

BALLYMAC FRIENDSHIP TRUST LTD
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
31 MARCH 2025

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

REFERENCES AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Name: Ballymac Friendship Trust Ltd

Charity Registration Number: XR35319

Company Registration Number: NI038017

Principal Office: Ballymac Friendship Centre
1a Fraser Pass Newtownards Road Belfast
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The Trustees

The trustees who served the company during the period were as follows:

Mr S Beattie
Ms L Crawford
Mr S Gough
Mr S Grant
Mr A Herron
Ms K Holmes
Mr E Kinner
Ms M Montgomery
Ms P Rowan
Mr J Sargent
Ms N Walsh

BallyMac Friendship Trust

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The first 3 months of the year were as normal with various activities carried out by our staff especially around Easter with centre a hub of activity for the local community and beyond.

Events in July changed that as transactions and staffing records showed discrepancies. Discrepancies which were alarming and as a result the Department for Communities and eventually the PSNI were called in and a full scale investigation was launched and to this day continues.

Despite this set back members of the local community were determined to see the centre continue to function albeit in a reduced manner. This included:-

- A limited summer scheme for 50 young people
- A camping trip to Enniskillen for 6 local families
- A community event to mark the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth
- Crafty Ladies Gatherings every Wednesday
- A local church continued to use the centre every Sunday
- A local flute band held practice sessions twice a week
- Weekly dance classes continued
- The Connect Club continued
- The gym continued to be open for the community to use.

Meanwhile the caretaking duties continued on a voluntary basis and we are eternally grateful to the volunteers who kept the Centre ticking over.

We look forward to the day when the investigations are complete and the Centre returns to normal.

Stephen Gough

Secretary

BallyMac Friendship Trust



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13 AUG 2025 🌐



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25 FEB 2025 🌐



