

# Breen Centre

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107827

## Details

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Status	Received
Company number	<a href="#">29657</a>
Registered	2020-11-23
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

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**Website** [www.breencentre.co.uk](http://www.breencentre.co.uk)

## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Charity's objects ("Objects") are to benefit the inhabitants United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (the area of benefit") without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, race, ethnicity, or political, religious or other opinion and in particular to:- 1.Advance the protection, preservation and improvement of the natural environment and wildlife for the benefit of the public; 2.Advance the arts, culture and creative enterprises; 3.Advance community development.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of citizenship or community development,The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science,The advancement of environmental protection or improvement

**How the charity works:** Arts,Community development,Community enterprise,Cultural,Education/training,Human rights/equality,Volunteer development,Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training,Ex-offenders and prisoners,General public,Men,Specific areas of deprivation,Unemployed/low income,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers,Women,Youth (14-25 year olds)

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£104,706	£117,495	£0	0

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Adree Wallace		
Catrina Feely		
David Moore		
Deirdre Doherty		
Denise Esdale		
Laura Couser		

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# Accounts

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Breen Centre  
(Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee)  
Annual Report and Financial Statements  
For Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

## Members of the Board and Professional Advisors

### Trustees

Adree Wallace

David Moore

William Frew

Catrina Feely

Denise Esdale

Deirdre Doherty

Laura Couser

*Andrew Kernaghan (Resigned 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024)*

Catrina Feely (Secretary)

### Company Number

NI029657

### Charity Registration Number

107827

### Registered Office

100 Glenshesk Road,  
Armoy,  
County Antrim,  
BT53 8RZ

### Independent Examiner

DJB Accounting Ltd  
34 Knockmoyle Drive,  
Antrim  
BT41 1HE

## Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

### Objectives and Activities

The Breen Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee, established to promote community development, education, health and wellbeing in the local area.

The Centre provides accessible facilities for community groups, educational and social programmes, youth activities, and initiatives designed to improve inclusion and quality of life for local residents.

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit when planning and carrying out the charity's activities.

### Achievements and Performance

During the year, the Centre:

- Hosted a wide range of community, cultural and educational events
- Developed and supported a number of groups and individuals and
- Secured grant funding from various funders to support a range of community-based activities and events.

The trustees are grateful to all funders, partners, volunteers and local residents who contributed to the success of the year's activities.

### Financial Review

Total income for the year amounted to **£104,706**, with expenditure of **£117,495**, resulting in a **deficit of £12,789**.

Reserves at the year-end were **£72,066** which the trustees consider appropriate to maintain the Centre's ongoing operations and manage unforeseen costs.

The charity continues to operate on a sound financial footing, with good control over costs and regular monitoring by the trustees.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The Breen Centre is governed by its Articles of Association and managed by a board of volunteer trustees who also serve as company directors.

The board met regularly throughout the year to oversee strategy, finance and operations.

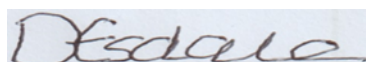
Day-to-day activities are supported by volunteers.

### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing this report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and accounting standards, and for ensuring proper accounting records are kept. They also confirm that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the charity's affairs and that the charity is a going concern.

**Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

and signed on its behalf by



**Denise Esdale - Chairperson**

# Independent Accountant's Report to the Members of Breen Centre

I have examined the Financial Statements of Breen Centre for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, set out on the following pages.

This report is made solely to the members by an accountancy firm licensed by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, a Recognised Professional Accountancy Body, to carry out independent reviews.

Our examination has been undertaken so that we might state to the members those matters we are required to state to them to make this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law.

I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the members for this work, for this report, or for the statements made.

## Respective responsibilities of Members and Examiners

The society's members consider that an audit is not required for the year and that an independent review is appropriate.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts: and
- State whether particular matters have come to our attention.

## Basis of Independent Accountant's Statement

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the society and a comparison of the income and expenditure account presented with those records.

It includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the income and expenditure account and seeks explanations from the members 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 income and expenditure account.

