

A large group of young people, mostly in white t-shirts, are captured in a moment of celebration. They have their arms raised high, and the air is filled with a thick, vibrant orange powder that has been thrown. The scene is energetic and festive, with many faces showing joy and excitement. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with trees and a building.

CLONMORE YC

2024 - 2025

ANNUAL REPORT

Introduction

The trustees have the pleasure in presenting their report together with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025.

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 2024–2025 Annual Report for Clonmore Youth Club. This report highlights our key achievements, challenges, and the meaningful impact of our work over the past year. This work supports the charity's aims by reducing isolation, building confidence, and creating safe community spaces for children and young people.

At the heart of everything we do remains our commitment to creating a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment where young people feel supported, confident, and valued.

Over the past year, Clonmore Youth Club has continued to grow and thrive, expanding our reach and strengthening the services we provide. Through innovative programmes, dedicated volunteers, and strong local partnerships, we are seeing the positive difference youth-led, community-rooted work can make in young people's lives.

This year also marked the establishment of our Youth Board, a significant milestone for the club. The Youth Board has brought fresh ideas, leadership, and energy, ensuring young people's voices are meaningfully embedded in decision-making and the future direction of Clonmore Youth Club.

We would also like to sincerely thank Aoife for her hard work and commitment in her role as Leader in Charge throughout the year. Her leadership, care, and consistency have been central to the delivery of our programmes and the support offered to young people and volunteers alike.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of our journey this year from our young people, families, volunteers, partners, and supporters. We look forward to the year ahead and continuing to grow Clonmore Youth Club together.



A Message from Aoife, Leader in Charge



As I reflect on the 2024/2025 year as Youth Leader in Charge at Clonmore Youth Club, I feel incredibly proud of what we have achieved together. This year has been one of learning, growth, and real progress, and it has reinforced just how important the club is within our community. Being entrusted with this role and fully supported by volunteers, parents, and families has meant more to me than I can put into words.

One of the most rewarding highlights of this year has been seeing our Wee Rascals programme continue to grow and shine. Providing a safe, nurturing, and fun introduction to youth club life for our youngest members has been a special experience. Watching children settle in, build confidence, form friendships, and feel comfortable in the space week after week has been a powerful reminder of the impact of early engagement on a child's development.

Across all age groups, Clonmore Youth Club continues to be a place where young people feel welcomed, valued, and supported. Each week brings opportunities to build confidence, develop skills, and form friendships. It is these moments, both big and small, that truly capture the heart of the club. This year has also highlighted just how dedicated our volunteers are. Their time, energy, and care are the backbone of everything we do, and the youth club simply would not be possible without them. I am incredibly grateful to work alongside such a committed and supportive team that genuinely cares about the young people and families we serve.

While the year has come with its challenges, each one has helped us learn, adapt, and continue moving forward together. As we look ahead, I am excited about what the future holds and motivated to build on the strong foundations already in place.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me and supported Clonmore Youth Club throughout the 2024/2025 year. I am so proud to be part of this club and look forward to many more positive and fulfilling years ahead.

Clonmore Youth Club is a volunteer-led youth club supporting over 250 children and young people aged 3 to 18 across North Armagh and East Tyrone, particularly in small rural communities along the banks of the River Blackwater.

The Club was established in 2017 in response to a clear gap in local youth provision and a shared belief that young people growing up in rural areas deserve more spaces where they can belong, feel safe, and simply be young people. What began as a small local initiative has grown steadily and is now a well-established part of the community.

Today, Clonmore Youth Club provides regular weekly sessions for a wide range of ages, from our youngest members through to Seniors. Alongside this, the Club delivers summer schemes, trips, residentials, and community events that give young people new experiences, opportunities to build friendships, and positive things to look forward to throughout the year. At the heart of the Club is a strong focus on relationships, on building confidence and well-being, and on creating a place where young people feel known, valued, and listened to.

Life in rural areas brings its own challenges. Many of the young people who attend the Club live miles from the nearest town, with limited transport options and very few safe spaces to meet friends outside of school. Social isolation, both practical and felt, is a real issue for families in the area. Clonmore Youth Club exists to help address this by offering consistent, local, and affordable provision shaped by what young people say they want and need.

