

Joy 21

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108196

Details

Status Received

Registered 2021-09-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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Activities

Purposes: 1. To improve the wellbeing of new and expectant parents of a child that has been diagnosed with Down syndrome in Northern Ireland by sharing a message of congratulations, inspiration and joy. - Via working with partner organisations to provide positive and encouraging materials at the point of diagnosis in maternity hospitals/units across Northern Ireland. 2. The relief of those in need by reason of youth and disability. o Via providing maternity hospitals with details of local Down syndrome support groups for parents and children for each relevant area across Northern Ireland. 3. Advancements in education via visiting schools in Northern Ireland to inform and educate on the ability and potential of those that have Down syndrome. 4. To remove discrimination of those that have Down syndrome and improve acceptance of diversity within the education system.

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

How the charity works: Counselling/support,Disability,Human rights/equality

Who the charity helps: Carers,Learning disabilities,Parents

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees	
2025-04-01		£0	£0	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
A Smyth		
C Smyth		
K Perry		
L Loade		
R Loade		

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Accounts

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Receipts & payments accounts for the year ended 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Receipts

Donations	0
Other	0
Total Receipts	0

Payments

World down syndrome day badges	0
Website and email hosting	0
Total Payments	0

Net 0

Bank at start of period 3172.49

Bank at end of period 3172.49

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Receipts

Donations	445.78
Other	0
Total Receipts	445.78

Payments

World down syndrome day badges	18.81
Website and email hosting	345.31
Total Payments	364.12

Net 81.66

Bank at start of period 3090.83

Bank at end of period 3172.49

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Annual report

Joy 21 Trustee's Annual Report

April 2023- April 24

Joy 21's mission is to share the message of joy and positivity to all new and expectant parents of a child that just happens to have Down syndrome. Joy 21 has partnered with the American charity PALS to bring their wonderful 'Congratulations Project' books here to Northern Ireland, to be given to new and expectant parents of babies that have Down Syndrome.

Our proceeds go towards producing our New Parents Congratulations Packs which contain the Congratulations book, along with the details of local support groups for that area, and some gifts for the new parents/arrival. We have continued to develop and build our packs which now contain the Congratulations Project book, a T-shirt for the new baby which states, 'Born to take on the World', our 3-star congratulations bracelets for the parents/guardians and a letter from us.

During the 2023-2024 period, the charity faced unforeseen challenges due to personal circumstances affecting the trustees. As a result, the charity's usual activities were significantly limited. Despite these difficulties, the trustees remain committed to the charity's mission and are working towards re-engaging with its objectives in the coming year.

We have continued to receive wonderful feedback regarding our packs, from a variety of sources, including midwives, nurses, pediatricians, therapists, Mums, Dads and families. We are delighted to be able to provide this message of joy and positivity to new parents at a time of uncertainty.

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Joy 21

I report on the accounts for the year ended April 2024.

Basis of examiner's statement

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 as required by section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
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: Stephanie Robbin

Relevant professional qualification if any: BSc Economics & Finance

Address: 11 Hampton Lane, Larne, BT40 2FR

Date: 23/02/2025

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Receipts	
Donations	722.43
Other	0
Total Receipts	722.43
Payments	
Postage	11.4
Domain name renewal	101.69
Total Payments	113.09
Net	609.34
Bank at start of period	2480.69
Bank at end of period	3090.83

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We have continued to develop positive relationships with key staff within maternity and neonatal units across NI, ensuring that staff are able to reach out when their stocks of our New Parent Congratulations Packs are running low. This year we donated a further 8 packs to the Royal Maternity and Neonatal Unit. We also provided packs to community-based clinics such as the Child Development Centre, to ensure that if any parents missed out on packs in hospital, they would still receive one. Packs were also donated to a Belfast therapy group specifically designed for Parents of young babies who have been diagnosed with Down's Syndrome.

We have also continued to directly post our New Parent packs to any parents who have got in touch with us either via referral from a health professional, email or through our socials.

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Date: 28/01/2024