

# Clonmore Youth Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107567

## Details

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**Status** Received

**Registered** 2020-06-22

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

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Youth Organisation is established to encourage voluntary and community activity, promote social inclusion, support personal and social development and to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the island of Ireland, (hereinafter described as the area of benefit) and in particular residents of the Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council and Mid Ulster area's in Northern Ireland aged between 6-21 years of age without distinction of gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, class, marital status, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, voluntary and community sector organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities and recreational activities in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants and in particular, to maintain and manage a youth club in the area of benefit for activities promoted by the organisation.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Community development, Cross-border/cross-community, Cultural, Education/training, Rural development, Sport/recreation, Volunteer development, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), Community safety/crime prevention, General public, Interface communities, Learning disabilities, Mental health, Parents, Sexual orientation, Unemployed/low income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£43,896	£31,888	£0	0

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Nicole Mccrory		
Mr Conor Forker		
Mr Gordon Symington		
Mrs Ciara Mckearney		
Mrs Johanne Mcquade		
Mrs Pauline Forker		
Mrs Sarah Donaghy		

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# Accounts

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**Accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2025**

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### **Information**

<b>Accountants</b>	Desmond Tipping & Son, Chartered Accountants, 30 Windsor Avenue, Lurgan, Co. Armagh. BT67 9BG.
<b>Business Address</b>	157 Clonmore Road Dungannon Co. Tyrone BT71 6HX
<b>Bankers</b>	Santander

## **Clonmore Youth Club**

### **Independent Examiners Report on the Unaudited Accounts to Clonmore Youth Club**

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Committee and Independent Examiner**

The Trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts which comply with The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and that they are in accordance with the requirements of Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to state on the basis of my examination, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination includes a review of the accounting records by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanation from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

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- i. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to prepare accounts which comply with the accounting requirements of The Charities Regulations 2015, have not been met; or
- ii. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts as presented.

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Desmond Tipping & Son,

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## Clonmore Youth Club

### Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>				
Self raised income		20,091		15,226
Grants / Sponsorship		23,805		37,771
		43,896		52,997
 <b>Cost of sales</b>				
Purchases	15,017		8,506	
		15,017		8,506
		28,879		44,491
 <b>Expenses</b>				
Workshops & trips	22,565		17,651	
Leader in Charge costs	4,951		12,047	
Rent payable	2,205		1,345	
Insurance	230		230	
Printing, postage and stationery	-		36	
Advertising	359		409	
Computer & online costs	1,442		1,477	
Sundry expenses	136		(1)	
		(31,888)		(33,194)
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		(3,009)		11,297

**Clonmore Youth Club**

**Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2025**

<b>Notes</b>	<b>2025</b>		<b>2024</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at bank and in hand	11,449		14,458	
	<u>11,449</u>		<u>14,458</u>	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		11,449		14,458
		<u>11,449</u>		<u>14,458</u>
<b>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</b>		11,449		14,458
		<u>11,449</u>		<u>14,458</u>
<b>Capital Account</b>				
Brought forward at 1 April 2024		14,458		3,161
Excess of income over expenditure		(3,009)		11,297
		<u>11,449</u>		<u>14,458</u>

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

**Date:**

**Notes to the Accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2025**

**1. Accounting Policies**

**1.1 Accounting convention**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention modified when necessary to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

**1.2 Income**

Income represents all monies received from grants and all other internal revenue generating activities.

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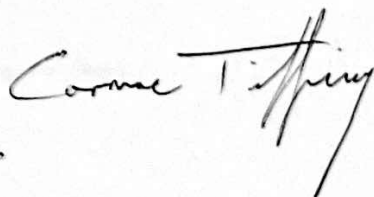
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		52,997		39,621
<b>Cost of sales</b>				
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		44,491		33,092
<b>Expenses</b>				
Workshops & trips	17,651		17,594	
Leader in Charge costs	12,047		17,813	
Rent payable	1,345		1,625	
Insurance	230		-	
Printing, postage and stationery	36		58	
Advertising	409		67	
Computer & online costs	1,477		815	
Sundry expenses	(1)		(1)	
		(33,194)		(37,971)
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		11,297		(4,879)

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**Balance Sheet  
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# Annual report

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# CLONMORE YC

2023 - 2024  
ANNUAL REPORT

# Welcome to Clonmore Youth Club!

*The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2024.*

*The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act (NI) 1964 and Charities (NI) Order 1987.*

We are pleased to share our 2023-2024 for Clonmore Youth Club. This report outlines the organisation's key achievements, challenges, and the significant impact of our work over the past year. Our commitment to fostering a safe, engaging, and educational environment for young people remains at the core of our mission.

CYC continues to thrive, expanding our reach and enhancing the services we provide. Through innovative programmes, dedicated volunteers, and strong partnerships, we are making a real difference in the lives of young people. We are also delighted to welcome our new Leader in Charge, Aoife, who joins us at an exciting time. We wish her every success in her role and look forward to her leadership in shaping the future of Clonmore Youth Club.

Additionally, our newly expanded committee brings fresh energy and enthusiasm, strengthening our governance and decision-making. Together, we are building a vibrant, supportive space where young people can learn, grow, and thrive.

Thank you for being part of our community – we look forward to an exciting journey ahead!



## WELCOME FROM LEADER IN CHARGE, AOIFE

As I mark my first six months as Leader in Charge at Clonmore Youth Club, I want to reflect on this incredibly rewarding experience. Working within such a welcoming and supportive community, alongside dedicated volunteers who give their time and energy to create a safe and enjoyable space for young people, has been an absolute privilege. From the outset, I have been met with kindness and enthusiasm, and I am truly grateful to be part of this wonderful team.

The most fulfilling aspect of my role has been the opportunity to engage with the children and witness their growth, confidence, and enjoyment each week. Clonmore Youth Club is more than just a place for activities—it is a space where friendships are formed, skills are developed, and lifelong memories are created. The commitment and passion of our volunteers, combined with the energy and enthusiasm of the young people, make this club a truly special part of the community.

