

# Good Morning Ballymena

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107761

## Details

Status	Received
Registered	2020-09-21
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

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## Activities

**Purposes:** GMB (good morning Ballymena) is established to provide a telephone befriending, support and alert service to older persons and vulnerable adults (hereinafter referred to as the "beneficiaries") resident in Ballymena and associated rural districts (hereinafter referred to as the "area of benefit"), who are experiencing loneliness, social isolation, fear of crime and health-related problems. By doing this, GMB hopes to support the beneficiaries to remain independent within their homes and communities and to encourage beneficiaries to build social networks. To establish or secure the establishment of a centre in Ballymena (hereafter called "the centre") and to maintain and manage such a centre or to cooperate with any local organisation(s) in its maintenance and management for the activities promoted by GMB in furtherance of the above objects.

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

**How the charity works:** Advice/advocacy/information, General charitable purposes, Medical/health/sickness

**Who the charity helps:** Carers, Older people, Volunteers

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£71,029	£67,336	£0	2

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin Crawford		
Ian Mckay		
Jackie Neill		
Mary Thompson		
Miss Elizabeth Peachey		
Mr Brian Holmes		
Mr Stuart Lloyd		
Mr William Mckean		
Mrs Donna Mccurdy		
Mrs Lynda Bell		
Mrs Patricia Mcneill		
Sarah Peachey		

**Good Morning Ballymena**

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# Accounts

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**GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA**

**REPORT & ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

## GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA

### TRUSTEES REPORT

#### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2025

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#### 1.0 The Management Committee:

The GMB AGM was held in June 2025 with the re-election of Office Bearers.

The current Management Committee is made up as follows:

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Colin Crawford	(Vice Chair)
Mary Thompson	(Secretary)
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Donna McCurdy	
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Elizabeth Peachey	
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Sadie Peachey	
Rose Wylie	
Stuart Lloyd	
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**2.0 Banker:** AIB Wellington Street, Ballymena BT43 6AF

**3.0 Accountant:** D. T. Carson, 51 – 53 Thomas Street, Ballymena, BT43 6AZ  
028 2565 2389

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Staff and volunteers make 775 telephone calls to members between one and seven mornings each week depending on their individual needs. Monday – Sunday (9.30am – 12.30pm).

Over the course of the 13 years history of the project, 656 members have benefited from the services of Good Morning Ballymena.

See a detailed profile report of Members/Referrals/Areas in Appendix (1).

Good Morning Ballymena made 370,097 free befriending telephone calls from August 2012 until the time of writing this report.

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April 2024 – March 2025, 59068 calls were made

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The Happy Bags contained items like Word Search books, pens, plants, food items etc. as well as our quarterly newsletters.

## **10. Calendar of Events 2024 – 2025**

Our events are as follows:

April:	280 x Goodie Bags
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May:	Tea Dance
June:	Bus Trip to Free Derry Museum
June:	AGM Lunch Club
July:	Trip to Crumlin Road Gael
July:	Lunch Club
Aug:	280 x Goodie Bags
Aug:	Trip to Portrush
September:	“Big Breakfast”

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October: Lunch Club with DJ  
October: Trip to Garden Centre  
November: Lunch Club with DJ  
December: Christmas Lunch for members  
December: Volunteers Lunch  
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#### **11. Statement of Account**

Accounts for the year 2024 – 2025 were prepared by D. T. Carson.

#### **12. Public Benefit Requirement**

The Trustees have had regard to the Public Benefit Requirement statutory guidance.