The Club is powered by volunteers and community spirit. Adult volunteers give their time week in and week out, while young people are encouraged to get involved, step up, and help shape the Club's future through volunteering, fundraising, and leadership opportunities. The Youth Board plays an active role in shaping activities and events, ensuring that young people's voices remain central to the Club's continued growth.

Now in its seventh full year of operation, Clonmore Youth Club has truly grown into itself. What has remained constant is the belief it was founded on, that no young person in the rural community should ever feel forgotten. That belief continues to guide everything the Club does today.





WEE RASCALS

Over the past year, the Wee Rascals programme has become a familiar and much-loved part of Clonmore Youth Club for local families. Aimed at children aged 3 to 6, the programme ran from September to June and provided a calm, welcoming space where young children could play, socialise, and build confidence alongside their peers.



During the year, 44 children were registered with Wee Rascals, with an average of 25 attending each session. Sessions were held fortnightly on Saturday mornings, providing families with a regular, reliable routine. For many parents in rural areas, Wee Rascals became one of the few local opportunities for their children to interact with peers in a safe, supportive setting.

The focus of Wee Rascals was on helping children feel happy, settled, and comfortable in a group. Sessions were relaxed and flexible, allowing children to explore at their own pace through play, creative activities, sensory experiences, gentle movement, and quiet moments together. This approach supported early social skills, confidence building, and familiarity with group routines, all while keeping the experience fun and pressure-free.



Feedback from parents and carers was extremely positive. Many shared that their children became more confident, looked forward to attending each session, and benefited from having a consistent space to play and make friends. Parents also emphasised the importance of connection with other families and the welcoming atmosphere created by volunteers and staff.

Wee Rascals continues to provide an important first step into youth club life for many children and families. Following a strong and settled year, Clonmore Youth Club looks forward to building on this provision and continuing to offer young children a positive, nurturing start in a space where they feel safe, included, and cared for.

JUNIORS

The Junior Club continues to be a busy and important part of weekly life for many families in the Clonmore area. Running every Friday night from September to June, it provides a safe, welcoming place for children aged 7 to 11 to spend time together, let off steam, and enjoy being part of something local. This year, over 100 children were registered with the Club, with around 60 children attending on average each week, creating a lively and positive atmosphere that is felt as soon as you walk through the door.

Junior Club nights are relaxed, friendly, and full of energy. Sessions are shaped around what children enjoy and what brings them together, from sports and team games to baking, arts and crafts, LEGO, challenges, and simple activities to get to know each other.

Some nights are busy and loud; others are calmer, but the focus is always on ensuring children feel comfortable, included, and free to join in at their own pace. For many children, Junior Club is the only place during the week where they can meet local friends and feel truly at home.

The Club is a real highlight of the week for many families. Children arrive excited and ready to take part, and attendance has remained strong and consistent throughout the year.



Parents regularly share how important the Junior Club has been, particularly in the years following COVID, describing it as a lifeline that has helped their children rebuild friendships, confidence, and a sense of routine.

Young people's voices are central to how the Junior Club runs. Children are encouraged to share ideas, suggest activities, and talk about what they enjoy most, and this feedback helps shape future sessions.

This simple yet meaningful involvement helps children feel heard and gives them a sense of ownership and pride in the Club. Over time, it also supports confidence building and helps children feel more comfortable speaking up and contributing within a group.

The Junior Club is made possible by the dedication of our volunteers and young volunteer team. From greeting children at the door to supporting games and activities, their commitment helps ensure every child feels included. Their presence provides consistency and reassurance for families, and their continued contributions keep the Junior Club a trusted and much-loved part of the local community.



INTERMEDIATES & SENIORS

This year marked an important step forward for Clonmore Youth Club with the introduction of separate Intermediate and Senior programmes. This change responded to growing numbers and the different needs of young people as they move through their teenage years, allowing the Club to offer more appropriate support, activities, and opportunities at each stage.

The Intermediate Club supports young people in 1st to 3rd Year and runs on Saturday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm. Sessions focus on helping young people settle in, build confidence, and form strong peer connections through team building, group challenges, games, and relaxed social time.

The Senior Club supports young people aged 14+ and meets on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30pm, with a focus on independence, wellbeing, and preparing for life beyond school, while keeping sessions social and enjoyable.