As I look ahead, I am excited to continue building on our progress and further develop the opportunities available to the children and families we serve. I extend my sincere thanks to everyone who has supported me in these first six months, and I look forward to many more successful and fulfilling years at Clonmore Youth Club



## VOLUNTEERS AND TRAINING

CYC continues to thrive thanks to the dedication and hard work of our incredible team of volunteers, who are at the heart of everything we do. Their passion, commitment, and generosity enable us to deliver high-quality programmes that engage and inspire young people.

Over the past year, we have welcomed 12 new volunteers, including Junior Volunteers and Blue Crew members. Their enthusiasm has been invaluable in running our weekly youth club sessions, organising special events, and creating a positive and supportive environment for all our members. Whether leading activities, offering guidance, or simply being a friendly face, our volunteers play a crucial role in ensuring the success of CYC.

This year, we prioritised training to equip our volunteers with essential skills. They completed First Aid & Defibrillation, Money Heroes for financial literacy, Autism Training for Inclusivity, and Child Protection & Safeguarding to ensure young people's safety. Additionally, Mental Health First Aid helped volunteers support emotional well-being. These sessions strengthen our team and enhance the support we provide at CYC. By fostering a culture of learning and collaboration, we are strengthening our volunteer network and, in turn, enhancing the experiences of the young people we serve.

We are incredibly grateful to all our volunteers for their dedication, time, and energy. Their contributions make a lasting impact, not only within CYC but also in the wider community.

# WEE RASCALS SUMMER SCHEME

JULY 2023



The Wee Rascals Summer Programme engaged 25 children in creative and interactive activities, including storytelling, arts and crafts, sensory play, and mindfulness exercises. This year, we partnered with Kayleigh from Flourish, who led inspiring art sessions where the children created superhero capes, fostering their creativity and self-expression.

A major highlight of the programme was the visit from the Belfast Playbus, which provided an exciting play experience that encouraged social interaction and imaginative exploration. The children also had the opportunity to create their own teddies with Crafty Teddies, an activity that sparked joy and promoted emotional connection.

Katie from Action Mental Health also visited to facilitate engaging mindfulness games, helping the children explore their emotions, develop self-awareness, and build positive mental well-being strategies. Additionally, the programme included a trip to Palace Stables, where the children participated in hands-on learning experiences about nature and the environment, deepening their understanding of the world around them.

Parents and caregivers provided overwhelmingly positive feedback, noting improvements in their children's confidence, creativity, and ability to engage with others. The Wee Rascals Summer Programme continues to offer a safe, fun, and enriching environment where young minds can grow, explore, and thrive.

# SENIOR SUMMER SCHEME

JULY - AUGUST 2023

Our Senior Summer Scheme 2023 welcomed over 60 young people, offering an exciting and dynamic programme designed to build confidence, foster friendships, and encourage new skills. Through a mix of adventure, creativity, and hands-on learning, participants engaged in a variety of experiences that made for a memorable summer. One of the standout moments was the residential trip to Emerald Park, where young people took on thrilling rides and team challenges, developing resilience and camaraderie. The excitement continued with an all-nighter featuring a trip to Odyssey for bowling and cinema, followed by a pizza feast, lip-sync battles, and dancing, creating an unforgettable experience. The outdoor adventure took centre stage at Colin Glen, where participants tested their teamwork and courage on a range of high-adrenaline activities before spending a relaxing afternoon exploring Belfast.

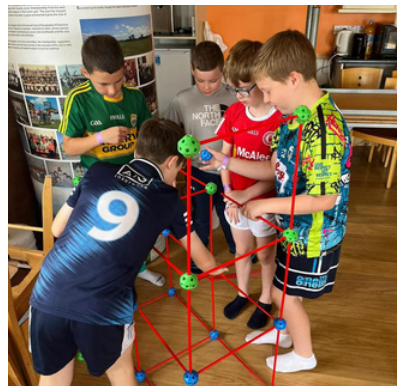
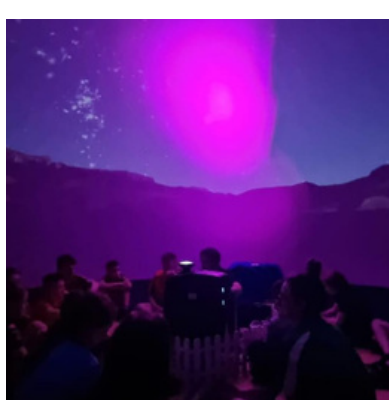
The programme also placed a strong emphasis on skill development and well-being. Katie from Action Mental Health led active games focused on mental health, helping participants build emotional resilience before the new school year. Creativity flourished with tie-dye workshops led by Lauren Martin, where young people designed their own vibrant clothing and glaze painting with Hollie and Calie from Mud Ireland, where they crafted personalised ceramic cups. Chef Andrew guided them in the kitchen by making sweet French bread, which provided a fun and educational culinary experience.

Essential life skills were also a focus, with Gary from the British Red Cross delivering First Aid and CPR training, ensuring young people gained valuable knowledge in emergency response. Earlier in the programme, participants participated in a high-energy Sports Day, where classic challenges such as the three-legged, egg-and-spoon, and sack race brought laughter and friendly competition. Despite unpredictable weather, spirits remained high, especially during the Bucket Challenge, where participants embraced the fun and got delightfully drenched.

The scheme concluded on a high note with a "Game of Three Halves" session, led by expert coaches from the Irish Football Association, Ulster GAA, and Ulster Rugby, promoting teamwork and inclusivity through multi-sport engagement.

The Senior Summer Scheme 2023 was an overwhelming success, providing young people with a safe, engaging, and enriching environment where they could grow, connect, and develop new skills. With fantastic participant feedback, we look forward to building on this experience and creating another unforgettable programme next year.





# JUNIOR SUMMER SCHEME

AUGUST 2023

Junior Summer Scheme 2023 was our most fun yet, with over 80 participants participating in an exciting and diverse programme of activities. This year's scheme was carefully designed to balance creativity, education, and physical activity, ensuring an enriching and enjoyable experience.

Participants had the opportunity to explore their creative talents through hands-on workshops. Relatively Ceramic introduced them to clay-making, while Art Funkle guided them in designing stunning homemade stained glass pictures, allowing for artistic expression in new and exciting ways. Our young scientists were captivated by Armagh Planetarium's interactive workshops, sparking curiosity about space and the world around them.

