

**Sunflower Support NI AGM
Tuesday 2nd December 2025**

Present: Shauna, Larissa, Maeve, Donna, Sarah, Pauline, Gemma & Kasey

Apologies: Tanya

Finances

Current account balance £374.35. Red bucket has petty cash of £100+

Rent for hall/room in Ardboe is now costing £100 per ? may be best to look for other venues. Discussed applying for larger funding from Big Lottery to take on a larger venue that could be used for other activities and events to save having to rent out other places.

Ulster Wildlife new project, Mid Ulster Growers are providing grants of £3,000 to organisations that link up. Castledawson Community Association have partnered up with Sunflower and Tanya and Shauna are going to their sessions.

Monitoring of funding app is time consuming. CWSAN is a lot of paperwork for a small sum. PowerNI and Halifax are draw based.

Pauline has got 2 cheques, Stephen O'Neill £400 and £50 from ? These funds could be used for a Christmas cinema trip, booking fee is £200 and for approx 80 people cost is usually £400.

Paypal has a £400 balance which we are unable to withdraw due to them wanting the account to be changed to a business account. Shauna and Larissa looking into this.

Fundraising

Polar Bear dip at Splash. Splash have agreed to give the use of their facilities for free. Registration fee could be £10 and then each individual fundraises themselves. The last one raised £3,000.

Christmas raffle - draw date Monday 15th December. Clubfunder is a free option.

School non uniform day

Sunflower 10 year anniversary 2026

The £20k Big Lottery funding could fund an event in early September 2026. Marque , food, amusements, petting farm. Council has events grants, could be used to hire toilets etc. Could bring in people to help, have their own stalls to advertise or sell their own products or services. Joanne from wisebytes etc. The event could be ticket based, food included. Possible venues, Meadowbank, Moneymore recreation centre, Kinturk Culture Centre

Any other business

Change to constitution - change agreed upon by all members and agreed that ongoing chat in group can be used as minutes.

Committee Votes

Chairperson - Shauna, nominated by Donna & Gemma

Treasurer - Tanya, nominated by Kasey & Maeve

Secretary - Donna, nominated by Larissa & Maeve

Gemma put forward to join the committee.

Current members - Ann Marie, Stacey & Danny, Kasey, Maeve and Sarah are happy to continue

Cynthia Blair is happy to stay on the committee as an external evaluator to do the accounts.

Wendy no longer wishes to continue and Emma was removed due to misconduct