Across both groups, 70 young people were registered during the year, with strong, consistent attendance reflecting demand for local, age-appropriate provision.

The highlight of the year was a joint Christmas trip to Dundonald Ice Rink, followed by a visit to watch the Belfast Giants, which gave young people the chance to spend time together, build friendships, and create shared memories outside of regular sessions.



Senior members also took part in OCN Level 2 Youth Leadership training delivered by Georgia from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Northern Ireland. Young people demonstrated strong commitment throughout the programme and engaged positively in the sessions.

Over time, they grew in confidence and developed stronger communication and teamwork skills, alongside a clearer understanding of their role within the Club. This was reflected in their support for younger members, their increased contributions during sessions, and their greater responsibility across Club activities.

Creating dedicated spaces for both the Intermediate and Senior groups has enabled Clonmore Youth Club to respond to demand and better support young people as they progress through their teenage years. Having age-appropriate sessions has contributed to strong attendance and a settled, positive atmosphere, with young people feeling comfortable, supported, and motivated to attend each week.





CLONMORE YC YOUTH BOARD

The Youth Board this year was made up of an incredible group of young people who brought energy, commitment, and care into everything they were part of. Katie Rose, Petr, Eimear, Alanna May, James, Kate, Maeve S, Maeve McC, Meabh C, Maria, Finn, Louis, Hannah, Eve, Niall, Matthew, and Nicole all played a role in shaping the year, supporting one another, and contributing to the wider life of Clonmore Youth Club. Each young person brought something different to the group, whether that was ideas, enthusiasm, reliability, creativity, or simply showing up week after week and getting stuck in.

What stood out most over the year was how the group grew together. Young people learned how to listen to one another, share responsibility, and work as a team, even when things were challenging or required extra effort. Confidence grew naturally as they took on new tasks, spoke up more, and began to see the value of their own contributions. Friendships strengthened, and there was a real sense of pride in being part of a group that was trusted to make decisions and take the lead.

The Youth Board played an active role in supporting the wider Club, helping with activities, events, and community days, and acting as positive role models for younger members. Their presence helped create a welcoming atmosphere, and younger children looked up to them as familiar and encouraging faces within the Club. Through this, Youth Board members developed leadership skills in a very real and practical way, learning what it means to show up for others and be part of something bigger than themselves.

Over the course of the year, the Youth Board grew into a supportive, motivated, and dependable group whose involvement had a visible impact across Clonmore Youth Club. Their ideas helped shape activities, their energy helped drive events, and their commitment strengthened the sense of community that runs through everything the Club does.

We are incredibly proud of everything the Youth Board has contributed this year. Their willingness to step up, support one another, and care for the wider Club reflects exactly what Clonmore Youth Club is about. They should be very proud of what they have achieved, and we are excited to see how they continue to grow, lead, and shape the future of the Club in the year ahead.



COLOUR RUN & FUN DAY

Walking onto the field on the day of the Family Fun Day and Colour Run, it was hard not to stop and take it all in. The colour in the air, the noise of children running about, families chatting, and volunteers busy helping everywhere you looked created a genuinely special atmosphere. What began months earlier as a simple idea culminated in a day that brought people together in a way we do not always see, and it reminded us of the power of youth-led community action.

This was the Youth Board's first project, and they approached it with confidence, creativity, and determination. From the earliest planning meetings through to the final moments of the day, young people took responsibility for shaping the event, reaching out to sponsors, organising activities, coordinating the Colour Run, and welcoming families from across the community. They worked together, supported one another, and demonstrated their capability when given the space and trust to lead.

The response from the community was incredible. Over 250 people came along to take part, enjoy the atmosphere, and support the Youth Board's efforts. Through sponsorship and donations, the event raised over £4,500, all of which will go directly back into supporting activities and opportunities for children and young people at Clonmore Youth Club. Just as importantly, the day created shared memories, new connections, and a real sense of togetherness that stayed long after the colour washed away.

The day's success was made possible by the generosity and support of many local businesses, organisations, and community partners who believed in the Youth Board's mission. Their backing, alongside the time and commitment of volunteers on the day, helped ensure the event ran smoothly and safely and that everyone felt welcome. The support shown by the wider community was a powerful reminder of how much people value local youth work and opportunities for young people to step forward as leaders.