Physical activity remained an important focus, with AB Coaching leading various weekly sports sessions, promoting teamwork, confidence, and a healthy lifestyle. A particular highlight was a self-defence workshop led by Hebron School of Martial Arts, equipping participants with practical skills while building resilience and self-assurance. To further support mental and emotional well-being, Katie from Calm Kit delivered relaxing yoga sessions, while Katie from Action Mental Health provided engaging mindfulness activities, helping participants explore ways to manage emotions and develop focus. Additionally, Kelly from The Klean Kitchen delivered an engaging healthy eating workshop, showing participants how to prepare nutritious snacks and encouraging positive habits around food and well-being.

A major highlight of the programme was our trip to W5, where interactive science and technology exhibits provided an exciting hands-on learning experience. The scheme concluded with a cinema and bowling trip, offering a fun-filled finale celebrating a fantastic week.

A special thanks to James, Petr, Nicole, Eimear, Eve, Finn, Cadhla, Lorcan, Hannah, Kate, Alanna-May, and Louis, who played a crucial role in delivering various engaging sessions throughout the scheme. From music shaker-making to cupcake decorating and active games to food insights, their contributions ensured that every participant had a meaningful and enjoyable experience.

The Junior Summer Scheme 2024 was a huge success, offering young people a safe, supportive, and inspiring space to explore new interests, develop confidence, and build friendships. With overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants and parents alike, we look forward to growing and enhancing the programme in the years to come.



## BIG BREAKFAST

One of the highlights of the year was our Big Breakfast event, which brought the community together for a morning of good food and great company. The event served as both a fundraiser and a way to engage with local families, businesses, and stakeholders. With an incredible turnout, the Big Breakfast showcased the strong support for CYC and raised £2,600 to sustain our programmes. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with attendees praising the warm, inclusive atmosphere and the opportunity to learn more about the work we do.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended, donated, and volunteered to make this event a success. Your generosity and support help sustain our youth programmes, ensuring young people in our community continue to benefit from the activities and opportunities we provide. A special thank you to our sponsors, local businesses, and community members who contributed time, effort, and resources to this fantastic event.

# WEE RASCALS



A SAFE AND  
SUPPORTIVE START FOR  
3-6 YEAR OLDS

The Wee Rascals programme has continued to flourish over the past year, evolving into a full-time monthly provision that provides a safe, engaging, and nurturing space for our youngest members, aged 3 to 6. Recognising the limited services available for this age group in our area, Wee Rascals has become a vital opportunity for early socialisation, creativity, and skill development, supporting both young children and their families in building connections within the community.

Each session is designed to cater to the unique developmental needs of our members, incorporating arts and crafts, sensory play, movement-based activities, and mindfulness techniques. We are especially grateful for our incredible partners who have helped bring this programme to life, including Kayleigh from Flourish, who led engaging creative sessions, and Barbara from Relax Kids NI, whose mindfulness workshops introduced young children to calming techniques and emotional expression in a fun and accessible way.

Wee Rascals continues to provide an inclusive, supportive, and enriching environment where young children can explore, play, and grow. With overwhelmingly positive feedback from parents and caregivers, we are excited to expand and enhance this provision in the future, ensuring that even more young children can benefit from this playful and developmental early years experience.





## JUNIOR CLUB

PLAY, LEARN, GROW - TOGETHER!

Our Junior Club plays a vital role in the community, providing a welcoming and engaging space for children aged 7-11 each Friday night from September to June. Over the years, the club has continued to grow, now boasting over 100 registered children, along with many young families who enjoy the social aspect of our activities. Our dedicated volunteers have been instrumental in this success, helping members develop social and teamwork skills while ensuring a fun and inclusive environment where children can make new friends.

We actively encourage feedback from our members, involving them in the planning and running of the club. This approach fosters a sense of belonging and responsibility, ensuring that our activities reflect their interests and needs. Throughout the year, we have provided a variety of enriching experiences, including music, drama, cooking, STEM workshops, and sports activities, all designed to help children explore new interests and develop confidence.

As part of our commitment to offering unique opportunities, we were delighted to partner with the fantastic team at Circusful through funding from the RTÉ Toy Show Appeal. This eight-week programme, running from April to June 2023, introduced our young people to a wide range of circus skills, including juggling, balancing, and performance techniques. The experience was a highlight for many, allowing participants to develop coordination, resilience, and self-expression in a fun and supportive setting.

Our annual trips continue to be a much-loved feature of the Junior Club. In December 2023, our Christmas trip took families to a magical performance of Aladdin, an unforgettable experience enjoyed by over 120 attendees. In March 2024, we organised an additional trip to We Are Vertigo, providing a high-energy adventure for our members.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our young volunteer team, whose regular attendance and support have been invaluable in welcoming new members, encouraging friendships, and providing extra assistance to those who need it. Their dedication, enthusiasm, and commitment make a real difference, and we deeply appreciate the time and energy they contribute to making our Junior Club a thriving, inclusive, and exciting space for all.





# SENIOR CLUB

EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE  
THROUGH ADVENTURE AND  
GROWTH

Our Senior Club runs each Saturday night from September to June for ages 12 to 18, helping them build confidence, develop essential life skills, and enjoy time with their peers. With over 40 registered members and an average of 30 actively participating, the club continues to thrive, offering a balance of structured activities, drop-in sessions, and exciting trips throughout the year.

This year, our seniors have taken a more active role in shaping their sessions, choosing to focus on team-building, relaxation, and personal development. Recognising the pressures of school, exams, and everyday life, we've prioritised creating a safe, social, and stress-free space where they can unwind, connect with friends, and engage in activities that support their well-being.

We wrapped up the spring term in style, as our seniors tackled the Airtastic Lisburn Ultimate Challenges—an adrenaline-fueled day of team-based challenges, followed by some well-earned, mouthwatering food. A huge thank you to Catriona from Boys & Girls Clubs NI, whose help and support made the day an incredible experience for all involved.

Another major highlight was our Christmas trip, where our Senior Crew fully embraced the festive spirit with a day of team-building fun at Dundonald Ice Bowl and The Lost City Adventure Mini Golf. From the excitement of the ice rink to the competitive fun of mini-golf, the day was filled with laughter, camaraderie, and unforgettable moments.

