

Trustee's Annual Report for the period of  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2020 to 01<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

Abbey Allsorts

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### **Public Benefit Reporting**

To be a charity in Northern Ireland an organisation must have exclusively charitable purposes. One component of what makes a purpose charitable is that it is for the public benefit. This is known as the public benefit requirement. Public benefit is, therefore, at the heart of what makes an organisation a charity.

By reporting on public benefit, charity trustees identify that their charity is effectively doing what it was set up to do and is making a positive difference to its beneficiaries. This should not be difficult for charity trustees of well governed charities to demonstrate. Public benefit reporting within the trustees' annual report gives the charity an opportunity to engage the reader and give them a good understanding of the impact the charity has had across the year. It is a tool to enhance accountability to all of the charity's stakeholders including its funders, donors, members and beneficiaries.

All registered charities must:

- report annually on how they have continued to meet the public benefit requirement and
- confirm that they have had due regard to guidance produced by the Commission.

## Public benefits

The direct benefits which flow from purpose 1 include improved inclusion for children with disabilities and their families, this will lead to improved physical and mental health and wellbeing outcomes for all participants. Other direct benefits are social and educational activities which allow families to explore and learn together. The direct benefits which flow from purpose 2 included improved support for the carers through face to face and online interactions. This will lead to improved physical and mental health and wellbeing outcomes for all participants. This benefit will be demonstrated through measurement by feedback from service users through questionnaires and verbal feedback after sessions. The purposes of our charity may lead to no harm. Children with disabilities and their siblings and carers in the Co. Antrim area. The only private benefit flowing from this purpose is that the members may also have children with disabilities and use the services provided and this is incidental and necessary because it allows people using the service to direct the work of the organisation based on their experiences.

## What Abbey Allsorts does

Abbey Allsorts provides but is not limited to, arts and crafts, singing and dancing, messy play, children's entertainer's along with family fun and games allowing families to explore, have fun and learn together. We are also Sensory and Makaton Friendly. With a Mobi Changer and Hoist available to use. Abbey Allsorts will support their carer's and build a network for them, where they can access information that can help their families with Peer support and learning how each family has dealt with

situations that can arise. Allowing families to engage and support each other face to face with other families, as they face the ups and downs of family life.

#### Summary of work during 2021

Peer Support

Family Support

Weekly Activities

Easter Activities

Summer Scheme

Halloween Activities

Christmas Activities

Delivering Activity packs to members during Covid19 emergency, to address the loneliness and isolation our children had to go through.

#### **Regard to the Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance (CCNI ARR08 June 2019)**

The Charity Trustees of Abbey Allsorts declare that they have had regard to the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, additionally, to report on the activities the charity has carried out to further its purposes for the public benefit.

Abbey Allsorts is a constituted organisation detailed within the "Abbey Allsorts Constitution 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020"

#### **Trustees during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

- **Ursula Clyde**
- **Jillian Kettley**
- **Karen Phillips**  
**Paula North**
- **Lynsey Jameson**
- **Thomas Clyde**

The procedure to select replacement Trustees is>

- Stated communication to all the Trustees giving 30 days notice detailing purpose of meeting.
- Nominees must be proposed and seconded by Trustees. On agreement of a proposed replacement Trustee two Trustees will be appointed to verify suitability of individual and report back at a meeting within the next month.

- On receipt of a favourable report from the scrutineers at the next meeting the replacement Trustee will be appointed and invited to the next meeting.

### **Abbey Allsorts financial position at the end of the year**

At the end of the 2021 year Abbey Allsorts is in a fairly good financial position.

- Currently there are no financial liabilities.
- Assets have remained the same in value at £2500 in 2021
- Grants remained the same form Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council. These were spent for the public benefit as per the Grant Funders guidelines.
- Reserves will be used to cover outgoings while awaiting payment from Funders.
- Reserves will be used for training of volunteers.
- Reserves will be used for the emergency support of service users.
- No funds are materially in deficit

No funds are held by the charity as a Custodian trustee

### **A Summary description of the purposes of the charity**

Abbey Allsorts is established for the following purposes

1. To provide an educational safe and enjoyable place for children with disabilities and their siblings to come together.
2. To support their carer's and build a network for them.