We are incredibly proud of our Youth Board members. Their hard work, teamwork, and commitment turned an idea into a day that will be remembered for years to come. The Family Fun Day and Colour Run was not just a successful fundraiser but also a clear example of young people making a positive difference in their community. It marked the beginning of what promises to be an exciting journey for the Youth Board, and we cannot wait to see where they go next.

WEE RASCALS SUMMER SCHEME

JULY 2024

Across three busy summer days in July, 29 Wee Rascals filled the hall with energy, curiosity, and plenty of laughter as they took part in our 2024–25 Summer Programme. Running from Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th July, the programme was designed to give young children a safe, nurturing space to play, explore, and build confidence alongside their peers.

Each day offered a thoughtful mix of physical activity, creativity, sensory play, and free exploration. Children were encouraged to try new things at their own pace, make friends, and develop early life skills in an environment where they felt supported and included.

A highlight for many was a fitness and movement session delivered by Hebron School of Martial Arts, which encouraged coordination, confidence, and healthy physical activity in an engaging and age-appropriate way.

Creativity was a strong theme throughout the programme. Children enjoyed hands-on baking activities, including making delicious crispy buns, as well as a variety of sports and free-play sessions that promoted teamwork and social interaction. On day two, the children embraced their imaginations by creating their own superhero kits, allowing them to express themselves creatively while building confidence and a sense of achievement.





The programme concluded with a trip to Palace Stables, where the children explored their senses and learned about the world around them through hands-on, outdoor experiences. This visit provided a valuable opportunity for curiosity, discovery, and learning in a natural environment, rounding off the programme on a high note.

Feedback from parents and carers was overwhelmingly positive, with many noting increased confidence, enthusiasm, and social engagement in their children. The Wee Rascals Summer Programme continues to play an important role in supporting early years development, offering a fun, inclusive, and enriching experience where young children can learn, grow, and thrive.



JUNIOR SUMMER SCHEME

AUGUST 2024

The Junior Summer Scheme 2024, which ran during the week beginning 12th August, was a lively, creative, and memorable week for the young people involved. Designed to give Juniors the chance to try new activities, build confidence, and enjoy time together, the programme balanced energy, creativity, and wellbeing throughout the week. From the outset, the focus was on creating a welcoming space where young people felt comfortable getting involved, having fun, and being themselves.

Throughout the week, we were joined by some fantastic facilitators who brought real variety to the programme. Lauren Martin delivered creative workshops that allowed young people to express themselves and get stuck in, while Active Kids led energetic sports sessions that kept everyone moving, working as a team, and having fun. Siobhan's African drumming sessions were a real standout, filling the space with rhythm, laughter, and something completely new for many of the young people.

Food and creativity featured strongly too. Young people rolled up their sleeves to make sausage rolls and colourful, themed smoothie bowls, learning practical skills while enjoying the chance to work together. Creative sessions with Kayleigh from Flourish, including making slime and building impressive towers, encouraged imagination, problem-solving, and teamwork.

Well-being was woven naturally throughout the week. Gary from the Red Cross led a thoughtful session on coping with challenges, helping young people talk about resilience in a supportive and accessible way. We also ran several STEM challenges that sparked curiosity and teamwork, and a calm, peaceful yoga session with Yoga with Matt, giving everyone a chance to slow down and reset.

The week included a much-loved trip to Belfast, where the group enjoyed a cinema visit followed by bowling. This was an amazing opportunity to create shared memories outside the club. We ended the week on a high with energetic martial arts sessions from Hebron and an unforgettable showcase by the Northern Ireland School of Falconry, which captivated young people and staff alike.

The success of the Junior Summer Scheme 2024 was made possible by the dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteers and facilitators, whose commitment ensured every young person felt welcomed, supported, and included.

Feedback from both participants and parents was overwhelmingly positive, with many highlighting the variety of activities, the supportive atmosphere, and the confidence young people gained throughout the week. The Junior Summer Scheme remains a valued and impactful part of our summer provision, offering young people meaningful opportunities to learn, grow, and have fun together.





INTERMEDIATE & SENIOR SUMMER SCHEME

JULY & AUGUST 2024



The Senior Summer Scheme 2024 ran from July to August and brought together 61 young people for a full summer of trips, activities, connections, and many shared memories. The focus was simple: give young people space to enjoy themselves, build friendships, try new things, and feel good about being part of something.