Beyond these big events, we've continued to deliver engaging and relevant workshops on topics such as internet safety, drug awareness, and mental health, equipping our members with the knowledge and skills they need to navigate challenges with confidence. Themed nights—including sports nights, movie nights, bushtucker trials, and quizzes—further support their personal growth, social skills, and sense of adventure.

The Senior Club remains a vital space where young people can develop essential life skills, form lasting friendships, and explore new opportunities. As we look ahead, we are excited to continue building on this success, offering even more opportunities for our members to learn, grow, and make memories that last a lifetime.



# CASE STUDY: FROM ISOLATION TO LEADERSHIP

Child A joined Clonmore Youth Club during a particularly difficult time in their life. Their family had been dealing with long-term health challenges, and the isolation brought on by COVID-19 had only deepened their sense of disconnection. By the time they arrived at the club, Child A was withdrawn, unsure of themselves, and struggling to find their place.

Thanks to the funding we received, we were able to create a welcoming and supportive environment where young people like Child A could feel safe, included, and encouraged. At first, they engaged in small ways—participating in group activities, chatting hesitantly with peers, and slowly building trust. As time went on, their confidence grew, and they began to contribute more actively, sharing ideas and getting involved in club projects.

A turning point came when Child A discovered a passion for helping others. They transitioned from being a participant to volunteering within the club, demonstrating leadership qualities that hadn't been visible before. Their commitment and enthusiasm led them to join the newly formed youth board, where they played an active role in decision-making and shaping the future of the club.

The transformation was not only evident within CYC but also at home. Their family, once deeply concerned about their isolation, saw a remarkable change—they were now engaged, motivated, and thriving. Child A's journey highlights the true impact of youth work, showing how a supportive community, structured opportunities, and encouragement can empower young people to rebuild confidence, develop leadership skills, and create lasting positive change for themselves and those around them.





## YOUNG VOLUNTEERS

This year has been a truly remarkable one for our dedicated young volunteers, whose hard work and enthusiasm have made a lasting impact on our community. We are incredibly proud to celebrate the commitment and dedication of Petr, Eimear, Kate, Alanna-May, Finn, Louis, Hannah, Cadhla, Nicole, Daire, Matthew, Rebecca, James, Lorcan, Mollie, and Eve for their unwavering support throughout the year, particularly during our busy summer programmes.

Their contributions have been invaluable, setting a shining example of leadership, teamwork, and community spirit. Whether supporting activities, mentoring younger members, or ensuring our programmes run smoothly, their efforts have helped create a welcoming and engaging environment for all.

To recognise their achievements, we organised a special celebration day—starting with an exciting bouldering session at Bloody Bridge, guided by Killian from Cloughmor Extreme Adventures. Despite the wet weather, spirits remained high, and the day ended on a fantastic note with a well-deserved celebratory lunch at Great Jones – Craft & Kitchen, where we reflected on the impact of their hard work and the young people they have supported throughout the year.

A special congratulations goes to Petr and Eimear, who were recognised for their exceptional dedication and awarded Young Volunteers of the Year. Their commitment and leadership have been truly inspiring, and we are grateful for everything they have done. As we look ahead, we remain incredibly fortunate to have such a passionate and hardworking team of young volunteers. Thank you all for your dedication, enthusiasm, and positive impact—we can't wait to see what the future holds



## PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

### MY BODY AND ME

In partnership with Common Youth, we delivered the My Body and Me programme, providing young people with essential education on Healthy Relationships, Puberty, Gender, Consent, Body Image, and Resilience. Over the course of four weeks, Aoife and Rebecca led engaging and informative sessions, ensuring that each topic was approached with sensitivity, empowerment, and inclusivity. The programme offered a safe space for open discussions, equipping our members with the knowledge and confidence to navigate these important aspects of life. We are incredibly grateful for their support and look forward to working with them again in the future.

### MINI MEDIC TRAINING

In July, we partnered with S.R. First Response First Aid to host a Mini Medic training session for children aged 6 to 11 at Clonmore Hall. This session provided practical, hands-on training for 26 young people aged 7-11 in essential First Aid skills, including how to use a First Aid box, call emergency services, assess a casualty, perform CPR, use a defibrillator, and respond to choking incidents. Each participant received a Mini Medic booklet, worksheet, and colouring pencils, reinforcing their learning in a fun and interactive way. This initiative was a fantastic opportunity to equip young people with lifesaving skills and the confidence to respond in emergency situations.

# EMBRACE THE SPOTLIGHT



The Embrace the Spotlight programme was a small, tailored initiative designed to empower young girls through confidence-building and drama. Led by our talented instructor Aoibh, the sessions provided a supportive and creative space for participants to explore self-expression, public speaking, and their perceptions of confidence. Throughout the programme, the girls engaged in a series of interactive exercises designed to help them find their voice, overcome self-doubt, and develop stage presence. The sessions culminated in participants delivering two specially crafted monologues, a powerful moment that showcased their growth in both confidence and performance skills.

This initiative, generously funded by the RTÉ Toy Show Appeal, provided an invaluable opportunity for participants to build resilience, develop communication skills, and express themselves in a way that felt both safe and inspiring. Despite being a small, tailored programme, the positive feedback from participants and their families was overwhelmingly encouraging, with many expressing how the sessions helped them feel more confident, capable, and excited to take on new challenges. We look forward to seeing the continued growth of all participants as they carry their newfound confidence beyond the stage and into their daily lives.



## 4-WEEK COOKING DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMME

In collaboration with Clonmore Regeneration Group, we launched a four-week interactive cooking programme designed to inspire and empower participants in the kitchen. The sessions welcomed 18 community members, offering them the chance to develop new skills, boost confidence, and explore exciting flavours in a relaxed and engaging environment.

The programme began with a focus on mastering steak preparation, where participants learned about selecting the right cuts, marinating techniques, and achieving the perfect sear. The following week, the spotlight was on barbecue cooking, as attendees explored the art of grilling, experimenting with marinades, and creating a variety of delicious sides.

Midway through the programme, participants were introduced to the fundamentals of bread making, working through the process from kneading to baking, with classic baguettes and aromatic focaccia among the highlights. The final session embraced plant-based cuisine, as attendees dived into the world of vegan cooking, preparing vibrant salads, hearty mains, and indulgent desserts that showcased the versatility and flavour of plant-based ingredients.

