and received during 2022/23 from Belfast City Council, Education Authority, Urban Villages, DFC, TNLCF and CFNI to allow support for the needs of parents and tots, children and young people, men, and women's' groups, senior clubs, education programs, health and wellbeing, community safety and environmental projects. A "warm hub" was set up by Walkway staff in a local church to combat loneliness and fuel poverty over the course of winter.

Through funding from DFC, the association was able to recruit and train a new Community Support Officer and Youth Workers due to a staff member leaving for family reasons and another moving on to other employment. I am pleased to report our new staff members are now an integral part of the association. They are actively engaged in ongoing training relevant to their positions.

There is no doubt the Covid pandemic had a huge impact on our community. Despite our concerns, it is satisfying to see different groups reforming and returning to the centre after a long absence. Since March, we have welcomed back Trinity Theatre Arts, the Walkway Women's Group and Parents and Tots, to name a few.

Walkway Management Committee thanks our funders for their continued support without which it would be impossible to finance and deliver our full range of programs. Their continued financial support is acknowledgement by the funding agencies of the important contribution Walkway's programs make to improving the quality of life of those people living within our community. The organisation is represented on many networks, making connections within the community to share experiences and promote partnership working. We have been involved in supporting and delivering community capacity building programmes, cultural awareness, community safety and community engagement activities.

In conclusion, my hope is we continue to work together, with other community groups, local agencies, and our local churches to enhance the lives of those in our community. Together, we have much to look forward to in the coming year.

I trust the staff and volunteers will enjoy the new centre and the resources it offers to work together to make Walkway Community Centre a welcome space for everyone regardless of race, creed, or religion.

I am pleased to present this year's accounts for approval.

Stephen McDonald



Chair

## **WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

#### **Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Walkway Community Association**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 – 10.

#### **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

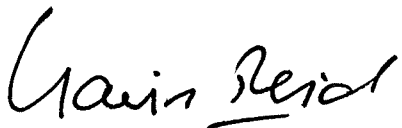
My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gavin Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the name.

**Gavin Reid FCA  
Unit 1  
212-218 Upper Newtownards Road  
Belfast  
BT4 3ET**

**30 October 2023**



**WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds <u>2023</u> £	Restricted Funds <u>2023</u> £	Total Funds <u>2023</u> £	Total Funds <u>2022</u> £
<b>Income and Expenditure</b>					
<b>Incoming Resources</b>					
Grants receivable		-	228,807	228,807	181,286
Other income		<u>4,826</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,826</u>	<u>3,180</u>
Total Incoming Resources		<u>4,826</u>	<u>228,807</u>	<u>233,633</u>	<u>184,466</u>
<b>Resources Expended</b>					
Project expenditure				118,198	79,133
Administrative expenses				<u>115,325</u>	<u>105,884</u>
Total Resources Expended				<u>233,523</u>	<u>185,017</u>
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources for the Year				110	(551)
Unrestricted Fund Balance Brought Forward at 31 March 2022				<u>10,290</u>	<u>10,841</u>
Unrestricted Fund Balance Carried Forward at 31 March 2023				<u>10,400</u>	<u>10,290</u>

There were no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities above.

The Notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these Accounts.

**WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2023**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Grants outstanding	11,878	15,480
Prepayments	1,087	1,318
Other debtors	<u>465</u>	<u>-</u>
	13,430	16,798
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>39,381</u>	<u>40,414</u>
	52,811	57,212
<b>Current Liabilities – Amounts Falling Due within One Year</b>		
Grants received in advance	7,549	25,642
Grants to be repaid	26,266	17,841
Creditors and accruals	<u>8,596</u>	<u>3,439</u>
	(42,411)	(46,922)
	<u>10,400</u>	<u>10,290</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		
Represented by:		
Accumulated Funds Account – Unrestricted Funds		
Revenue surplus	<u>10,400</u>	<u>10,290</u>

These Financial Statements are signed on behalf of the Committee as a result of their approval by the Committee at their meeting on 30 October 2023.

(Chairperson)



(Treasurer)



**WALKWAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS  
31 MARCH 2023**

**1. Accounting Policies**

The Principal Accounting Policies are as follows:

These Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities" issued in October 1995 (Revised 2002), and applicable Accounting Standards.

**Accounting Convention**

The Accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

**Basis of Accounting**

Revenue Grants are credited to the income and expenditure account on an accruals basis.

**Restricted Funds**

All Grants which specify a purpose for the Grant, including Core Grants, are included as Restricted Funds. It is the Association's policy to meet all Restricted Fund Deficits by transfer from the Accumulated Unrestricted Funds.

**Resources Expended**

It is considered that, with the exception of management and administration costs and costs generating funds, all support costs are part of the total expenditure directly relating to the objects of the charity.

There were no costs in this year of generating funds. As a Project Based charity, the cost of managing and administrating each project is classed as a Direct Charitable Expense.

Management and Administration costs are based on the cost of staff time spent on these activities and includes salaries and an appropriate proportion of certain support costs.

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 31 MARCH 2023

2. Incoming resources	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
<b><u>Grants receivable</u></b>		
The Executive Office	58,485	50,722
Department for Communities	54,622	60,681
Belfast City Council	36,350	26,808
Education Authority	30,375	20,501
Awards for All	17,250	-
EBCDA	10,250	9,494
CFNI	7,950	2,050
Ballymac Friendship Centre	4,527	1,950
NI Alternatives	4,116	-
East Belfast Alternatives	1,980	5,580
CED running costs	1,500	-
ESP	1,402	-
Co-Operation Ireland	-	2,500
Radius Housing	-	500
Wheelworks	-	500
	<u>228,807</u>	<u>181,286</u>
<b><u>Other income</u></b>	£	£
Rents received	1,230	980
Other income	800	-
Donations – Bloomfield Presbyterian Church	2,446	2,200
Other	<u>350</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>4,826</u>	<u>3,180</u>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 31 MARCH 2023

3. Resources expended	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<b><u>Administrative Expenditure</u></b>		
Wages and salaries	76,435	70,707
Social security costs	5,464	5,119
Staff pension cost	276	447
Staff training	28	340
Rent	2,382	22
Water rates	247	989
Insurance	2,560	2,162
Heat and light	11,568	8,995
Cleaning	2,840	2,067
Repairs and maintenance	2,808	3,999
Printing, postage and stationery	1,694	1,053
Telephone	3,392	3,479
Computer costs	856	80
Travel expenses	195	630
Legal and professional	498	1,090
Accountancy	1,680	1,500
Bank charges	304	338
General expenses	1,983	2,687
Subscription	<u>115</u>	<u>180</u>
	<u>115,325</u>	<u>105,884</u>