

# CAVANALECK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL REPORT – 2023/2024

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Cavanaleck community association was established in the nineties with support from volunteers and the Housing Executive.

The purpose of the group is to provide activities, programs and events that bring the community together and increase skills and learning and decrease social isolation and loneliness.

We have been a registered charity since 2022.

CCA continue to run courses and events for our groups and the wider community.

Our kids club, The Little Willows and our growing teenage group continue to meet weekly as well as for other projects / events during the year.

Recruiting and retaining volunteers remains challenging, however, we are starting a drive to promote our new projects, working with the Council and other agencies, and hope that we will get commitment from 1 or 2 others to join us on the work ahead. We understand about work and family commitments and employment changes.

2024 was a more positive year for us. We had a very successful summer scheme and family community day out in Belfast. We also had a very well supported Community Funday. Our Halloween events and Christmas events were as always well supported by the community.

We continue to have an active and growing childrens group, a teenage group, a knitting and crochet group. Our coffee mornings and one of sessions for the whole community is all going well and being built on.

We are delighted to be working along with the FODC in the development of a new park, this has been fought for for so many years, this is exciting news for us.

We know the benefit our programs have been to participants from feedback that we receive so we are looking forward to the year ahead. We want to achieve the following for all those who come and take part in our programs ● Build self esteem ● Help to reduce stress, fear and anxiety ● Enrich relationships ● Bring communities together ● Reduce isolation ● Evoke new opportunities ● Reduce boredom ● Increase happiness ● Enable self expression and self discovery ● Improve emotional and physical health ● Have a pride in our place and space.

All our workers are volunteers. Without them we could not exist and provide these vital community activities. We would like to thank all those who support us through coming along and volunteering but also the community too for their support of all our events.