This programme not only enhanced culinary skills but also encouraged healthy eating habits, creativity, and community engagement. It was a fantastic success, and we look forward to hosting more food-focused sessions in the future!

# THE BRIGHT PROJECT



Aimed at promoting positive physical and mental well-being, The Bright Project was a six-week programme designed to help young people explore what good mental health and a healthy lifestyle look like in practice. 17 young people aged 12-17 took part in interactive discussions, activities, and practical sessions, and participants developed a stronger awareness of self-care, resilience, and physical wellness. The programme concluded with an exciting trip to Airtastic Lisburn's Ultimate Challenge, where participants celebrated their achievements with fun activities and a well-earned meal.

A special thank you to Catriona from Boys & Girls Clubs NI for her incredible support over the two-month programme—her insights and guidance were truly invaluable!



# ACKNOWLEDGING OUR SPONSORS, FUNDERS, AND SUPPORTERS

Clonmore Youth Club extends our sincere gratitude to the funders, businesses, and individuals who have generously supported us over the past year. Your contributions have been instrumental in ensuring the successful running of our club, events, and fundraising efforts, allowing us to continue providing valuable opportunities for young people in our community.

We are incredibly grateful to the following organisations and individuals for their funding, sponsorship, and goodwill:

**Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council, Autobits, BBC Children in Need, the Belton's, BJ Mullen, Boys and Girls Clubs NI, BT Telecommunity Fund, Cappers, Cathal Dobbin, CM Plant, Crumlin Plant Sale, Education Authority Youth Service, Heatherlea Pet Shop, Irwin's Bakery, John Foye, Keenaghan Mushrooms, Lisa Mackle, Making Moves NI (Aoibh Johnson and Sean O'Neill), McKinney Competitions, National Lottery Fund, Paul Coary, T-Met, The Community Foundation NI, UK Youth and Youth Link NI**

Your generosity has allowed us to create meaningful experiences, deliver impactful programmes, and support young people's growth and development. We truly appreciate your ongoing commitment to our club and the wider community.

Apologies to anyone we may have inadvertently missed—please know your support is valued and deeply appreciated. Thank you for being a part of our journey!



## FINAL REMARKS - A YEAR OF GROWTH, IMPACT, AND COMMUNITY

As I reflect on another incredible year at Clonmore Youth Club, this annual report stands as a testament to our volunteers, staff, and members' dedication, passion, and hard work. Through our community-driven initiatives and programmes, we have continued to make a meaningful impact on the lives of young people in Clonmore and beyond. Our volunteers remain the heart of our organisation, and we extend our deepest gratitude to every one of them for their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts. Their dedication to training, personal development, and mentorship enhances their skills and enriches the experiences we offer to our members.

We are incredibly proud to have a team of passionate and hardworking volunteers devoted to making a positive difference in the lives of young people.

This year, our summer provision was a resounding success, with the Wee Rascals, Junior Summer Scheme, and Senior Summer Scheme delivering a wide range of structured, engaging, and transformative activities. These programmes provided opportunities for fun, learning, and personal growth, helping young people build confidence, social connections, and essential life skills. Expanding our Wee Rascals programme into a full-time monthly provision reflects our ongoing commitment to supporting early years development.

Our Junior and Senior Youth Clubs continue to be vital social spaces, offering a mix of drop-in sessions, workshops, and projects designed to foster inclusion, creativity, and empowerment. From My Body and Me to Embrace the Spotlight, Mini Medic Training, and our 4-Week Cooking Demonstration Programme, we have ensured that young people have access to engaging, relevant, and skill-building opportunities that support their well-being and personal growth.

Additionally, our young volunteers have continued to lead by example, with many recognised for their dedication, particularly Petr, Eimear, and Aoife, who received the Young Volunteers of the Year and Volunteer of the Year awards.

As I step into the role of Chairperson, after previously serving as Leader in Charge, I want to personally thank everyone who has contributed to Clonmore Youth Club this year. The dedication of our volunteers, staff, and committee members makes this club such a thriving and welcoming space for young people. A special thank you goes to our new Leader in Charge, Aoife, for stepping into this role with enthusiasm and vision and to our new committee members, whose fresh perspectives and dedication will help shape the future of Clonmore Youth Club.

Finally, I express my deepest appreciation to everyone who has contributed to the success of Clonmore Youth Club over the past year. Your support, generosity, and belief in our mission inspire us to strive for excellence. Together, we can build a brighter future for the young people of Clonmore and beyond.

**Conor Forker**  
Chairperson, Clonmore Youth Club



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**Clonmore Youth Club**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107567

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# Annual return

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## Clonmore Youth Club

### Information

#### Accountants

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Chartered Accountants,  
30 Windsor Avenue,  
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Co. Armagh.  
BT67 9BG.

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#### Bankers

Santander

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# Accounts

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**Clonmore Youth Club**  
**Accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2023**

# Clonmore Youth Club

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## **Clonmore Youth Club**

### **Information**

<b>Accountants</b>	Desmond Tipping & Son, Chartered Accountants, 30 Windsor Avenue, Lurgan, Co. Armagh. BT67 9BG.
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## **Clonmore Youth Club**

### **Independent Examiners Report on the Unaudited Accounts to Clonmore Youth Club**

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Committee and Independent Examiner**

The Trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts which comply with The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and that they are in accordance with the requirements of Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to state on the basis of my examination, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination includes a review of the accounting records by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanation from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I report on the accounts Of Clonmore Youth Club as set out on pages 5 to 6, in connection with my examintaion no matter has come to my attention:

- i. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to prepare accounts which comply with the accounting requirements of The Charities Regulations 2015, have not been met; or
- ii. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts as presented.

