

# Parents and Friends of Glenside Community

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105825

## Details

Status Received

Registered 2017-04-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

## Contact

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Strabane  
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## Activities

**Purposes:** Our group is established for the advancement of education and relief of individuals with a Learning Disability in Strabane and its environs, including Newtownstewart, Castlederg and Donemana. In particular clients who attend Glenside Adult Training Centre, residents of Iona House and other residences, by the provision of facilities for education, vocational training and recreation of the beneficiaries in the interests of social welfare, with the object of improving their condition of life.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education,The advancement of education,The advancement of health or the saving of lives,The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage,Other charitable purposes

**How the charity works:** Arts,Community development,Cross-border/cross-community,Disability,Education/training,Human rights/equality,Sport/recreation

**Who the charity helps:** Learning disabilities

## Finances

| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £33,181 | £14,253     | £0     | 0         |

# Trustees

| Name                | Role | Appointed |
|---------------------|------|-----------|
| Mrs Caiomhe Dolan   |      |           |
| Mrs Elaine Mckenna  |      |           |
| Mrs Victoria Young  |      |           |
| Ms Caroline Mcgrath |      |           |
| Patricia Gallagher  |      |           |

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# Accounts

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## Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

|                                |                 | Total 2025<br>£  |                 | Total 2024<br>£ |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Donations</b>               |                 | <b>20,750.00</b> |                 | 9,361.50        |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Fundraising</b>             |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| Bingo Nights                   | 7,405.00        |                  | -               |                 |
| Christmas Draw                 | <u>2,555.00</u> | <b>9,960.00</b>  | <u>3,161.00</u> | 3,161.00        |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Art Class Contributions</b> |                 | <b>925.00</b>    |                 | 680.00          |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Collections</b>             |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| Asda                           | 862.55          |                  | 674.70          |                 |
| Carol Service                  | -               | <b>862.55</b>    | <u>155.00</u>   | 829.70          |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Interest</b>                |                 | <b>683.43</b>    |                 | 674.27          |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>          |                 | <b>33,180.98</b> |                 | 14,706.47       |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Payments</b>                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| Activities for Service Users   |                 | <b>9,576.66</b>  |                 | 7,167.22        |
| Outings for Service Users      |                 | <b>1,459.89</b>  |                 | 738.02          |
| Gifts for Service Users        |                 | <b>1,450.00</b>  |                 | 1,815.28        |
| Equipment / Resources          |                 | <b>725.81</b>    |                 | 1,113.50        |
| Fundraising Costs              |                 | <b>465.78</b>    |                 | 319.54          |
| Other                          |                 | <b>575.20</b>    |                 | 216.25          |
| <b>Total Payments</b>          |                 | <b>14,253.34</b> |                 | 11,369.81       |
|                                |                 |                  |                 |                 |
| <b>Net Receipts</b>            |                 | <b>18,927.64</b> |                 | 3,336.66        |

## **Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025**

|                                                         | <b>Total 2025<br/>£</b> | <b>Total 2024<br/>£</b> |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Current Account                                         | 46,660.46               | 52,170.41               |
| Investment                                              | 25,000.00               | -                       |
| Cash at Hand                                            | 306.38                  | 868.79                  |
| <b>Total Cash Funds and Assets Retained for Own Use</b> | <b>71,966.84</b>        | <b>53,039.20</b>        |

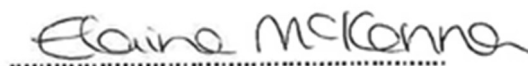
All items of income and expenditure have been accounted for on a cash receipts basis.

**Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:**



Caroline McGrath (Chairperson)

Date: 12 November 2025



Elaine McKenna (Treasurer)

Date: 12 November 2025

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# Accounts

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|                              |                 | Total 2024 £     |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>              |                 |                  |
| <u>Donations</u>             |                 |                  |
| Donations                    | 1,900.00        |                  |
| Sponsored Run                | 3,000.00        |                  |
| NFU Mutual                   | 3,221.50        |                  |
| Drama Group                  | <u>1,240.00</u> | 9,361.50         |
|                              |                 |                  |
| Art Class Contributions      |                 | 680.00           |
|                              |                 |                  |
| <u>Collections</u>           |                 |                  |
| Asda                         | 674.70          |                  |
| Carol Service                | <u>155.00</u>   | 829.70           |
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|                              |                 |                  |
| <b>Payments</b>              |                 |                  |
| Activities for Service Users |                 | 7,167.22         |
| Outings for Service Users    |                 | 738.02           |
| Gifts for Service Users      |                 | 1,815.28         |
| Equipment / Resources        |                 | 1,113.50         |
| Other                        |                 | 535.79           |
| <b>Total Payments</b>        |                 | <b>11,369.81</b> |
|                              |                 |                  |
| <b>Net Receipts</b>          |                 | <b>3,336.66</b>  |

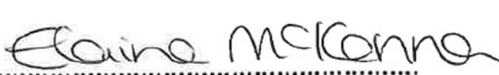
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 Date: 15 November 2024

  
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# Annual report

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## **The Parents and Friends of Glenside Community**

### **References and administrative details**

|                              |                                                     |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Charity Name:                | The Parents and Friends of Glenside Community       |
| Charity Registration Number: | NIC 105825                                          |
| Contact Address:             | 45 Derry Road<br>Strabane<br>Co. Tyrone<br>BT82 8DY |

### **Trustees**

The following individuals held office as Trustees of the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community at some point during or throughout the 2023/24 financial year:

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Mary Galbraith | Caíomhe Dolan      |
| Deirdre Irwin  | Patricia Gallagher |
| Hazel Bell     | Caroline McGrath   |
| Carol Quinn    | Elaine McKenna     |
| Lucy Browne    | Victoria Young     |

### **Principal Office-bearers**

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Honorary Chairperson: | Caroline McGrath |
| Honorary Secretary:   | Caoimhe Dolan    |
| Honorary Treasurer:   | Elaine McKenna   |

### **Independent Examiner**

Lisa Hamilton

### **Bankers**

Ulster Bank

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The trustees present the Annual Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments and Assets and Liabilities for the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### **Objectives and Activities**

We aim to promote and support adults with a learning disability in Strabane, Newtownstewart, Castlederg and Donemana Areas in a charitable way.

The Parents and Friends of Glenside Community raise funds through grants, fundraising activities and the receipt of gifts and donations which are then used to provide equipment, training and social activities to those who attend Glenside Adult Training Centre (alongside the Satellite Centre in Castlederg) and live within the wider community.

Glenside Adult Training Centre is funded by the Western Health and Social Care Trust (WHSCT) and staffed by suitable, qualified personnel. The activities and equipment provided through funds raised by the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community are designed to complement the provision of WHSCT.

The centre users are provided with opportunities to develop new skills in education and the arts, to improve their health and to become more integrated into their local community. This results in advancement and promotion in equality, human rights and social inclusion.

### **Review of the Year**

Coming out of the worldwide COVID pandemic has been a challenge for many charities and organisations with the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community being no exception. Many of the Charity's office bearers, trustees and committee members have faithfully served for many years freely offering their time and talents. It is to their credit the Charity is where it is and has stood the test of time.

In Autumn 2023, the Committee 'regrouped' after COVID with a change in personnel in some key roles necessary as individuals stepped down having served as office bearers. It is with deep gratitude we thank those individuals for the commitment and dedication they brought to their roles.

The Parents and Friends of Glenside Community are thankful for the support we receive from the local community – in particular for their support of the Annual Christmas Draw which continues to be a key fundraiser for the Charity. We are also thankful to NFU Mutual for their generous grant to the Charity during the year and to all who have held their own individual fundraising events and donated the proceeds to the Charity. Your support does not go unnoticed or unappreciated.

The year ahead will continue to see the Charity fundraise; all with the sole purpose of providing the service users of Glenside Adult Training Centre with some 'added extras' to

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

complement what is already provided through the WHSCT.

### **Financial Review**

A review of the Receipts and Payments Account on page 9 and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities on page 9 provides a comprehensive and clear overview of the Charity's financial position.

There is no distinction between unrestricted and restricted funds.

#### **Income**

The breakdown of income can be found on page 9.