We kicked things off with a trip to The Lost City adventure golf, followed by a cinema screening of The Mummy at Cineworld, an easy, relaxed way to start the summer and help everyone settle in. Week two took us to Splash for inflatable water fun, which was exactly as chaotic and brilliant as it sounds and set the tone for the weeks ahead.



As summer progressed, we slowed things down as needed. Week three focused on getting to know each other better, with team challenges, Connect 4-style games, mindful painting, and candid conversations about confidence and being comfortable in your own skin. The following week, we were joined by the Northern Ireland School of Falconry, which completely captured everyone's attention, alongside a calm and grounding relaxation session with Yoga with Matt.



One of the biggest highlights of the summer was our trip to Emerald Park. Young people threw themselves into the rides, pushed their limits, and had a brilliant day together. Alongside the fun, we made sure the programme included practical, real-life skills. Gary from the Red Cross delivered First Aid and CPR training, giving young people knowledge that genuinely matters, while a self-defence session with Hebron School of Martial Arts focused on confidence, awareness, and personal safety.

We finished off the programme with a bit of independence-building in the kitchen. Andrew led an air fryer cooking demonstration, teaching young people how to make juicy meatballs, spicy wedges, and salt-and-chilli chicken, skills they can use at home. The summer ended with a residential, giving everyone the chance to properly switch off, spend time together, and reflect on what had been a really strong few months.

The Senior Summer Scheme 2024 was everything we want our summer provision to be: fun, supportive, relaxed, and rooted in relationships. The feedback from young people was hugely positive, and the friendships, confidence, and memories built over the summer speak for themselves.

SHANNAGHMORE RESIDENTIAL

Our Senior Residential in Shannaghmore was a real highlight of the summer and a brilliant way to bring the programme together. It gave young people the chance to step away from everyday routines, spend meaningful time together, and push themselves in a supportive, encouraging environment.

Across the residential, young people took part in raft building, canoeing, wet bouldering, high ropes, rock climbing, and abseiling. What stood out wasn't just the activities themselves, but the way young people supported and encouraged one another throughout. Many pushed well beyond their comfort zones, and the confidence gained over the course of the trip was clear to see.

Evenings gave everyone a chance to slow down, relax, and connect, with time spent around the campfire enjoying s'mores, sharing stories, and having a laugh. These quieter moments helped strengthen friendships and created space for reflection, making the experience feel all the more meaningful.

The residential was a powerful example of young people stepping up, building trust, and making the most of their group. It was inspiring to see how relationships developed and how much pride young people took in what they achieved together. A huge thank you goes to our fantastic volunteers, Damhnaic, Laura, and Conor, whose time, care, and support made the residential possible. Their presence made all the difference and helped ensure the trip was safe, positive, and memorable for everyone involved.



CHRISTMAS PANTOMINE

In December 2024, over 100 Wee Rascals and Junior members, along with their families, enjoyed a truly magical evening at the Armagh Marketplace Theatre to watch the Rapunzel panto. The night was filled with laughter, cheering, and excitement, with young people fully engaged in the show's energy. It was a brilliant shared experience for families, creating special festive memories and bringing the wider Clonmore Youth Club community together.

The buzz in the theatre was infectious, and it was lovely to see parents, carers, and young people enjoying something special together. Moments like this highlight the importance of creating inclusive, community-focused experiences beyond weekly sessions. The evening was a perfect way to close out the year and head into the new year on a real high.

DUBLIN WICKED TRIP

Over 50 young people from Clonmore Youth Club enjoyed a brilliant day out at the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre to see Wicked. The trip was a real highlight, with the show captivating from start to finish and the atmosphere full of excitement, singing, and shared enjoyment.

The young people represented the club exceptionally well and made the day one to remember, with support from our volunteers ensuring everything ran smoothly.





BIG BREAKFAST COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER

One of the key highlights of the year was Clonmore Youth Club's Big Breakfast community fundraiser, which brought together local families, volunteers, businesses, and supporters for a well-attended and welcoming morning event. The Big Breakfast continues to serve a dual purpose: generating vital unrestricted income and strengthening relationships across the local community.



