

Church of the Nativity Guide Unit - CGI

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107404

Details

Status Received

Registered 2020-01-22

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

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the Unit is to provide the Guiding Programme of the Catholic Guides of Ireland, which promotes and fosters the spiritual, moral, cultural, intellectual, social and physical development of its members, to girls and young women at a local level.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of religion, The advancement of citizenship or community development

How the charity works:

Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Disability, Education/training, Sport/recreation, Volunteer development, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Ethnic minorities, Interface communities, Parents, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£2,447	£2,965	£0	0
2024-08-31	£2,019	£2,198	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Caoimhe Mccrudden		
Mrs Christine Devlin		
Mrs Mary Mcgurk		
Ms C Burns		
Ms Helen Bryson		

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Trustee Annual Report Form

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Name of Charity as it appears on the Register and any other names it may be known by

Church of the Nativity

NI Charity Commission Number

107494

The principal address of the Charity- this should be the address that was used at the time of registration with the Charity Commission

Good Shephard School
9 Good Shephard Road
Belfast
BT17 0LS

The names of all Charity Trustees on the date the report was approved and all individuals who served as Charity Trustees during the year

Mary McGurk
Laura Southern
Christine Devlin
Helen Bryson
J Connelly

The financial year the report relates to

Year ending 31 August 2023

A summary of the Charity's main activities to further its purposes for the public benefit and the main achievements in the year

We had a great year getting back to face to face guiding. We have taken part in outdoor activities, beach clean ups, camps and indoor sleepovers. We have completed badgework and challenges from our Choices programme. We also have volunteers involved in our Region Outdoor Team.

There was no harm flowing from the Charities purposes and that there was no private benefit.

A statement that the Trustees have had regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance

In setting our objectives and planning our activities for the year the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

A review of the Charity's financial position at the end of the year

Receipts and Payments prepared and reviewed by our Independent Examiner.

Details of any fund held by the Charity that was materially in deficit at the end of the year and steps taken by the Charity Trustees to eliminate the deficit

N/a

One or more of the Charity Trustees must sign and date the box below.

Signed: Laura Southern

Date: 6 March 2024

Signed: Mary McGurk

Date: 6 March 2024

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Independent Examiners' Report to the Charity Trustees of Church of the Nativity Guide Unit

We report on the accounts of the Trustees for the year ended 31 August 2023

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 our 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 Examiners' Report

We 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.

Our 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.

Our role is to state whether any material matters have come to our attention giving us 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 Examiners' Statement

We 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, we have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Francesca Braniff and Patricia McDermott

Relevant professional qualification or body: N/A

Address: C/o St Francis De Sales 55 Beechmount Drive, Belfast BT12 7LU

Date: 22 May 2024

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ANNUAL REPORT CHARITY COMMISSION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

<p>1. Charity Name as listed on the Charity Register</p>	<p>Church of the Nativity Unit</p>
<p>2. Any other names the charity is known by</p>	<p>N/a</p>
<p>3. Financial year the report is for</p>	<p>Year ended 31 August 2022</p>
<p>4. CCNI Charity Registration Number</p>	<p>107404</p>
<p>5. The address from which the Charity Operates (usually your Meeting Place)</p> <p><i>This should be the address that the charity used when registering unless it has changed.</i></p>	<p>C/O Good Shepherd Primary School, Good Shepherd Road, Dunmurry, Belfast, BT17 0PJ</p>
<p>6. The names of all our Trustees at the date this report was approved plus any who stepped down as a trustee during the year</p>	<p>Current Trustees</p> <p>Mrs Mary McGurk Mrs Christine Devlin Mrs Anne Marie Toner Mrs Catherine Burns Mrs Julie Connolly</p> <hr/> <p>Trustees who stepped down</p>

<p>7. A summary description of the purposes of the charity</p> <p>The purpose of the Unit is to provide the Guiding Programme of the Catholic Guides of Ireland, which promotes and fosters the spiritual, moral, cultural, intellectual, social and physical development of its members, to girls and young women at a local level.</p>	
<p>8. The name of any person, or body of persons, permitted by the trusts of the charity to appoint one or more new charity trustees and a description of the method used to make such appointments</p> <p><i>If there is any individual or organisation with the power to appoint charity trustees, such as another charity or a government department, provide their details, the relevant powers, and methods of appointment.</i></p>	N/A
<p>9. Include details of any funds held by the charity as a custodian trustee</p> <p><i>This is mandatory for charities preparing accruals accounts.</i></p>	N/A

<p>10. Charity's Main Activities and Achievements during the year.</p> <p>The following is a copy of the report made to the Unit's AGM on 17th October 2022 by the Unit Leader Laura Southern</p> <p><u>Membership:</u> 14 members</p> <p><u>Leadership:</u> 4 leaders</p> <p><u>Programme and Unit Activities:</u> Due to covid regulations face to face meetings could not take place at our meeting place. We prepared craft activities which were delivered to members homes and when restrictions allowed we met face to face at external venues. Weekly meetings resumed 12/09/2022.</p> <p><u>Equipment:</u></p> <p><u>Trustees:</u></p> <p><u>Conclusion:</u></p>

Laura Southern
Unit Leader

11. How is the Group doing financially?

A review of the charity's financial position at the end of the year:
In the financial year ended 31 August 2022 the Charity had an income of £2727.40 and an expenditure of £1819.05

12. How has the Unit ensured members have not come to harm?

All leaders and parent helpers receive training in Safeguarding, which is renewed every 2 years and are Access NI every 3 years. Leaders are required to attend Step One Guiders Course. Other training is available to leaders such as Step 2 and Advanced Leaders training. A valid Camp Warrant must be held by at least one leader who wishes to take the young people away either indoors or outdoors, this includes doing First Aid which needs to be updated every 3 years. Parents are regularly updated with planned activities. All activities are carefully planned and the appropriate equipment used.

13. How has your Unit ensured that any private benefit to your volunteers has been incidental to the public benefit of your work?


Volunteers gain additional transferrable skills but this is incidental to the work that they do and are the skills that they require to undertake that work.

14. A statement that the Trustees have had regard to the CCNIs guidance on Public Benefit.

We the Trustees of Church of the Nativity(Guide Unit can confirm that in setting our objectives and planning for the year that we have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

15. This report was approved by the Trustees at Unit Council on 17th October 2022

16. Signature of Trustees

Trustee 1: 

Date: 17/10/22

Trustee 2: 

Date: 17/10/22

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Name: Philomena Dawson

Relevant professional qualification or body: N/A

Address: C/o St Francis De Sales 55 Beechmount Drive, Belfast BT12 7LU

Date: 14th October 2022