## Independent Examiner's Statement

In the course of this examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives a reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the members have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- Proper accounting records are kept; and
- Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records.

or

- To which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

*David Blair CPFA*

David Blair CPFA (05/01/2026)

(409019-CIP)

## Statement of Financial Activities for Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 – Main Account

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Income funds	Total funds	Total last year
Income	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donations, legacies and Grants	-	101,107	<b>101,107</b>	154,765
Fundraising events	3,599	-	<b>3,599</b>	2,824
<b><u>Total Incoming Resources</u></b>	<b>3,599</b>	<b>101,107</b>	<b>104,706</b>	<b>157,589</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Charitable activities	3,672	99,284	<b>102,956</b>	124,032
Bank charges and interest	53	-	<b>53</b>	59
Cost of fundraising events	99	1,457	<b>1,556</b>	-
Insurance	179	-	<b>179</b>	306
Office expenses	1,172	218	<b>1,389</b>	2,117
Rent, rates and power	200	11,049	<b>11,249</b>	7,361
Repairs and maintenance	112	-	<b>112</b>	1,092
<b><u>Total Resources Expended</u></b>	<b>5,487</b>	<b>112,008</b>	<b>117,495</b>	<b>134,967</b>
<b>Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources Before Transfers</b>	<b>-1,888</b>	<b>-10,901</b>	<b>-12,789</b>	<b>26,622</b>
<b>Gross Transfers Between Funds</b>	<b>26,867</b>	<b>-26,867</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>Net Movement in Funds</u></b>	<b>24,979</b>	<b>-37,768</b>	<b>-12,789</b>	<b>22,622</b>
<b>Total Funds Brought Forward</b>	<b>29,875</b>	<b>54,980</b>	<b>84,855</b>	<b>62,233</b>
<b><u>Total Funds Carried Forward</u></b>	<b>72,066</b>	<b>17,212</b>	<b>72,066</b>	<b>84,855</b>

## Statement of Financial Position at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 Main Account

### Balance Sheet

	Note	2025	2024
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible Assets	5	7,610	9,980
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<b>7,485</b>	<b>9,980</b>

<b>Current Assets</b>				
	Cash at bank and in Hand	6	64,456	74,875
<b><u>Total Current Assets</u></b>			<b>64,456</b>	<b>74,875</b>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>				
	Accrued Expenses		-	-
<b><u>Net Current Assets</u></b>			<b>64,456</b>	<b>74,875</b>
<b>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</b>			72,066	84,855
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After One Year</b>			-	-
<b>Net Assets</b>			72,066	84,855
<b>Represented By General Fund</b>				
	Unrestricted Funds		-	-
	Restricted Funds	7	72,066	84,855
<b>Total Funds at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025</b>			<b>72,066</b>	<b>84,855</b>

The trustees are required by the constitution to prepare financial statements for each financial year which reflects the charity's financial position at the end of the year and of the results for that period.

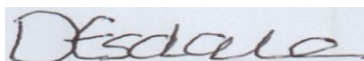
In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies that are in keeping with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, apply them consistently and make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with fundamental accounting.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and take reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and accounting misstatements.

**Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

and signed on its behalf by:




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Denise Esdale – Chairperson

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# Accounts

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**Registered Number NI029657**

**BREEN CENTRE**

**Micro-Entity Accounts**

**31st March 2024**

## Micro – entity Income &amp; Expenditure Account - 31st March 2024

INCOME	£	£
Grants		154,765
Income Generation		1,436
Other Income		1,388
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>157,589</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Broadband / Streaming	1,728	
Insurance	306	
Water Charges	174	
Office Expenses	159	
Rent	4,761	
Heat & Light	2,426	
Equipment	5,164	
Travel	10,003	
Volunteer Costs	4,825	
Food & Essential Items	5,000	
Project Costs	95,390	
Hospitality	1,470	
Repair & Maintenance	1,092	
Childcare	2,180	
Sundry	230	
Expenditure before bank interest and charges		134,908
Bank Interest and Charges		59
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>134,967</b>
<b>Total profit for year (Restricted funds)</b>		<b>22,622</b>

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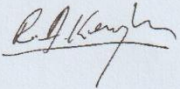
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Micro – entity Balance Sheet 31st March 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed Assets		9980	4816
Current Assets		-	-
Prepayments and accrued income		-	-
Creditors amounts falling due within one year		0	0
Net Current Assets(liabilities)		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		9980	4816
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		0	0
Provision for liabilities			
Accruals and deferred income			
Total net assets (liabilities)		<u>9980</u>	<u>4816</u>

- For the year ending 31st March 2024, the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to company's subject to the small company's regime.