Desmond Tipping & Son,

Chartered Accountants,  
30 Windsor Avenue,  
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## Clonmore Youth Club

### Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>				
Self raised income		6,696		9,566
Grants / Sponsorship		32,925		30,492
		<u>39,621</u>		<u>40,058</u>
<b>Cost of sales</b>				
Purchases	<u>6,529</u>		<u>11,157</u>	
		6,529		11,157
		<u>33,092</u>		<u>28,901</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Workshops & trips	17,594		22,893	
Leader in Charge costs	17,813		13,277	
Rent payable	1,625		-	
Covid related	-		302	
Insurance	-		383	
Printing, postage and stationery	58		-	
Advertising	67		-	
Computer & online costs	815		1,429	
Sundry expenses	<u>(1)</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>(37,971)</u>		<u>(38,284)</u>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		<u><u>(4,879)</u></u>		<u><u>(9,383)</u></u>

**Clonmore Youth Club**

**Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2023**

<b>Notes</b>	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at bank and in hand	3,161		8,040	
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		3,161		8,040
		<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>
<b>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</b>		3,161		8,040
		<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>
<b>Capital Account</b>				
Brought forward at 1 April 2022		8,040		17,423
Excess of income over expenditure		(4,879)		(9,383)
		<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>
		<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

**Date:**

**Notes to the Accounts  
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

**1. Accounting Policies**

**1.1 Accounting convention**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention modified when necessary to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

**1.2 Income**

Income represents all monies received from grants and all other internal revenue generating activities.

**Clonmore Youth Club**

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# Annual report

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## **Clonmore Youth Club** **Report of the Trustees** **for the year-end 31 March 2023**

*The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2023. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act (NI) 1964 and Charities (NI) Order 1987.*

### **Volunteers & Training**

CYC has welcomed over ten new volunteers, including Blue Crew members and Junior Volunteers. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all our volunteers for their unwavering support during summer provision and weekly youth club activities. At CYC, we are blessed to have a team of dedicated volunteers who are the backbone of our organisation. Their tireless efforts and commitment to our cause enable us to provide exceptional support to our community regularly.

We take immense pride in our volunteers, who have undertaken several training courses in the last year, including First Aid, Child Protection, Defibrillation training, and OCN in Youth Work, to name a few. We have ensured that all members requiring Access NI have undergone checks, and we are thrilled to announce that we will provide additional training to our staff in the coming weeks. At CYC, we are committed to developing our volunteer team and providing training opportunities as needed. We cannot thank our volunteers enough for their exceptional contributions to our organisation. Their passion for our cause and dedication to our goals is truly inspiring.

We look forward to working alongside our volunteers to achieve our mission of supporting our community in every way possible.

### **Summer Provision**

Wee Rascals

In early July 2022, we organised the second edition of the Wee Rascal Summer Programme. This year, we ran the programme for three days in early July, catering to 20 children aged between reception and P1.

As part of the programme, we invited Barbara from Relax Kids NI, who led excellent mindfulness and art classes for the children. The classes were a great way to introduce young children to mindfulness and help them develop their creativity.

To conclude the programme, we took the children on a fun-filled trip to C and J's Animal Farm in Craigavon. The children enjoyed interacting with various animals and learning about

farm life. It was a fantastic opportunity for many local young people to have their first experience of such an event.

Additionally, the programme was an excellent chance for our young volunteers to utilise the skills they were learning as part of their volunteer programme. They got to work with children and learn how to organise and run an event. Overall, the programme was a resounding success, and we hope to continue organising such events.

### Senior Summer Scheme

In 2022, we made significant changes to our Senior summer program to better serve the needs and interests of the young people in our community. We recognised the high demand for our program and responded by providing weekly sessions throughout July and August instead of offering a single week of provision.

The changes we made were well-received by our community, with over 65 young people able to avail of services that suited their needs and interests. We organised eight senior sessions, including exciting activities and workshops. Our attendees had the opportunity to visit Croke Park and the Lakes Kilrea and participate in a stay-awake event in collaboration with the Scotch Street Youth and Community Centre. Additionally, we held several centre-based days that focused on various workshops such as Photography, Music Production, cooking, clay making, and sporting sessions.

We are delighted that our young people gave us excellent feedback, with 99% of attendees rating our program five out of five stars and a noted preference for the weekly provision going forward. The success of our program would not have been possible without the support of the Education Authority and ABC Council, who provided funding to help us subsidise the costs for local families. We hope to continue providing meaningful experiences for our community's young people in the future.

### Junior Summer Scheme

In the summer of 2022, we organised a junior summer program to provide young people aged 7-11 with an enjoyable and educational week of activities. Sixty-five young people attended the week-long program, which our Young Volunteers and iRural supported. The program was packed with various activities that catered to the interests and needs of the young participants.

Some of the activities we offered included African Drumming, clay-making, bubble ball, mug painting, STEM sessions, and week-long support provided by Healthy Kidz NI. These activities were designed to promote creativity, critical thinking, and teamwork among the young participants. The young people had the opportunity to learn new skills, make new friends, and have fun in a safe and supportive environment.

As a finale, we organised a trip to W5 in Belfast, a major highlight of the program. The young people had a blast exploring the interactive exhibits and learning about science and technology in a fun and engaging way.

This would not have been possible without our volunteers' hard work and dedication. We want to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our volunteers for their

contribution and support. Due to COVID-19 in 2021, we operated as independent groups rather than one volunteer group. We are grateful to be back to normal and to have had the opportunity to work together as a team again.

We are thrilled to have received fantastic feedback about the program from the young people and their parents. 96% of young people rated us five stars, a testament to the program's quality and our volunteers' hard work. We are proud to have provided a memorable and valuable experience for our program's young people.

#### Parent Quotes

"Fantastic all around. Please keep doing what you all do best and providing our community with such a fun place for our kids to go" My kids enjoyed everything; they enjoyed the fun of the week, loved all the activities and the care that was given to them by each and every one of the volunteers."

#### Young Volunteers

I would like to thank Anastazija, Ciaran, and Daniel from iRural and Education Authority for their support in our Young Volunteer's development program from June to August 2022. During the summer, fourteen young volunteers aged 13+ received youth leadership and sports training to assist them in volunteering during our summer scheme. Ten young people participated in a one-night residential stay in Gortin as part of the program.

I want to say a huge well done and thank you to our Young Leader members, namely Alanna May, Cadhla, Dáire, Eimear, James, Lorcan, Louis, Maighread, Mary, Petr, Rebecca, Hannah, Molly and Matthew, for all their hard work this summer, especially in their delivery of sessions during the Junior summer scheme.