The event saw an excellent turnout and raised over £2,000, with all proceeds directed towards sustaining Clonmore Youth Club's weekly programmes and activities for children and young people. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many commenting on the inclusive atmosphere and the opportunity to better understand the impact of the Club's work.



The success of the event was made possible by the commitment of a large team of adult and youth volunteers, whose time and energy ensured it ran smoothly. Their involvement also provided meaningful volunteering and leadership opportunities for young people, supporting the Club's aim of fostering active citizenship and community engagement.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended, donated, volunteered, or sponsored the event. The continued generosity of local businesses, parents, and community members is vital to Clonmore Youth Club's ability to deliver high-quality, accessible youth services and respond to the needs of young people in our rural community.

AFTERNOON TEA

In November 2024, our Sunday Tea was a lovely community event, bringing together families, supporters, and volunteers for a relaxed and welcoming morning filled with tea, treats, and conversation. The atmosphere was warm and friendly, with a great turnout and a real sense of community spirit throughout the hall.

We are grateful to everyone who helped make the event such a success, from those who supported with preparation and serving to local businesses who contributed décor, baking, and produce. A special thank you also goes to BDR Transport for their generous donation in support of our work. Events like Sunday Tea highlight the strength of the community around Clonmore Youth Club and the importance of creating shared spaces beyond our weekly programmes.



CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

In December 2024, the kindness and generosity of our local community were truly heart-warming. Thanks to the incredible support we received, Aoife delivered donations of teddies and selection boxes to the Blossom Unit, helping to bring comfort, joy, and smiles to children and families during the festive period.

Moments like this remind us of the strength of our community and the care people have for one another. We are proud to be part of something that brings kindness beyond the youth club and into the wider community at such an important time of year.



To our Volunteers

Everything Clonmore Youth Club does is built on your time, care, and commitment. Week after week, you show up for children and young people, offering encouragement, patience, and a welcoming presence that makes the Club feel safe, familiar, and trusted. Your generosity and dedication are at the heart of our work, and without you, none of this would be possible.

Over the past year, we welcomed 12 new volunteers, including Junior Volunteers and Blue Crew members, whose energy and enthusiasm have been invaluable. From supporting weekly youth club sessions to helping deliver summer provision and community events, our volunteers create a positive, safe, and welcoming environment for every young person who walks through our doors. Whether leading activities, offering guidance, or simply being a friendly and trusted presence, their impact cannot be overstated.



We also continued to invest in our volunteers through a robust training and development programme. This year, volunteers completed First Aid, Child Protection and Safeguarding, Autism and Inclusivity Training and Mental Health First Aid. By prioritising learning, reflection, and collaboration, we are strengthening our volunteer network and, in turn, the quality of support we provide to young people across all age groups.

We want to express our heartfelt appreciation to our fantastic team of volunteers, many of whom are not pictured here. A massive thank you and well done to Pauline, Lisa, Brenda, Conor, Niamh, Johanne, Laura, Helen, Ciara, Kate, Alisa, Gordon, Lucie, Martina, Damhnaic, Jane, Sarah, Sara, Rebecca, Farrah, Petr, Eimear, Kate, Maeve C, Maeve S, Meabh C, Alanna-May, Finn, Patrick, Hannah, Cadhla, Nicole, Daire, Niall, Shanna, Eva, Amy, Katie-Rose, James, Lorcan, and Eve. Your dedication and hard work, particularly over the summer months, made a significant difference.

Thanks to your commitment, over 250 children and young people aged 3-18 across our community enjoyed a year full of fun, learning, connection, and unforgettable experiences. Your positive energy, care, and consistency have left a lasting impact on everyone involved. You have shown just how powerful volunteering can be, and we could not be prouder to have you on the Clonmore Youth Club team.



Thank You's

Clonmore Youth Club extends our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the funders, businesses, organisations, and individuals who have supported us over the past year. Your generosity, goodwill, and belief in our work have been central to the successful running of the club, our events, and our fundraising efforts, helping us continue to create meaningful opportunities for young people in our community.

Clonmore Youth Club would like to sincerely thank the following funders, organisations, businesses, and individuals for their generous support over the past year. Your generosity and belief in our work have helped us deliver meaningful programmes, inclusive events, and unforgettable experiences for children and young people across our community, and we are deeply grateful for your continued support.