Approved by the Board on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2024



And signed for on their behalf by:  
A. Kernaghan – Chairperson



Signed by independent examiner  
Roberta Neely MACP/MKM – Credit Controller

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# Annual report

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# **BREEN CENTRE**

SUPPORTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THROUGH  
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES ACTIVITIES & LIFELONG LEARNING



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**April 2023-March 2024**

# BREEN CENTRE- ANNUAL REPORT

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## **Strategic Highlights**

During the period, the Trustees achieved a number of planned key strategic development outcomes which included.

### **Developing Women in the Community Programme**

The Breen Centre continues to deliver the highly successful Developing Women in the Community Programme within the Macedon area of Newtownabbey on behalf of the Department for Communities.

Three programmes have now been delivered with a total of 45 women participating in a range of topics such as developing self-esteem, improving mental health, leadership and mentoring. The programme also enabled the women to access volunteering opportunities and to plan and deliver their own Social Action Project. The final programme will be delivered during the period April 2024 – March 2025.

### **Development of Veterans Support Group**

The Newtownabbey Veterans Group continues to expand and has engaged in a range of activities during the year. The members continue to meet on a monthly basis and have organised and attended a number of veterans themed events such as the annual VSO Conference, meeting with the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council Veterans Champion and the SEFF Border Tours.

The highlight for the group was securing two allotments in the Rathfern estate which enable the members to engage in horticultural activities and training, improving mental and physical health outcomes and providing practical help and support.

### **Development of Cross Border Programme**

The Board also secured the resources to deliver a small pilot cross border project bringing together women from the Newtownabbey and Inishowen areas. This project proved so popular that we developed a larger programme engaging 60 women from both areas in an eighteen-month programme which will commence in September 2024.

## **Financial Highlights**

In compliance with our fundraising strategy for the period 2023-2024 the trustees successfully applied for, and secured, over £157,589 to cover operational, revenue, programme, and staffing costs.

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The Trustees have identified a number of new funding opportunities for the incoming period and will also continue to build on existing relationships. We would take this opportunity to thank all our funders, as we would be unable to undertake much of our work without their generosity and continued support.

## **Operating Highlights**

This year has been an opportunity for the Board to develop a range of new community-based programmes to be delivered within the Newtownabbey area. We look forward to increasing our community impact and engaging with those in the community who traditionally have not had the opportunity to engage in community-based activities before.

## **Looking Ahead**

Moving into 2025, our work will continue to focus on the major capital project which will see the re-development of Breen Centre into an outdoor learning facility with accommodation, recreational facilities and enhanced office and community space.

Working in cooperation with a number of support organisations and funders we would hope to have this project completed by 2027.

I would like to thank our Trustees and volunteers who give so much of their time and expertise to the development and operation of the Breen Centre, the funders who support us, and our communities for their continued partnership working and cooperation.



Andrew Kernaghan  
Chairperson

26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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## Community Impact

From April 2023 to March 2024 Breen Centre has been engaged in a wide range of community impact activities which have included:

- Forty-five women from the Macedon ward of Newtownabbey successfully completed the Developing Women in the Community Programme
- With continued support from the Breen Centre the women developed their own group, Rathcoole CREW, which is now supporting women from the greater Rathcoole area. The Breen Centre continues to support, resource and mentor the group and during the period supported them to develop their governance structure and training for the Trustees.
- In 2023-2024 we continued our comparative analysis research study of two areas, one in Northern Ireland and one in England, of the impacts of poverty and social inequality experienced by residents in similar low-income housing estates, Rathcoole and Wellingborough. This year we welcomed residents from Wellingborough on three exchange programmes to Northern Ireland and two to Wellingborough to continue to develop the programme.
- Development of the Women Crossing Borders Programme which has engaged 30 women from the Newtownabbey and Inishowen areas to participate in meaningful dialogue.
- The development of the Newtownabbey Veterans Group
- Thanks to the generosity of the National Lottery, we were able to support a large number of senior residents within Rathcoole who were experiencing financial difficulties during the post COVID and Cost of Living Crisis by providing vouchers for gas, electricity and food.