### **Drop-In Sessions**

#### Junior Youth Club

Our Junior club is integral to the community, offering activities for children aged 7-11. The club has grown over the years, now with over 100 registered children and many young families who enjoy socialising there. Our dedicated volunteers have played a significant role in our success, helping our members develop social and team skills. Our primary focus is providing a safe and fun environment for children to play and make new friends. We offer opportunities for feedback on activities and workshops, and we involve our members in the weekly running of the club.

As part of our Good Vibes project, we partnered with Healthy Kidz and our local GAA to provide three weekly sports sessions for our members aged 3-11 and formed a partnership with Clonmore Robert Emmet's GAA. Our Junior club is responsible for organising and planning the delivery of our junior sessions, while Clonmore Robert Emmet's GAA focuses on the delivery of sessions for our Wee Rascals. Jack from Healthy Kidz is great with young people and can tailor sessions to meet the group's needs while ensuring they develop the fine motor skills necessary. Approximately 40 Junior members attended sessions weekly, and 25 Wee Rascal Members attended from September to March.

We offered our junior members various experiences throughout the year, including music, drama, cooking, STEM workshops, and sporting events/games. In December 2022, our junior members and their families attended our Cinderella Panto, a fantastic experience with over 120 attendees.

We thank our young volunteer group for their regular attendance and support during Junior sessions. Their efforts have been invaluable in helping new members integrate with existing members and providing additional support to those who need it. We are truly grateful for their contributions and appreciate the time and energy they have dedicated to our organisation.

### Senior Youth Club

The Senior Club caters to the needs of young people aged between 12 and 15. The club has over 40 registered members, out of which 30 participate in its activities regularly. In September 2022, 29 club senior members attended a three-day residential program at the Delamont Outdoor Education Centre. The residential program proved to be an essential team-building moment for them, with bouldering being the trip's highlight for many. We thank Aoife and Catriona for their invaluable assistance during the residential program.

The Senior Club provides its members with more freedom to plan their sessions, and they have chosen to focus more on team-building and relaxation during drop-ins. Many members were initially highly anxious about returning to school and exams. Therefore, we made sure to provide them with a safe and relaxed environment. The senior program aims to build confidence and essential skills for work, such as teamwork, life skills, and public speaking. We organise themed nights such as sports, movies, bushtucker trials and challenges, quiz nights, and regular trips to venues such as Prison Island, Belfast Giants, and Let's Go Hydro to support building confidence and socialisation skills. Throughout the year, we hold workshops on internet safety, drug awareness, and mental health for our senior members.

### Projects

#### Lights Camera Action

Over eight weeks, a group of young people from the Lights Camera Action group worked tirelessly to create a showpiece that highlighted the incredible efforts of Dunlewey Addiction Services LTD. They aimed to showcase their work as part of their 35th-anniversary celebration at Belfast City Hall. The "It Starts with a Knock" project was a collaboration with Craic facilitators Aoibh and Sean. The young people involved in the project put in a lot of hard work and dedication to make it successful. They spent hours brainstorming, planning, and executing their ideas to create a video that would do justice to the fantastic work of Dunlewey Addiction Services LTD.

The video resulted from their combined efforts and was a powerful and moving depiction of addiction's impact on individuals and their families. It highlighted the critical work of Dunlewey Addiction Services LTD in providing support, care, and guidance to those who are struggling with addiction. The young people who participated in the project should be incredibly proud of their achievements. Their hard work and dedication have given a voice to the promotion of Dunlewey Addiction Services and their vital work. The showpiece was a testament to the power of collective effort and the positive impact that young people can have

when they come together to create something meaningful. In conclusion, "It Starts with a Knock" was a phenomenal project demonstrating young people's hard work and experiences in the Lights Camera Action group. It showcased their creativity, talent, and dedication and proved that they have the power to make a difference in the world.

#### Confident Me

Confident Me was a 10-week drama and dance-based programme exploring young people's relationships with themselves and what confidence truly is to them. Sixteen young people aged 11 to 15 undertook the project utilising a blend of youth work. Mindfulness and traditional speech and drama lessons educate our members to look inward at their goals and to speak openly with others their age about the challenges they face each week. We created a set of affirmations for our members to share with their families while Aoibh and Sean worked alongside the young people to create a new poem and performance piece to illustrate the importance of self-care in mental health and the role that communities of friends, family and youth organisations can play in supporting young people.

#### Thrive Project

The Thrive Project was our second 10-week programme, which grew out of Confident Me. Although feedback from Confident Me was very positive, the young people wanted a bigger say in what they were doing each week. Thrive allowed us to refocus the program to allow greater conversations around positive/maladaptive coping strategies, how young people visualised stress and create a more inclusive and varied creative arts approach for our 17 participants. In addition to each session being led alongside the young people, we also provided hot dinners to reduce stress on our participants after school. Over the ten weeks, many different approaches were used, from laughter yoga, sewing/patchwork, graffiti, and weekly mindfulness/reflection time, to illustrate the abstract idea of stress and how our bodies deal with it. Feedback from our young people spoke of being able to share their personal stories without judgment and a better understanding of what stress is and how it impacts your body. One member spoke privately about how they were subconsciously using a poor coping strategy (biting their nails when they were nervous around exams), and we were then able to support them with alternative approaches (sour-tasting nail polish and journaling).

#### Wee Rascals Mindfulness Sessions

Our monthly Wee Rascals programme started in full in September 2022, after a series of individual workshops and summer work in July and August to help refine what the children and families needed from the sessions. We run 10-term time sessions and six summer sessions, working alongside Relax Kids NI to initially introduce the critical themes of mindfulness to our young people and then utilising arts and crafts, sensory play and yoga to offer a blend of approaches to help engage all our members. This has been particularly helpful as Wee Rascal members are 3 to 6 years old and often require multiple short, individualised tasks to prevent fatigue. The programme is essential for our younger members who could not fully vocalise their frustrations and worries and benefitted the most from the fun and engaging delivery methods. As few services are available for young people aged six and under in the area, Wee Rascals allows many young people to socialise with their peers

whilst improving their skills and supporting newer parents to create social networks to integrate into the wider community. In the second half of our grant, we focused on integrating more physical mindfulness methods with a visit from Fitness Freddie, showing us the Take 5 points through dance, and Matthew from AB Coaching, who focused on using sport to help us deal with big emotions.

