

Trustee's Annual Report for the period of 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024.

Abbey Allsorts

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Public Benefit Reporting

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 too, 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 carers 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 2024

2024 seen Abbey Allsorts moving to a monthly meeting with the sessions being led by an Autism Consultant. The sessions included Lego Therapy and pre secondary transfer coping skills and tools. The Autism consultant delivered via group and one to one sessions. During the period of the meetings the parents/ guardians are able to meet in a separate room having peer support and support and assistance from Listening Ear.

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 29th February 2020"

Trustees during the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

- **Paula North**
- **Karen Phillips (Kerr)**
- **Jacqueline Ham**
- **Brian Kerr**
- **Samantha Wallace**
- **Janine Caddell**
- **William Smallwood**

- 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 2024 year Abbey Allsorts is in a good financial position.

- Currently there are no financial liabilities that the Trustees are aware of. There are no non-vouchered for funds identified.
- There are no assets.
- Restricted funds from grants where spend for the public benefit as per the Grant Funders guidelines and all non-vouchered for funds were returned.
- Reserves will be used to cover outgoings while awaiting payment from Funders.
- Reserves will be used for training of volunteers.
- 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) 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
- (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.

Signature of Trustee: Paula North