Other activities included:

- Production of a business plan to support the development of the capital project at the Breen Centre
- Delivery of a range of educational and training programmes within the Newtownabbey area

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## Research

Our ongoing research into knowledge and social justice, provides capacity to explore issues of community knowledge and power with partners from Northern Ireland, England, Ireland, and the United States of America which has enabled us to participate in a collaborative inquiry about how knowledge about “severe and multiple disadvantage” is created, interpreted, and used.

Our research informs ongoing community impact initiatives similar to the ones highlighted in this annual report and we regularly share and collaborate with various researchers and funders regarding causes of systematic poverty.

## Research and Conference Collaborations

- Belfast Symposium – Impact of Poverty and Social Inequality
- Peacebuilding & Justice Research – State University of New York
- Breaking Barriers, Women in Peace Building, Dublin
- Independent Monitoring Commission
- Ending Violence Against Women & Girls

## Community Impact Outputs

### PARTNER GROUPS

- Rathcoole CREW
- Newtownabbey Veterans Group
- Inishowen Development Partnership

### VIDEO

Video essay production, production, and post-production facilities

### PHOTOGRAPHIC

Archive of resources which document the local communities we support

### EVENTS

- Cultural tours to Belfast, Londonderry, Donegal, Fermanagh
- Women’s Health & Wellbeing events
- Glen Espie talk – The Terrorist Always Knocks Twice

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- Ending Violence Against Women & Girls symposium
- Christmas Crafts workshops
- Armed Forces project
- Family BBQ
- SEFF Border Tours
- Women in Peacebuilding
- International Women's Day
- CFNI Anti-Poverty Strategy
- Inishowen residential
- Dalaradia - Mental Health & Addiction Awareness event
- DWC Combined Celebration events

## TRAINING

- Train the Trainers programme
- Archery
- Mediation
- Mental health & Wellbeing
- Domestic Violence
- Building self esteem
- Heads Up – Drug & Alcohol awareness
- Restorative Justice
- David Hume – History of Ireland
- Leadership & Management
- Suicide Awareness
- Healthy Eating
- Sound Bath
- Menopause
- Pet Therapy
- One Pill Will Kill
- Trauma informed practice

## TAKEAWAYS

Supporting community development through creative industries activities and lifelong learning.

# BREEN CENTRE- ANNUAL REPORT

## **Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of the Breen Centre Charitable Company**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, which are set out on pages 1 to 2 of this report.

### **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and also the Directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Companies Act 2006

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records

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3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice CCNI ARR07 – supporting document 7 August 2016 applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

## **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.

Name: Roberta Neely

Relevant professional qualification if any:       MACP/ MILM - Credit Controller

Address: 37 Rathmore Drive, Newtownabbey, BT37 9AQ

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BREEN CENTRE**

**Registered Number NI029657**

## **Micro – entity Income & Expenditure Account - 31st March 2024**

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## **Company Information**

Company Name: Breen Centre

Company Address:

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Web: [www.breencentre.co.uk](http://www.breencentre.co.uk)

Incorporated 16<sup>th</sup> June 1995

Company Number NI 029657

Charity Registration 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Charity Number NIC 107827

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# Annual return

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**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and also the Directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Companies Act 2006

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice CCNI ARR07 – supporting document 7 August 2016 applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent examiner's statement**

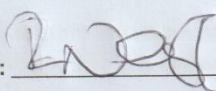
I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name Roberta Neely

Relevant professional qualification if any: MACP- MILM

Address: 37 Rathmore Drive, Newtownabbey, BT37 9BW

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (ICAI) and am registered as a Chartered Accountant (CA) with the Institute.

I have examined your Charity accounts as required under section 43 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general principles given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland in its guidance 'Charity Accounts'.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity with a copy of the accounts prepared with those records. It also included consideration of any sources, items or disclosures in the accounts and working explanations from any charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving the cause to believe:

1. That accounting entries have not been made in accordance with section 43 of the Charities Act 2009.
2. That the accounts do not comply with those accounting records.
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SRRP) - supporting document August 2014 applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and for the Republic of Ireland.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be prepared.