### Let's Get Cooking

Our Cooking Programme had initially been less successful than we had hoped, but after a change in approach to include the whole family and some live demonstrations, we saw greater success. We undertook 15 weeks of direct classes and five special sessions, providing themed weeks such as Vegan, Mexican, BBQ and Christmas Dinner. This special programme allowed more grandparents to join and share their recipes and ideas while supporting their grandchild and making friends with other grandparents, which we have never done before.

Over the twenty weeks, we have provided 15 face-to-face sessions for 26 families, and we had 40 people attend our special sessions. All members could access Zoom Recordings and cook at home again or at a time that suits them best. Our Head Chef, Andrew, focused on creating a week of dinners utilising everyday household items and cheap meats. Throughout the programme, our young people have learned how to break down a whole chicken to make several meals, the importance of utilising food scraps to make broths and stocks to enhance flavour, and how to budget for a week's recipes.

### Case Study A

Child A, aged 14, has attended the youth club since our formation in 2017. Initially, she was extremely quiet and preferred participating in solo activities rather than mixing with her peer group. In the last year, we have seen her extremely fortunate to work and grow into a fantastic young volunteer, as she has begun to take on more leadership roles and take an active role in supporting younger members getting involved in club activities. Child A has often found it hard to fit in amongst the rest of the girls due to her more artistic outlook than the sport, which is extremely popular in the area. Although attending the local primary school, she is currently the only member of her secondary school at the club, which can be additionally isolating. The change in A has been a slow process, and in the past six months, she has come into her own. She has a strong family relationship and has a great circle of friends at the club now. She has particularly benefitted from our targeted programming this year, from Drama to Art Therapy and learning more about how to live safely; she has grown from the typical teen “don't know/ don't care” attitude into actively engaging in programmes and expressing herself more in all facets of the club. She has recently started volunteering as part of our Blue Crew and has quickly taken to the role. Along with the volunteering, the club's projects and the drop-in have helped her establish a small but tight-knit friend base that she can rely on both in and out of the youth club. This group is a regular attendee at our weekly drop-in sessions and is currently working with our Leader in Charge to find more volunteering opportunities for the summer.

Club Sponsors, funders and gestures of good will

Clonmore Youth Club would like to thank the following funders, businesses, and people for their support over the last year to the running of the club, events and fundraising.

- Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council
- BBC Children in Need
- Boys and Girls Clubs NI
- BT Telecommunity Fund
- D-Signs + Displays
- Dunlewey Addiction Services
- Education Authority
- Henry Murray & Co
- Irwin's Bakery
- John Foye
- Keenaghan Mushrooms
- Lisa Mackle
- Making Moves NI (Aoibh Johnson and Sean O'Neill)
- McKinney Motors
- Paul Coary
- Saltmarine
- The Community Foundation NI
- Youth Link NI

Apologies to anyone we have missed

#### Closing Comments

In conclusion, the Clonmore Youth Club's annual report for the year has been a testament to the dedication, passion, and hard work of our volunteers, staff, and members. As we reflect on the past year, it's evident that our community-driven initiatives and programmes have made a significant impact on the lives of young people in Clonmore and beyond.

Our volunteers are the lifeblood of our organisation, and we extend our deepest gratitude to each and every one of them for their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts. Their dedication to training and development not only enhances their own skills but also enriches the experiences we offer to our members. We are proud to have a team of volunteers who are dedicated to our cause and who continually strive to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

Throughout the summer provision, including the Wee Rascals, Senior Summer Scheme, and Junior Summer Scheme, we witnessed firsthand the transformative power of structured, engaging activities. These programmes not only provided fun and educational experiences but also fostered personal growth, confidence, and social connections among our young participants. We are grateful for the support of our funders, partners, and the broader community, whose contributions make these initiatives possible.

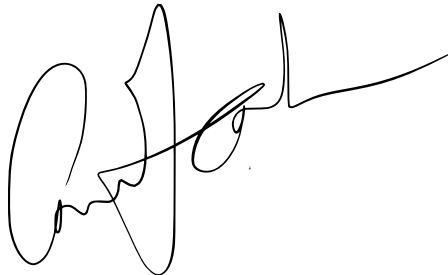
Our drop-in sessions, including the Junior Youth Club and Senior Youth Club, continue to be vital hubs for socialisation, skill-building, and personal development. Through a diverse range of activities, workshops, and projects, we strive to create inclusive environments where young people feel valued, supported, and empowered to express themselves.

The success stories shared in our report, such as the Lights Camera Action project, Confident Me programme, and Thrive Project, highlight the transformative impact of youth-led initiatives and creative expression. These endeavours not only empower young people to explore their talents and interests but also promote resilience, well-being, and positive social change within our community.

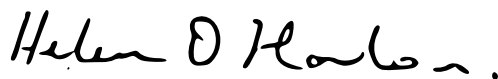
As we look ahead to the future, we remain committed to our mission of supporting and empowering young people to reach their full potential. We recognise the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead and are dedicated to continuing our work in collaboration with our volunteers, partners, and stakeholders.

In closing, we express our sincere gratitude to everyone who has contributed to the success of Clonmore Youth Club over the past year. Your support, dedication, and enthusiasm inspire us to continue striving for excellence in everything we do. Together, we can create a brighter future for the young people of Clonmore and beyond.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Conor Forker Current', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Conor Forker Current  
Chairperson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen O'Hanlon', written in a cursive style.

Helen O'Hanlon  
Chairperson for the 2022-  
23 period

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 107567

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## **Clonmore Youth Club**

### **Independent Examiners Report on the Unaudited Accounts to Clonmore Youth Club**

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Committee and Independent Examiner**

The Trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts which comply with The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and that they are in accordance with the requirements of Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to state on the basis of my examination, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination includes a review of the accounting records by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanation from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

I report on the accounts Of Clonmore Youth Club as set out on pages 5 to 6, in connection with my examintaion no matter has come to my attention:

- i. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to prepare accounts which comply with the accounting requirements of The Charities Regulations 2015, have not been met; or
- ii. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts as presented.

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