The Charity's main sources of income continue to be from fundraising activities and donations and we are extremely grateful to all who support our fundraising efforts and forward donations. Without this support, we would simply be unable to provide the support to the service users.

As previously mentioned, we also received a £3,221.50 grant from NFU Mutual for which we are thankful.

#### **Expenditure**

The breakdown of expenditure can be found on page 9.

As can be noted from this breakdown, most spending is on service users which is the primary function of the Charity.

#### **Overview**

The Trustees take very seriously their stewardship role overseeing the Charity's finances.

As at 31 March 2024 the Charity is considered to be financially viable, holding an adequate level of funds in reserve and showing no cause for concern.

### **Going Concern**

The trustees have reviewed the plans for the year ahead and are satisfied that there are adequate funds in place to ensure that the Charity can continue its activities and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 can be signed off as a going concern.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **Governing Document and Constitution of the Charity**

The Charity is governed by the organisation's Constitution which was adopted in January 2005.

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024**

### **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

The recruitment and appointment of Trustees will be overseen by the members of the Charity's Committee. The appointment of Trustees will take place annually as part of the Annual General Meeting and be voted upon by members of the Committee. Trustees will hold their positions for a period of one year and may be re-elected annually. There is no limit on the number of terms which may be served.

### **Organisational Structure**

The policy and general management of the affairs of the Charity shall be directed by the Committee which shall meet not less than 5 times a year and shall consist of not less than 5 members of the Charity, nominated and elected at the Annual General Meeting.

The committee shall include:

- a) 2 places for individuals who are students/clients/residents/ users of Glenside Adult Training Centre and Iona House or other residents.
- b) 16 places for members who are parents/relatives/guardians/friends of residents/students/trainees/users of Glenside Adult Training Centre and/or the residential homes
- c) 4 places for representatives of the staff of the ATC and the residential homes.

### **Compliance with Public Benefit**

The Charity has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered into during the year have helped to achieve the Charity's objectives and activities, as well as providing public benefit.

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the statement of receipts and payments and statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with income of less than £250,000 requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the Charity. 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.

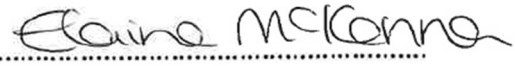
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Caroline McGrath (Chairperson)

Date: 15 November 2024

  
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Elaine McKenna (Treasurer)

Date: 15 November 2024

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# Annual return

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## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community**

I report on the accounts of the Parents and Friends of Glenside Community for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on page 9.

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

The charity's trustees 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 the 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. That 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.



Mrs Lisa Hamilton

Date: 15 November 2024

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# Accounts

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|                                                  |           |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| <b>Parents and Friends of Glenside Community</b> |           |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| <b>1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023</b>              |           |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| <b>Opening Balances @ 01.04.2022</b>             |           |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| Cash in hand                                     | 418.67    |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| No. 1 account balance                            | 50,806.02 |                 |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| No 2. account balance                            | 2,529.16  | 53,753.85       |                                                                                       |           |                  |
| <b>Income</b>                                    |           |                 | <b>Expenditure</b>                                                                    |           |                  |
| Developing Healthy                               | 680.00    |                 | Activities for service users                                                          | 7,040.44  |                  |
| Donations                                        | 3,546.00  |                 | Outing for service users                                                              | 1,193.15  |                  |
| Contributions towards art classes                | 245.00    |                 | Gifts for service users                                                               | 1,882.85  |                  |
| Christmas Draw                                   | 1,692.00  |                 | Equipment / Resources                                                                 | 70.67     |                  |
| Bank Interest                                    | 158.46    | 6,321.46        | Other                                                                                 | 185.66    | 10,372.77        |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>                              |           |                 | <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>                                                              |           |                  |
|                                                  |           | <b>6,321.46</b> |                                                                                       |           | <b>10,372.77</b> |
|                                                  |           |                 | <b>Closing Balances @ 31.03.23</b>                                                    |           |                  |
|                                                  |           |                 | Closing Cash                                                                          | 377.90    |                  |
|                                                  |           |                 | Closing Bank                                                                          | 49,324.64 | <b>49,702.54</b> |
|                                                  |           |                 | Independently examined                                                                |           |                  |
|                                                  |           |                 |  |           |                  |

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## **Parents and Friends of Glenside Association. A.G.M. 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023.**

An A.G.M was, eventually, successfully held at the A.T.C. on Tues. 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.