Approved by the Trustees on Good Morning Ballymena and signed on their behalf by



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Brian Holmes (Chairperson)

## GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA

For the year ended 31 March 2025

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Good Morning Ballymena

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Good Morning Ballymena for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on page 7.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

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#### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

  
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Date *6th August 2025*

**GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2025**

	Restricted Funds £	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Core Funding	22,604.40		22,604.40	20,720.70
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Impact Funding		1,125.00	1,125.00	525.00
National Lottery - Awards for All	9,995.00		9,995.00	-
Electrical Safety First Grant	5,000.00		5,000.00	-
MEA - PCSP Grant	2,484.80		2,484.80	1,446.48
BioEnergy Grant		2,000.00	2,000.00	-
Black Santa		1,300.00	1,300.00	-
Choice Grant	1,000.00		1,000.00	-
MEA Council Grant	500.00		500.00	2,607.26
Barclays		200.00	200.00	-
Halifax Foundation			-	4,852.00
CFNI			-	1,967.00
Clear Development Grant			-	1,356.00
Michelin Grant			-	1,000.00
Triangle Grant			-	1,000.00
Easy Fundraising			-	106.13
Donations		24,820.29	24,820.29	16,776.51
	<u>41,584.20</u>	<u>29,445.29</u>	<u>71,029.49</u>	<u>52,357.08</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Wages & Salaries/HMRC	20,587.70	3,990.20	24,577.90	17,914.25
Staff & volunteer travel expenses		3,413.70	3,413.70	3,277.25
Rent	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,300.00
Hire of Facilities		230.68	230.68	235.52
Insurance		1,415.12	1,415.12	678.37
Heat & Light			-	200.00
Stationery & Postage		452.50	452.50	233.82
Telephone, Internet & Security inc Zoom	4,150.42		4,150.42	3,065.28
Volunteer lunches & certificates		3,680.34	3,680.34	1,039.83
Professional Fees		448.00	448.00	830.76
Accountancy fees			-	960.00
Bank Fees		198.58	198.58	40.00
IT Equipment		567.62	567.62	303.99
Project costs including goody bags	11,180.99	13,806.61	24,987.60	16,084.03
Misc		213.75	213.75	1,169.05
	<u>38,919.11</u>	<u>28,417.10</u>	<u>67,336.21</u>	<u>47,332.15</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>	<u>2,665.09</u>	<u>1,028.19</u>	<u>3,693.28</u>	<u>5,024.93</u>
<b>Reconciliation at 31 March 2025</b>				
Surplus for the year	2,665.09	1,028.19	3,693.28	5,024.93
Transfer of funds			-	-
Bank balance at 31 March 2024			60,657.95	54,263.09
Visa card balance at 31 March 2024			(1,369.93)	-
Petty cash balance at 31 March 2024			3.69	3.69
2025/26 Deferred Income			9,995.00	-
<b>Cash balances at 31 March 2025</b>			<u>72,979.99</u>	<u>59,291.71</u>

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# Accounts

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GOOD MORNING BALLYMENA

Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024		2023	
	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Core Funding	20,720.70		20,720.70	33,278.70
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Impact Funding	525.00		525.00	1,500.00
PCSP Grant	1,446.48		1,446.48	0.00
Triangle Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Arnold Clarke Fund Grant			0.00	1,000.00
MEA Council Grants	1,107.26	1,500.00	2,607.26	5,680.34
CFNI	1,967.00		1,967.00	7,900.00
Groundwork UK Grant			0.00	1,000.00
Clear Development Grant	1,356.00		1,356.00	800.00
Black Santa			0.00	1,000.00
Enkalon Grant			0.00	500.00
Michelin Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Halifax Foundation	4,852.00		4,852.00	0.00
Easy Fundraising		106.13	106.13	0.00
Raffle			0.00	36.00
Tesco Refund			0.00	4.50
Power NI Refund			0.00	3,663.62
Donations		16,776.51	16,776.51	21,279.59
	<u>31,974.44</u>	<u>20,382.64</u>	<u>52,357.08</u>	<u>77,642.75</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Wages & Salaries/HMRC	15,767.48	2,146.77	17,914.25	16232.58
Staff & volunteer travel expenses		3,277.25	3,277.25	3099.85
Rent	1,300.00		1,300.00	3899.97
Hire of Facilities		235.52	235.52	400.00
Insurance		678.37	678.37	0.00
Water Rates			0.00	193.50
Heat & Light	200.00		200.00	2556.00
Stationery & Postage		233.82	233.82	953.30
Telephone, Internet & Security inc Zoom	3,065.28		3,065.28	4292.33
Volunteer lunches & certificates		1,039.83	1,039.83	1543.42
Professional Fees	107.26	723.50	830.76	670.00
Accountancy fees		960.00	960.00	900.00
Bank Fees		40.00	40.00	0.00
IT Equipment		303.99	303.99	1545.97
Project costs including goody bags	4,589.80	11,494.23	16,084.03	21168.13
Misc		1,169.05	1,169.05	315.28
	<u>25,029.82</u>	<u>22,302.33</u>	<u>47,332.15</u>	<u>57,770.33</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS</b>	<u>6,944.62</u>	<u>-1,919.69</u>	<u>5,024.93</u>	<u>19,872.42</u>
<b>Reconciliation at 31 March 2024</b>				
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	6,944.62	-1,919.69	5,024.93	19,872.42
Transfer of funds				
Bank balance at 31 March 2023			54,263.09	34,390.67
Petty cash balance at 31 March 2023			3.69	3.69
<b>Cash balances at 31 March 2024</b>			<u>59,291.71</u>	<u>54,266.78</u>