**Breen Centre**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107827

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# Accounts

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**Financial Statements of the Breen Centre for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

## Breen Centre

### Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

#### Income

Grant Income	89897
Income Generation	2179
Other Income	1543
Internal Transfer	6481

**Total Income** 100100

#### Expenditure

Broadband/ Streaming	2357
Insurance	1857
Office Expenses	176
Water Charges	73
Facilitation	19052
Childcare	3295
Rent	885
Heat & Light	3676
Equipment	2627
Volunteer Travel	4995
Food & Essential Items	716
Project Expenses	13330
Hospitality	4
Repair & Maintenance	2084
Internal Transfer	6569
Bank	44

**Total Expenditure** **61740**

Surplus for the year 38360

Opening balance 13891

Closing balance 52251

**BREEN CENTRE Registered Number NI029657**  
**Micro – Entity Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2023**

	<i>Notes</i>	2023	2022
		£	£
Fixed Assets.		4816	2189
Current Assets		-	-
Prepayments and accrued income		-	-
Creditors amounts falling due within one year		0	0
Net Current Assets(liabilities).		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets less current liabilities.		<u>76</u>	<u>152</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		0	0
Provision for liabilities			
Accruals and deferred income			
Total net assets (liabilities)		<u>4816</u>	<u>2189</u>
 Reserves		 <u>0</u>	 <u>76</u>

- For the year ending 31st March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to company's subject to the small company's regime.

Approved by the Board on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May 2023



And signed for on their behalf by:  
A. Kernaghan – Chairperson.



Signed by independent examiner.  
Roberta Neely MACP – Credit Controller

**Breen Centre**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107827

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# Annual report

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**Breen Centre**  
**100 Glenshesk Road, Armoy, Co. Antrim**



# ANNUAL REPORT

**YEAR ENDING MARCH 2023**

*Annual report for Breen Centre registered charity number: NIC107827*

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## Project Highlights

### STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS

Some of the main highlights achieved during the period 2022-2023 were the development of new community projects and activities which had been in the planning stages over the past two years but unfortunately unable to progress due to the COVID Pandemic.

The OCN accreditation for the centre, which was a key ambition from 2020, was also progressed over the year with the first students beginning a Level 3 Photography course in September 2022. We are now able to offer a range of outdoor learning and creative industries courses to the local communities we work with.

Other projects developed were:

- Phase Two of the Developing Women in the Community Programme
- The continued development and support for the Rathcoole CREW Women's Group
- The continuation of the Lankelly Chase Research Programme
- In March 2023 Breen Centre received a substantial grant to support veterans in the Newtownabbey area

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Our fundraising capacity met our target set by the board in 2022 and we aim to extend our target to reflect our growing funding success in the period 2023-2024.

### OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022 carried out internal and external renovations to the Breen Centre which aligned with our volunteering strategy and our ethos of developing new community focused activities to support

### LOOKING AHEAD

Our focus is now on the re-development of Breen Centre into a state-of-the-art outdoor learning facility with accommodation, recreational facilities and office space.

Andrew Kernaghan

Chairperson

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

## Community Impact Outputs

### **AUDIO**

Podcasts, recording facilities, affordable and accessible practice and rehearsal space.

### **VIDEO**

Video essay production, production and post-production facilities

### **PHOTOGRAPHIC**

Archive of resources which document the local communities we work with

### **WRITTEN**

Reports and published research.

### **EVENTS**

Online symposia, photographic exhibition

### **TRAINING**

Delivery and provision of community training – ILM Level 5 Leadership & Management, Colours, Train the Trainer, OCN Level 3 Photography, Health & Wellbeing.

### **TAKEAWAYS**

Continuing to support community development through creative industries activities and life-long learning.

## Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of the Breen Centre Charitable Company

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 2 of this report.

### **Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and the Directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Companies Act 2006

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended

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4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **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.

Name: Roberta Neely

Relevant professional qualification if any: MACP- Credit Controller

Address: 37 Rathmore Drive, Newtownabbey, BT37 9BW

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Company & Charity Information

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Company Incorporated 16<sup>th</sup> June 1995

Company Number – NI 029657

Charity Registered 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 107827

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