The outgoing Chairperson, Mrs Deirdre Irwin, addressed the meeting. She thanked everyone for coming and expressed the collective delight and relief of all those concerned. It has been an extremely worrying time as previous attempts to hold the AGM had failed due to insufficient numbers turning up. The presence of so many new faces, as well as those who did come before, suggested that the Association could and would survive. She expressed her own thanks to the outgoing office bearers for all their hard work and commitment over the years. She particularly thanked those parents and friends who gave so freely of their time and energy in the past to ensure that the fundraising activities were the successes that they have been. She expressed the thanks of the Association to Mrs Victoria Young and the staff of Glenside ATC and Satellite Unit for their excellent work with and care for all the service users. She wished the new Committee, once elected, every success going forward.

The Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report were read and passed into the record.

A valid election of Committee members and Office Bearers took place, supervised and recorded by Mrs. Victoria Young and the outgoing Secretary, Ms Lucy Browne.

A date was set for the next meeting, and it was agreed by all present that in the meantime, the new office bearers could continue with matters pending in relation to the annual Christmas Draw and provision of Christmas presents for the service users, including those who attend Castlederg Day Centre.

Mrs Irwin closed the meeting.

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| INCOME                                                                               |           | EXPENDITURE                   |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance in Bank                                                                      | 2529.16   | Music                         | 1400.00   |
| Cash in hand                                                                         | 418.67    | Art Session                   | 1050.00   |
| Developing Healthy                                                                   | 680.00    | Make a Melody                 | 870.00    |
| Transferred for No.1 Account                                                         | 1500.00   | Magic Show                    | 165.00    |
|                                                                                      |           | Drums                         | 975.00    |
|                                                                                      |           | Mc Gowan Transport            | 520.00    |
| Donation                                                                             | 3000.00   | Cinema and travel             | 340.00    |
| Donation                                                                             | 500.00    | Just Relax                    | 60.00     |
| Donation                                                                             | 320.00    | Mr Whippy                     | 160.00    |
| Art Class                                                                            | 245.00    | New Horizons                  | 98.00     |
| Christmas Draw                                                                       | 1692.00   | Party                         | 32.50     |
| Brighter Ballymagorry                                                                | 650.00    | Retirement                    | 60.66     |
| Diceys Rileys                                                                        | 400.00    | Maiden City Sports            | 480.00    |
|                                                                                      |           | Disco                         | 30.00     |
|                                                                                      |           | Glenside Christmas Presents   | 1245.00   |
|                                                                                      |           | Castlederg Christmas Presents | 225.00    |
| BREAKDOWN                                                                            |           | Christmas                     | 748.01    |
| NB: £1495.00 paid into account on 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2022                         |           | Activities                    | 616.05    |
|                                                                                      |           | Outings                       | 333.15    |
|                                                                                      |           | Resources                     | 70.67     |
| £995.00 had to be refunded to person's account                                       |           | BBQ                           | 179.80    |
| £25.00 Bank Charge incurred                                                          |           | Halloween                     | 52.83     |
|                                                                                      |           | St. Patricks Day              | 123.25    |
|                                                                                      |           | Easter                        | 412.85    |
|                                                                                      |           | Down Syndrome                 | 80.00     |
|                                                                                      |           | Blue Badge                    | 20.00     |
|                                                                                      |           | Bank Charge                   | 25.00     |
|                                                                                      |           | Total Spent                   | 10,372.77 |
| £500.00 has been counted as a donation with the £25 bank charge shown in expenditure |           | Balance in Bank               | 1184.16   |
|                                                                                      |           | Cash in Hand                  | 377.90    |
| Total                                                                                | 11,934.83 |                               | 11,934.83 |
| Signed Manager                                                                       | V. Yang   | Independently examined:       |           |

Erin McNamee  
19 July 23