

Carrickfergus District Senior Gateway Club

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Reference and administrative details

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| Registered charity name | Carrickfergus District Senior Gateway Club |
| Charity registration number | 105029 |
| Principal office | 35 Craigs Road Carrickfergus County Antrim BT38 9RL |

The trustees

Mrs M Nicholson
Mr T Haighton
Mrs T Johnston
Ms J Snoddy
Ms N Lamont
Mrs R Hart

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| Independent examiner | John Magee Aubrey Campbell & Co. 631 Lisburn Road Belfast BT9 7GT |
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Structure, governance and management

All of our services support people to live life as they choose, providing independence, advice, and a voice for changes that people with a learning disability want.

The Senior Gateway Club in Carrickfergus is a charity in its own right, working to ensure that people with a learning disability and their families have support locally. We have a Board of Trustees, with a traditional structure.

Statutory compliance and administration has traditionally been under the control of the Treasurer, although all Trustees are aware of their responsibility to act collectively to ensure the proper administration of the charity, safeguard its assets and resources to ensure that they are used solely in the furtherance of the objectives of the charity, and act in the best interests of the charity, avoiding conflicts between it and their personal interests.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard for the guidance produced on public benefit by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and are pleased to report that during the period the charitable company has continued to provide public benefits through the programmes and services we offer.

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Objectives and activities

The charitable purpose of Carrickfergus & District Senior Gateway Club is to provide leisure and recreational activities for adults with a learning disability, who live in our town and the surrounding areas. When they attend Senior Gateway on a Wednesday night it provides their families and carers a time of respite. There is a huge benefit to the community as they witness the teamwork between members and volunteers at fundraising events, day trips and weekly excursions.

Achievements and performance

Senior Gateway's mission is to provide mutual encouragement and support by participating in leisure activities, building friendships, and - in turn - enabling participants to advance their own personal development.

Weekly activities have continued during 2023.

Financial review

The Club experienced an overall increase in income to £40,692 (2022 £10,087) in the current year. Inevitably, expenditure also increased, to £37,445 (2022 £10,563). Overall, therefore, the year has seen a net increase in total funds of £3,247 (2022 £476).

The trustees' annual report was approved on 3 June 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs M Nicholson
Trustee



Mr T Haighton
Trustee



Mrs J Snoddy
Trustee



Ms N Lamont
Trustee



Mrs R Hart
Trustee