4C Coffee House and Kitchen, Adele's Hairdressing, Aoife Harvey, Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council, Autobits, Bar Moy, BBC Children in Need, BDR Transport, Begley Sports, Bellamantia, the Beltons, BJ Mullen, Boys and Girls Clubs NI, Breda Cunningham Solicitors, Brew Coffee, Chips Away, Clonmore Robert Emmetts Football Club, CM Plant, Coco Lane, Crumlin Plant Sales, DMAC Engineering, Donaghys, Education Authority Youth Service, Forker's, Halifax Foundation, Hamill Flowers, Healthy Kids, Irwin's Bakery, John Foye, Keenaghan Mushrooms, Mackles, Mackle Foods, McKeever's Chemists, McKearney's Butchers, McKinney Competitions, National Lottery Community Fund, Oakley Forestry, O'Hanlon's, Paul Coary, PB's Bar, Questcon, Rolo Sports, Saltmarine Cars, Shaan Interiors, State of the Arts, Studio 63, T-Met, The Boulevard, The Food Doc, The Moy Lauder, Tommy's Bar, Tyrone Transport, and UK Youth.

A special shout-out goes to RDD Photography, particularly Rebecca, for capturing and filming our Colour Run, helping us celebrate and share this joyful community moment.

Your support has enabled us to deliver impactful programmes, run inclusive events, and support over 250 children and young people aged 3-18 throughout the year. We are deeply grateful for your continued commitment to Clonmore Youth Club and the wider community.

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

Closing Remarks from Chairperson





Looking back on the 2024 to 2025 year, Clonmore Youth Club has continued to grow as a trusted and valued part of our local community. This report reflects a year of strong delivery, meaningful relationships, and consistent support for children and young people, made possible by the dedication of our volunteers, staff, families, and supporters. Their commitment ensures that Clonmore Youth Club remains a safe, welcoming, and positive space where young people can belong and thrive.

Our volunteers remain the heart of everything we do. Their commitment, generosity of time, and willingness to continually develop their skills underpin the quality of our provision. Throughout the year, volunteers have engaged in training, mentoring, and reflective practice, strengthening both their own confidence and the experiences we offer to young people. I extend my sincere thanks to every volunteer who has contributed to the life of the club this year—your dedication continues to make a real and lasting difference.

This year marked Aoife's first full year as Leader in Charge, and I would like to acknowledge the leadership, care, and professionalism she has brought to the role. Aoife has provided strong, consistent leadership across all programmes, supporting staff and volunteers while ensuring that young people remain at the centre of everything we do. Her commitment to safeguarding, inclusion, and high-quality youth work has been instrumental in maintaining the positive culture of the club throughout the year.

Programme delivery across 2024–25 has been both varied and impactful. Our summer provision once again provided structured, engaging, and enjoyable opportunities for young people across Wee Rascals, Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors. These programmes supported confidence-building, social connection, and personal development, while offering young people safe spaces to learn, grow, and have fun.

Our Wee Rascals and Juniors programmes continue to provide vital social spaces through regular drop-in sessions, targeted workshops, and structured projects. A significant development this year was the formal separation of the Intermediates from the Seniors, creating a dedicated programme tailored to the needs of young people in this age group. This change has enabled more age-appropriate activities, deeper engagement, and stronger peer connections, and has been a positive step toward strengthening our overall programme structure.

Youth voice and leadership remain central to our work. The Youth Board played a particularly active role this year, most notably through the successful planning and delivery of the Youth Board Fun Day. This event demonstrated young people's ability to lead, fundraise, and engage the wider community, while building confidence, teamwork, and leadership skills.

2024-25 represents my first full year serving as Chairperson, and I want to personally thank everyone who has supported me in this role. I am deeply grateful to our Leader in Charge, volunteers, staff, and committee members for their trust, collaboration, and shared commitment to the club. I also wish to thank our new committee members, whose fresh perspectives and energy will help guide Clonmore Youth Club into its next phase of development.

Finally, I extend my sincere appreciation to our funders, partners, parents, and wider community. Your continued support, generosity, and belief in our mission enable us to deliver high-quality, community-led youth work. Together, we are building a stronger and more inclusive future for the young people of Clonmore and beyond.

Conor Forker
Chairperson