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# Annual report

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Approved by the Trustees on 29/05/2024 and signed on their behalf by

  
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Stuart Lloyd Chair person

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# Annual return

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# Accounts

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**REPORT & ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**D. T. CARSON & Co**

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**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

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#### **6.0 Finance & Funding**

In total, funding was received in the year to 31 March 2022 of £77,642.75 (2022 : £24,495.88). There was a surplus of receipts over payments in the year to 31 March 2023 of £19,872.42 (2022 : Deficit £18,714.18). Cash reserves at the year end amounted to £54,266.78 (2022 : £34,400.21)

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	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Core Funding	33,278.70		33,278.70	12,558.00
Mid & East Antrim Agewell Partnership - Impact Funding	1,500.00		1,500.00	305.75
Co-operation North Grant			0.00	1,999.22
Triangle Grant			0.00	1,000.00
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council - Covid Funding			0.00	749.70
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council - BGC Funding			0.00	999.00
Arnold Clarke Fund Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
MEA Council Grants	5,680.34		5,680.34	0.00
CFNI	7,900.00		7,900.00	0.00
Groundwork UK Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Clear Development Grant	800.00		800.00	0.00
Black Santa		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Enkalon Grant		500.00	500.00	0.00
Raffle		36.00	36.00	0.00
Tesco Refund		4.50	4.50	0.00
Power NI Refund		3,663.62	3,663.62	0.00
Donations		21,279.59	21,279.59	5,884.21
	<u>49,159.04</u>	<u>28,483.71</u>	<u>77,642.75</u>	<u>24,495.88</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Wages & Salaries/HMRC	13,840.44	2,392.14	16,232.58	15116.91
Staff & volunteer travel expenses		3,099.85	3,099.85	2220.05
Rent	3,899.97		3,899.97	5166.62
Hire of Facilities		400.00	400.00	0.00
Insurance			0.00	1167.23
Water Rates		193.50	193.50	193.96
Heat & Light		2,556.00	2,556.00	1788.00
Stationery & Postage		953.30	953.30	1086.42
Telephone, Internet & Security inc Zoom	4,292.33		4,292.33	3964.58
Volunteer lunches & certificates		1,543.42	1,543.42	584.85
Professional Fees		670.00	670.00	75.00
Accountancy fees		900.00	900.00	1200.00
IT Equipment		1,545.97	1,545.97	0.00
Project costs including goody bags	10,276.74	10,891.39	21,168.13	9802.89
Misc		315.28	315.28	843.55
	<u>32,309.48</u>	<u>25,460.85</u>	<u>57,770.33</u>	<u>43,210.06</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS</b>	<u>16,849.56</u>	<u>3,022.86</u>	<u>19,872.42</u>	<u>-18,714.18</u>
<b>Reconciliation at 31 March 2023</b>				
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	16,849.56	3,022.86	19,872.42	-18,714.18
Transfer of funds				
Bank balance at 31 March 2022			34,390.67	53,104.85
Petty cash balance at 31 March 2022			3.69	9.54
<b>Cash balances at 31 March 2023</b>			<u>54,266.78</u>	<u>34,400.21</u>